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CRIME IS DOWN!

Milwaukee police chief touts crime reduction in city, calls on residents to take more responsibility in helping to reduce youth violence!



Compiled by MCJ editorial staff

"No matter how people may feel about certain things, crime is down. Crime is down," declared Milwaukee Police Chief Jeffrey Norman during a recent Milwaukee Press Club 'Newsmaker Luncheon' hosted by the Milwaukee Press Club and WisPolitics.com.

The chief ran down the stats, noting from 2021 to 2022, there was a 15% reduction overall in 'part one crimes' such as homicides, and a six percent reduction in violent crimes.

From 2022 to 2023, there was a nine percent reduction in part one crimes, and a two percent reduction in violent crimes.

But Norman stressed efforts to keep those numbers down don't just fall on the shoulders of police, especially when it comes to youth violence.

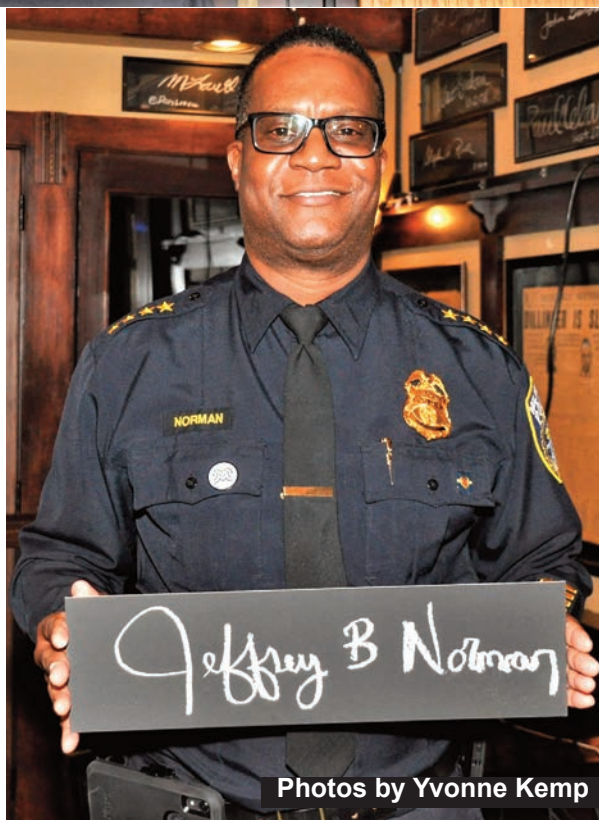
"We want the public to know you have a responsibility in this public safety, and we mean it," he told a panel of journalists and audience members at the luncheon, held at the Newsroom Pub, 137 E. Wells St.

The chief acknowledged the uptick in youth crime, but says it's nothing compared to the city's adult criminals, especially those on the roads.

"The biggest drivers of a lot of our speeding and reckless driving (are people) between the ages of 20 and 31," Norman said.

Noting the MPD has partnerships with community organizations to target and interact with young people, such as the Police Athletic League (PAL), the chief made it clear the community also has to do its part to help.

"I'll say this with all types of sincerity. Shame on you if you have not put yourself into the game of this work. There are no bystanders."



Photos by Yvonne Kemp

Norman also touched on more cost-effective ways to reduce access to guns. "Having that particular conversation and helping with our business community, with the residents. Don't leave your weapons inside your vehicle."

As to securing this July's Republican National Convention, Norman said he is committed to making sure the city will be safe during the RNC. However, he stressed the department needs more funding to pay for the officers putting in the work.

According to WisPolitics, the department is pushing to boost the amount to \$75 million. During the luncheon, Norman said the \$50 million federal security grants provided for cities to host the RNC and the Democratic National Convention for the last 20 years "is not appropriate for the challenges that we have in this day and age."

FIRST PERSON



REP. SHELIA STUBBS celebrates unanimous passage of MISSING AND MURDERED AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN AND GIRLS legislation from senate committee

Editor's Note: This statement from the office of state Rep. Shelia Stubbs, released March 11, has been partially edited for content and length.

Recently, the Senate Committee on Mental Health, Substance Abuse Prevention, Children and Families voted unanimously to pass Senate Bill 568 that will create a task force on missing and murdered African American women and girls. In the March 6 MCJ edition, we reported (in the article titled: 'Senator blocks task force on missing and murdered African American women and girls,' that Republican state Sen. Dwey Strobel of Saukville, who chairs the committee overseeing the legislation, blocked it.

He noted in the article that of the 204 missing persons in Wisconsin listed on the National Missing and Identified Persons System, the majority are men.

He added he had a difficult time legislating in a way that government to prioritize justice based on a victims race or gender.

Representative Shelia Stubbs, a democrat representing Madison and the lead author of the bill, released the following statement:

"The creation of this task force will allow us to not only examine the myriad factors that contribute to violence against African American women and girls, but to develop sound, workable solutions to address the crisis of missing and murdered

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people in our state.

This bill's passage out of committee further highlights the bipartisan support for this legislation, as well as the power of community advocacy.

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Howard University Students Leave Lasting Impact on MKE Community!

For the seventh consecutive year, Howard University has selected the campus of Holy Redeemer Institutional Church of God in Christ as one its Howard University Day of Service (HUDOS) locations.

As part of its commitment to public service, HU students travel the world providing community services to 25 cities internationally.

Since 2017, more than 45 students have chosen Holy Redeemer each year. On Friday, March 8, 60 HU students were in Milwaukee to implant inspiration and foster a collective mindset of the historical and cultural significance of the preservation the

entirety of the artistic treasures housed on the campus of Holy Redeemer.

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Wisconsin hosted the students at a special luncheon during their stay.

Previously, HU students have provided tutoring for local Milwaukee children. This year, the HU students also agreed to chronicle the history of the Institute for the Preservation of African American Music and Arts (IPAMA) through the creation of a video and photographic collection documenting the entirety of artifacts, paintings, collectables, musical items, et al, stored, housed, and/or displayed at both IPAMA locations and the Mother Kathryn Daniels Conference Center (MKDCC).

The goal is to establish a complete, comprehen-

sive, factual record which authenticates each and every piece of art, artwork, music, and collectible.

The resulting photographic documentation will be available as an academic, reference, substantiation, and cultural foundation for historical and educational purposes.

Howard University's commitment to this project demonstrates a level of community service beyond the norm, ultimately entrusting and passing on permanent, tangible, social and cultural enrichment for Black art and artists, Milwaukee, and communities across the nation.




One of the many pieces of art at IPAMA's Hampton Avenue location. All photos by Kim Robinson

"Preservation of culture imbued with historical significance should equate to advancement and opportunity for all - those blessed with the talent to

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President Joe Biden awards grant to Milwaukee to transform 6th Street into complete street



A Complete 6th Street

A TRANSFORMATIVE INVESTMENT FROM NATIONAL AVENUE TO NORTH AVENUE

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Complete 6th Street project will reconnect several of Milwaukee's historic and diverse communities that have been negatively affected for decades by the impacts of urban renewal and highway construction.

The project will transform 2.6 miles of 6th Street from National Avenue to North Avenue, connecting southside neighborhoods like **Walker's Point** through downtown to northside neighborhoods like **Hillside** and **Halyard Park**.


A transformed 6th Street will include safe, dedicated infrastructure for people walking, biking, and taking transit as well as green infrastructure that will provide much needed tree canopy and increased green space.

Informed by extensive, upcoming engagement, the project's design will connect underserved communities through a people-centered corridor that offers cost-effective and climate-friendly mobility options and improves quality of life.

PROJECT FUNDING


The City of Milwaukee was awarded **\$36.56M of Neighborhood Access and Equity (NAE) Capital Construction Grant** funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation for this transformative, community-driven project.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP




Project Location Map


PROJECT FEATURES*




Improve pedestrian accommodations




Add new transit lanes and enhanced stops, where feasible



Fully separate bike lanes, where feasible



Increase tree canopy, landscaping and green infrastructure



Narrow the roadway and reduce travel lanes

*The project's preferred design and features will be informed by extensive, upcoming public involvement

TIMELINE



Design Process Begins
Fall 2024



First Public Meeting
Early 2025



Construction Begins
2027



Construction Completed
2029

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During his visit to Milwaukee Wednesday, President Joe Biden highlighted a grant allocation that his administration recently approved that will allow the city to transform a 2.6-mile stretch of the 6th Street corridor from North Avenue to National Avenue into a “complete street.”

In a statement, council members—council President José G. Pérez, alderman Robert J. Bauman and alderwoman Milele A. Cogsm—thanked the president for recognizing the project, which aims to connect neighboring communities and downtown resources through comfortable, affordable, safe, and sustainable modes of transportation, and a transformed street that enhances the character of the unique communities along the corridor.

“The ‘Complete Streets program’ integrates people and places by making it safe, enjoyable, and convenient to walk, bike, take transit, or simply experience our streets and public spaces – no matter one’s age or ability,” the council’s statement read. “The 6th Street project will include a variety of amenities such as enhanced pedestrian crossings, narrowed streets, physically separated bike lanes where feasible, tree-lined medians, an enhanced tree canopy, and more.”

“Perhaps most importantly, this project will work to undo the decades of negative impacts from previous highway construction that prioritized car traffic over the experiences of people who live, walk, work, and shop along the corridor.”

The city’s lawmakers said

Howard U. Students Leave Lasting Impact on MKE Community!

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provide and those enriched with the blessing to receive,” said IPAMA Executive Director Natasha Batton.

“Our mission is to provide a resolute platform of exhibition and expression for a millennium of work by America’s most talented Black artists.”

The MKDCC is a 147,000 square foot multiuse educational, recreational, administrative, and community conference complex housing two schools, Holy Redeemer’s executive offices, and the largest Boys and Girls Club in the state of Wisconsin.

Over the past 20 years, a multitude of rare and esteemed items have been assembled and showcased there including signed memorabilia from legendary African American Hall of Fame and Olympic athletes like Hank Aaron, Oscar Robertson, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, and Michael Jordan.

Original autographed Negro League Baseball programs, cards, equipment, and jerseys are on display. Several pieces of authentic African art, sculptures, woodworkings, draperies, and paintings and can be seen throughout the facility.

IPAMA houses hundreds of historical artifacts from around the globe collected, donated, and acquired through curation and from art aficionados and philanthropic culturalists.

These include nationally-renowned pieces from artists like Charly “Carlos” Palmer, the Grammy-winning illustrator who was raised in Milwaukee and recently commissioned by the U.S. Postal Service to create the Constance Baker Motley heritage stamp.

Milwaukee native David Anderson’s compelling image has become a signature piece recognizing Bishop Daniels’ legacy of faithful and dedicated service to God and community. Award-winning sculptor Aaron Paskins has exhibited and graced our campus many times.

State Rep. Stubbs comments on passage of her bill creating task force for missing and murdered Black women and girls!

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“It is our duty as legislators to advance policy that protects all the people of our state, especially those who are most vulnerable and at risk.

“The passage of SB 568 from committee is a serious victory, but there is more work to be done.

“I hope the Senate will see the importance of this legislation for empowering communities, improving public safety, and supporting law enforcement in their mission to defend our neighbors from harm.

“I would like to thank my Senate lead and Chairman of the Committee on Mental Health, Substance Abuse Pre-

vention, Children and Families Jesse James for scheduling this bill for a hearing.

“I would additionally like to thank the members of the committee for voting unanimously to pass the bill.

“I also want to thank my coauthors Representative Michael Schraa and Senator LaTonya Johnson, as well as all legislators in the Assembly and the Senate who cosponsored this legislation.

This bill would not have achieved the success it has without the unwavering support of community members and organizations who have contributed letters of support and advocated for this legislation, including my mother,

Mrs. Linda Hoskins, Ms. Georgia Hill, whose daughter Lasheky Hill went missing from Racine a year ago, Dr. Chief Shon Barnes of the Madison Police Department, Minnesota Senate President Bobby Joe Champion, Minnesota Senator Mary Kunes, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc–Wisconsin Delegation, Antonia Drew Norton of the Asha Project, Mariah Cooley of Community Justice Action Fund, the NAACP – Wisconsin State Conference, Blacks for Political and Social Action of Dane County, Inc, Wisconsin Catholic Conference, March for Our Lives, and Black Feminist Future.

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COMING AND PAST HAPPENINGS IN AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY!

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On Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., you can meet master herbalists and owners of Royal Herbs Conglomerate booth, Sonya Bowman and Zelda Corona (pictured at right), at 'The Gathering' in the Potawatomi Casino Hotel, 1721 W. Canal St.

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National Black Marriage Day Community Vow Rededication/Renew Ceremony will be held Sunday March 24, at Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1345 W. Burleigh St. The event starts at 3 p.m. The National Black Marriage Day is a time for couples to recommit themselves to each other with a ceremony and reception. Couples from all over the city and surrounding cities are invited to join in the celebration. The event is being reintroduced to the community in order to shed a positive light on the Black community of Milwaukee and show current and future generations that Black marriage is NOT dead. For more information, go to MKENBMR@gmail.com

Critically acclaimed author and best seller Ayana Mathis serves as keynote speaker for the Delta Memorial Endowment Fund, Inc.'s LITERARY LUNCHEON

Ayana Mathis, author of the New York Times Best seller The Twelve Tribes of Hattie, headlines the Delta Memorial Endowment Fund Inc.'s (DMEF, Inc.) 46th Annual Literary Luncheon on Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 333 W. Kilbourn Avenue.

Tickets for the luncheon can be purchased online at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Since 1978, DMEF has hosted notable authors across four decades, from Octavia Butler and Maya Angelou to Pearl Cleage and Attica Locke.

Proceeds from the event fund college scholarships to local graduating high school seniors and Milwaukee-area charities, including arts-based organizations. More than \$500,000 has been awarded to date.

Mathis's Milwaukee appearance comes on the heels of her 2023 release of Unsettled, which was named a Notable Book of 2023 by the Washington Post and New York Times and an Oprah Daily Best Book of the Year.

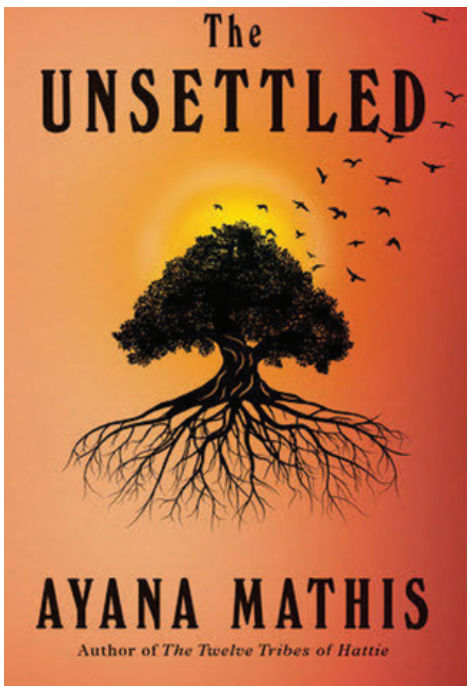
Unsettled is an intense multi-generational novel set in racially and politically turbulent Philadelphia about a mother fighting for her sanity and survival.

In 1985 Philadelphia, Ava becomes swept up in a charismatic movement galvanized by a radical vision to destroy systems of racial injustice and bring about a bold new way of communal living.

Kirkus called it an "affecting and carefully drawn story of a family on the brink" in their starred review, saying that "Mathis powerfully evokes the heartbreak and ways best efforts are undermined by social and legal machinery." Oprah Daily proclaimed it one of the "Best Novels of 2023."

In addition to her fiction work, Mathis's nonfiction has been published in The Atlantic, The New York Times, The New Yorker, The Financial Times, Rolling Stone, Glamour, and Guernica, and her book reviews frequently appear in The New York Times.

She is currently pursuing her Masters of Divinity at Union Theological Seminary, Mathis's recent essays find the author exploring the intertwining of faith and American literature, as in her multi-part New York Times essay series "Imprinted By Belief".



Ayana Mathis

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It's probably of no consequence to most Black Milwaukeeans.

Still, a Germantown referendum calling for a tax increase to support the hiring of four new police officers foretells a cultural shift that will undoubtedly have local ramifications.

The referendum notice addresses a 'shortage' of officers to address ever-increasing calls for 'low-level' crimes.

But suppose you read between the lines, or talk to residents. In that case, the 'real' rationale behind the referendum is an increase in crime, specifically related to drugs and retail thefts.

As you assess the referendum, consider that the Germantown population has not grown significantly and, in fact, has been capped by legislative decree to maintain a small community-urban/rural-paradigm.

What is different is the flood of Neckbone 'visitors' to the area. Moreover, the 'stress' on policing is a relatively recent phenomenon that coincides with the introduction of retail favored by Black Milwaukeeans,

including the nearest and only movie chain. Marcus Theater --there are no movie theaters in central city Milwaukee, even though Black Milwaukeeans disproportionately make up their audience.

I frequented that theater but was taken aback to notice it is the only movie outlet with armed sheriff's deputies patrolling inside.

Looking at their stoic faces, I wouldn't be surprised if they searched our popcorn for guns and our overpriced hot dogs for drugs.

Also, a court-ordered bus line from Milwaukee to Germantown was created to allow easy access to suburban jobs (since discontinued). It opened the door for a steady flow of Black folks to the suburb.

To be more specific, hundreds of Black Milwaukeeans bypass several of the chain stores (including the Brown Deer location, which witnessed a shooting recently) to spend their dollars (or steal the goods) from the Germantown Walmart.

A not-so-disingenuous—albeit humorous—story describes a Neckbone standing at a bus stop along Appleton Avenue with a large-screen television in tow.

I mentioned recently that retail thievery has increased so

Referendum to address growing crime problem foretells unwanted 'cultural shift' in Germantown!



much at Walmart that unarmed guards have been added, and men's underwear has been put under lock and key.

Yes, that's correct, UNDERWEAR!...Seriously!

I guess the young thugs who wear their pants under their butt cheeks have to display clear drawers to attract their prey ... Bless their souls.

Because of its location, a Fleet Farm store situated at County Line Q and Appleton Avenue, was easy prey for gangstas stealing ammunition to carry out their urban terrorism.

I was reading the Germantown newspaper, which publicized a flood of new crimes last week, most being retail

thief and drug trafficking.

I would guess at least half were committed by 'skin folks' (that Black folks for those of you not familiar with Black culture) who don't live in the suburb, whose Black population has increased dynamically in the last five years. Most immigrants moved to the suburbs to get jobs and escape crime.

But it's creeping in and 'up' as it relates to their taxes—which have gone up to fight it.

This is not a new phenomenon and is not restricted to Washington County.

But it is the latest example of a paradigm that has exceeded our boundaries, which will result in a cultural shift, but renewed---and maybe

substantiated—prejudices.

To be honest, I'm sick and tired of making excuses for the conduct of those who subscribe to the 'Culture of Poverty.' I'm ticked with trying to explain that the subculture doesn't represent the whole, our majority. I get a break because of my appearance—either wearing a Vietnam veteran's hat in the suburbs or allowing my gray hair to flow in the wind—which disrupts my Flo.

I learned years ago that veterans have a 'get out of jail free card' because we served. Gray means—at least to White folk—that you have earned a level of respect. We survived.

My sons, however, are still followed at many outlying

stores because they 'fit the description (profile)' of the Neckbones who create the chaos.

I taught them not to speed, to keep their license plates up to date, and not to play loud rap music when driving through the burbs.

But that only sometimes works.

And rightly or wrongly, they have been taught to give respect only when it is given. That could lead to WWII with a racist cop.

Whether you accept it or not, we will all end up paying for the new taxes in some manner, shape or form.

Race relations will suffer. Prejudices will be substantiated.

All of us will be suspects until proven innocent. The 'Black card' will be taxed.

Suppose any of that's essential to you. In that case, we can expect a 'backlash' that will fuel hostile relationships that even Biden can't resolve. If it doesn't matter to you, assume it's business as usual.

But don't make the mistake of assuming you can leave the sanctity of the 'hood' without the 'Big Bad Germantown Police Wolf' potentially taking a bite out of you 'as-the-world-turns.' **Hotep.**



Jackie Q. Carter

Harboring Growth: How the first Black Port Milwaukee Director is breaking records

Jackie Q. Carter is the first person of color and the first woman to serve as Port Milwaukee Director in 189 years of operation By Susan Kim, courtesy of TMJ4

You might think of Port Milwaukee as salt piles and cruise ships, but the person in charge wants you to know it has a lot more to offer.

Jackie Q. Carter is the first woman and Black person to hold the position of Municipal Port Director. She now has one year of service as administrator in Foreign Trade Zone No. 41.

This Black History Month we learn more about the force that drives Carter to increase business along Lake Michigan.

Waves of Opportunity

It's a relatively mild February morning, but Lake Michigan still has that cold look to it.

Carter doesn't see the cold. She sees an opportunity. Opportunity drives Carter as she oversees the Port's \$6.7 million budget and nearly 500 acres.

It's a big piece of land, stretching from the steps of the Milwaukee Art Museum, south past the Lake Express Ferry building, and

west underneath I-794 to Jones Island.

The Port operates as a landlord with tenants that include Cargill Salt and Kinder Morgan. Carter says, "It's daunting, but that's where it's important to remember there's a team."

And Carter is all about teamwork. She listens and brainstorms with staff and community leaders to improve and attract more ships, more trucks, and more trains with the backdrop of her historic appointment.

"It's encouraging but also somewhat discouraging, right? Because in 2023 we shouldn't still be having that conversation. But the encouraging part is it allows other young people who look like me who come from the same community that I come from to know that it's possible."

Early Days

This 1995 Marshall High School graduate came from humble beginnings. She grew up in

Milwaukee's Washington Park neighborhood, raised mostly by her grandmother Granny Mae. Granny Mae died in 2020 at the age of 96. Carter says she was a great woman who lived a great life.

"I think the greatest gift she gave me, was introducing me to faith, which is the foundation I stand on for everything."

Carter says faith guides her at work in different ways. At times, it's about what she should say in challenging situations.

Her path to the port offices on South Lincoln Memorial Drive was not a straight line over the Hoan Bridge.

Carter says she always "laughs because I went to Catholic school, I went to Muslim school, I went to MPS Schools. It was a lot."

College was a lot too. Carter left UW-Milwaukee after just one year because it was overwhelming to her.

Carter ended up working for a while. She found her way back, graduating from Alverno College and earning her MBA at Concordia University.

Port of Call

One of the biggest surprises and challenges is getting the word out that Milwaukee has a port, even though the first commercial vessel called on the west shore of Lake Michigan in 1835.

Carter started at the Port in 2017 overseeing finances and became Port Director six years later.

Carter says, "When I was appointed, when people saw it, they were like 'congratulations, this is great,' but they had no idea we had a Port."

And now, Carter is on a mission to change that by getting the word out about what the Port does and can offer businesses.

Cruising has increased the port's profile by breaking records in 2022 with nearly 14,000 visitors.

Problem Gambling Conference Brings Together Experts in Field March 14-15



WISCONSIN COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING

(Green Bay, Wis.) – As part of its ongoing effort to increase awareness of gambling disorders, the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling (WCPG) is

hosting the 25th Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference, "Hats Off to 25 Years through Awareness, Education, and Prevention", on

March 14th – 15th, (pre-conference March 13th)!

It will be held at the Milwaukee Marriott West in Waukesha. For most people, gambling is a fun form of entertainment.

For others, however, gambling can be a problem that affects the gambler, his or her family and friends, and even the gambler's workplace.

"Just to name a few of our presentations this year, we have Saul Malek who will explore the consequences of live sports betting with his keynote, "Take Me Out to the

Inning." Saul's personal experience, research, and observations come together to create an engaging presentation that will benefit treatment providers, educators, and more.

Mark Sanders will present, "The 10 Smartest Things Counselors and Programs Can Do to Promote Recovery."

This presentation will include 10 things you can do to help facilitate lasting recovery, Michael Goldman, "Assessing Suicide Risk and Treating Depression for Compulsive Gamblers". In this presentation suicide and depression among compulsive gamblers will be explored. Suicide among this demographic is the highest of any other group.

The total continuing education units a conference at-

tendee can earn is 21.50.

The conference is designed for anyone concerned about problem gambling in Wisconsin, including criminal justice personnel, human resource professionals, mental health professionals, gaming industry personnel, clergy, problem gamblers, and their families and friends."

This annual event provides connections to some of the leading experts in the problem gambling field.

Conference speakers will cover a range of topics, including:

- The Hidden Addiction: What That Really Means to Families
- Ethics and Boundaries in a World of Technology
- How to Supervise Gambling Counselors for Improved Outcomes
- The Power of EMDR in

Problem Gambling Treatment

• And many more interesting topics.

WCPG is a statewide organization that provides resources, public awareness and education on gambling disorders while maintaining strict neutrality on the issue of legalized gambling. The WCPG operates a Problem Gambling Helpline, and a Text and Chat line that are available 24/7 as a resource for anyone facing a gambling problem.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, call the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-426-2535, Text at 1-850-888-4673 or Live Chat through the WCPG website at www.wi-problemgamblers.org.

THE NATIONAL PULSE



Content creator Summer Lucille poses for a photo in Washington on Tuesday, March 12, 2024. She's among influencers to lobbying lawmakers against a bill that would force TikTok to sell the platform or face a ban in the United States. (AP Photo/Haley Hadero)

BLACK INFLUENCERS, INCLUDING OWNER OF A PLUS-SIZED BOUTIQUE, AMONG THOSE LOBBYING CONGRESS NOT TO BAN TIKTOK

“If they ban it, I don’t know what it will do” to the business, said Summer Lucille, a TikTok content creator with 1.4 million followers and a store in North Carolina. “It will be devastating.”

Article courtesy of Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers, meet your latest lobbyists: on-line influencers from TikTok.

The platform is once again bringing influencers to Washington, this time to lobby members of Congress to reject a fast-moving bill that would force TikTok’s Beijing-based parent company to sell or be banned in the United States.

On Tuesday, some influencers began a two-day advocacy event in support of TikTok, which arranged their trip ahead of a House floor

vote on the legislation on Wednesday.

But unlike a similar lobbying event the company put together last March when talks of a TikTok ban reached a fever pitch, this year’s effort appeared more rushed as the company scrambles to counter the legislation, which advanced rapidly on Capitol Hill.

“If they ban it, I don’t know what it will do” to the business, Summer Lucille, a TikTok content creator with 1.4 million followers who is visiting Washington this week, said in an interview arranged by the platform. “It will be

devastating.” The legislation is drawing unusual support in Congress.

In an unusual showing of bipartisanship, a House panel unanimously approved the measure last week. President Joe Biden has said he will sign the legislation if lawmakers pass it. But it’s unclear what will happen in the Senate, where several bills aimed at banning TikTok have stalled.

The legislation faces other roadblocks. Former president and current presidential candidate Donald Trump, who holds sway over both House and Senate Republicans, has

voiced opposition to the bill, saying it would empower Meta-owned Facebook, which he continues to lambast over his 2020 election loss. The bill also faces pushback from some progressive lawmakers in the House as well as civil liberties groups who argue it infringes on the First Amendment.

TikTok could be banned if ByteDance, the parent company, doesn’t sell its stakes in the platform and other applications it owns within six months of the bill’s enactment.

The fight over the platform takes place as U.S.-China relations have shifted to that of strategic rivalry, especially in areas such as advanced technologies and data security, seen as essential to each country’s economic prowess and national security. The shift, which started during the Trump years and has continued under Biden, has placed restrictions on export of advanced technologies and outflow of U.S. monies to China, as well as access to the U.S. market by certain Chinese businesses.

The Biden administration also has cited human rights concerns in blacklisting a number of Chinese companies accused of assisting the state surveillance campaign against ethnic minorities.

TikTok isn’t short on lobbyists. Its Beijing-based parent company ByteDance has a strong lobbying apparatus in Washington that includes dozens of lobbyists from well-known consulting and legal firms as well as influential insiders, such as former members of Congress and ex-

aides to powerful lawmakers, according to the Foundation for Defense of Democracies.

TikTok CEO Shou Zi Chew will also be in Washington this week and plans to meet with lawmakers, according to a company spokesperson who said Chew’s visit was previously scheduled. Influencers descend on Washington.

But influencers, who have big followings on social media and can share personal stories of how the platform boosted their businesses — or simply gave them a voice — are still perhaps one of the most powerful tools the company has in its arsenal.

A TikTok spokesperson said dozens of influencers will attend the two-day event, including some who came last year. The spokesperson did not immediately respond to questions about how many new people would be attending this year’s lobbying blitz. The company is briefing them ahead of meetings with their representatives and media interviews.

Lucille runs a plus-sized boutique in Charlotte, North Carolina, that she says has seen a substantial surge in revenue because of her TikTok page. The 34-year-old began making TikTok content focusing on plus-sized fashion in March 2022, more than a decade after she started her business. She quickly amassed thousands of followers after posting a nine-second video about her boutique.

Because of her popularity on the platform, her business has more online exposure and customers, some of whom have visited from as far as

Europe. She says she also routinely hears from followers who are finding support through her content about fashion and confidence.

JT Laybourne, an influencer who also came to Washington, said he joined TikTok in early 2019 after getting some negative comments on videos he posted on Instagram while singing in the car with his children.

Laybourne, who lives in Salt Lake City, Utah, said he was attracted to the short-form video platform because it was easy to create videos that contained music. Like Lucille, he quickly gained traction on the app. He says he also received more support from TikTok users, who reacted positively to content he produced on love and positivity.

Laybourne says the community he built on the platform rallied around his family when he had to undergo heart surgery in 2020. Following the surgery, he said he used the platform to help raise \$1 million for the American Heart Association in less than two years. His family now runs an apparel company that gets most of its traffic from TikTok.

“I will fight tooth-and-nail for this app,” he said.

But whether the opposition the company is mounting through lobbyists or influencers will be enough to derail the bill is yet to be seen. On Tuesday, House lawmakers received a briefing on national security concerns regarding TikTok from the FBI, Justice Department and intelligence officials.

Marjorie Taylor Greene’s co-opting of #SayHerName is egregious, but white people do this all the time!

OPINION: The Georgia representative’s hijacking of the #SayHerName hashtag is just the latest example of white people stealing a phrase with significant meaning for Black people.

By Monique Judge, courtesy of thegrio.com



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The following article is an op-ed, and the views expressed are the author’s own.

They want our rhythm, but not our blues.

I say that a lot in my writing because a lot of my writing highlights the many ways in which (some) white people trip over themselves to co-opt and flat-out steal ideas, phrases, content, dances, music, and anything else Black people have. It is a founding principle of this country; it began with the enslavement and forced labor/wage theft of Black people in the 1600s.

These days, it takes on forms both big and “small” (small is doing a lot, from commercial ad campaigns for skincare companies to Keith Olbermann running the phrase “Bye, Felicia” into the ground to the author who gets a huge book contract writing stories about predominantly Black characters using stereotypical Black tropes — and it’s later revealed she’s a white woman (she tried to explain herself, but ...).

Marjorie Taylor Greene showing up to the State of the Union address on Thursday evening wearing full MAGA regalia and a T-shirt with “Say Her Name” emblazoned across the front is the latest example of white people going too far when it comes to stealing things from Black people.

#SayHerName was coined in 2015 by Kimberlé Crenshaw — co-founder and executive director of the African American Policy Institute. Crenshaw, who is a civil rights activist and law professor, coined the phrase after the “mysterious” death of Sandra Bland — a Black woman motorist who died under suspicious circumstances



U.S. Rep. Marjorie Taylor-Greene (R-Ga.) wears a shirt and button showing slain Georgia college student Laken Riley ahead of President Joe Biden's State of the Union address in the House Chamber of the US Capitol in Washington, D.C., on March 7, 2024. (Photo by Mandel NGAN / AFP) (Photo by MANDEL NGAN/AFP via Getty Images)

while in police custody after a questionable traffic stop in Texas.

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Black women are one of the most marginalized groups of people in the United States. We are overlooked, underprotected, unheard, mistreated and misunderstood in so many aspects of American life that simply existing on a daily basis can be an exhausting effort.

Our needs go unmet. Our cries go unheard. Our humanity is repeatedly overlooked.

So when Marjorie Taylor Greene co-opts the #SayHerName

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LEGALS/CLASSIFIEDS

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001484
In the matter of the name change of: CHERYL ANN NAZARIO
By (Petitioner) CHERYL ANN NAZARIO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: CHERYL ANN NAZARIO to: CHERYL AMERICA NAZARIO
Birth Certificate: CHERYL ANN ZINDA

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 25, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.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: 2-21-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN
Circuit Court Judge
196/2-28/3-6-13-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV000849
In the matter of the name change of: SHAQUITA JEANETTE OFFICE
By (Petitioner) SHAQUITA JEANETTE OFFICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: SHAQUITA JEANETTE OFFICE to: SHAQUITA AQUAFINA GIBSON
Birth Certificate: SHAQUITA JEANETTE OFFICE

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 18, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.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: 2-1-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
193/2-28/3-6-13-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001509
In the matter of the name change of: ALMA ROSA AVILA

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: ALMA ROSA AVILA to: ALMAROSA AVILA
Birth Certificate: ALMA ROSA AVILA

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 19, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.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: 2-22-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
194/2-28/3-6-13-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001654
In the matter of the name change of: DECLAN SCOTT CROUCH
By (Petitioner) DECLAN SCOTT CROUCH

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: DECLAN SCOTT CROUCH to: LUCY ROSE CROUCH
Birth Certificate: DECLAN SCOTT CROUCH

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 4, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.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: 2/27/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO
Circuit Court Judge

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001407
In the matter of the name change of: CAROLYN MERROW GLIME
By (Petitioner) CAROLYN MERROW GLIME

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: CAROLYN MERROW GLIME to: CAROLYN MARGRET MERROW
Birth Certificate: CAROLYN MARGRET MERROW

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 4, 2024, TIME 2:45 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: 2-20-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS
Circuit Court Judge
198/2-28/3-6-13-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001344
In the matter of the name change of: DAMON MATTHEW COLE
By (Petitioner) SHAUN D PAULSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: DAMON MATTHEW COLE to: DAMON MATTHEW COLE-PAULSON
Birth Certificate: DAMON MATTHEW COLE

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 27, 2024, TIME 3:30 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: 2-16-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS
Circuit Court Judge
199/2-28/3-6-13-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001325
In the matter of the name change of: JAYDEN HAGEN SOTO
By (Petitioner) JAYDEN HAGEN SOTO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: JAYDEN HAGEN SOTO to: JAYDEN JOSEPH HAGEN
Birth Certificate: JAYDEN HAGEN SOTO

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY RM 401 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 5, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.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: 2/16/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
205/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV891
In the matter of the name change of: SIR-CHASE ROMELO BURNSIDE
By (Petitioner) RICCO JEROME PAYTON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: SIR-CHASE ROMELO BURNSIDE to: FERNANDO SIR-CHASE PAYTON
Birth Certificate: SIR-CHASE ROMELO BURNSIDE

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. J.D.WATTS ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 16, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.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: 2-19-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. J.D.WATTS
Circuit Court Judge
206/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001792
In the matter of the name change of: BASTHY LOMELI BLANCO
By (Petitioner) BASTHY LOMELI BLANCO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: BASTHY LOMELI BLANCO to: BASTHY BLANCO
Birth Certificate: BASTHY LOMELI BLANCO

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 3, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.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: 3/1/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO
Circuit Court Judge
203/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001793
In the matter of the name change of: VIANNEY LOMELI BLANCO
By (Petitioner) VIANNEY LOMELI BLANCO

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: VIANNEY LOMELI BLANCO

to: VIANNEY BLANCO
Birth Certificate: VIANNEY LOMELI BLANCO

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 3, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.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: 3/1/2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO
Circuit Court Judge
204/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001798
In the matter of the name change of: THEODORE ALEX PROTASIEWICZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: THEODORE ALEX PROTASIEWICZ to: THEODORE DINUCCI
Birth Certificate: THEODORE ALEX PROTASIEWICZ

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 11, 2024, TIME 3:00 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: 3-1-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
208/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001777
In the matter of the name change of: KARI ANN GODOWSKI

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
FROM: KARI ANN GODOWSKI TO: KARIANN BLUE
Birth Certificate: KARI ANN GODOWSKI

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: APRIL 11, 2024, 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: 3-1-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. DAVID BOROWSKI
Circuit Court Judge
207/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001837
In the matter of the name change of: TRENICA LYNN JAMES
By (Petitioner) TRENICA LYNN JAMES

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: TRENICA LYNN JAMES to: TRENICA LYNN ROBINSON
Birth Certificate: TRENICA LYNN ROBINSON

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 3, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.M.

SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 10, 2024, TIME 10:30 A.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: 3-4-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
212/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE – 40101 Case No. 23FA6826
In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: ODESHANDEL GARNER and JONATHAN E GARNER

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:
You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for divorce or legal separation against you.

You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first day of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Milwaukee WI 53233 and to ODESHANDEL GARNER 7066 N 55th St Milwaukee WI 53223

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

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, 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 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.

You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of 948.31 Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment:

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under 49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under 767.511 (1m). Wis Stats. are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.

You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in 767.105 Wis. Stats.

767.105 Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.

(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affecting the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451:
(a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced:
1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action.
2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action.
3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties.
4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders.
(b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

Date: 2-21-2024
BY: ODESHANDEL GARNER
210/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001540
In the matter of the name change of: MADELINE RAE SAMZ
By (Petitioner) MADELINE RAE SAMZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: MADELINE RAE SAMZ to: SAMUEL RAY SAMZ
Birth Certificate: MADELINE RAE SAMZ

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 19, 2024, TIME 10:30 A.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: 2-23-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY
Circuit Court Judge
213/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001680
In the matter of the name change of: KYRIE LASHAWN STEED
By (Petitioner) TANECIA SHANIA CLAYTON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: KYRIE LASHAWN STEED to: KYRIE LASHAWN HOWARD
Birth Certificate: KYRIE LASHAWN STEED

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 2, 2024, TIME 2:15 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: 2-28-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS
Circuit Court Judge
216/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001921
In the matter of the name change of: LYDIA ESMERALDA PETERSON
BY (Petitioner) CHARLIE ASTORIA STEPHENS
By (Co-Petitioner) EVAN HONOR PETERSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: LYDIA ESMERALDA PETERSON to: LYDIA ESMERALDA STEPHENS
Birth Certificate: LYDIA ESMERALDA PETERSON

IT IS ORDERED
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 25, 2024, TIME 2:30 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: 3-6-2024
BY THE COURT:
HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN
Circuit Court Judge
214/3-6-13-20-2024

FEEL THE PULSE OF BLACK MKE! THE MCJ!

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Marjorie Taylor Greene’s co-opting of #SayHerName is egregious, but what white people do all the time!

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hashtag for the political optics of it all, it diminishes the true purpose of the hashtag, and it is especially insulting because people like Marjorie Taylor Greene are the kinds of folks who objected to us using or having the hashtag in the first place.

We were criticized for using it in reference to Black women killed by police, but there’s nothing wrong with using it to make the killing of a young white woman a statement on border se-

curity policies.

As Crenshaw said in a statement to AP, “Everywhere, we see the appropriation of progressive and inclusionary concepts in an effort to devalue, distort and suppress the movements they have been created to advance.

When most people only hear about these ideas from those that seek to repurpose and debase them, then our ability to speak truth to power is further restricted.”

She added that the appropriation of the phrase “undermines

civil rights movements and pushes our democracy closer to the edge.

The misuse of these concepts by others who seek to silence us must be resisted if we are to remain steadfast in our advocacy for a fully inclusive and shared future.”

My granny (and my mama, and yo mama and yo granny too, I’m sure) used to always say “We can’t have shit” when it comes to white people, and she was absolutely correct.

We’ve watched this happen be-

fore with the way the word “woke,” which was also created for a specific purpose in the Black community before being bastardized by the same people who didn’t want us using it in the first place.

It is an endless and repetitive cycle.

They water down our movements while simultaneously stealing elements of them for their own use and personal gain.

They. Want. Our. Rhythm. But. Not. Our. Blues.

Majorie Taylor Greene doesn’t

have it in her to be ashamed of her actions, and honestly, why should she?

She is a privileged white woman, in a white privilege society that upholds white supremacy and places an importance on whiteness above all else.

She likely doesn’t even realize how disgusting it is for her to co-opt #SayHerName.

We don’t have to let her or anyone else take over this hashtag the way they took over the word “woke.”

Reclaim the hashtag in the same

way Maxine Waters reclaimed her time.

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SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001615

In the matter of the name change of: MILES FELIX LUCAS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MILES FELIX LUCAS to: HEATHER PHOENIX LUCAS Birth Certificate: HEATHER MACKENZIE LUCAS

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 15, 2024, TIME 9:45 A.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: 2-25-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 217/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001580

In the matter of the name change of: JERAMIE MICHAEL KOSITZKE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: JERAMIE MICHAEL KOSITZKE to: JEREMY MICHAEL JAMES Birth Certificate: JERAMIE MICHAEL KOSITZKE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 1, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.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: 2-23-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 201/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV001767

In the matter of the name change of: LUZ GIANNINA VALLE LUCENA By (Petitioner) JOSE LUIS VALLE SOLLANO By (Co-Petitioner) DYNAMIC LUCENA BENITEZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: LUZ GIANNINA VALLE LUCENA to: LUZ MICHELLE VALLE LUCENA Birth Certificate: LUZ GIANNINA VALLE LUCENA

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge’s Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MARCH 29, 2024, TIME 9:30 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: 2-29-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 200/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001886

In the matter of the name change of: NGUYEN DINH KHANG TRAN

By (Petitioner) JOHN TRAN

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NGUYEN DINH KHANG TRAN to: JASON TRAN Birth Certificate: KHANG DINH TRAN NGUYEN

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge’s Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 22, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.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: 3/5/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 215/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001119

In the matter of the name change of: NAIRA MARIA FONVILLE LASKER By (Petitioner) NATASHA RENA FONVILLE By (Co-Petitioner) TRAVIS DESHAWN LASKER

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NAIRA MARIA FONVILLE LASKER to: NAIRA MARIA FONVILLE Birth Certificate: NAIRA MARIA FONVILLE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 25, 2024, TIME 9:30 A.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: 2/9/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 202/3-6-13-20-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR

NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV1814

In the matter of the name change of: HEAVEN MARIE ROSS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: HEAVEN MARIE ROSS to: HEAVEN MARIE STEWART Birth Certificate: HEAVEN MARIE ROSS

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 11, 2024, TIME 11:00 A.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: 3-1-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 222/3-13-20-27-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002126

In the matter of the name change of: KA CHUN YEUNG By (Petitioner) KA CHUN YEUNG

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: KA CHUN YEUNG to: KELVIN YEUNG Birth Certificate: KA CHUN YEUNG

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 12, 2024, TIME 2:45 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: 3-13-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 223/3-13-20-27-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV002118

In the matter of the name change of: ARIEL ARKAYA BRUMFIELD

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: ARIEL ARKAYA BRUMFIELD FYFE Birth Certificate: ARIEL ARKAYA BRUMFIELD

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 16, 2024, TIME 3:00 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 Com-

munity Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 3-13-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 224/3-13-20-27-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 24CV001932

In the matter of the name change of: NAOMI ROSE HANCOCK By (Petitioner) ERIK YUJIN HANCOCK By (Co-Petitioner) LAURA GILMARTIN HANCOCK

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NAOMI ROSE HANCOCK to: FINN YUJIN HANCOCK Birth Certificate: NAOMI ROSE HANCOCK

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 17, 2024, TIME 9:15 A.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: 3/6/2024 BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 225/3-13-20-27-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV001972

In the matter of the name change of: NATHALIA HTOO By (Petitioner) KBIAH HTOO By (Co-Petitioner) MUSLAY HTOO

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NATHALIA HTOO to: FELIX HTOO Birth Certificate: NATHALIA HTOO

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge’s Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE MAY 14, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.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: 3-7-2024 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 220/3-13-20-27-2024

SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV001895

In the matter of the name change of: SARAH ANGELA SMITH By (Petitioner) SARAH ANGELA SMITH

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: SARAH ANGELA SMITH to: SARAH ANGELA RAMCZYK Birth Certificate: SARAH ANGELA MANEY

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge’s Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE APRIL 18, 2024, TIME 9:00 A.M.

OFFICIAL ADVERTISEMENT

Office of the Milwaukee Public Schools, DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, 1124 North 11th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 11, 2024.

Sealed bids will be received until Monday, April 1, 2024 at 1:30 PM on-line through A/E Graphics, Inc., pursuant to Section 119.52(3) Wisconsin Statutes in accordance with plans and specifications for the following work:

All contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) are subject to the current livable wage rate, in accordance with the City of Milwaukee Ordinance 310-13.

Please note that this project is funded by Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB); therefore, it is subject to the payment of prevailing wages in accordance with the Federal Davis Bacon act.

BID GUARANTY TO ACCOMPANY BID: MPS Bid Bond, Certified or Cashier's Check: 10% of Contractor's Base Bid.

DATA CENTER REPLACEMENT A/C SYSTEM

Special Services Center

6620 W. Capitol Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53216
MPS Property No. 412
MPS Project No. 8457

MPS HUB, COIN and Student Employment / Participation requirements are identified on the Project Manual Cover and Bid Form and defined within the Contract Compliance Services Participation Plan Requirements in the Project Manual.

Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00
MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00

The bidding documents may be viewed and downloaded for free from A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>. Hard copies may be obtained 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Monday through Friday from A/E Graphics, Inc.; 4075 North 124th Street, Brookfield, WI 53005; phone (262) 781-7744; fax (262) 781-4250. **Call A/E Graphics, Inc. for availability of bid documents for pick up.** Plans and specifications will be loaned to a prospective bidder upon receipt of the deposit listed, which deposit will be returned upon surrender of the plans and specifications in good condition. Bid documents must be returned only to A/E Graphics, Inc.

A pre-bid walkthrough for the site will be held on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 9:30 AM, meet at the school's main entrance.

All questions should be submitted in writing prior to 12:00 PM on Monday, March 25, 2024 to DFMSProcurement@milwaukee.k12.wi.us. No questions may be answered after that date and time. No questions shall be answered verbally. No verbal information from any source is to be relied upon by any respondent in the development of their Bid. Written questions and responses will be documented by way of addenda, which will be forwarded to all bidders.

Each bid shall be for a fixed lump sum. Bids shall be submitted on-line through **A/E Graphics On-line Plan Room, at <https://mps.aegraphics.com/>** using the "Submit Bid" tab on the **DATA CENTER REPLACEMENT A/C SYSTEM - Special Services Center** project information page from which bid documents were obtained. Submit bid forms per Instructions to Bidders, Article B-5 of the Specifications.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive informalities.

Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals at the bid opening through sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids. The following TOD number is available for the hearing impaired for questions prior to bid opening, (414) 283-4611.

Keith P. Posley, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

03-13-24

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DATA CENTER REPLACEMENT A/C SYSTEM

Central Services

5225 W. Vliet Street
Milwaukee, WI 53208
MPS Property No. 501
MPS Project No. 8345

MPS HUB, COIN and Student Employment / Participation requirements are identified on the Project Manual Cover and Bid Form and defined within the Contract Compliance Services Participation Plan Requirements in the Project Manual.

Deposit for Drawings and Specifications: \$25.00
MAILING CHARGE: \$35.00

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