Youth shoveling program details to be shared during news conference

Alderman Cavalier Johnson will hold a news conference at City Hall TOMORROW (Friday, January 25) to provide details on Project Andrew, a new youth snow shoveling program named in honor of late Milwaukee crossing guard Andrew Tyler.

Alderman Johnson said the Department of Public Works (DPW) and Milwaukee Community Service Corps (MCSC) are employing 15 Milwaukee youths with paid snow shoveling assignments during this winter season as part of Project Andrew. He said the young people will assist Milwaukee residents in their neighborhood who have been verified by DPW as having disabilities or other impediments that prevent them from shoveling their own sidewalk.

The news conference will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the first floor rotunda at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

“Andrew Tyler (who passed away late in 2017 from injuries he received in a hit-and-run incident while he was helping students cross near Kluge School) displayed his commitment to service and safety every day, and it is fitting to remember him with this program to serve residents who truly need help,” Alderman Johnson said.

“This is a great opportunity for young Milwaukeeans youth to help the community, be physically active and earn a fair wage. I encourage all young people to apply,” he said.

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A group of young people who have applied to take part in the program are expected to join Alderman Johnson during tomorrow’s news conference.

Milwaukee residents who are between 15-20 years of age are able to apply for the shoveling positions. Residents interested in having a Project Andrew participant shovel their sidewalk should email sanitation@milwaukee.gov or call 414-286-CITY(2489).

Shovelers will be assigned to such properties within approximately a five-block radius of their home. MCSC will take applications, assign youth participants to hardship properties, supervise their work, and ensure the youths are safe while working. The salary is $2.75 per sidewalk segment, or approximately $11.00 an hour.

Interested participants should contact Milwaukee Community Service Corps for an application at: Milwaukee Community Service Corps 1441 N.7th St, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Or contact Mike Consiglio at 414-372-9040. Email: mconsiglio@mcscwi.org.

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