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Julietta Henry, Milwaukee's election director, helped oversee the recount efforts at the Wisconsin Center.
— Photo by Pat Robinson

Recently completed Milwaukee County voting recount shows slight increase in votes for President-Elect Joe Biden, validates 'good government' in the state



President-Elect Joe Biden

Compiled by MCJ Editorial Staff

Milwaukee County's recently completed recount of the 2020 presidential election showed a vote count increase for president-elect Joe Biden, with a slight increase for defeated incumbent Donald Trump.

The recount by the Milwaukee County Election Commission reported Biden's vote count increased by 257 votes, for a revised total of 317,527. The initial vote count for Biden was 317,270.

Trump's vote recount increased by 125 votes for a revised total of 134,482. His election night vote count was 134,357.

The recount was completed at 5:30 p.m. Friday Nov. 27. That morning, when the recount resumed, it was announced that the missing 65 ballots they found Wednesday in the commission's warehouse were actually training

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Groundbreaking rental housing collaborative launches in MKE County



Westlawn Gardens Neighborhood

Nine social service organizations in Milwaukee County launched recently the Milwaukee Rental Housing Resource Center, a one-stop shop for tenants and landlords focused on providing and maintaining affordable, stable rental housing.

The mission of the Milwaukee Rental Housing Resource Center (MKE RHRC) is to serve as a trusted convener for the rental housing system and to connect people to resources, education, and services that help prevent eviction, regardless of age, family situation, or housing status.

The MKE RHRC will exist in both a physical and virtual form, with a physical office located at 728 N. James Lovell Street, and a website and central telephone hotline to direct people to services.

A preview of the website, RentHelpMKE.org, launched the same day. The full site will be available by year-end. The website will provide tenants and landlords with resources to avoid evictions resulting from the

COVID-19 pandemic and will be a central clearing-house for information on rental housing.

A decision tree will help direct website visitors to the appropriate information or partner organization for assistance, and a central intake form will allow people to submit their information to get help quickly.

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The website will be mobile friendly, accessible to people with disabilities, and available in English and Spanish.

Concurrent with the website, the MKE RHRC will launch a central telephone help line, (414) 895-RENT (414-895-7368).

The MKE RHRC help line will direct people to the appropriate organization for the type of assistance they seek and lessen confusion for people during a stressful time. Help line services will be available in English or Spanish.

The email address info@renthelpmke.org will also be available for those who prefer to communicate electronically or avoid using minutes on a mobile phone plan.

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ALL THE PRESIDENT'S WOMEN

President-Elect Biden Names All-Women Senior Communications Staff

By Stacy M. Brown, NNPA Newswire Senior National Correspondent

It isn't often a politician running for office keeps his campaign promise.

Since defeating Donald Trump, Joe Biden has so far lived up to his

promise of a diverse senior staff and cabinet.

The Democrat, who openly has recognized the critical role African Americans and women played in helping him to garner a record of more than 80 million votes, recently named an all women senior communications staff — including three Black women.

Darrell Blocker appeared on his way to being nominated by Biden as the nation's first African American CIA director.

(Pictured above, left to right): **Ashley Etienne**, who will serve as Vice President-elect Kamala Harris's communications director, **Karine Jean Pierre**, who will serve as White House principal deputy press secretary and **Symone Sanders**, who will serve as Harris's chief spokeswoman. (Photo: Getty Images, U.S. Government via Black Press USA)

"I am proud to announce today the first senior White House communications team comprised entirely of women. These qualified, experienced communicators bring diverse perspectives to their work and a shared commitment to building this country back better," Biden said in a statement.

Symone Sanders, an African American and a senior Biden campaign adviser will serve as a senior adviser and chief spokesperson for the vice president.

Ashley Etienne, an African American

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HABARI GANI?

(What's The News?)

National News Briefs

Former President Barack Obama believes broad rallying cries and 'snappy' slogans like "defund the police" contributed to Democratic congressional losses in the 2020 elections. Obama made his assertion on the Snapchat show, *Good Luck America* while promoting his new book, *A Promised Land*. "You lost a big audience the minute you say it," Obama asserted, "which makes it a lot less likely that you're actually going to get the changes you want done." Obama said if the term, "reform the police," that has connotations of fair treatment stressing front-end social programs and a focus on mental health, "people who might not otherwise listen to you (would be) listening to you."



St. Paul, Minn. Police Chief Todd Axtell said he fired an officer of his department for failing to measure up to department standards in shooting and wounding a Black man who emerged naked from a dumpster while being sought for sexual assault. "When I asked myself if the officer's actions on Saturday night were responsible and necessary, the only answer I could come up with is 'No,'" said Axtell during a recent news conference, noting he took "swift, decisive and serious action" against Anthony Dean, the officer in question who shot suspect Joseph Javonte Washington, who was charged with three counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, kidnapping, and assault.



Health care workers and nursing home residents should be the first recipients of coronavirus vaccine shots when they're available. The recommendation came from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. The committee voted 13-1 recently to recommend those groups get priority in the first days of any coming vaccination program, when doses are expected to be very limited. The two recommended groups encompass about 24 million people out of a U.S. population of about 330 million. Later this month, the Food and Drug Administration will consider authorizing emergency use of two vaccines made by Pfizer and Moderna.





Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Gee's Clippers MKE Wellness Clinic help "Shew the Flu!"

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced a greater action towards immunizing members of the community with flu shots. Recently, Hayat Pharmacy administered free flu shots provided by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, which—along with Gee's MKE Wellness Clinic—hosted the immunizations. Gee' MKE Wellness Clinic is located at 2200 N. MLK Drive.—Photo by Yvonne Kemp

Groundbreaking rental housing collaborative launches in MKE County

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The physical MKE RHRC location will be a socially distanced, trauma-informed space where people can meet with a partner organization and apply for a variety of rental assistance programs through computer kiosks with dedicated printers. Soundproofed "Zoom Rooms" will address digital equity, providing private spaces with high quality webcams to allow people to virtually attend eviction hearings.

A children's play area will allow parents to focus on addressing their housing needs. The physical space is currently being built out and will open in January 2021.

The MKE RHRC resulted from the 2018 Wisconsin Policy Forum Report "No Place Like Home" and the collaborative work of a broader group of stakeholders that formed an Eviction Prevention Task Force and began meeting in 2019 to identify next steps, the first being the formation of a tenant-landlord resource center.

The MKE RHRC will also increase access to rental assistance, legal and mediation services, and homeless prevention resources, as well as providing consistent, trusted information on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities.

The organizations that form the MKE RHRC began meeting regularly at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic to coordinate their response efforts.

They include Community Advocates, IMPACT, Inc., Mediate Wisconsin, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Legal Action Wisconsin, Apartment Association

of Southeastern Wisconsin, Hope House, the City of Milwaukee Department of Neighborhood Services, and Milwaukee County Housing Division.

The Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin (UEDA) is providing project management.

UEDA is also the coordinating intermediary behind Take Root Milwaukee, a consortium of over 40 community organizations working to promote sustainable homeownership in the City of Milwaukee that launched in response to the foreclosure crisis in 2008.

UEDA has engaged Sarah Greenberg from Greenberg Strategies LLC for additional project support.

The MKE RHRC broke new ground by including a coordinated entry provider from the Continuum of Care (CoC) for homeless services (IMPACT, Inc.).

The CoC is a regional planning body that coordinates housing and services funding for homeless families and individuals.

In another groundbreaking move, the Apartment Association of Southeastern Wisconsin (AA-SEW)—the largest rental property owner trade association in the state—is also a partner in the MKE RHRC, consistent with their mission to advocate for sustainable rental housing.

As of November 6, the MKE RHRC and its partner organizations have collectively provided more than \$13 million in emergency rental assistance to over 6,900 clients, as well as working with landlords to coordinate

planned moves as an eviction prevention strategy.

Large Milwaukee-area landlords have also agreed to utilize Mediate Wisconsin's mediation services before filing for eviction and to coordinate with rental assistance providers to reduce their eviction filings.

Early funding support for the MKE RHRC has been provided by the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment at the Medical College of Wisconsin, American Endowment Foundation, Brady Foundation, City of Milwaukee Community Development Grants Administration, Herb Kohl Philanthropies, LISC-Milwaukee, Milwaukee County Housing Division, United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County, Wisconsin Partnership Program at University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, Wells Fargo, and Zilber Family Foundation.

MKE RHRC partner organizations will be seeking additional funding support to operate the Center and its associated rental assistance programs for the first three years and will be hosting a "friend-raiser" funding campaign for Giving Tuesday on December 1.

Wells Fargo is providing a \$5,000 challenge grant for the campaign, which will include video vignettes from each of the partner organizations as well as a social media campaign using the hashtag #RENTHelpMKE. For more details or to make a contribution to support the launch of the MKE RHRC, please contact Kristi Luzar, UEDA executive director, at kristi@uedawi.org.

Milwaukee County voting recount shows slight increase in votes for President-Elect Biden

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ballots, not the ones they were reportedly searching for.

The ballots in question were from the city of Milwaukee. The Board of Canvassers voted to end the recount without the 65 missing ballots, meaning they won't be counted in the state wide total.

The other county municipalities completed their count Wednesday. Some 27,000 ballots have been set aside from Milwaukee County alone for Trump to potentially file a post-recount lawsuit.

The roughly 460,000 recounted ballots were taken from the Wisconsin Center, where the recount was held, and returned—with a security escort—to the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

Dane County (which includes Madison) completed its recount on Sunday. The statewide results were certified Tuesday.

Trump had requested a recount in Dane and Milwaukee counties, falsely citing voter fraud. He and his campaign took issue with tens of thousands of

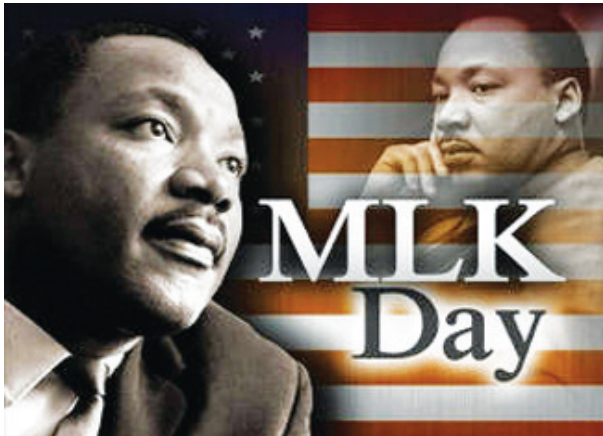
ballots, cast through in-person absentee voting or by voters who are indefinitely confined. Those objections were thrown out by the Milwaukee and Dane County Boards of Canvassers.

"This recount demonstrated what we already know—that elections in Milwaukee County are fair, transparent, accurate and secure," said George Christenson, Milwaukee County Clerk and executive director of the Milwaukee County Election Commission.

"We have once again led the way in demonstrating what "good government" means in Wisconsin.

Christenson praised municipal clerks, election workers, county staff and others who participated in the process. He particularly praised Milwaukee's city election director, Julietta Henry and her staff.

Christenson said without Henry's staff—and the 18 other municipal election directors, clerks, and their respective staffs working together "this recount would have been more complicated and costly. I thank them for their commitment to public service."



Local Student's Artwork Dr. King, to be Installed as Mural in Harambee Neighborhood

The Marcus Performing Arts Center announced today that a 12'x 12' mural will be installed on the north side of the King Hall building, located at 3413 N. Doctor M.L.K. Jr Dr. in the Harambee neighborhood. The mural will feature an image of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in honor of the Marcus Center's annual MLK birthday celebration. Grace Collins, the award-winning artist, is a 9th grader at Reagan IB High School.

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In It's First Year, MILWAUKEE CRIME STOPPERS Led to 27 Arrests

In October 2019, Milwaukee Crime Stoppers was launched and Attorney Michael Hupy has served as president over this non-profit organization.

Milwaukee Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards as much as \$1,000 to people who provide anonymous tips that lead to arrests in unsolved crimes.

As a member of the Children's Outing Association Board of Directors, Attorney Michael Hupy has personally offered through Crime Stoppers a \$100,000 reward to the person who solves the shooting death of Tay Jackson. The Children's Outing Association volunteer was shot and killed in August of 2019.

Since the launch of Milwaukee Crime Stoppers, there has been nothing but success of stopping crimes in the city of Milwaukee.

From October 15, 2019, to November 23,

2020, there have been a total of 27 arrests made and over \$6,500.00 in rewards paid. This year alone the firm has donated \$5,000.00 to Milwaukee Crime Stoppers and Attorney Hupy will be donating another \$1,000.00 to the Crime Stopper National Organization today on Giving Tuesday.

"In little more than a year since Milwaukee Crime Stoppers was initiated it has done a fantastic job.

"It has helped solve numerous crimes including two murders and has given complete anonymity to tipsters and given them cash rewards for helping solve crimes.

"The primary mission of Crime Stoppers is to prevent crimes by letting would-be criminals know that they can be turned into law enforcement without ever knowing who turned them in.

"Our secondary mission is to solve crimes by rewarding anonymous tipsters. As president of Milwaukee Crime Stoppers I am 100% behind these missions," Attorney Michael Hupy

President-elect Biden living up to promise of a diverse senior staff and cabinet!

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ican and senior adviser on the Biden campaign, will serve as communications director for Vice-President-Elect Kamala Harris.

Karine Jean-Pierre, a senior adviser on the Biden campaign who later served as chief of staff to Harris and who is also Black, will serve as principal deputy press secretary.

Former Barack Obama White House communications director Jen Psaki will serve as press secretary, while Kate Bedingfield, who served as deputy campaign manager and communications director for the campaign, will be White House communications director.

Pili Tobar, who served as the communications director for coalitions on the campaign, will serve as deputy White House communications director.

Additionally, Biden was said to learn toward a nomination of **Adeyemo** to serve as Deputy Treasury Secretary.

If confirmed, Adeyemo, the current president of the Obama Foundation in Chicago, would be the first Black person to hold that powerful position.

The Biden/Harris team has also selected **Cecilia Rouse** to lead the Council of Economic Advisers.

This appointment would make Rouse the first woman of color to chair the council.

In what could be another historic nomination, many believe that Biden is set to name **Darrell Blocker** the first African American CIA director.

Blocker has spent about 30 years at the CIA, so experience isn't a question. He started as an analyst with the Air Force before joining the CIA, taking on various undercover assignments.

"My clandestine activities were enhanced by being viewed as a singer, because who would ever think that one could be both?" Blocker told ABC News in a 2019 interview.

"That is a leap too far for most, and I honestly feel that it kept me safer by being in plain sight."

Biden and Harris also announced they are forming a Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC) to organize

activities surrounding their swearing-in on January 20, 2021, announcing the initial senior leadership team who will lead PIC and unveiling its online presence.

The selections, which include two African Americans, and all individuals of color include:

Tony Allen, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer

The President of Delaware State University (DSU), one of the nation's premiere public Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Before being appointed President, Dr. Allen served as Executive Vice President and Provost at DSU and previously led Bank of America's corporate reputation group.

He is also the Founding President of the Metropolitan Wilmington Urban League and co-Founder of Public Allies Delaware. In the 90's, Allen worked in then-Senator Biden's office as a Special Assistant and Speechwriter.

Maju Varghese, Executive Director

Chief Operating Officer and Senior Advisor on the Biden-Harris campaign from the primaries through the general, overseeing the campaign's day-to-day operations and leading the entire campaign through an unprecedented shift to remote working.

Varghese previously served in the Obama White House in various roles, including

Assistant to the President for Management and Administration and Deputy Director of Advance.

He has also worked as the Chief Operating Officer at The Hub Project and a Senior Advisor at the law firm Dentons.

Erin Wilson, Deputy Executive Director

Wilson served as the Biden-Harris campaign's National Political Director throughout the primary and general elections, the senior staff member responsible for relationships with hundreds of elected officials and leaders across the country.

Previously, Wilson was a senior aide in Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey's office, most recently serving as his State Director and Senior Advisor to his 2018 reelection. She is also a Hillary for America and Democratic National Committee alumna.



Ald. Chantia Lewis



The Common Council recently voted to adopt legislation to move forward with using remaining federal CARES Act funding for a small business start-up fund, education assistance to parents of K-12 students, and help to provide Internet access and tablets to senior citizens.

The amended legislation sponsored by Alderwoman Chantia Lewis -- Council file #200978 -- aims to address certain problems that people are currently facing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"So many people are now faced with lost jobs, children at home because schools and programs are all

Advocate Aurora Health gives \$675,000 in grants to develop a diverse health care workforce

The Better Together Fund's next recipients seek to train health care workers amidst COVID-19

Advocate Aurora Health is awarding grants to four community organizations from its Better Together Fund to help improve the health care workforce. The latest grants are part of a \$2,125,000 commitment to Milwaukee projects that address social and economic needs amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The pandemic has aimed a spotlight on health care inequities, and the next group of grant recipients' projects are focused on creating more diversity and inclusivity among caregivers. The grant recipients are:

- **Milwaukee Jobs Work** – Pathways to Healthcare Careers Program
 - o \$200,000 to expand job skills development and tutoring programs for central Milwaukee city residents with limited work histories and significant barriers to long-term, successful employment.
- **Cream City Medical Society/Milwaukee Health Services** – Pipeline to Practice
 - o \$200,000 to provide seed

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Common Council approves CARES Act funding measure

virtual, poor Internet connectivity and access, and other life-altering problems from COVID-19, and this legislation aims to help those people as soon as possible," Alderwoman Lewis said.

"We need to take care of our most vulnerable members always, but especially now during the COVID-19 pandemic," she said. "I thank my colleagues for their support, as passing this resolution to utilize some of the city's remaining

CARES Act funding to assist Milwaukee residents will be immensely helpful as it will relieve some of the pressure and pain that COVID-19 has inflicted on our city and our nation."

The resolution seeks to use CARES Act funds to help small start-up businesses to assist them in purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE), and to assist them in becoming COVID compliant under state mandates.

The funds could also go to parents and guardians who are responsible for making sure their children attend e-learning and also that they have all the technology they need to participate in their classes.

"This legislation provides real support to parents of a school age child (K-12) who lives in the City of Milwaukee, to help with tutoring and/or Internet access at home," Alderwoman Lewis said.

"The (file) would also help provide Internet access and a tablet to those seniors who are without one. It's important during this time of social distancing that we stay connected virtually and that includes our senior population," she said.

A portion of the funding could also pay for pandemic EBT benefits for the 2020-2021 school year for children eligible for free and reduced price school meals through the National School Lunch Program.

Alderwoman Lewis said she expects City of Milwaukee residents "will have the opportunity to apply for one of these programs in the coming weeks."

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A Look Back at 2020 and a Peek Into the New Year 2021

2020 was a tough year for many of us. We watched anxiously while the world battled and continues to battle the global pandemic of the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2, which causes the disease COVID-19).

As of submission of this article, according to the CDC, the United States has seen over 266,000 deaths to this disease as we await the approval of a vaccine.

On January 26, 2020, basketball fans learned that basketball legend, Kobe Bryant, his daughter GiGi and 7 others were tragically killed in a helicopter crash in Calabasas, California. A month later, on February 26, a horrific workplace mass shooting at Molson Coors Brewing in Milwaukee claimed the lives of 6 which includes the shooter. Then, on May 25, 2020, tragic news from Minneapolis, Minnesota that George Floyd, Jr. died when a white police officer knelt on Floyd's neck for what is reported to be 8 minutes and 46 seconds, sparked protests that reverberated all over the world as America is forced to face a racial reckoning. Finally, in 2020 we all witnessed and endured another contentious election cycle and presidential race and we closed the year recognizing that these United States of America is very much divided.

As the year draws to a close, another year of articles have also been filed in my electronic file cabinet. This month, I will take a brief look back at two of the memorable articles this year and then I will give you a peek into 2021 and two of the topics I intend to cover.

At reader request, I began this year by reminding every person over the age of 18 to obtain a REAL ID or another acceptable form of ID if they plan to fly within the United States, visit a military base or other secure federal facility. Having a REAL ID, the Homeland Security Compliant ID will allow you access to the government offices and fly in the United States. The new REAL ID is created using new technology making them more difficult to forge or duplicate. In the State of Wisconsin, the

Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles issues REAL ID compliant products marked with a in the upper portion of the card, to signify compliance. If you don't see a on your REAL ID, please bring it to the attention of your DMV service agent.

Finally, in October, I ran a series entitled: "Put On A Smiley Face" in celebration of World Smile Day! You were encouraged to not only smile on World Smile Day, but officially adopt "smiling" and showing goodwill and kindness to others always!

Looking ahead to 2021, in February, I will highlight African American men and women who have been trailblazers in the City of Milwaukee in recognition of Black History Month.



BIBLICAL COUNSELING FOR TODAY'S CHRISTIAN FAMILY

By Rev. Judith T. Lester, B.Min., M.Th.

In April, Alcohol Awareness Month is observed. When it comes to alcoholism and substance abuse, experts agree denial is one of the major characteristics of alcohol abuse, both from the person who is abusing alcohol and their friends and family members who do not feel comfortable acknowledging the gravity of the situation. In April, I will cause attention to be given to alcohol and offer ways to talk to a loved one about their drinking problem.

Beloved, as 2021 looms on the horizon, let us all be thankful to God for family and friends and for those things' money cannot buy: love, joy, peace, mercy, and grace. I am wishing all of you and yours a blessed holiday season and a very safe, healthy and prosperous New Year! God's blessings to you and may God bless and unite America!

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R&B star and Maroon 5 keyboardist, PJ Morton, returns to NPR Music's Tiny Desk to celebrate the sounds of his Grammy Award nominated album, "Gospel According to PJ" (Morton Inspiration /Tyscot).

In 2018, he piled 14 musicians into NPR's Washington, D.C. office for an astounding Tiny Desk concert that has earned over 1.4 million YouTube views.

This time, he invited gospel stars J Moss, Darrel 'Musiqcity' Walls and Zacardi Cortez to join him virtually as he and a scaled-down band perform a three-song set – including the Billboard No. 1 hit

"All in His Plan" - from a New Orleans studio.

The 13-track project, "Gospel According to PJ," features a who's who in gospel, ranging from Kirk Franklin, Yolanda Adams and The Clark Sisters to Tasha Cobbs Leonard, Mary Mary and a reunion of Fred Hammond's Commissioned, among others. The album, which has drawn comparisons to Aretha Franklin's monumental 1972 Amazing Grace LP, debuted at No. 1 on Billboard's Top Gospel Albums chart in September.

It's available in vinyl, CD and digital configurations. Currently, it's up for a Grammy Award for Best Gospel Album of the Year.

RELIGIOUS BOOKSHELF

Simplicity of Non-Religious, Non-Discriminatory Spirituality



HOUSTON, TX,—Spirituality is distinct from religion and does not discriminate. It cannot! says Ravi Kathuria.

To some, the term 'spirituality' sounds mystical or complex, Ravi says. "It's my mission to share with the world, spirituality is stunningly simple and as natural as sleeping."

It's also wholly inclusive and accessible to everyone regardless of caste, creed, religious beliefs, age, status, gender or sexual identity. No judgments. No preconditions, he adds.

By quieting our minds — by tapping into the spirituality that is inextricably woven into our DNA — we have the ability within ourselves to experience profound bliss, explains Ravi Kathuria. "Learn to quiet your mind is the simple message the ancient Indian sages gave mankind," he says. "Their message was not religious. It was a scientific discovery about human nature that can raise the quality and experience of life."

Ravi demystifies spirituality and distinguishes it from religion in his thought-provoking book, *Happy Soul. Hungry Mind.: A Modern-Day Parable About Spirituality*. Not a "pedantic" book about archaic dogmas, *Happy Soul. Hungry Mind.* is an emotional and humorous, easy-to-read parable that shares a series of conversations between two old friends who enjoy spirited discussions about the human journey and life's challenges.

This format allows Ravi to organically capture the pressures of modern life and reveal techniques for calming the mind. He weaves in Spiritual Truths that boggle the mind and demonstrates how spirituality and modern living can synergistically and practically coexist. It may be the remedy we need in this world of stress and anxiety.

Ravi answers questions people have pondered for ages. "I share a definition of God that can change the course of human history," states Ravi. "It can make the world more peaceful."

Written for the modern reader, *Happy Soul. Hungry*

Mind. is free from religious doctrines and makes spirituality accessible to the world's 7 billion inhabitants. Spirituality benefits the religious and the atheists equally. You do not have to change your beliefs to benefit from spirituality, says Ravi.

"This is not our grandfather's religious spirituality," Ravi adds. "This is modern, practical — and simple spirituality! It is time to awaken the world as it yearns for true spirituality."

Author Ravi Kathuria has been drawn to spirituality ever since he was young. A business thought leader, management consultant and executive coach, he has been quoted by the likes of the Wall Street Journal, NPR and the PBS Nightly Business Report. His first book, *How Cohesive is your Company?* presented a holistic, cohesive management

method that received great praise from top executives and business professors. In his second book, *Happy Soul. Hungry Mind.*, Ravi uses his analytical and intuitive skills to solve the complexity and confusion of spirituality. *Happy Soul. Hungry Mind.* is a work of spiritual genius. Ravi lives in Sugar Land, a suburb of Houston, Texas.

For more information, visit www.HappySoulHungryMind.com, or connect with the author on Facebook: @HappySoulHungryMind; Instagram: happysoul.hungrymind; Twitter: @HappySoulHungry; and YouTube: Happy Soul. Hungry Mind.



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PERSPECTIVES



Teachers' unions wanting to close private schools doesn't mean they have the safety and health of poor Black children in mind!

Since our local 'public' school system (MPS) is foregoing student testing during the pandemic, I thought I'd fill the void by posing civics question that will assist students in understanding how government works, and for whom: Why is the state teacher's union lobbying Governor Tony Evers to close private and charter schools offering in-person education, even though the union has no control or vested interest over those educational institutions?

Before you attempt to answer that question, I'll give you a clue since I'm scoring on a curve:

It has nothing to do with students' welfare, whether Donald Trump will ever admit he lost the presidential election or the Green Bay Packers will find a Black cheerleader.

Still, confused?

Let me rephrase the question:

Why has the local 'government' teacher's union, MTEA, petition (some say mandated) the Milwaukee Health Department to issue an order restricting all private schools in the city to virtual paradigms?

Like the state union, the MTEA has no statutory authority over private and charter schools, nor are MPS students and staff impacted by what happens in those schools, where most of the students are low-income African Americans.

Oh, that's not entirely true.

Most educational doyens believe in-person education provides a far superior path to success. Moreover, even the most self-serving special interests admit a large percentage of low-income children are slipping through the virtual cracks. Many will emerge from the pandemic having lost ground they will not be able to make up unless they repeat their respective grades.

The reasons are vast and can't necessarily be put solely on the 'eduocracy' or teachers' backs. Nor can you blame the students, many of whom are victimized by circumstances and environments that are not conducive to virtual paradigms.

But strangely, this abysmal potential outcome has seemingly been ignored by policymakers and the public in general, as there seems to be only a handful of brave souls who care more about the children served than the servants' welfare (no pun intended).

Nor have you heard much, if anything, about a startling revelation that could and should alter the existing paradigm: children in K-8 grade are safer in school than at home.

Yeah, you read that right.

One of the foremost authorities on the pandemic, CDC director Dr. Robert Redfield, revealed recently that the infection risk to students in kindergarten through eighth grade attending school is less than they are if they are forced to stay at home or, more likely, venture throughout the community.

Coronavirus infections originate from homes and the community, not in schools, Dr. Redfield explained in one interview.

Noting that policymakers should not base decisions based on emotionalism, Redfield said, 'the truth is for kids (K-8), school is one of the safest places they can be from our perspective'.

And in case you think you can summarily dismiss Redfield's proposition, President-Elect Joe Biden's special advisor for the COVID-19 pandemic confirmed the physician's assessment.

Dr. Celine Gonder, President-elect Joe Biden's COVID-19 transition team leader, said on CNN the new administration will have to reassess its position, acknowledging that data confirms Redfield's analysis.

Given Biden's career-long opposition to educational options (another clue for the testers), there is little reason to believe the new president will acknowledge the science he said he will rely upon in making decisions about COVID-19.

Be honest with yourself. The unions are a far more influential special interest than African American voters, even though we determine who sits in the White House.

Consider another clue.

If you need further research before answering the test question, pay heed to the controversy over school openings in New York or live on the southside of Milwaukee. Google what's happening in Arkansas where Governor Asa Hutchinson is dealing with a comparable controversy.

Better yet, you need to look to the south and west of Milwaukee,

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If you have no critics, you'll likely have no success!"

—Malcolm X



where the courts have ruled recently in favor of parents and private schools participating in the school choice program to continue hybrid systems.

In a nutshell, the courts ruled Madison and Racine health officials overstepped their authority by closing non-government schools to in-person paradigms.

As of this writing, the Racine health officials have told the court to go to hell, thus necessitating another trip to court and the possibility of contempt fines, which ironically, will be paid for by taxpayers.

Obviously, this controversy isn't as one dimensional as it appears on the surface. In fact, strong arguments can be made by both ends.

Many parents, particularly the African American poor, are caught between the proverbial rock and hard place. They rely on in-person schooling to free themselves up to work and provide safety, discipline, and entertainment. And let's not forget meals.

Give MPS credit for trying to accommodate that latter concern. The district has introduced a food pick up service for low-income parents who can navigate the shooting range that has been our community recently; and pandemic infested bus stops to get to the sites.

Imagine you are one of the 27,000 Black families existing on less than \$10,000 annually. Chances are you're uneducated, reliant on a minimum wage paying job, and barely surviving while trying to raise a couple of children.

If you're lucky enough to be working, do you leave your small children at home? Do you have, or can you afford the internet, or even telephone service to communicate with the schools? Can you help your child navigate through the instruction?

And those concerns are but the tip of the iceberg.

Many can't answer the questions posed by children who don't understand or are confused by the computer screen's images.

Worse still, they don't know where to turn or have the financial resources to pay for tutoring or literacy services like the teachers and government school administrators who control their lives. Or would like to.

True enough, there are those parent(s) who don't care, or whom the school is a baby sitter or a warehouse; a pipeline to the 'penal warehouse.'

There is also those naïve parent(s) with low expectations, or worse, who believe the eduocracy always has their children's best interest at heart.

Most of them will be surprised when they discover their children are failing, drop out, or graduate unable to read their diploma, let alone able to write.

Yet, even if the parents don't care or know better, you should.

Not just because we're a tribe and all children belong to the community. But also, because the thousands of wayward children will either become terrorists, end up in prison or welfare lines, or stain your street and sidewalk with their blood...or yours.

Conversely, teachers are an invaluable asset that must be respected and protected.

I get that.

If they don't feel safe in the classroom, who should force them?

If they decide to leave or terminate employment out of safety concerns, who could blame them?

How much of that safety concern can be attributed to a private school decision across town to remain open?

How is a school offering direct instruction a threat?

In other words, why in hell would MPS teachers—or the union that represents them-- want private schools closed?

A former teacher I asked that question provided an unbelievable answer, which I could only assume was not among the 'media talking points' supplied by the MTEA.

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Resources to Help Meet Your Immediate Needs

By U.S. Cong. Gwen Moore

With COVID-19 cases currently surging in Wisconsin, and many individuals facing a wide array of hardships, this week I am bringing you a collection of resources that I hope can help you in these trying times.



Food Resources

Many individuals are also facing challenges in providing enough food for their families currently. There are a number of services currently that you can use, if you are one of many who need assistance.

First of all, FoodShare is the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) that assists families in purchasing quality food. if you are not currently enrolled in FoodShare benefits, you can apply for those benefits here. You can also call (888) 947-6583 between 7:30am and 5:00pm Monday-Friday. If you do not want to enter your information, but still wish to know your eligibility, the DHS has listed the monthly income requirements for FoodShare here.

Wisconsin also provides The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). TEFAP is a supplementary food assistance service that is separate from FoodShare. TEFAP provides short-term relief, and packages consist of 3-5 days of food. Find more information by calling 2-1-1.

The Wisconsin Hunger Task Force has multiple programs to assist vulnerable community members with nutrition assistance. The Hunger Task

Force also provides Stockboxes, a program that allows households with an individual age 60 or older to receive nutrition packages. More information about Stockbox can be found here. The Hunger Task Force has also put together a map of all available food pantries, locations for Stockboxes, and other food resources in Milwaukee County. The interactive map can be found here.

Milwaukee Public Schools also provide pre-packaged school meals (breakfast and lunch) for children under age 18. Parents can pick up these meals daily at participating MPS schools.

Southeastern Wisconsin residents can call 2-1-1 if they have questions about food or other services. 2-1-1 can be called 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and an operator will assist in any way possible.

COVID-19 Testing

I know that many of you may wonder whether or not you should get tested. According to the CDC, if you currently experience symptoms of COVID-19, or have come into contact with an individual that has tested positive for COVID-19, then you should be tested. If you are not sure on whether or not you need to be tested, you can complete the Wisconsin DHS COVID Screening located here.

Once you determine that you need to be tested, you have multiple options on how to get tested. Firstly, you can contact your primary healthcare provider and ask if they have any available appointments for COVID testing. Make sure your testing is covered by your insurance. There are many testing sites available in Milwaukee County and throughout Wisconsin. These testing sites in the link include community testing locations which don't require an appointment and other sites. Any change in availability in community testing sites can be found here.

Preventing Eviction and Financial Resources

COVID-19 has also sent our nation into an eviction crisis. With millions of Americans still out of work, there are many who fear being sent out onto the street during a pandemic. It's even more dangerous in Milwaukee, as we

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SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
PETITION FOR NAME
CHANGE

(Adult or Minor 14 or older)
(30708)
Case No. 20CV006170

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME
CHANGE OF: ANDREW SCOTT
CLOW

I am the Petitioner and state:
1. My address is 2463 N Bartlett Ave
2. I live in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin
3. I was born on 9/28/1987 in the state of Michigan
4. My birth certificate was issued in the state of Michigan and the name that appears on my birth certificate is ANDREW SCOTT CLOW
5. My current job is Unemployed
6. a. I do not work in a job for which a license has been required by any state, or my only professional license is to teach in the public schools in this state.
7. I am not a convicted sex offender required to register under SS301.45, 938.34(15m), and 938.345(3), Wisconsin Statutes or a similar law of any other state.

8. I wish to change my name to ANDREW SCOTT CLOUD
For the following reason(s) Marriage different last name than previous
9. I wish to change the name on my Wisconsin Birth Certificate
ANDREW SCOTT CLOW
Date: October 19, 2020
238/11-18-25/12-2-2020

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 20CV006323

In the matter of the name change of:
DANIEL JOVANNI CISNEROS-STALLER
By (Petitioner) FRANCISCO MARTIN CISNEROS-LOPEZ
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: DANIEL JOVANNI CISNEROS-STALLER
To: FABIAN CISNEROS
Birth Certificate: DANIEL JOVANNI CISNEROS-STALLER

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID SWANSON RM 413 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street (VIA ZOOM) Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: December 9, 2020 TIME 2:00 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Dated: 11-5-2020
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID SWANSON
Circuit Court Judge
240/11-18-25/12-2-2020

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 20CV006323

In the matter of the name change of:
FRANCISCO MAURICIO CISNEROS-STALLER
By (Petitioner) FRANCISCO MARTIN CISNEROS-LOPEZ
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: FRANCISCO MAURICIO CISNEROS-STALLER
To: FRANCISCO MIGUEL CISNEROS
Birth Certificate: FRANCISCO MAURICIO CISNEROS-STALLER

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
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BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID SWANSON
Circuit Court Judge
239/11-18-25/12-2-2020

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
PETITION FOR NAME
CHANGE
(Adult or Minor 14 or older)
(30708)

Case No. 20CV005456
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME
CHANGE OF: KALEE THAO

I am the Petitioner and state:
1. My address is Milwaukee County, 4044 N 98th Street
2. I live in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin
3. I was born on 8/13/1994 in the state of Wisconsin
4. My birth certificate was issued in the state of Wisconsin and the name that appears on my birth certificate is KALEE THAO
5. My current job is N/A
6. a. I do not work in a job for which a license has been required by any state, or my only professional license is to teach in the public schools in this state.
b. I do work in a job (other than a licensed teacher in Wisconsin public schools) for which a license has been required by any state. However, I have notified the state board or commission for my profession and they do not object to my proposed name change.

7. I am not a convicted sex offender required to register under SS301.45, 938.34(15m), and 938.345(3), Wisconsin Statutes or a similar law of any other state.

8. I wish to change my name to KALEE SPLASHLIGHT
For the following reason(s) I have never believed in woman having to change their name and since my husband and I will be childfree, this is one of the things we can make together.
9. I wish to change the name on my Wisconsin Birth Certificate
KALEE THAO
Date: September 16, 2020
237/11-18-25/12-2-2020

SUMMONS
(PUBLICATION)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN
Case No. 20FA004801
DIVORCE 40101

In re the marriage of: SHEENA CHERISE RIMMER, 5019 N Santa Monica Blvd Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin 53217, Petitioner and REGINALD J RIMMER, 1921 N 27th St Milwaukee WI 53208, RESPONDENT

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, to the person named above as respondent:

You are notified that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petition, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 20 days of receiving this Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in Ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The Court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statutes.

The response must be sent or delivered to the following government office: Clerk of Court Milwaukee

County 901 North 9th Street Room 104 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233.

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above.

It is recommended, but not required that you have an attorney help or represent you

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days the court may grant judgment against you and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A Judgment may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated: 10-20-2020
By: SHEENA CHERISE RIMMER
236/11-18-25/12-2-2020

SUMMONS
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
PUBLISHED NOTICE
CASE NO 20CV5530

TO: MONICA ROUX, 4625 N 101ST STREET WAUWATOSA, WI 53225

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 45 days of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written Answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The Answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: 901 N. Ninth St Room 104 Milwaukee WI 53233, and to BENDER, LARSON, CHIDLEY, KOPPES & ASSOCIATES, S.C., Plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 138 Hospital Drive, suite 100, Watertown, WI 53098. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper Answer within 45 days, the Court may grant judgement against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 24th day of November 2020
ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF:
CHRISTOPHER J KOPPES
BENDER, LARSON, CHIDLEY, KOPPES & ASSOCIATES, S.C.
138 Hospital Drive
Suite 100
WATERTOWN WI 53098
(920) 261-7626
243/11-25/12-2-9-2020

SUMMONS
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
PUBLISHED NOTICE
CASE NO 20CV5532

TO: KENNETH ROUX, 4625 N 101ST STREET WAUWATOSA, WI 53225

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 45 days of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written Answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The Answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: 901 N.

Ninth St Room 104 Milwaukee WI 53233, and to BENDER, LARSON, CHIDLEY, KOPPES & ASSOCIATES, S.C., Plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 138 Hospital Drive, suite 100, Watertown, WI 53098. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper Answer within 45 days, the Court may grant judgement against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 24th day of November 2020
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SUMMONS
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 20CV6206

In the matter of the name change of: SPENCER TOMAS MCADAMS
By (Petitioner) SPENCER TOMAS MCADAMS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: SPENCER TOMAS MCADAMS To: ANGEL DARLING BELMONT
Birth Certificate: SPENCER TOMAS MCADAMS

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. KEVIN E MARTENS BR 27 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Room 403 ***TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM*** Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: January 5, 2021 TIME 10:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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Signed: Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo, President/Publisher

Signifyin': School Sweet School?

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She said students attending private schools will ultimately infect those in government schools.

Huh?...SAY WHAT?

I won't delve into my response, but the fact that she couldn't elaborate or provide any shred of data to suggest such an absurd conclusion spoke volumes.

This takes me back to my original test question. (Extra points to those who answered before my background information and clues).

The answer?

Because the unions fear the loss of students to private and charter institutions. It's simple.

They rightfully believe educational options introduced by the late state legislator Annette Polly 'Harriet Tubman' Williams will motivate the field Negroes to escape what they believe is the 'new plantation.'

Over 2,000 did just that this semester alone, transferring from MPS to various private schools offering in-person education. Add their numbers to the thousands who now make up the second-largest school district in the state, and you recognize the real issue.

And apparently, to the dismay of the union, there has been only one infection incident, temporarily prompting the school to close on its own initiative.

The school has since reopened, with little impact on the children, teachers, or neighborhood residents.

Just like opposition to the school choice program, and non-instrumentality charters, union opposition to private schools offering hybrid paradigms is premised on job security and control of resources (tax money they feel belongs to them, versus the

parents).

It has nothing to do with the health or academic welfare of children.

But if you believe there's more to this than that, I have a 'stolen' Trump 'Make America Great Again!' poster and a worn-out copy of Dr. Carter G. Woodson's 'Miseducation of the Negro,' I like to sell you! Actually, I'll give you that book along with a copy of mine, 'Not Yet Free at Last.' But don't let union officials see you with either, as they have been outlawed, boycotted, and burned in censorship.

Several months ago, I predicted that the state teacher's union would pressure Evers to use his executive privilege to close down the 'opposition.' I should have expected they would also make demands on the city health department since they couldn't get support from the mayor.

For extra credit, why would the union be confident that Evers would respond affirmatively to their plea?

You need but read his resume to answer that question.

Evers is a former teacher, principal, and superintendent of Public Instruction who did not make secret his support for the unions and disdain for educational options for poor families.

He has also sided with unions in opposition to parents and educational czars' reforms that diminish the union stranglehold.

The result has been a government school system in Milwaukee which hosts the worse reading proficiency rates of Black fourth and eighth-graders in the country and one of the broadest academic achievement gaps north of Cuba.

So, give yourself an 'A' if you answered the questions correctly. And add bonus points if you recognize the history behind the decision of thousands upon thousands of low income and minority families who have sought alternatives to government schools they felt were failing their children.

I'm not advising anyone to make decisions for their children based on this civics test. But I believe parents should be the penultimate decision-makers for their children and not bureaucrats, educators, or janitors. And those decisions should be based on educated analysis and information.

That's not just a civics lesson, but a civil and human rights postulation.

Hotep.

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The Milwaukee Community Journal, now celebrating 44 years, has written about a lot of people. As is true with every person, each is a story within themselves, and we've tried to record and tell their stories truthfully with the honor their lives deserve. Their stories are legacy stories.

Many of the people in "Milwaukee Black Legacy Families" made major contributions to the community, but they pre-dated Google and the web, so their contributions are frozen in memories that now flicker and newspaper morgues where papers yellow from lack of adequate preservation. These contributors built, stacked accomplishment on top of accomplishments, designed strategies to increase their educational, financial, legal, business and electoral power. And their strengths now echo in many of our present leaders. Who are they? What did they do? How do those achievements create the pathway for what we have just experienced?

"Milwaukee Black Legacy Families-2020" shares a lot of the history, the players, their objectives and their successes. Are you in the book? Is a family member there? You should be....so share. We building 2021 now! Share your story and Mom's Dad's legacy. email: legacy@milwaukeecommunityjournal.com

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Milwaukee County has provided emergency energy assistance for individuals who need assistance paying heat and energy bills. With winter right around the corner, many families are in danger of having their heat turned off when they need it most.

In order to apply for assistance, you will need a photo ID, Social Security numbers for all individuals in the home, proof of income for all individuals in the home, and proof of utility costs. For full information and to apply, refer to the Milwaukee County infographic here, or visit their page.

Southeastern Wisconsin residents can call 2-1-1 if they have questions about housing, utilities, or other services. 2-1-1 can be called 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and an operator will assist in any way possible.

If you have exhausted all reasonable options, and you still face eviction, you may be eligible for eviction protection under CDC's order to halt evictions due to COVID-19. Information on eligibility for eviction protection can be found here.

Guest House, Milwaukee Rescue Mission, and Hope House can also help those experiencing homelessness.

COVID-19 has made 2020 a difficult year. Many Milwaukee residents are facing a wide array of crises that endanger themselves and their families.

I hope that the resources I have provided can assist you or someone you know and protect them from eviction, COVID-19, or help them become more food secure. I will continue to advocate for Milwaukee in Congress and fight for legislation that protects the basic needs of its citizens. Please remember to stay safe during the pandemic, and take precautions such as washing your hands, wearing a mask, and practicing social distancing.

Advocate Aurora Health gives \$675,000 in grants to develop a diverse health care workforce

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funding for the Physician Recruitment Scholarship Fund, a key component of the Pathways to Practice program for African American physician development.

- **Wisconsin Area Health Education Center** – Community Health Workers Training Program Expansion
 - o \$200,000 to develop a virtual community health workers training program and provide one-on-one coaching/mentoring for an additional six months to further hone skills and provide career support services.

- **Hispanic Collaborative** – Rapid Cohort Upskilling Model
 - o \$75,000 to recruit Latinos into a bilingual certified nursing assistant training program.

“COVID-19 has amplified the disproportionate impact illness can have on people simply because of the zip code in which they live. These programs will not only help remove barriers to a career in health care, but also create a workforce more reflective of the communities they serve, encouraging more individuals to seek care when it's needed,” Chief External Affairs Officer Cristy Garcia-Thomas said.

The Better Together Fund is a one-time funding commitment to develop critical services in Milwaukee. Community groups from across Milwaukee were invited to submit proposals.

Five additional community programs focusing on minority business owners, education and support services have already received grants from the Better Together Fund. They include:

- **Hispanic Collaborative** – MercadoMKE
 - o \$250,000 to support and increase the number of Hispanic-owned businesses with an online presence and sales platform.
- **African American Chamber of Commerce** – RISE MKE Entrepreneurial Training Program
 - o \$250,000 to support African American-owned businesses with training and technical support to develop e-commerce business and other strategies.

- **Sigma Pi Phi Beta Alpha Boulé/Marquette University Center for Peacemaking** – Building Resiliency in Classroom Education
 - o \$250,000 to deliver support services for students struggling with mental health, academic and/or behavioral challenges.

- **UMOS** – Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program
 - o \$125,000 to fund advocacy services for Hispanic sexual assault and domestic violence survivors.

- **The Asha Project** – Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program
 - o \$125,000 to fund advocacy services for African American sexual assault and domestic violence survivors.

The Better Together Fund is managed by the Greater Milwaukee Foundation.

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