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Community Council Opposes V.O.A. Homeless Vet Center at Monmouth

MR. PAT STAPLES, PRESIDENT

After several meetings regarding the proposed 50-bed Volunteers of America Veteran's Support Housing Project at the site directly north of River City Correctional Center, the Camp Washington Community Council can no longer support this project at this location. We do, however, support the facility to be built on the east side of Spring Grove Avenue on the two overflow acres of the former Kahn's site. This land is also owned by the County.

We support the continued excellent operation and the possible expansion of River City, a tremendous community partner. We'd hate to contribute to any proposal that would negatively affect its operations. Its staff, led by executive director John Baron, is worried that the reduced lot size caused by the unanticipated need for more land for the widening of I-75 will place the physical operations too close to River City, causing discipline and other problems for both facilities. Camp Washington's concerns include the type of residents served by VOA, the issue of a non-secure facility, and unsupervised loitering by VOA residents in adjacent Valley Park.

Moving ahead with the current proposal land locks River City from any possible future expansion. Even with this reduced lot size, VOA is already contemplating doubling the size of its program which makes no sense to us at this site.

Please attend our regular community council meeting, August 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Camp Washington Rec Center, 1201 Stock. You can get more information about this and other important issues affecting the community.

DePaul Cristo Rey High School Reps at Aug. 9th Council Meeting

BY ALLISON BEER MCKENZIE

DePaul Cristo Rey High School is excited to join the Camp Washington Community! Located at 1133 Clifton Hills Ave., the high school brings an innovative teaching philosophy to Cincinnati that balances a Catholic college preparatory education with a corporate work study program that allows students to gain real-life work experience while earning their diploma. Representatives from DePaul Cristo Rey School will give an overview of the school's mission and philosophy. The school's architect will give an overview of the school's campus. Info: 375-0789.

Free Trees Thru City Re-Leaf Program

JOE GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The City of Cincinnati Urban Forestry Department has a bunch of crazy, determined staff who simply love growing new trees and expanding the City green canopy. They are offering a choice of seven varieties of free trees for homeowners. The tree must be planted in the front yard and must be visible from the street. Contact Fall RELEAF at 861-9162.

Camp Washington Picnic September 11th

JOE GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

The 12th annual River City/Camp Washington Picnic in Valley Park is Saturday, September 11 from 3 - 6 p.m. A special Doughboy Ceremony commemorating 9/11 is at 3:30 p.m. Free food for Camp residents at 4 p.m. with a Raffle at 5:30 p.m. Games, info booths, free school supplies will be available. To volunteer, donate cash or products, call Joe 542-1637. Picnic set-up begins at 1 p.m.

New T-Shirts Given Out at Council Meetings

JOE GORMAN, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

Residents of Camp Washington have another reason to attend community council meetings (second Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Rec center): get a free Camp Washington T-shirt! Shirts will be given out at the end of the meetings. The shirts were designed by *AKG Studios* and printed by *T-shirts by Jay* through a City NSP grant. You can also join the council for only \$3 a year!



CWCC Board member Liz K. wears the new Camp Washington shirt.

Community Board Sells House

PAUL RUDEMILLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The community board has completed the rehab at 3061 Sidney (at Stock). This beautiful brick 3-story home has been sold to Kevin and Christina, who will be great volunteers for the neighborhood.



The Community Board has been in business saving and rehabbing homes since 1975.

Call me at 542-1637 if you are thinking of buying a house.

Temporary Road Thru Valley Park For Monmouth Bridge Construction

MR. PAT STAPLES, PRESIDENT

The builders of the new Monmouth Street Bridge have requested from the Cincinnati Parks permission to construct a temporary road in Valley Park when they shut down Monmouth Street for construction. According to TJ Stevens from Great Lakes Construction, the temporary road would be built starting August 9th. The road would connect Henshaw/Bates Alley to Old Workhouse Road, which lies in front of River City Correctional Center.

The road will be needed until mid-September and the condition of the park land will be returned to its original landscaping. Great Lakes is waiting to hear back from the Parks.

I-75 Noise Wall Surveys for Massachusetts Avenue residents are due August 4th. Info 542-1637.

GED School Summer Hours

STEPHANIE CROW, INSTRUCTOR

We are changing our hours for the summer. There will no class August 19-31 and September 2-14. Classes will resume September 16 at 5 p.m. (There will be no classes Nov. 25 (Thanksgiving), Nov. 30, Dec. 2. We will close for Christmas Dec. 28-30.)

We have installed air conditioning for the students in the classroom. We think it is important for our students to work in a small, safe and clean facility.

If you or your friend need a GED, the Camp Washington Community School conducts regular classes Tuesday and Thursday, 5-8 pm. at 2951 Sidney Ave. (at Rachel). Call Stephanie at 542-2389 to enroll in our free classes.

New Police Officers for Camp Washington:
P.O. Melissa Cummins (569-8595) &
P.O. Lisa Johnson (569-8507)

Camp Washington Community Council Council Meets
Monday, August 9 at 7:30 p.m.
CW Recreation Center @ 1201 Stock St.

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Annual Camp Washington Community Council memberships are only \$3. Membership gives you the privilege of voting and supporting the neighborhood.

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