

# H!GHLANDTOWN

## COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

JANUARY MEETING – JANUARY 15, 2024 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! -

- **H!GHLANDTOWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – BOARD ELECTIONS**
- **GRUNDY STREET MURAL PROPOSAL (234 S. HAVEN ST. AT GOUGH ST.)**

PRESENTER -

**SAM HIMMELRICH & JESSICA CHILDRESS**

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## COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION HCA BOARD ELECTION NOMINEE'S - 2024

- HCA PRESIDENT: BOBBI JO SYMS
- ACTING VICE PRESIDENT: KIRK WIGGINS (1 YEAR APPOINTMENT)
- BOARD MEMBER: KAT KLOSEK
- BOARD MEMBER: SEAN ARNOLD
- BOARD MEMBER: JOHN EDDY
- BOARD MEMBER: KEITH GIBSON
- BOARD MEMBER: ANNE SAWYER
- BOARD MEMBER: BRIAN SWEENEY

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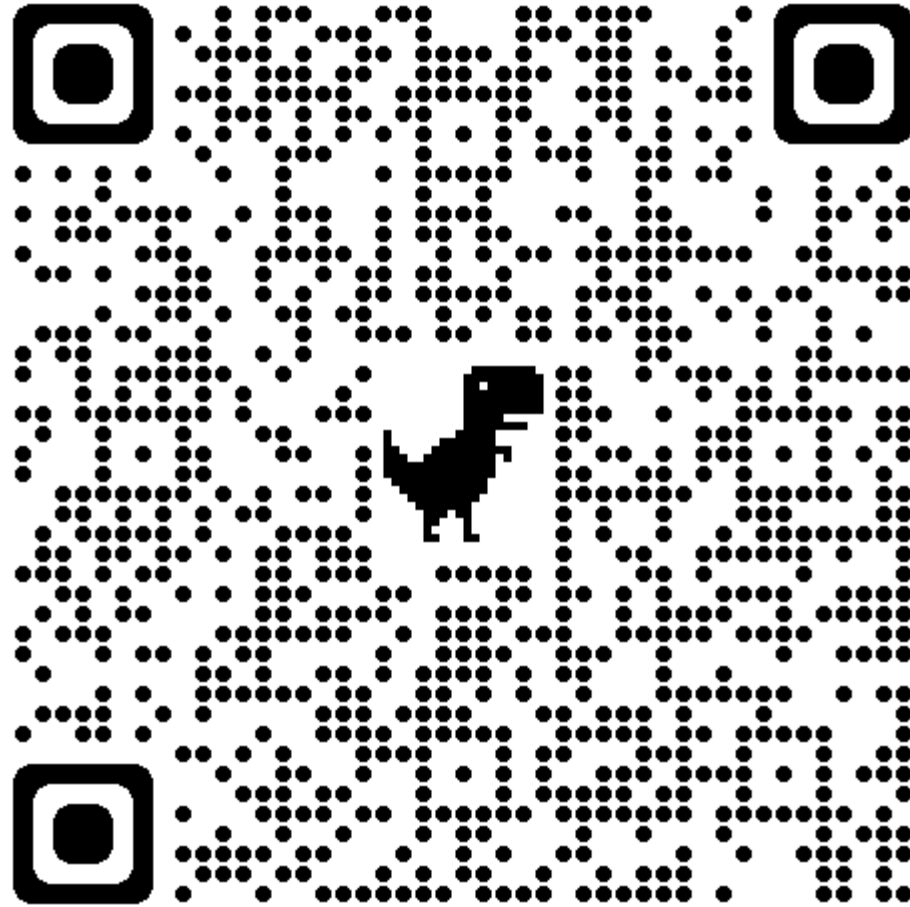
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Please use the QR code to sign in, to let us know that you have attended the HCA meeting.

Or go to

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### ***2023 HCA BOARD MEMBERS & TASKS***

President	Brian Sweeney (2022)	Safety, trash & housing code issues
Vice President	Bobbi Jo Syms (2023)	Events
Secretary	Katherine “Kat” Klosek (2022)	Traffic & Parking
Treasurer	Sharon Reynolds (2023)	
Board member	Sean Arnold (2022)	Sgt. At Arms
Board Member	Nick Frisone (2023)	Social Media
Board member	John Eddy (2022)	Website
Board Member	Keith Gibson (2022)	Basement Bar Tour
Board Member	Mark Parker (2023)	
Board Member	Anne Sawyer (2022)	Meeting Tech Support
Board Member	Kirk Wiggins (2022)	Highlandtown Business Asso. relations

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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](mailto:highlandtown21224@gmail.com)*
- NON-EMERGENCY POLICE ISSUES

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### *RESOURCES*

**311** – USE 311 WHEN THERE IS A PROBLEM RELATED TO A CITY FUNCTION

- **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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### RESOURCES



***Sheriff Sam Cogen*** has announced that the ***Baltimore City Sheriff's Office*** will be stepping into the area of Traffic Enforcement. There is a new online form to report traffic violations. Categories include:

- Isolated incidences
- Recurring traffic violations, including hot spots for traffic signal & sign violations
- Parking violations, including blocking of alleys.

**<https://baltimorecity.jotform.com/233066516825054>**

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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](mailto:sedtips@baltimorepolice.org)

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



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**NEW!**



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### **RESOURCES**

**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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## 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.*

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

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## **TELEPHONE CRIME REPORTING (TRU)**

### **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

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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**

**911**

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

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***HOT TOPICS!***

## ***SOUTHEAST BALTIMORE SAFETY NEWS***

- SED BPD HAS A NEW COMMANDER
  - MAJOR ALBERTO COLON (COL-OHN)(COLOGNE)
- HCA SAFETY & POLICE WALKS ARE NOW BY REQUEST
  - REQUESTS CAN BE SENT TO [highlandtown21224@gmail.com](mailto:highlandtown21224@gmail.com)
  - BE SURE TO INCLUDE DETAILS ABOUT YOUR CONCERN

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### ***HOT TOPICS!***

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://citiwatch.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](mailto:highlandtown21224@gmail.com). PLEASE USE THE WORD 311 IN THE HEADER.**

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***PRESENTER***

Sam Himmelrich & Jessica Childress

**PROPOSED MURAL FOR THE GRUNDY SIDE OF THE  
NEW SELF-STORAGE FACILITY AT  
SOUTH HAVEN STREET AND GOUGH STREET**

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