

H!GHLANDTOWN

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

SEPTEMBER MEETING – October 16, 2023 7:00 – 8:00 PM

IN PERSON: BREATH OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH
141 S. CLINTON STREET AT E. PRATT STREET

VIRTUAL LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88002390457>

HOT TOPICS ! -

- *Baltimore Police Dept. – Self reporting of crimes.*

- *Baltimore Bark House – Megan Worman*

- *CASA Of Baltimore - Reah Vasilakopoulos - 10 min*

PRESENTER -

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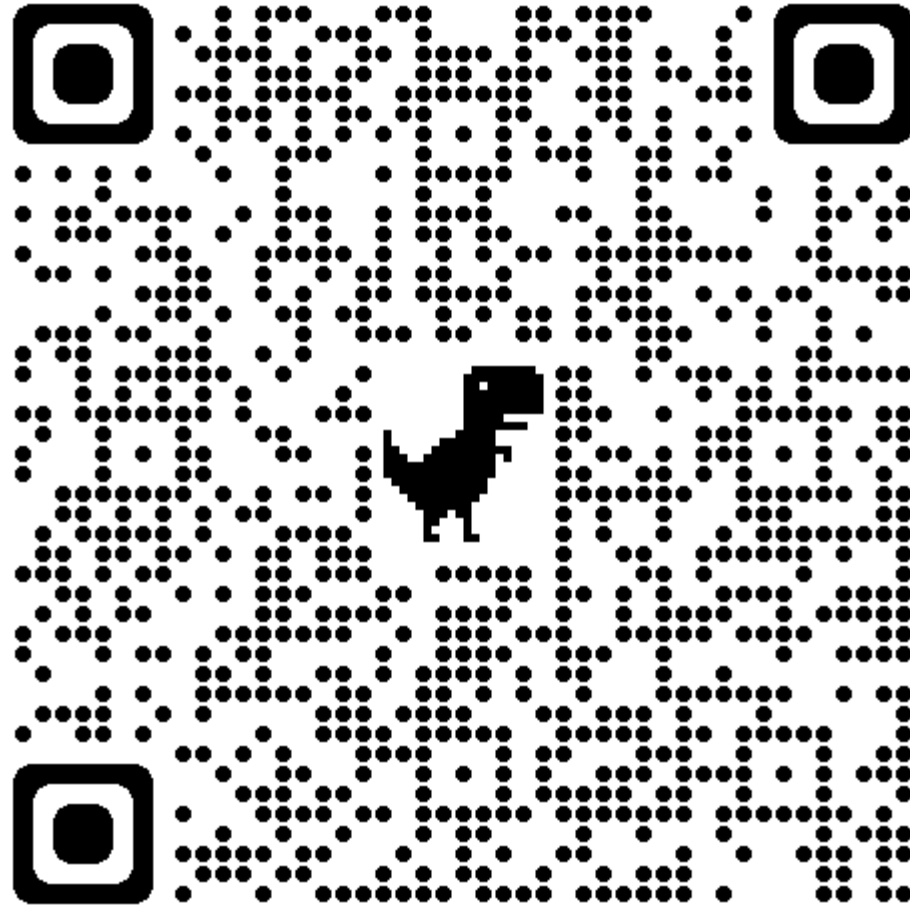
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HCA BOARD MEMBERS

President -	Brian Sweeney (2022)	Website -	John Eddy (2022)
Vice President -	Bobbi Jo Syms (2023)	Board Member -	Keith Gibson (2022)
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HCA MEETING NORMS OF ENGAGEMENT

- *Listen as much as you speak.*
- *Yield the floor to those whose viewpoints may be underrepresented.*
- *Use welcoming language.*
- *Accept critique graciously and offer it constructively.*
- *Give credit where credit is due.*
- *Stay attuned to the welfare of those around you.*

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SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

IN HIGHLANDTOWN, EVERYDAY IS A POTENTIAL DAY OF SERVICE. PLEASE CONSIDER SERVING OUR COMMUNITY BY:

- ORGANIZING BLOCK PROJECTS – CLEANING & GREENING, CAFÉ LIGHT INSTALLATIONS, YOUR PROPOSAL.
- HOSTING BLOCK PARTIES – THE HCA CAN HELP FUND EVENTS THAT ARE TIED TO PROJECTS.
- WATCHING OUT FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF NEIGHBORS.
- SERVING HIGHLANDTOWN AS AN HCA BOARD MEMBER
- DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

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RESOURCES

**311 – USE 311 WHEN THERE IS A PROBLEM RELATED TO A CITY FUNCTION
THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE, SUCH AS:**

- POT HOLE, DAMAGED SIDEWALK OR OTHER RIGHT-OF-WAY PROBLEM
- DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION REQUEST, SUCH AS A DAMAGED OR MISSING SIGN REPAIR
- STREET LIGHT NOT WORKING
- TRASH OR DUMPING ISSUES
- BUILDING CODE ISSUE, SUCH AS NO POSTED PERMITS OR IMPROPER PROPERTY USE
- VACANT BUILDINGS OR BUILDINGS WHICH ARE “OPEN TO CASUAL ENTRY”
- *Please forward the address, a detail summary & related 311 report numbers to highlandtown21224@gmail.com*
- NON-EMERGENCY POLICE ISSUES

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- **ALWAYS RECORD YOUR 311 REPORT NUMBER**
 - REPORT NUMBERS CAN BE SHARED WITH GOV'T REPRESENTATIVES, IF THERE IS INSUFFICIENT RESPONSE.

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- 311 CAN BE ACCESSED FOR FREE:
 - BY PHONE BY DIALING 311
 - ON THE WEB AT <https://balt311.baltimorecity.gov/citizen/servicetypes> *
 - VIA SMART PHONE APP, WHICH IS FREE AT APPLE STORE OR GOOGLE PLAY STORE *
- * INTERNET AND SMART PHONE APP SUBMISSIONS ARE AUTOMATICALLY SAVED TO YOUR ACCOUNT AND ARE EASILY TRACKED BY REGISTERED USERS.

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988 — IS A NEW HOT LINE TO CALL WHEN YOU OR SOMEONE IS EXPERIENCING A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. 988 OPERATORS WILL ASK YOU A FEW QUESTIONS AND RESPOND WITH A SMALL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS TEAM. THIS IS PREFERRED TO CALLING 911 WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL IS EXPERIENCING A MENTAL CRISIS, AS CALLING 911 IS LIKELY TO RESULT IN AN ARMED RESPONSE. 988 OPERATORS WILL USE YOUR ANSWERS TO DETERMINE IF A POLICE OFFICER SHOULD ACCOMPANY THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS TEAM. MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT <https://988helpline.org/>

THIS SERVICE IS AVAILABLE 24/7

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TELEPHONE CRIME REPORTING (TRU)

Citizens can self-report crimes under the following circumstances:

1. The incident is not an emergency.
2. There are no known suspects.
3. There are no known witnesses.
4. The crime is not in progress or has not occurred within the last 30 minutes.
5. The incident occurred in Baltimore City.
6. There is no evidence to collect. *
7. The incident is not a hate / bias crime.
8. The incident did not occur on a state freeway.
9. The incident is domestic related. *
10. There was no injury or threat of bodily harm.

**In the event that there is video evidence with regards to the incident, the Telephone Reporting Unit officer will advise the complainant they will receive a text message with a website link, where they will be instructed to upload their video to the site.*

BPD's TRU can take non-emergency calls 7 days a week from 6 a.m.-11 p.m.

TELEPHONE REPORTING UNIT (TRU)



WHAT TYPES OF INVESTIGATIONS CAN TRU INVESTIGATE?



AUTO ACCIDENTS | CIVIL MATTERS | DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY/VANDALISM TO VEHICLE OR PROPERTY | LOST OR STOLEN PROPERTY | LARCENY | LARCENY FROM AUTO | ABANDONED VEHICLES | FALSE PRETENSE | FOLLOW-UP | NUISANCE COMPLAINTS | STOLEN AUTO | UNAUTHORIZED USE | 911 NO-VOICE

WHAT KIND OF CALLS WILL TRU NOT HANDLE?

DOMESTIC RELATED | IN-PROGRESS | INCIDENT JUST OCCURRED | SUSPECT ON SCENE | TANGIBLE EVIDENCE NEEDING COLLECTING | INJURY OR THREAT PRESENT | CRIMES OF VIOLENCE | PEOPLE IN IMMINENT DANGER



MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT | POLICE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL HARRISON

BPD Telephone Reporting Unit (TRU) - 410-637-8849

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<https://www.baltimorepolice.org/file-police-report>

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ONLINE CRIME REPORTING

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WHAT TYPES OF INVESTIGATIONS CAN ONLINE REPORTING INVESTIGATE?

HIT & RUN | ILLEGAL DUMPING | LOST PROPERTY | THEFT | THEFT FROM VEHICLE | VANDALISM TO PROPERTY | VANDALISM TO VEHICLE



WHAT KIND OF INVESTIGATION WILL ONLINE REPORTING NOT HANDLE?

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE | PEOPLE IN IMMINENT DANGER | DOMESTIC RELATED | IN-PROGRESS | INCIDENT JUST OCCURRED | SUSPECT ON SCENE | TANGIBLE EVIDENCE NEEDING COLLECTING | INJURY OR THREAT PRESENT



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POLICE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL HARRISON

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RESOURCES

- **The importance of filing crime reports**
 - More crime reporting creates enforcement hotspots.
 - More crime reporting focuses BPD attention on problem properties & ongoing criminal activities.

Local crime tips can be submitted to the SE District BPD via – sedtips@baltimorepolice.org

Metro Crime Stoppers hotline 866-7LOCKUP (756-2587) – 24/7
Or <https://metrocrimestoppers.org/submit-a-tip/>



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RESOURCES

911

***USE 911 WHENEVER THERE IS AN
EMERGENCY CONDITION THAT REQUIRES
IMMEDIATE RESPONSE***

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HOT TOPICS!

HCA COP WALKS ARE NOW MONTHLY:

- **FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH**
- **WE MEET AT THE CORNER OF S. CONKLING & GOUGH STS.**
- **7:00 – 8:00 PM**
- **WE FOLLOW THE DIRECTION AND CONCERNS OF PARTICIPANTS**

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THE HCA ENCOURAGES RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEMS, AND TO HAVE CAMERAS FACING ALL ADJACENT STREETS AND ALLEYS. WE ALSO RECOMMEND THAT THESE CAMERAS BE REGISTERED WITH BALTIMORE'S

CITIWATCH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP.

REGISTRATION IS FREE AT <https://citivatch.baltimorecity.gov/Default.aspx>

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SEASONAL HOT TOPICS!

**PLEASE KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR PROPERTIES THAT ARE
*“OPEN TO CASUAL ENTRY”***

- **PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MAY SEEK SHELTER IN EASILY ACCESSIBLE & VACANT PROPERTIES. – *WE CAN HELP DIRECT SERVICES TO THEM.***
- **UNAUTHORIZED OCCUPANTS ARE LIKELY TO SEEK ALTERNATIVE HEAT SOURCES, WHICH ENDANGERS OTHERS.**
- **PLEASE REPORT THESE PROPERTIES TO 311 AND SEND THE REPORT NUMBERS TO highlandtown21224@gmail.com. PLEASE USE THE WORD 311 IN THE HEADER.**

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COMING EVENTS!

November 11, 2023

2:00 - 6:00 PM

HIGHLANDTOWN Basement Bar Tour

- ✦ Save The Date! November 11, 2023 @2p-6p
- ✦ Interested in hosting email:
- ✦ HighlandtownBasementBarTour@gmail.com
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PRESENTER #1

Megan Worman

BALTIMORE  BARK HOUSE
DOGGIE DAYCARE & HOTEL

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PRESENTER #2

Reah Vasilakopoulos

CASA Of Baltimore – Court Appointed Special Advocate



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