

10th

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ALDERMAN

Michael J. Murphy



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FALL 19

Dear Neighbor,

I hope you had a wonderful fall enjoying all that Milwaukee has to offer. I recently completed my fourteenth neighborhood walk around the 10th district, affording me the opportunity to get to connect with more residents personally on the issues that affect them and their neighbors. If I wasn't able to connect with you on a walk, and you have concerns related to city-services, please contact my office at (414) 286-3763. My goal is to ensure that residents have their voices heard.

What I have heard from residents is that neighbors have serious concerns about public safety and reckless driving issues in our city. As a result of these concerns, I introduced legislation to create the City-County Carjacking and Reckless Driving Task Force (CCCRDTF). This task force has brought together leaders from throughout the county whose work touches reckless driving — including the Milwaukee Police Department, Sheriff's office, and the District Attorney's office amongst members of the public, government officials, and community based organizations. The goal of this task force is to change the behavior of drivers from a three-pronged approach:

- Engineering solutions on our roadways
- Accountability and enforcement of driving offenses
- Prevention and education around driving behaviors

The task force is currently looking at the most effective evidence-based solutions from around the country, and will be releasing final recommendations before the end of the year.

My focus during the budget season will be to address key issues that are contributing to violence and crime, while ensuring that the city has the resources necessary to continue to improve our roads, invest in infrastructure, and ensure that residents receive efficient and effective city-services with the highest level of customer service. The mayor's 2020 budget presentation was a grave

reminder of the tough financial era faced by the City of Milwaukee, however, I will continue to advocate for constituent's needs and the fiscal health of the city.

The state legislature has failed to provide the City of Milwaukee with an equitable allocation of shared revenue, and continued to take local control away from your city elected leaders. The city has proved resilient due to a strong sense of fiscal responsibility among city leaders and political compromise at the local level. I am excited to share with you successful developments in key areas of my policy platform that directly affect residents and improve the quality of life in our city including:

- **MKE Plays** was awarded an additional **\$500,000 from the Burke Foundation**, which has helped create spaces for our communities, reduce crime, and increase local investment. Total private investments are now over 2.3 million dollars.
- **The Housing Trust Fund has awarded over 7 million dollars to support affordable housing efforts and leveraged a total of 169.4 million dollars, providing over 1,000 units of housing to local families.** Every dollar that the city has invested in the Housing Trust Fund has yielded a return of nearly 25 dollars in private funding.
- **City-County Heroin, Opioid, and Cocaine Task Force (CCHOCTF)** — Official recommendations were announced in fall of 2018, which led to a public awareness campaign, and various programs to provide care for those affected by substance abuse.

Please have a safe and happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

Alderman Michael J. Murphy

Committee Assignments

Member

- Finance and Personnel Committee
- Public Works Committee
- Milwaukee Public Library Board

Chair

- City-County Heroin, Opioid, and Cocaine Task Force
- Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board
- Milwaukee Arts Board
- City-County Carjacking and Reckless Driving Task Force

View meetings online:

milwaukee.gov/citychannel

Voter Registration Kiosks

The Election Commission and Milwaukee Public Libraries have partnered to establish voter registration kiosks at every City of Milwaukee public library branch. These kiosks provide access to **myvote.wi.gov**, the state's voter registration database and allow residents to register or update their registration using a WI driver's license or state-issued ID.

Visit **myvote.wi.gov** with your WI driver's license or ID to:

- ▶ Register to vote for the first time
- ▶ Change your address or name
- ▶ Confirm your voter registration

Or visit any Milwaukee Public Library for assistance with registering.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

(414) 286-VOTE

milwaukee.gov/election

If you're interested in being an election worker or inspector for 2020, please visit **milwaukee.gov/election** or email **electionworker@milwaukee.gov**. These positions make \$130/day and paid training is provided. Bilingual individuals are encouraged to apply.



Ald. Murphy with Health Commissioner Jeanette Kowalik and Fire Chief Mark Rohlfing at the MORI launch press conference / Spring 2019

Opioid Task Force Implements New Programs

In January 2017, the City of Milwaukee’s Common Council voted to create the City-County Heroin, Opioid, and Cocaine Task Force (CCHOCTF) to address the rising number of drug overdoses and deaths in the region. Alderman Murphy was the primary sponsor of this legislation designed to bring together community experts in studying the problems of drug abuse in Milwaukee County and presenting policy recommendations to address

the issue. In 2018 alone, more individuals died in Milwaukee County from overdoses than from homicides, fatal car accidents, and suicides combined. The task force brings together partners from throughout the community, leveraging the combined expertise of officials from the city, county, community-based organizations, and medical professionals. “Mental health conditions and addiction affect everyone regardless

of socioeconomic status, race, age or gender,” said Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division Administrator Mike Lappen. “It’s Milwaukee County’s mission, and as part of the CCHOCTF, to offer resources and support to help individuals struggling with these health conditions. We can and need to do more, as a collective community, to change the narrative around substance abuse.”

The task force released its formal recommendations in fall of 2018 incorporating the latest evidence-based research on substance abuse and community input. A few of the task force recommendations include:

- Investing in programs to prevent substance use and addiction
- Ensuring adequate access to timely, affordable, and quality services for those affected by substance use.
- Enhance collaboration between community-based initiatives and government agencies.

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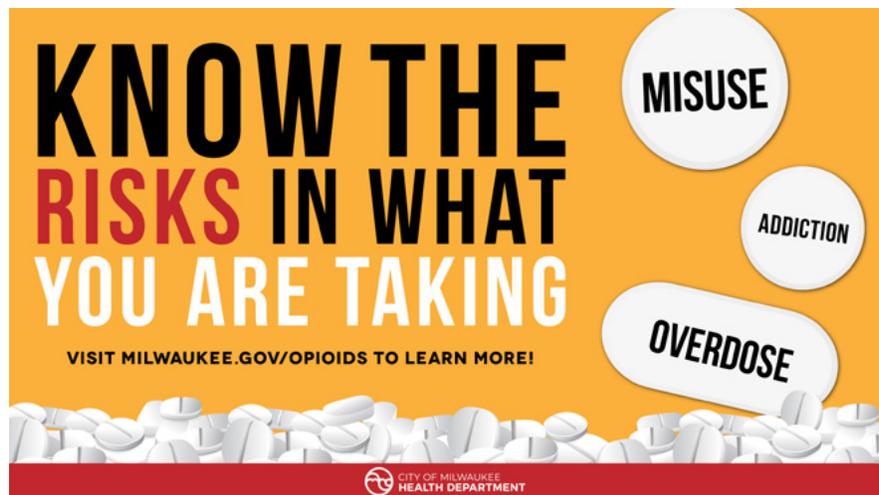
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

In respect to these three recommendations the task force has implemented the following programs:

- An awareness campaign focused on preventative measures to combat prescription pill dependence and abuse which was implemented in public spaces this September. Five areas in Milwaukee, with the highest opioid deaths, will feature English and Spanish advertisements on local buses and billboards. Community input helped shape the messaging of this campaign.
- Milwaukee Overdose Response Initiative (MORI) was announced in May of 2019 to decrease the repeated overdoses through relationship building and guided access to available resources and treatment. MORI and CCHOCTF have partnered with the Milwaukee Fire Department’s Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH) program that provides joint Community Paramedic and peer support specialist visits post-overdose, deploying daily from formerly vacant firehouse station 31. Milwaukee Fire Department Captain Michael Wright stated, “Early data has shown that the rapid response in conjunction with a defined plan that answers the questions ‘then what?’ until the patient is in treatment is working.”
- A series of community opioid awareness events entitled, “Connections to Heal,” for those experiencing addiction and those affected by substance abuse. Following a holistic approach to recovery, the event featured naloxone training prepared by the AIDS Resource Center, prevention and harm reduction, while also providing wrap around resources and connections to government resources and community programs addressing career development and employment, housing resources, and food insecurity. ▀



Connections to Heal event / Summer 2019



Litigation Approved to Recover Opioid Epidemic Costs

On October 15, the Common Council voted unanimously in favor of legislation that authorizes the City Attorney to hire outside counsel for litigation to recover expenses incurred by the city from the opioid crisis. Alderman Murphy sponsored the motion that would retain an outside firm to represent the City of Milwaukee in state and federal court. “Opioid addiction has been a costly plague for the City of Milwaukee and retaining outside counsel to explore possible litigation helps the City explore the option of seeking damages from drug-makers,” said Alderman Murphy. “Thousands of governmental entities throughout the United States are filing lawsuits against those companies and distributors engaged in marketing prescription opioids and we are now represented by counsel to look at whether we should also move in that direction.”

If you or someone you know needs help with substance abuse disorder, reach out to...

1-800-662-HELP (4357)
mkecope.com

BHD CARS access point
(414) 257-8095

24/7 Crisis Line
(414) 257-7222

Community Medical Services
(855) 203-6352

MKE Plays: Community Benefiting From Unique Partnership

Innovative Partnership

The MKE Plays initiative began in 2015 as an innovative way to reprioritize funding for public parks through private sector partnerships and financial contributions. Alderman Murphy’s idea for this program comes from an appreciation of the public playgrounds he grew up on and the need for continued investment in safe and attractive playgrounds for children in all communities to enjoy.

Benefits

A key tenant of the MKE Plays program is taking a community-centered approach to designing playgrounds. In centering park projects around community voice, MKE Plays has been able to bring stakeholders in the community together around their unique needs. Parks are developed by the residents who utilize them, leveraging play areas into multigenerational spaces that bring the entire community together. This increase of social capital and neighborhood identity in turn spurs economic development and makes communities safer.

Funding

To date, **MKE Plays has brought in over 2.3 million dollars of private funding while leveraging an additional 2.2 million dollars in public funding, totaling more than 4 million dollars of investment into Milwaukee Parks.** Most recently the program received a \$500,000 grant from the Burke Foundation. Burke Foundation Executive Director Tina Quealy shared, “The Burke Foundation is excited about our continued partnership with MKE Plays. We are especially inspired by the initiative’s community-focused approach where they truly listen to understand the recreational needs of area residents. The revitalization of these parks not only benefits the children and families surrounding the park, but the entire community.” “We are humbled by the immense generosity of the Burke family and The Burke Foundation. The new and improved playgrounds will be a valuable community and neighborhood asset for all to enjoy,” said Alderman Murphy. **■**



PLAYGROUND UPDATES AND DONORS LIST

PLAYGROUND	STATUS
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS	COMPLETED
PHILLIPS	COMPLETED
DEBACK	COMPLETED
GARDNER (67 TH & SPOKANE)	COMPLETED
ENDERIS	COMPLETED
SNAILS CROSSING	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
GORE (20 TH & OLIVE)	COMPLETED
BUFFUM & CENTER FOUNDATION	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
21ST & KEEFE	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
TROWBRIDGE SQUARE	COMPLETED
5 TH & RANDOLPH	COMPLETED
WITKOWIAK	CREATING DESIGN
29TH & CLYBOURN	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
31 ST & GALENA	COMPLETED



Burke Foundation
Supporting Urban Education & Youth Leadership



Dennis Klein

Stewart Edwards & Joanne Danforth

Annette J. Roberts and Joan R. Robertson
Fund for World Peace, World Law
and Peace Education

Nancy O'Keefe



TROWBRIDGE

BEFORE



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Ald. Murphy with the Hmong American Friendship Association youth dance group

GORE

BEFORE



AFTER



Housing Trust Fund

Alderman Murphy acts as the chair of the Housing Trust Fund which was developed in 2007 to provide a source of loans and grants for the construction, rehabilitation, and accessibility modification of affordable housing for individuals facing homelessness. This innovative public-private partnership leverages city investment with matching private funds.

To date, the Housing Trust Fund has awarded over 7 million dollars to support affordable housing efforts and leveraged a total of 169.4 million dollars, providing over 1,000 units of housing to local families. Every dollar that the city has invested in the Housing Trust Fund has yielded a return of nearly 25 dollars.

The most recent application cycle for \$900,000 in grants closed in September of 2019, with announcement of grantees expected by January of 2020.

Housing Trust Fund 2017 Grant Awardee: The Soldiers Home

Originally commissioned by President Lincoln, and built in 1867 as a place for veterans to live in community and heal at the conclusion of the Civil War, the Milwaukee Soldiers Home has served thousands of Milwaukee veterans over the years.

Located on the grounds of the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center, key Soldiers Home buildings are part of a rehabilitation designed to preserve a historic landmark, and restore it to its original function, the service of veterans. Specifically the rehabilitation project will address the need for housing for veterans experiencing homelessness in our city.

Rehabilitation

On September 20, 2019 the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to commemorate the beginning of the rehabilitation. The Soldiers Home will preserve six historical buildings and provide 101 units of housing for veterans and their families facing housing insecurity, including units specifically designated for female veterans. Additionally, the site will offer common spaces for community activities and wrap-around services for residents. ■



Seven04 Place Apartments grand opening



Pictured from L to R: Joaquin Altoro, Ald. Murphy, Gov. Evers, Mayor Barrett

2017 Housing Trust Fund Awardees

\$150,000

The **Milwaukee Soldiers Home** for rehabilitation and construction of 101 housing units for veterans and their families.

\$80,000

Community First to address critical and emergency repairs in the Washington Park Neighborhood Improvement District. Funds will provide forgivable grants for up to 16 low-income units.

\$40,000

Gibraltar Development of Milwaukee Corp. to replace a roofing system and address other urgent needs.

\$210,000

Seven04 Place Apartments to construct 60 new low-income families including targeted units for veterans and families endangered of becoming homeless.

\$40,000

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors, Inc. for acquisition, renovation, and sale of two blighted properties.

\$80,000

Revitalize Milwaukee to address necessary housing updates, repairs, and accessibility modifications for up to 20 low-income elderly homeowners.

Milwaukee Arts Board

The City of Milwaukee Arts Board (MAB) was founded in 1991 to increase access to the arts and contribute to the artistic vibrancy of our communities. Not only do the arts enrich our city culturally, investment in the arts spurs economic development and makes our communities safer. Alderman Murphy, who chairs the Arts Board, understands the value that artistic organizations bring to the development of our communities.

In 2018 the MAB awarded \$276,000 to various nonprofit orga-



MAB grantees were honored at the Marcus Center on June 10, 2019

nizations to increase access to the arts, including first time recipient, Milwaukee Opera Theatre. Grantees were honored June 10th at the Marcus Center. ■



10th District New Businesses

Ian's Pizza

Located on 5300 W. Bluemound Road, Ian's Pizza opened in Story Hill on June 1st and has been a Wisconsin staple for many years. The building was formerly home to Itz My Party Cakery, which left in June 2018 after Wisconsin passed a law allowing bakers to sell baked goods from their home. Ian's is known for its unique and innovative menu items, such as macaroni and cheese pizza.



Dandy

Located on 5020 W. Vliet Street and opened in September, owners Ryan and Jessica Day have spent the last year revitalizing the space to incorporate all 9,000 square feet. This building has been around for close to 100 years. Dandy aims to find homes for old treasures that may have been overlooked, including furniture and knickknacks. The Days hope to use their event space for pop-up dinners, comedy shows, and other one-off events.



Story Hill Firehouse

Story Hill Firehouse, located at 407 N. Hawley Road, was constructed in 1927, then sold in 2007 and became home to Enterprise Art Glass Works Inc. Since July 2019, the Firehouse has re-opened as a beautiful event space. Event planning owner, Janelle Meyer-Brown, has done an excellent job of keeping certain historical aspects of the station while also reinventing it into a sleek and modern space.



Story Hill Firehouse grand opening

Tusk

Tusk, located at 5513 W. North Avenue, is an elephant themed dining spot that offers small plate pub food. Christine McRoberts, owner of Tusk, has been using this space for the past five years as a catering kitchen for her other business, McBob's. Prior to McRoberts' involvement, this location was Hartters Bakeries. Tusk will also offer beer from Vennture Brew Co.



J.J. Fish

Located at previously vacant building on 6005 W. Appleton Avenue, J.J. Fish & Chicken is a local fast-food chain that features fried chicken, fish, shrimp, and wings. This location is the seventh J.J. Fish & Chicken franchise in the Greater Milwaukee area. ■



Ald. Murphy at the Forefront of Regulating E-Cigarettes

Alderman Murphy has been on the forefront of addressing e-cigarette use in the city of Milwaukee through public health legislation aimed at protecting residents from hazardous second-hand aerosol and keeping e-cigarettes out of the hands of youth.

Legislative Measures

It has been one year since the Common Council passed legislation to increase fines for those who sell tobacco to minors, prohibited the sale of e-cigarettes to minors, and prohibited the use of e-cigarettes on all properties where state law currently bans smoking. Dr. Jeanette Kowalik, the Milwaukee Commissioner of Health, is feeling optimistic about progress. “We continue to learn more about the health effects associated with e-cigarettes. As the public health authority for the city, the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) is thankful for the continued support from Alderman Murphy and Johnson as these actions serve to protect the public from the dangers of secondhand exposure.”



Reminder for Business Owners or Operators

- Vaping is prohibited indoors and anywhere that smoking is prohibited in Milwaukee. Anyone found in violation could be fined \$100–250.
- Customers must be 18 to purchase e-cigarettes, e-juice, and vaping devices. Businesses in violation could be fined \$691.
- Tobacco and e-cigarette retailers can visit witobaccocheck.org and use the FDA Age Calculator app to prevent sales to minors.
- Free signage is available for retailers and workplaces from the City of Milwaukee Tobacco-Free Alliance. Call (414) 270-2948.

Risks

The region is seeing an increase in respiratory illnesses in which patients describe vaping use prior to hospital admission. Please see a health professional immediately if you are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness and consider halting use of vaping products until more is known about their negative health effects.

The Milwaukee youth access rate to tobacco products was 25% in 2018. Below are resources for parents and other adults to talk to youth about the dangers of vaping:

1. The “Vape Talk” from the American Lung Association lung.org/stop-smoking/vape-talk/
2. Tobacco Is Changing from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services dhs.wisconsin.gov/tobaccoischanging/index.htm

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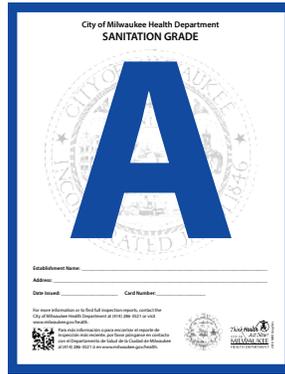
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Food Grading System Improving Public Health

Alderman Murphy sponsored legislation to create the city’s food sanitation grading system, the first in the State of Wisconsin. He continues to support this system which empowers residents with greater access to knowledge of sanitation conditions. By the end of 2019 every food establishment in the City of Milwaukee will have a grade placard displayed to help residents make informed decision. This nationally recognized system has taken an innovative approach to scoring violations. By making information on health ratings readily accessible to the public, the system aims to motivate business owners to rectify code infractions before inspections occur. Since the system has been implemented there has been a 4.5% reduction in the violations that are most likely to cause illness, categorized by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Risk Factor Violations. The City of Milwaukee’s food sanitation grading system has gained the support of the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) who has written legislation that will



make this system the trial system for any jurisdiction in the State of Wisconsin to adopt in the future. “We have A’s at our other locations. We take everything the health inspectors give to keep staff informed. Overall we think it’s fair. Seeing it (Grade Placards) is great, it helps customers feel more comfortable.” Anthony Covelli, Ian’s Pizza 5300 W. Bluemound.

Preparation is underway for the food safety mission of the 2020 Democratic National Convention (DNC). The City of Milwaukee Health department will be conducting additional food safety inspections and investigations within the DNC venue and associated food safety support locations. Residents who are interested in starting a food service operation; whether a traditional restaurant or participating in a temporary event, are encouraged to contact the Health Department (286-3674) as soon as possible. It is expected that due to priorities surrounding the DNC, there will be a delay in processing new food licenses beginning in May. █

NBA on TNT Crew in Enderis Park

On May 16, Alderman Murphy spent the day in Enderis Park for an event in honor of TNT anchor and Milwaukee native, Ernie Johnson. Pat and Kim Nelson, who currently live in Ernie’s former childhood home, graciously hosted the party to commemorate his visit back to Milwaukee. Shaquille O’Neal, Charles Barkley, and neighborhood members were also able to take part in the festivities. Alderman Murphy would like to thank Pat and Kim Nelson for being “so kind to open their home for Ernie and his guests... [and for] an incredibly positive and fun event for the neighborhood. Ernie, Shaq, and Charles could not have been nicer or more gracious with their time...and they left a hugely positive impression on us all.” Welcome back, Ernie! Go Bucks! █



ABOVE:
Charles Barkley and Alderman Murphy

LEFT:
Charles Barkley, Ernie Johnson, and Shaquille O’Neal with Enderis Park Residents, Kim and Pat Nelson



Wisconsin Lutheran High School Apartment Project Completed

Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Honey Creek Hall is set to open for this school year. Located at 365 N. Honey Creek Parkway, Honey Creek Hall is a three-story dormitory for domestic and international boarding students. In attracting more international students, the school hopes to increase subsidies for students

attending on vouchers. The development project also included a five-story market-rate apartment building at 8041 W. Bluemound Road that will provide 62 units of housing to the surrounding area. Overall, this development has produced 9-million dollars of additional development for the region. ■

Dineen Park Improvement Project

The Dineen Park improvement project began in July 2019. The project consists of a 7-acre stormwater pond, improved walking paths, a new community playground, a 16 x 28 foot picnic shelter, a reconstructed 350 foot baseball field, a redesigned 18-hole disc golf course, improved fishing overlook, updated pedestrian lighting, and native plantings and new trees throughout the park. The main purpose of this project is to remedy repeated flooding over the past ten years in the Dineen Park neighborhood and surrounding areas to the east. "This project was a long time coming and had valuable community engagement," said Alderman Murphy. "I thank the residents for being fully engaged during the design process and for their patience during construction over the coming months."

Access to the community room, splash pad, basketball, and tennis courts on the west side of the park will remain open during construction. The majority of the project is scheduled to be complete in November 2019 with some minor landscape work carrying over to spring of 2020. ■

Update: Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

East-West Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is Milwaukee County's planned 9-mile, regional, modern transit service connecting downtown Milwaukee, Milwaukee's Near West Side, Marquette University, Wauwatosa and the Milwaukee Regional Medical Center. Once a contractor has been selected and a construction schedule is confirmed by the end of 2019, construction would start in spring 2020 following acceptance of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant agreement. Construction is planned to take 12-16 months, with new bus system testing to occur and the opening of service in the fall of 2021. ■

More information about the project at:

 eastwestbrt.com





Center St. BID

Business Improvement District 39, which encompasses the Center Street Marketplace, provides increased opportunities for commercial development and financial growth in the area. The Center Street BID aims not only to support the commercial corridor, but is working in partnership with community members and organizations to support the entire neighborhood.

Shop Center Street MKE

Most recently, the BID hosted the second annual Shop Center Street MKE on August 17, 2019. This event provided outreach to over 500 community members on the importance of shopping locally and connecting residents with business owners to emphasize the importance of good stewardship between businesses and the community at large.

Formerly Owned City Buildings

Two formerly owned city buildings on Milwaukee's west-side are being revitalized by new businesses. Fess Properties located at 5100–5102 W. Center Street, will be renovating the first floor office space and the three upper level apartments. The second property on 5128–5130 W. Center Street is owned by DLK Legacy Investments LLC. The new owner plans to renovate the building into two second floor apartments and add a first floor commercial space for Blue Lotus Cafe to offer specialty coffees and teas, and Dock of the Bay to offer sandwiches.

Opportunities for Future Growth

Center Street BID has seen great trajectory with new businesses and their engagement with the community. Currently, there are over five projects being worked on within the BID district. The BID is in the planning phase for additional events in 2020 that will showcase local vendors and bring more community members together around Center Street. ▀

**Interested in starting a business on Center St.?
Call Jennifer Potts (BID 39 Director)**

 **(414) 306-3586**



Walks with Alderman Murphy

Alderman Murphy has participated in 14 community walks this year. These events are a good way to connect with city staff personally on concerns specific to your neighborhood. ▀

If your neighborhood would like to host a walk, please contact my office:

 **(414) 286-3763**

 **mmurph@milwaukee.gov**

Snow Sidewalk Clearing Program

If you're physically unable to shovel the snow from the public sidewalk of your home, City sanitation workers may be able to give you a helping hand.

Service Provided:

- ▶ Snow will be removed within 24 hours from the public sidewalk ONLY following snowfalls of 4" or more.

Eligibility Requirements:

- ▶ Owner-occupied single-family home.
- ▶ All residents must be physically unable to remove snow from their sidewalk.
- ▶ Documentation must be submitted for each resident.

Cost:

- ▶ \$65 for each 60 linear feet per event (\$130 for 120 linear feet, \$195 for 180 linear feet, etc.) when work has been completed.
- ▶ \$10 charge if sidewalk has been completed when the contractor arrives.

For questions regarding the Snow Sidewalk Clearing Program email sanitation@milwaukee.gov or call **(414) 286-3517**. Staff are not available during or one day following an active plowing operation.

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Leaf Collection

Residents may rake leaves into the street October 1st–November 15th for collection. Leaf piles can be kept loose or bagged in paper bags, not plastic.

Piles should be kept away from sewer grates and be left 1 foot away from the curb to promote water flow to the sewer system. Yard and garden waste, not including grass clippings, can be placed on leaf piles. Pumpkins and non-organic debris should not be added to leaf piles. ▀

Look up your next estimated leaf collection at: milwaukee.gov/leaves



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2020 Census Will Begin in March

Every 10 years, the United States conducts a census — or count of the entire population — as required by the Constitution. The next census will begin in March 2020, when the U. S. Census Bureau mails postcards to every household about completing a brief census survey. This will be the first time in history that residents may submit their census information online. Households can also respond by mail or phone.

The inclusion of every Milwaukee resident in the count is important for two primary reasons. In addition to determining how the federal government will distribute more than \$800 billion to states, counties, and cities every year over the next ten years, census information is used to draw the boundaries for election districts at the federal, state and local levels. This redistricting will be overseen by the Common Council's Judiciary and Legislation Committee.

When you receive your invitation to take part in the census in March 2020, please respond right away or by April 1, 2020, Census Day. Otherwise, a census taker will visit your home to complete the information in the following weeks.

For more information about the census, CCC and census jobs, please visit: milwaukee.gov/2020Census.

To apply directly, please visit: 2020census.gov/jobs



Fire Safety and Fireworks



Fire Safety

With the holiday season fast approaching it is important to follow a few simple tips to keep safe. Please do not use nails to hang lights and make sure to replace any worn or broken cords. One third of decoration fires are started by candles, so make sure to keep candles away from decorations, and blow out lit candles when leaving or going to bed. Test your smoke alarms regularly and make sure that you have a valid working carbon monoxide detector. Lastly, do not smoke indoors and have cigarette butts wet with water before discarding.

Fireworks

According to Milwaukee Code of Ordinance 105.47, all fireworks are illegal in the City of Milwaukee, even if they were purchased outside of the City limits. Upon conviction, you may be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00 or more than \$1,000.00 for an adult who uses or consents to the use of fireworks by a minor. Based on the amount of time and quantities in use, fireworks pose a higher risk of fire death than any other consumer product. Refrain from purchasing illegal fireworks and please enjoy the safe and legal displays provided by the City.

Common Council

Alderman Murphy has co-sponsored legislation that would make it tougher for Milwaukee residents to purchase fireworks at Wisconsin locations where fireworks are sold. Alderman Cavalier Johnson has pushed the state to require fireworks sellers to check whether a potential buyer resides in a community where the possession and use of fireworks are prohibited, such as Milwaukee. Currently, fireworks are routinely sold in Wisconsin municipalities outside of Milwaukee and there is no requirement for the seller to check where the buyer resides. Illegal fireworks can cause serious injuries, burns, lacerations, and head and eye wounds. The Milwaukee Fire Department recommends that trained professionals under controlled setting should be the only people permitted to use fireworks.