



November 9, 2011

Dear Friend:

In September, I introduced the *Detroit Jobs Trust Fund Act* in the House of Representatives. The Detroit Jobs Trust Fund Act is a mechanism to drive economic development in Detroit, one of America's hardest-hit metropolitan areas.

This bill will use Detroit's own resources to revive the city's vitality, reduce Detroit's debt, increase public safety, improve schools, and lower the cost of living in Detroit through lower taxes. These changes will generate business development and private investment in the city, significantly improving the region and nation's financial stability.

For more information about the *Detroit Jobs Trust Fund Act*, please take a look at these articles:

- The Detroit News, "[Clarke's plan for tax-free Detroit is good start](#)" (9/22/2011)
- Rochelle Riley, "[Obama is looking at Clarke's bold tax plan for Detroit](#)" (9/30/2011)
- Crain's Detroit Business, "[Mary Kramer: Dem's Detroit Idea Gains GOP support](#)" (10/16/2011)
- Rochelle Riley, "[Miller among 31 backers for Clarke's Detroit self-help plan](#)" (10/18/2011)

I look forward to working together to restore Metro Detroit's reputation as a great place to work, learn, and live.

Sincerely,

Hansen Clarke
Member of Congress

Congressman Hansen Clarke's Statements



Please visit www.hansenclarke.house.gov/videos to view these and other speeches.

- Wednesday, June 22, 2011 [CLARKE ON WITHDRAWAL FROM AFGHANISTAN](#)
- Monday, June 27, 2011 [CLARKE ADDRESSES VARIOUS ISSUES ON CRAIG FAHLE SHOW](#)
- Thursday, July 14, 2011 [CLARKE ON TRANSIT JOBS FOR MICHIGAN](#)
- Tuesday, July 19, 2011 [CLARKE ON GETTING AMERICANS OUT OF DEBT](#)
- Monday, August 1, 2011 [CLARKE ON CUTTING CONSUMER DEBT](#)
- Friday, August 19, 2011 [CLARKE ON HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT AND FINANCIAL SECURITY](#)
- Thursday, September 29, 2011 [CLARKE ON DETROIT JOBS TRUST FUND ACT](#)
- Friday, October 14, 2011 [CLARKE ON U.S. MANUFACTURING JOBS AND FREE TRADE](#)
- Monday, October 17, 2011 [CLARKE ON FORGIVING STUDENT LOAN DEBT](#)

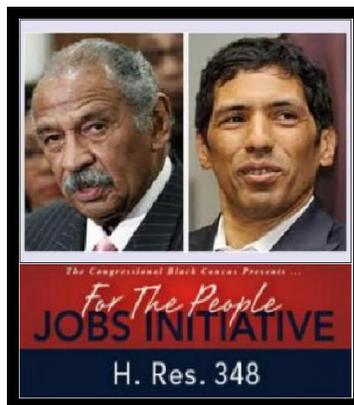
Serving the Community

Women's Health Care Forum, July 30, 2011



The Office of Rep. Clarke was the proud sponsor of the 2011 Women's Mind, Body, and Soul Health Care Forum. Over 200 Metro Detroiters listened to lectures about health, nutrition, and finance, watched free cooking demonstrations, and participated in Zumba and Yoga sessions.

"For the People" Jobs Initiative, August 16, 2011



Rep. Clarke and Rep. Conyers hosted the Detroit "For the People" Jobs Initiative. To tackle the high unemployment rate of over 22 percent in Detroit, leading members of the Congressional Black Caucus joined Rep. Clarke and Rep. Conyers at the Wayne County Community College District's Downtown Campus at the "For the People" Job Fair and Town Hall Meeting. The Job Fair included employers from the public and private sectors, job readiness workshops, and technical assistance seminars. The Town Hall Meeting gave people an opportunity to ask questions about the economic crisis in Metro Detroit.

Some Feedback from the "For the People" Jobs Initiative

"I was losing trust in attending these fairs. I decided to attend this one, not only because it was accessible by bus, or because I am unemployed, but because someone has taken the time to make sure it was in an accessible area. I was impressed by not only the number of companies available, but the diversity of the companies as well. After the fair, I have gained more confidence going into my future job searches." - **M. Underwood**

"The career conference held yesterday was the most useful fair that I've attended over a year and half of unemployment. It was well organized and I had the opportunity to leave my resume with five companies . . . good conversations with serious interest and not simply asking me to locate their career website." - **C. Rogers**

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Save America's Postal Service Rally, September 27, 2011



Rep. Clarke joined postal workers to fight to save the six-day postal delivery service and thanked them for contacting him to express support for H. Res. 137, which urges the U.S. Postal Service to continue its six-day mail delivery service. Rep. Clarke told the crowd he knows many people rely on Saturday delivery for essential mail items, such as medication, time sensitive documents, and social security checks.

Environment Michigan Press Conference, September 29, 2011



Rep. Clarke took the [Clean Air Promise](#) and vowed to protect America's children and families from dangerous air pollutants by supporting clean air policies.

Community Member Spotlight

The Case of J. Brent Tenney



This month, we would like to highlight Mr. J. Brent Tenney, a hardworking constituent who learned some unexpected news regarding his health at Rep. Clarke's Women's Mind, Body, and Soul Health Care Forum on July 30, 2011.

Mr. Tenney, the Director at Seniors for Healthier and Enriched Lives, attended the Health Care Forum to receive free and convenient health care resources. As he talked to several of the 25 vendors at the Forum, Mr. Tenney decided to undergo multiple health care tests, which revealed he had high blood pressure and diabetes. Mr. Tenney immediately made an appointment with his doctor and is now taking medications for those conditions. Without the help of Rep. Clarke, he said, he would have never discovered these asymptomatic health issues. Rep. Clarke successfully connected many people to vital health care services, ultimately saving lives. This office is committed to service, compassion, community, and improving the lives of all Metro Detroiters.



Resources

Legal Services

Michigan Legal Services

220 Bagley Ave.
Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: 313-964-4130
www.milegalservices.org

Michigan Legal Services (MLS) provides low-income individuals with legal support and assistance with reviewing contracts, negotiating real estate sales, and handling business-related matters. MLS is committed to assisting clients with housing, health, public benefits, and economic development.

Legal Aid and Defender Association, Inc.

613 Abbott St.
Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: 313-967-5555
<http://www.ladadetroit.org>

For over 100 years, Legal Aid and Defender Association Inc. has been offering legal advice, guidance, information, and referrals to low-income and moderate-income individuals. They also offer services for criminal cases at the Wayne County Circuit Court.

Food

FOCUS: HOPE

Main Headquarters
1355 Oakman Blvd.
Detroit, MI 48207
Phone: 313-494-5500
<http://www.focushope.edu>

Focus: Hope provides food to seniors over the age of 60 and children under the age of 6.

Detroit Area Agency on Aging

13333 Brewery Park Place
Detroit, MI 48207
Phone: 313-446-4444
www.daaa1a.org

Seniors

Detroit Area Agency on Aging's mission is to promote healthy aging through education and advocacy. Their website lists several community events.

Visiting Angels of Detroit

11000 W. McNichols Rd.
Suite 217
Detroit, MI 48221
Phone: 313-272-9401
www.visitingangels.com

Visiting Angels of Detroit offers non-medical home care for the elderly. The staff provides a wide variety of services.



Resources

Foreclosure and Housing

Southwest Housing Solutions

1920 25th St.

Detroit, MI 48216

Phone: 313-841-3727

www.swsol.org

Southwest Housing Solutions is a non-profit organization that helps uplift neighborhoods by providing affordable, quality housing to families in metro Detroit.

Detroit Non-Profit Housing Corporation

8904 Woodward Ave.

Detroit, Michigan 48202

Phone: 313-972-1111

Fax: 313-972-1125

www.detroitnon-profithousingcorporation.org

Counselors at the Detroit Non-Profit Housing Corporation provide free community services to help keep people in their homes.

Alternatives for Girls

903 W. Grand Blvd.

Detroit, MI 48208

Phone: 313-361-4000

www.alternativesforgirls.org

Alternatives for Girls provides shelters for girls and women aged 15 to 20 and their children, leadership training for teenage girls, and a variety of educational and cultural programs and workshops.

Wayne County Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program

640 Temple St.

Detroit, MI 48201

Phone: 313-833-2948

or 877-693-6199

www.fightmortgageforeclosure.com

Wayne County Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program helps create personalized solutions for homeowners who have defaulted or are on the brink of defaulting on their mortgages.



Resources

Counseling

Southwest Counseling Centers

1700 Waterman St.
Detroit, MI 48209
Phone: 313-841-8900
www.swsol.org

Southwest Counseling Centers provides Southwest Detroit families with youth and adult counseling, literacy programs, and mental health programs for children. They also work with faith-based and community organizations to promote the public policy interests of members in the community.

Community Resources

United Way of Southeastern Michigan

United Way 2-1-1
660 Woodward Ave.
Suite 300
Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: 313-226-9200
www.211.org

Dial 2-1-1 or 800-552-1183.

United Way 2-1-1 is a multi-lingual, comprehensive information and referral service available 24 hours a day, every day. 2-1-1's database contains more than 20,000 programs and services, including after-school programs, senior care services, and medical and prescription assistance.

New Center Community Mental Health Services

Grand-Dex Plaza
2051 W. Grand Blvd.
Detroit, MI 48208
Phone: 313-961-3200
www.newcentercmhs.org

The New Center Community Mental Health Services provides mental health services and other social services to children, adolescents, and adults in a caring and safe environment. The staff is trained to provide group and individual therapy, counseling, and other therapeutic services.

THANK YOU FOR READING REP. CLARKE'S E-NEWSLETTER!

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