Walking for Dreams is scheduled for August 16 on the canal downtown and benefits 21 charities.
MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD EVENTS & RESOURCES for AUGUST 2020

There are few in-person events this month due to Corona Virus restrictions, please check out the virtual meetings.

Fri Aug 7, 2020, 8:30pm - 10:30pm Drive-in Movie Night
Where: Overcoming Church, 2203 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
Join the Youth Ministry's OCC Drive-In and watch the Lion King! Please bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, & snacks to enjoy. We will be practicing social distancing. More info or register at https://www.overcomingchurch.org/content.cfm?id=382

Sun Aug 9, 2020, 10am - 12pm Praise in the Parking Lot!
Where: St John AME Church, 1669 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
The lot is directly across the street from the church. We will have chairs socially distanced or you may remain in your car. MASKS REQUIRED! Contact Marianne Cruse at SSTJOHNAME@indy.rr.com for more info.

Sun Aug 16, 2020, 2pm - 4pm Walking For Dreams
Where: Buggs Temple - 337 W. 11th Street, Indianapolis
Multi-Organization Fundraising Walk on the canal downtown. Walk in-person or on your own. Find supporters to sponsor your walk and raise money for one of the 21 charities participating. First walkers start at 2 PM, but start times are staggered to improve social distancing. For more info or to register, go to https://www.walkingfordreams.org/

Mon Aug 24, 2020, 6pm - 7pm Ralston Hovey Arsenal Andrew Brown (RHAA) Neighborhood Association Meeting
Where: Great Commission Church of God, 3302 N Arsenal Ave, Indianapolis
Mask Required, 6 ft. Social distancing will be followed. One household only at each table. For more information contact charlestonyknight@yahoo.com

Sat Aug 29, 2020, 10am - 12pm Heart 2 Heart Women’s Empowerment Session
Where: Overcoming Church, 2203 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
Connect with other powerful women who are striving to live life and walk in the purposes of God. Register or get more info at: https://www.overcomingchurch.org/content.cfm?id=430

COVID-19 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ENROLLMENT:
EMCC and PACE take seriously the responsibility to help our neighbors, and even more so during this crisis. Both organizations have received C-CERF funds to continue and expand their work during this critical time. Together, we have developed a collective strategy and are deploying it as part of the Martindale-Brightwood 7 Initiative (MB7).

1. Financial assistance (utilities, rent, mortgage, connectivity, transportation)
2. Food/supply access (pantry and home delivery distribution support for vulnerable neighbors)
3. Virtual case management and Virtual Recovery Support Services and Referrals for those with criminal histories (crisis management, workforce development, substance use services, and mental health and recovery support)
4. Virtual connection and programming (youth and seniors)
5. Social enterprise investment for entrepreneurs assisting with crisis mitigation
6. Neighborhood updates via regular newsletters, sponsored by EMCC and the MB7 Community Voice Network
7. Agency, community partner assistance referrals

We are committed to evolving to meet new demands as this crisis grows. Also, we anticipate that more Martindale-Brightwood ministries and community organizations will join us in this unified, collaborative effort. As we grow, we will be better able to fine tune delivery or service, avoid duplication, and help more people. Those in need of assistance should go to the MB7 website at https://ednamartinccc.org/about-mb7/ and complete the online form.

FOOD PANTRIES:

11:00am - 3:00pm, Monday- Friday: Edna Martin Christian Center, 2605 E 25th St., Indianapolis
Families can be served a maximum of once per week and will receive a pre-packed bag of food. State ID is required. For more information, contact Andrea Murphy at amurphy@ednamartinccc.org or call 317-637-3776.

10:00am - 12 noon, Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Overcoming Church Bread of Life Food Pantry, 2203 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
For more info, call 317-931-8025, or email p.wyatt@overcomingchurch.org.

8:00am - 12 Noon, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: St Vincent DePaul Society, 3001 East 30th Street, Indianapolis
Also Friday 9am-noon, and Thursday evening, 5pm-7pm. For more info, call 317-924-5769.

For a comprehensive list of food pantries: The Indy Hunger Network has a long list of food pantries covering the Central Indiana area. Go to their website at: https://www.indyhunger.org/find-help/

MEAL SERVICE:

At Risk After-school Meals: Frederick Douglass Park, 1616 E 25th St, Indianapolis
Youth ages 18 and under can receive a free meal after-school Monday-Saturday. Monday-Friday Snack is served from 3:30p-4:30p. Supper is served from 5:30p-6:30p. Saturday Snack 11:45a-12:15p. Saturday Supper 2:30p-3:00p. This is a Federal sponsored program.

Second Helpings Meal Service: Frederick Douglass Park, 1616 E 25th St, Indianapolis
Relax and enjoy dinner every Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-6:30pm, let us do the cooking. Free of charge and open to youth and adults of all ages..

MEETING VIRTUALLY:

Stop The Violence Indianapolis:
Sun Aug 8, 16, & 23, 2020, 10am-11am Strengthening Families Parent Support Program- COVID19
This Zoom Program meets on Sunday 8/9, 8/16, and 8/23. Parents want to protect their children, but it’s challenging. Youth need skills to help them resist the peer pressure that leads to risky behaviors. Research shows that protective parenting improves family relationships and decreases the level of family conflict, contributing to lower levels of substance use and violence. To participate, contact Beatrice Beverly at Admin@stoptheviolenceindy.org

Martindale-Brightwood Code Compliance Committee Meeting
Tue Aug 25, 2020, 1:30pm - 3pm Code Compliance Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of every month. In August, the meeting will take place via Zoom.
Contact Code Compliance Chairperson Jacklyn McMillan Gunn, Chairperson at (317) 696-4968, or erdie6@aol.com for more info.

PACE:
Offices are open for access to food and computers with internet access from 9 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday. Our weekly orientation session is held virtually, our job readiness workshop Advancing Your Career is held virtually, our Career Networking workshop is held virtually, and our case managers and peer recovery coaches are checking in with clients virtually. If you have questions, call 317-612-6800, Tues-Fri, 9 AM - 4 PM for info.