

# THE GRIFFIN REPORT

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## A Message from Councilman Griffin

### Dear Residents,

These are trying times for all citizens, not only for us here in Ward 6 but for people throughout the world.

Living daily with the threat of a deadly virus is severely stressful, but we will get through this safely as long as we take on the challenge as a community working together.

Please practice good hygiene and avoid gatherings as much as possible. Our goal is to **"flatten the curve"** on the daily chart that shows dangerous spikes in COVID-19 cases.

So far, here in Ohio, we are seeing some flattening of that curve and it is because people here in Ward 6 and people throughout the state are **keeping safe distances** from one another and practicing **good hygiene**.

I am proud of the Ward 6 residents who have been diligently working to stop the spread of this viral pandemic. Please keep



Councilman Griffin with Surgeon General of the United States, Jerome Adams, M.D., MPH.

up the good work and call me with any questions or concerns.

I'm just a phone call away at 216-664-4234.

Stay healthy and keep the faith.

Sincerely,

**Blaine A. Griffin,**

**Ward 6 Councilman**

**Chairman - Health & Human Services Committee**

## Community Resources, Services, & Information

*Working to keep you safe during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic*

### Meijer Delivers for Community



Meijer donated several Hygiene and Cleaning Products for free.

The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Cleveland Clinic, Case Western Reserve University, Fairfax Renaissance Development Corporation and the Ward 6 office is collaborating to deliver Cleaning Supplies, Hygiene Products and a Small amount of food to Seniors and Families that are experiencing challenges.



### Fairfax Neighborhood Supplemental Resource Directory

Fairfax Renaissance Development Corporation and Bolton Elementary School aim to provide resources to serve our residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. We highly encourage all residents to stay at home and follow the recommendations established by the CDC.

#### HEALTH

Follow the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control: Stay at home and avoid close contact with others (within about 6 feet). Clean your hands often with soap and water or with hand sanitizer. Find the latest recommendations at [cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://cdc.gov/coronavirus). For dealing with anxiety during this time, see these ODH recommendations.

If you have symptoms (headache, fever, cough, difficulty breathing, muscle pain), stay at home. Call MetroHealth's hotline at (440) 592-6843 for an assessment or contact your physician. You can schedule a virtual appointment if you have a physician at Cleveland Clinic or University Hospitals.

**Coronavirus (COVID-19)** - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

**Ohio Department of Health's Statewide Covid-19 Updates** - <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

Coronavirus Anxiety - <https://www.virusanxiety.com/>

#### Prescriptions

**CVS Pharmacy Delivery** Phone: (216) 721-4000

Website: <https://www.cvs.com/content/delivery>

## FAIRFAX CONTINUED

### MetroHealth Pharmacy

Phone: 216-957-MEDS (6337), Option 4

### CHILD CARE

#### Ohio Coronavirus Pandemic Child Care Information for Families

Details: Find centers approved for child care during the pandemic.

Website: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/cdc>

[CoronavirusAndChildcareForFamilies/](https://www.ohio.gov/cdc/CoronavirusAndChildcareForFamilies/)

### FOOD

#### Cleveland Food Bank - The Cleveland



Food Bank will be having monthly food distribution drive-throughs. For more

information call 216-738-2067.

#### Bolton School Market Days -

9803 Quebec Ave

May 8th from 3:30pm to 5:30pm

#### Food Pantry

##### New Life At Calvary 2020 East 79th St

Phone: (216) 391-8448; Every 3rd Saturday of the month at 8am

#### Church Of God And True Holiness Temple

7710 Euclid Ave

Phone: (216) 391-2167; Every last Tuesday of the month 4:30pm- 6pm

#### East Mount Zion Baptist Church

9990 Euclid Ave

Phone: (216) 231-0408; Call-in policy the 2nd Monday of the month 9am to 11:30am, must talk to a live person at (216) 231-0284

#### Manna House Recovery & Resource Center

8021 Cedar Ave; Phone: (216) 432-2598

#### Olivet Institutional Baptist Church

8712 Quincy Ave Phone: (216) 721-3585

First and Third Thursdays of the month from 10am - 12pm

#### St. James Food Closet

8401 Cedar Ave Phone: (216) 231-3562

#### Mt. Sinai Baptist Church

7510 Woodland Ave

Phone: (216) 431-1361

#### St. Timothy Missionary Baptist Church

7101 Carnegie Ave Phone: (216) 391-0064

4th Thursday and Friday of the month 9:30am- 1:30pm

#### Hot Meals

##### Antioch Baptist Church

8520 Carnegie Ave Phone: (216) 229-2200

Website: <https://www.antiochcleveland.org/>

ministries/antioch-development-corp/

Hours: Monday: 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday: 11am

##### Emmanuel Baptist Church

7901 Quincy Ave

Phone: (216) 432-2212

Hours: Wednesday: 11:00am - 12:45pm

#### Grocery Stores with Special Hours for Seniors

**Dollar General:** First hour of every day.

**Dave's Supermarkets:** 7am-8am, every day

**Students (18 and Under Only)**

#### Anton Grdina 2955 E. 71st St

Meal Information: Pick Up 11:30 am - 1pm

Breakfast, Lunch; Monday - Friday, now

though May 1st

#### Mary B Martin 8200 Brookline Ave

Phone: 216-838-1600

Meal Information: Pick Up 11:30am - 1pm

Breakfast, Lunch; Monday - Friday, now

though May 1st

#### The Boys and Girls Club - King Kennedy

2561 E. 59th St

Meal Information: Pick Up 12pm - 1pm,

weekdays

### STUDENT SUPPORT

#### How to Talk to Your Kids About

Coronavirus - [https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus?fbclid=IwAR26F2Tmdj3pJN3iv6yAtRyTQoC-AH0P3H1D5QgEqQneurBPnE\\_L60mv30%23.XmqzisKG7LA.facebook](https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus?fbclid=IwAR26F2Tmdj3pJN3iv6yAtRyTQoC-AH0P3H1D5QgEqQneurBPnE_L60mv30%23.XmqzisKG7LA.facebook)

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# Buckeye Neighborhood Resources

**Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging** Charlotte Brown, Contact Person for Events 216-791-8000

**Empowering and Strengthening Ohio's People (ESOP)** - [www.esop-cleveland.org](http://www.esop-cleveland.org)

**Mt. Pleasant Now Development** Nicholas Perry, executive director 216-346-9251

**Division of Senior and Adult Services** - 13815 Kinsman Rd Centralized Intake – 216-420-6700

**Concern Citizens Against Lead (CCOAL)** Robin Brown -216-220-6925

**Burten, Bell Carr Development** Tim Tramble, executive director 216-341-1455

## HOMEOWNER RESOURCES

**Senior Homeowner Assistance Program (SHAP)** Call 216-664-2833

- Grants for income-qualified homeowners
- Single or 2 family homes
- Critical, health, safety and maintenance repairs

**Home Repair Assistance Program (HRAP)** - Income Eligible Homeowners Basic Critical Health and Safety Home Repairs For Qualification/Eligibility and to Request a Home Repair. Call 216-341-1455.

**Repair a Home (RAH)** - Home Repair Loan for Low Income Household with a 0% to 3% Interest Rate. Only for Code Related Repairs, Mechanical Repairs or Health and Safety Repairs. Call 216-664-2045.

**Housing Enhancement Loan Program (HELP)** - Loans are available to all Cuyahoga County investors and Owner Occupied Homes to enhance market value for homes \$250,000 and UNDER. Call 216-443-2149.

**Hebrew Free Loan Association (HFLA) Interest Free Loans** - Call Michael Marcus for more information – 216-378-9042

**Foreclosure Support** 216-766-5728 or 888-670-6207 [www.defendohioforclosure.com](http://www.defendohioforclosure.com)

**Energy Services** - Services for Eligible Applicants May Include:

Free Furnace, Insulation, Hot Water Tank, Refrigerator, or Light Bulbs. Call 216-574-7100.

**Lead Hazard Control Grant Program** - Free Lead Hazard Repairs for Families with Small Children in Cleveland Home. Call 216-664-4021.

**Home Repair Resource Center** Foreclosure Support; Home Repair Classes Senior Homeowner Support Program. Call 216-381-6100 or [hrrc-ch.org/](http://hrrc-ch.org/)

## SENIORS

**Jalet Apartments** - 12730 Shaker Blvd Call Mrs. Wynn, property manager at 216-991-3700

**Union Court Apartments** 13511 Union Ave - 884-271-8788

**Mt. Auburn Apartments** - 3061 E. 93rd St 216-231-6477

**Ivy Plaza Apartments** - 11103 Kinsman Ave Co-property manager Jacqueline Gholson & Caseal Jordan. Call 216-991-4722.

## RENTERS & HOMEOWNER SUPPORT

**Heritage Home Program** - Repair, maintain and preserve historic structure. Call Cleveland Restoration Society at 216-426-3116

**Habitat for Humanity** - 0% interest mortgages and minimal down payments and closing costs. Call Bob Whitney at 216-429-1299

**Cleveland Housing Partners** - Utility Support, Affordable Rental Properties. 216-574-7100 or [chnhousingpartners.org](http://chnhousingpartners.org)

**HUD** - Home buying and rights support, first-time home buying grants and support and homebuying process education [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)

**Ohio Housing Financial Agency** Provides resources on tenant rights & programs [www.ohio-home.org/renters.aspx](http://www.ohio-home.org/renters.aspx)

## UNEMPLOYMENT

**Ohio Office of Unemployment Insurance** - Details: If you are unemployed, or have been laid-off due to social-distancing practices, apply for benefits at [unemployment.ohio.gov](http://unemployment.ohio.gov) or call (877) 644-6562.

**Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Fact Sheet** - Details: The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services will waive employer penalties for late reporting and payments for the next quarter to assist employers impacted by the lack of staff availability. Read more <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/CoronavirusAndUl.stm>

**Airriva** - Details: this Ohio-based property management company has reduced their short-term housing rates by 70%. They offer various night stays in and around Cleveland - <https://airriva.fantasticstay.com/index/577>

**Unemployment Eligibility** - Details: Visit the state of Ohio's Q&A page for more information on if you can receive unemployment - <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/CoronavirusAndUl.stm>

**Bartender Employee Relief Program** - Details: Financial assistance available to a Bartender to the spouse or child of a Bartender. View the application here - <https://www.usbgfoundation.org/beap>

**SharedWork Ohio** - Details: SharedWork Ohio is a voluntary layoff aversion program. It allows workers to remain employed and employers to retain trained staff during times of reduced business activity. Explore FAQ's and learn more here: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ouio/SharedWorkOhio/>

**Employers Now Hiring** - Details: The Greater Cleveland Partnership has put together a list of employers that are now hiring here: <https://www.gcpcingear.com/employers-now-hiring>

## SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES

**Cares Act Summary** - Details: Greater Cleveland Partnership's Advocacy Team summarized a two-page document that covers all programs and support outlined in the CARES Act for businesses, nonprofits, individuals, states, and more - <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/gcp-caresactsummary.pdf>

**Cares Act Summary for Nonprofits** - In addition to the GCP summary, BVU shared a summary compiled by Tom Raffa from Marcum LLP. This summary is a deep dive into the CARES Act specific to nonprofits. Download it at - <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/marcumguidefornonprofitsfrombvuv.pdf>

## SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans

Details: Benesch a business-focused law firm with Cleveland offices has prepared two documents to apply for the Economic Injury Disaster Loans. Find their fact sheet here: <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/sbaeidfactsheetfinal.pdf> and their checklist here <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/sbaeidchecklist.pdf>

**What's in it for Restaurants** - Details: National Restaurant Association shared and executive summary of all benefits in the CARES

**Cleveland Public Library digital resources** - <https://cpl.org/booksmoviesandmore/>

**Ivy League School Free Online Courses** - <https://kpel965.com/free-online-ivy-league-classes-to-get-you-through-quarantine/>

**Case Western Reserve University YouTube Lectures** - <https://www.youtube.com/user/case/videos>

**CWRU Massive Open Online Course** - <https://case.edu/online-learning/courses-and-programs/massive-open-online-courses>

**Access the Cleveland Museum of Arts collections, video series, and blogs** - <https://www.clevelandart.org/home-where-art-stay-connected>

**moCa Cleveland YouTube Channel** - Learn from curators, artists and thought leaders: <https://www.youtube.com/user/MOCACleveland/videos%20>

**Cleveland History Center** - Learn more about Cleveland's history, search your family and more: [https://www.wrhs.org/explore/digital-learning-resources/?doing\\_wp\\_cron=1585164773.1924960613250732421875](https://www.wrhs.org/explore/digital-learning-resources/?doing_wp_cron=1585164773.1924960613250732421875)

**Cleveland Institute of Music** - Listen to performances by CIM students and Faculty M, W, F: <https://www.facebook.com/ClevelandInstituteofMusic/>

**Lunchtime with the Cleveland Orchestra** - 12pm-1pm: <https://wclv.ideastream.org/>

**Cleveland Orchestra concerts in their "Mindful Music Moment" on YouTube** - <https://www.youtube.com/clevelandorchestra>

## INTERNET & TECHNOLOGY

\*The FCC states that providers will be waiving late fees and will not cut off service for lack of payment. They will also be providing open hot spots.



**Spectrum** - Details: Offering free broadband and Wi-Fi access for 60 days to households with K-12 and/or college students who do not already have a Spectrum broadband subscription and at any service level up to 100 Mbps. To enroll, call 1 (844) 488-8395. Installation fees will be waived for new student households.

**Comcast** - Details: Offering two free months of internet service to all qualified, low-income households. You may cancel at any time or continue the service at \$9.95 per month. To enroll, call 1 (855) 846-8376 or visit [internetessentials.com](http://internetessentials.com).

**AT&T** - Open hot spots, unlimited data to existing customers, \$10 a month plans to low-income families. Call (855) 200-9855

**Sprint** - Unlimited data to existing customers, all handsets will enable hotspots for 60 days at no extra charge

**T-Mobile** - Unlimited data to existing customers, soon all handsets will enable hot spots for 60 days at no extra charge

**PCs for People** - Details: Through electronic reuse PCs for People provides the opportunity for all low-income individuals and nonprofits to benefit from the life changing impact of computers and mobile internet. Phone: (216) 930-5741 Email: [cleveland@pcsforspeople.org](mailto:cleveland@pcsforspeople.org) Website: <https://www.pcsforspeople.org/get-technology/>

## UTILITIES

**Cleveland Water** - Details: Temporarily stopped disconnection; Re-activating recent shut-offs Phone: (216) 664-3130

**Cleveland Public Power** - Details: Temporarily stopped disconnection; Re-activating recent shut-offs Phone: (216) 664-4600

**First Energy/Illuminating Company** - Details: Temporarily stopped disconnection Phone: (800) 589-3101

**Dominion** - Details: Temporarily stopped disconnection; Re-activating recent shut-offs Phone: (800) 362-7557

## LEGAL & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

**Legal Aid** - Currently, Legal Aid will only do new client intake online and via phone. Those needing civil legal assistance can apply online 24/7 at [www.lasclev.org](http://www.lasclev.org) or weekdays by calling (888) 817-3777. Those with non-legal questions related to landlord-tenant and other rental issues can also call our Tenant Information Line at (216) 861-5955



# THE GRIFFIN REPORT



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## 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MINORITY MEN'S HEALTH FAIR

Cleveland Clinic



**The 18th Annual Minority Men's Health Fair has been postponed.**

**The event will now take place in Fall, 2020.**

*If you have already registered online your space will be reserved. If not, registration will re-open once a date has been confirmed.*

[www.clevelandclinic.org/mmhf](http://www.clevelandclinic.org/mmhf)

## Ward 6 Community Meetings

For the well-being of the public, Councilman Griffin's monthly community meetings are cancelled until further notice.

**RESIDENTS OUR STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO:**

- Stay at home as much as possible and avoid contact with others (social distancing).
- Clean your hands often with soap and water or hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.

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### FAIRFAX CONTINUED

Act for restaurants here: <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/caresactprovisions-whatinitforrestaurants.pdf>

**Paycheck Protection Program** - Details: For nonprofits and small businesses under 500 employees that maintain payroll during the COVID-19 pandemic the Paycheck Protection Program is a loan fund to help maintain those costs: <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/uschamberdirections.pdf>

**Download a sample form application to help you begin** - [https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-03/Borrower%20Paycheck%20Protection%20Program%20Application\\_0.pdf](https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-03/Borrower%20Paycheck%20Protection%20Program%20Application_0.pdf)

**PPP Overview from U.S. Dept of Treasury** - <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/ppp--overview.pdf>

PPP Fact Sheet from U.S. Dept of Treasury- <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/ppp--fact-sheetborrower.pdf>

PPP Document Checklist from PNC Bank (just a guide, your bank may differ) - <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/pppchecklistpnc.pdf>

Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loans – Details: For detailed information on SBA Programs for the coronavirus, please visit [www.sba.gov/coronavirus](http://www.sba.gov/coronavirus)

**Small Business Owners**  
Details: Cleveland Dept. of Health shared a Guidance Document for open food establishments. View here: <https://www.universitycircle.org/files/assets/cleguidancedocfoodoperationscleveland.pdf>

**UCI Greater Circle Business Alliance** - Details: University Circle Inc. will continue to program the Greater Circle Business Alliance with free resources and education relevant to responding to COVID-19. Learn more here: <https://www.universitycircle.org/gcb>

[universitycircle.org/work/gcba](https://www.universitycircle.org/work/gcba)

**NextStep Strategies for Business Growth** - University Circle Inc will be waving the \$500 tuition for the NextStep program as well as the \$100 deposit for Financial Essentials for Small Business Owners program for University Circle small businesses.

**Cuyahoga County Small Business Resource Center** - Details: Cuyahoga County launched their Small Business Resource Center in partnership with dozens of other business development organizations learn more here: <https://www.cuyahogacounty.us/development/coronavirus-business-resources>

**Medical Grade Decontamination Services** - Details: Airriva, an Ohio based property management company is offering medical grade sanitization services at very affordable rates. Learn more here <https://www.airriva.com/clean>

**Ohio Liquor Buy-Back** - Details: A bar or restaurant may return unopened high proof liquor products purchased within the last 30 days (on or after Feb. 13, 2020) Learn more by contacting the LESC at 877-812-0013 or [OhioLiquorInfo@com.ohio.gov](mailto:OhioLiquorInfo@com.ohio.gov).

**HFLA of Northeast Ohio COVID-19 Emergency Loan** - Details: The Hebrew Free Loan Association is offering expedited interest-free loans of up to \$1,500 for a variety of purposes. To apply contact HFLA at 216-378-9042 or email [team@interestfree.org](mailto:team@interestfree.org). Specify that the request is for coronavirus related needs.

**Honeycomb Small Business Relief Loan** - Honeycomb Credit is offering loans up to \$50,000 for businesses in operation for at least 3 years, up to \$25,000 for businesses in operation for at least 1 year learn more here <https://www.honeycombcredit.com/relief>

**Teleconferencing** - Details: Zoom is a free video

teleconferencing service – learn more here <https://zoom.us/>

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging** - If you are over the age of 55, it is essential to practice social distancing and stay home. You can call (216) 791-8000 or email [info@benrose.org](mailto:info@benrose.org) for:

- Home delivered meals
- Reassurance for participants of community programs that have closed due to COVID-19
- Grocery shopping and medication pick-up
- Behavioral health services via Telehealth that continues case management and counseling for clients as well as accepting new clients
- Online financial and housing workshops

**Cleveland Pandemic Response Community Hub** - Details: Cleveland Pandemic Response (CPR) is a group of organizers and community members who are helping facilitate the exchange of services, donations and volunteer time in Northeast Ohio during the COVID-19 crisis. If you post your request on the Community Hub, member organizations will work to connect you with the services and donations you are looking for. If you make requests through this website, its member organizations will have access to your contact information.

Website: <https://cleveland.recoverys.org/?fbclid=IwAR1NxtWTm a8coGBxcLQbmtmh-ftiUycyUQzldPMryh-cEMYeAu1x2t-a1U4>

**MetroHealth Quarantine Resources** - <https://www.metrohealth.org/infectious-disease/covid-19/resources>

**United Way of Greater Cleveland's 2-1-1 Help Center** - Economic relief and other resources: [www.211OH.org](http://www.211OH.org) or dial 2-1-1

