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“We Got This” work initiative starts its 6th summer run on June 15

Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs reminds the community that the “We Got This” work and mentoring initiative for boys ages 12 to 16 gets underway **this Saturday, June 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Community Garden located at N. 9th St. and W. Ring. Participants MUST be on time – no one will be admitted late.**

Motivated by concern for neighborhood boys surrounded by drugs, violence and a degree of hopelessness, community mentor and leader **Andre Lee Ellis** started the “We Got This” initiative in Summer 2014. In addition to the teen participants in the Summer Gardening program, “We Got This” is recruiting mentors for Saturday’s event to help garden and clean up alongside their teen counterparts, as well as share conversations, advice and encouragement with them. Women also are welcome to attend and participate.

“We Got This provides a small amount of money that each boy can earn for their work to clean up the neighborhood and to handle landscaping assignments,” Alderwoman Coggs said. “But the initiative is also a valuable mentoring and positive reinforcement tool for the boys, who need positive role models and experiences in their lives.”

For more information on becoming a mentor, or how to donate cash for stipends for the teen participants – and to donate garbage bags, water, snacks, garden tools, and books – call (414) 779-2476 or go online at wegotthismke.com.

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