MVM Welcomes New Neighborhood Advisory Sub-Committee!

Mt. Vernon Manor CDC/NAC welcomes the 15 newly elected members of the Neighborhood Advisory Sub-Committee (NAS): Angela (Pinky) Lindsay, Barbara Hall, Belinda Willis III, Charles Stevenson, DeWayne Drummond, Jackie Green, Juanita McFadden, Kenneth Cox, Regina Rosa-Brown, Rikeyah Lindsay, Sam Samuels, Sarah Crocker, Stephanie Richards, Valarie Lipford, and Yvonne West. They will provide community guidance on the programs and services offered by the NAC.

Public Safety Highlights

At the end of 2016, Mantua residents and 16th District Officers participated in a series of “Exposure Workshops”. Community and law enforcement came together to build relationships by sharing personal experiences and diving into powerful discussions. 19 of these Mantua residents and police officers also participated in an intensive 3-day “Train the Trainer Program” to gain the skills for leading future trainings in the community. Look out in the neighborhood for Listening Tables (like the one conducted during the December Mantua Civic Association Meeting) and other police/community relationship-building activities!

FEATURED NAC SERVICES:

- COMPUTER LAB
  Drop in to use our public computers M-F, 9AM-5:30PM.

- RESUME ASSISTANCE
  Please call 215-475-9492 to schedule an appointment for resume writing services.

PROMISE NEIGHBORHOODS - The U.S. Dept. of Education announced that it would award $6 million to Drexel University and partners to improve opportunities and outcomes for students in 7 schools in the Promise Zone: West Philadelphia High School; Science Leadership Academy Middle School; Locke, McMichael, Powel, and Martha Washington Elementaries; and Belmont Charter School. The funds will be used to support programs so that youth have access to great schools and community support that will prepare them for college and a career.
Events & Services

FREE Tax Preparation

Get your tax refund FAST with e-filing and direct deposit! Mt. Vernon Manor NAC staff are ready to assist you at NO COST. Appointments and walk-ins are welcome in the MVM NAC Office located at the Mantua Haverford Community Center (631 N. 39th Street).

Income tax preparation services will be available from January 23, 2017 to April 13, 2017, from 4-7PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, and 7AM-10AM on Fridays (closed Good Friday). Please call Lorraine Gomez at 215-475-9492 with any questions and to confirm which documents you will need to provide to prepare an accurate return.

EMPLOYMENT CORNER

Construction Apprentice Preparatory Program
CAPP is a training program that teaches participants the core skills required to pass the construction and building trade unions apprenticeship test. Interested participants must be 18 years of age or older, have a valid driver’s license, have a HS Diploma or GED, and pass a drug test. The program will be hosted at The Enterprise Center (4548 Market Street). For more info, call 609-792-4768.

The Hub at PA CareerLink West
The Hub is serving West Philly youth (16-24) interested in looking to advance their employment or education. Services include: career counseling, job training, and personalized coaching. Check it out at 3901 Market Street, 2nd Floor, 215-473-3630.

Are you ready for an emergency?
The Office of Emergency Management is coming to East Parkside to share our new FREE program

READYCommunity
February 4, 2017
9-11:30AM
at the Christ Community Baptist Church
1224 North 41st Street
FREE Preparedness and Go Bag Workshop
Get prepared with your neighbors, build a FREE Go Bag with emergency supplies, and learn useful tips.
To register contact Lorraine Gomez at 215-475-9492

Mount Vernon Manor CDC
631 N. 39th Street
Get Involved!

Monthly Neighborhood Meetings

**BCJI Promise Zone Public Safety Committee**, 1st Monday, 3:30PM
Mt. Vernon Manor Apartments Community Room (3311 Wallace St)

**United Block Captains Association**, 1st Wednesday, 6PM
Heavenly Hall Full Gospel Church (4017 Poplar St)

**East Parkside Residents Association**, 2nd Monday, 6PM
Christ Community Baptist Church (1224 N 41st St)

**Friends of the Mantua Greenway**, 2nd Tuesday, 6PM
Miles Mack Recreation Center (36th and Aspen)

**HUB Coalition**, 2nd Thursday, 6PM
Cloister’s III Building (3900 Haverford Ave)

**16th Police District Captains’ Meeting**, 3rd Tuesday, 6PM
Dornsife Center (3509 Spring Garden St)

**Powelton Village Civic Association**, 3rd Monday, 7:30PM
Metropolitan Baptist Church (3500 Baring St)

**Mantua Civic Association**, 3rd Thursday, 7PM
Grace Lutheran Church (36th & Haverford) or Mantua Haverford Community Center (631 N. 39th St)

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**Area Elected Officials**

**State Senator Vincent Hughes**
(7th Sen. Dist.) 215-879-7777

**State Rep. Vanessa Brown**
(190th House Dist.) 215-879-6615

**State Rep. Donna Bullock**
(195th House Dist.) 215-684-3738

**Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell**
(3rd Council Dist.) 215-686-3418

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**Spread the Word: Property Tax Assistance!**

Are you or your neighbors struggling with high or unpaid property taxes? You can take steps to get unpaid taxes resolved and future taxes lowered to avoid losing your home in a Sheriff Sale! To get help, call the **Save-Your-Home Philly Hotline** at 215-334-4663.

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**Uninsured? Get health coverage through the health insurance marketplace!** **Open enrollment will end on January 31, 2017.**

Even after the enrollment period ends, you may qualify to enroll during a Special Enrollment Period if you have a **qualifying life event**. If you experience any of the following: moving to another state, losing current health coverage, changing family size, experiencing problems with Marketplace coverage, or other life-changing events, then you can still take action to enroll! If you’re interested in scheduling a **FREE appointment with a health insurance enrollment assister**, please call Mt. Vernon Manor CDC/NAC at 215-475-9492.

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# Contacts & Resources

## Mt. Vernon Manor CDC/NAC Services and Resources

### HOUSING & FOOD
- Property Tax Relief
- Foreclosure Assistance
- Housing Counseling
- Home Repairs
- Rent Rebates
- Utility Assistance
- Weatherization
- Monthly Food Pantry

### BENEFITS, FINANCES & EMPLOYMENT
- Benefits Enrollment
- Health Insurance
- Resumes & Job Search
- Fax & Copy Machine
- Public Computers
- Income Tax Prep

### Agency/Purpose | Phone #
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16th Police District | 215-686-3160
LIHEAP Hotline | 1-866-857-7095
Department of Human Services | 1-800-692-7462
Department of Revenue | 215-686-6600
Philadelphia Water Department | 215-685-6300
Philadelphia Corporation for Aging | 215-765-9040
Philadelphia More Beautiful Committee | 215-685-3982
Fair Housing Commission | 215-686-4670
Tenant Union Representative Network | 215-940-3900
Philadelphia Housing Authority | 215-684-4000
Save Your Home Philly Hotline | 215-334-4663
Emergency Shelter | 215-686-7150

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- [MVMCDC](https://twitter.com/MVMCDC)

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9AM-5:30PM

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