



CITY NEWS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021
LATEST CITY NEWS & UPDATES

SHFD SWEARING IN

8 FIREFIGHTERS, FIRE CHIEF SWORN IN AT COUNCIL MEETING

Welcome to the Sterling Heights Fire Department!

Last night, the Sterling Heights Fire Department swore in eight new individuals who have recently been hired to serve the City, its businesses, and residents as firefighters in the Sterling Heights Fire Department.

- Pierre Youhana
- Ryan Gatny
- La'Porscha Jones
- Alexander Rolling
- Ashley Brouwer
- Jacob Stichhaller
- Matthew Perkins



- Donovan Huber

Sterling Heights Fire Chief Kevin Edmond

Fire Chief Edmond was officially sworn in as the Sterling Heights Fire Chief at the March 2 Council Meeting.

Since 2017, Mr. Edmond has served as the Fire Chief for the Collinsville Fire Department in Illinois. He started his professional firefighting career in 1990 with the city of Mentor, Ohio and progressed steadily through the ranks serving as a firefighter/paramedic (2000-2004), Lieutenant (1994-2008), Battalion Chief (2008-2014), and Deputy Fire Chief (2014-2016).



From 1994 to 2016, Mr. Edmond served as the director of Lakeland Community College's paramedic program, where he was instrumental in securing its initial national accreditation.

Mr. Edmond holds an Associate of Science degree in Fire Protection and Bachelor of Science in Technical Education from the University of Akron. He was bestowed a Masters of Public Administration, with applied research in emergency management.

SKATE PARK IS NOW OPEN

CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE



The Sterling Heights Skate Park is now re-open to the public.

Please note, current state guidelines require masks and social distancing while using this amenity.

We look forward to seeing you out here!

Sterling Heights Skate Park

40111 Dodge Park Road
(between the 41A District Court and the Sterling Heights Public Library)

Hours

April thru September
7 a.m. - 10 p.m.

October thru March
7 a.m. - 8 p.m.



[More Info](#)

BLACK BALLOON DAY

REMEMBER AND CELEBRATE THE LIVES LOST TO OVERDOSE

Join us at the Black Balloon Day event on Friday, March 5 at 5 p.m. This is a day where families and loved ones remember and celebrate the lives lost to overdose.

The event will be held in the parking lot of Christ Lutheran Church. Please wear a mask and dress warm!

Christ Lutheran Church
12500 Canal Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Register for the event [here](#).



[Register Online](#)

VACCINE MYTH BUSTING

HEAR FROM A PANEL OF EXPERTS AND ASK QUESTIONS



Presented by the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber and Macomb County Chamber



VACCINE MYTH BUSTING WEBINAR



FRIDAY, MARCH 12
9 A.M. | ZOOM

We understand the concern over the safety and effectiveness of the COVID-19 Vaccine. We have gathered a panel of experts to ease your mind and answer Vaccine questions you may have.

Our Speakers:

Beaumont, Dr. Joel Fishbain, MD, Medical Director for Infection Prevention
Henry Ford, Dr. Allison Weinmann, MD, MBBS, FRACP, Senior Staff, Division of Infectious Diseases,
Medical Director Antimicrobial Stewardship, & Director HFHS Immunization Team
Macomb County Health Department, Andrew Cox, MPH, REHS, Director/ Health Officer



Beaumont

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FOR THE WEBINAR LINK



[Register Online](#)

SNOWMAN CONTEST

CONGRATS TO OUR 2021 SNOWMAN CONTEST WINNER

Thank you to everyone who submitted an entry to the annual Beautification Snowman Contest! We had over 30 entries and enjoyed seeing all your creations!

Congratulations to our 2021 Snowman Contest Winner Susan Smagacz. The snowman was named "Snow Grandma with Snow Granddaughter."

The Snowman Contest winner will be receiving a certificate sent to their home with a \$25 gift card to Dairy Queen. Yum!



EXPLORE THE LIB

COME ON OUT TO THE STERLING HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY



The Sterling Heights Public Library is under construction, however it is still open and ready for you to come visit! Come explore everything we have to offer.

[SHPL Online](#)

SHACF 2021 SCHOLARSHIPS

21 \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS BEING AWARDED IN 2021

In May 2021, the Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation and its nine scholarship sponsoring partners will award 21 scholarships totaling \$21,000 to area college bound high school seniors and current college students living in Sterling Heights and Macomb County.

This marks the 23rd consecutive year the Foundation has awarded scholarships to area youth pursuing degrees in higher education or vocation training.



The Foundation began awarding scholarships in 1999 and has awarded scholarships to 482 area students totaling \$432,000, including the 2021 awards.

The 10 organizations awarding scholarships in 2021 are: BAE Systems, General Dynamics Land Systems, Macomb County Chiropractic Association, Former Mayor Richard J. Notte Endowment for Government Public Service, Ronald Himmler Science Scholarship, Rotary Club of Sterling Heights, Selfridge Air National Guard Base Community Council, Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation, Sterling Heights City Manager Professional Public Management Education Scholarship and Vibe Credit Union.

Find more info on each scholarship on our website and apply!

[More Info](#)

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

CELEBRATING THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN AMERICAN HISTORY



March is Women's History Month! The annually declared month highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. The city of Sterling Heights will celebrate Women's History Month through various events and social media posts.

See below for upcoming events and stay tuned for more!

Suffragette Tour

Thursday, March 4 at 6 p.m.

Join us for a presentation about the suffragette movement and the artwork surrounding it. An expert from the DIA will discuss paintings and sculptures that portray the hardships faced by women before they got the right to vote.

This program will be done virtually through Zoom. Registrants will be emailed instructions on how to join the day of the event.

Registration is required. Register [here](#) or call us at 586-446-2640.

The Halo on Hall Rd. will also be lit purple and green on March 20 and 21 in celebration of Women's History Month.

PORTILLO'S GRAND OPENING

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE MARCH 16 GRAND OPENING

Frankly, we are very excited to welcome Portillo's to Sterling Heights! Mark your calendar for the grand opening of the first Portillo's in Michigan on March 16!

We also would like to thank Portillo's in selecting the Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation to be their charity partner for their upcoming Sneak Peek event. We are excited for the opportunity to build a relationship with a strong local business. This event is only open to sneak peek ticket holders, and not the general public.

In the meantime, and in hopes to satisfy your craving, here is a sneak peek inside!





[Visit Website](#)

DPW SPRING CLEAN-UP

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAYS ARE BACK AT DPW



EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE AT DPW

**7200 18 MILE RD.
9 A.M. TO 2 P.M.**

MORE INFO AT STERLING-HEIGHTS.NET

SHRED DAY

APRIL 10

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

APRIL 17

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

APRIL 24

SPRING CLEAN-UP

MAY 8

SPRING CLEAN-UP

MAY 15



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

Watch last night's council meeting on our SHTV YouTube channel [here](#).

View meeting packet and agenda [here](#).

Regular City Council Meetings will be held at the Sterling Heights Community Center at 7 p.m.

You can also watch the live meeting via:

- Comcast Channel 5 (Viewing)
- WOW Channel 10 (Viewing)
- AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 (Viewing)
- YouTube live stream (bit.ly/3bbj86B)



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