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An update to the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners
from the County Manager

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Mecklenburg County CSS Receives Prestigious Grant

I would like to congratulate Mecklenburg County Community Support Services on receiving a \$538,932 grant from the Dept. of Justice's Justice for Families Program.

The Justice for Families Program serves to improve the response of all aspects of the civil and criminal justice systems to families with a history of domestic violence and sexual assault. The program also focuses on keeping victims safe from further abuse and holding offenders accountable.

Mecklenburg County and its collaborative partners – Safe Alliance, 26th Judicial Court District of North Carolina and Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc. Charlotte Office – will use the award to:

- Hire a supervised visitation court liaison
- Create a tracking and monitoring system for supervised visitation referrals
- Provide supervised visitation and safe exchanges
- Train court personnel about supervised visitation and safe exchange operations
- And hire a full-time attorney to provide legal assistance to victims of domestic violence

Mecklenburg County will serve as the fiscal and implementing entity for the project.

For more information, contact CSS Director Stacy M. Lowry at 980-314-8903 or Stacy.Lowry@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

County Announces Route for Fourth Open Streets Event

Open Streets 704 powered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina loops even more neighbors and businesses together for a bigger, more diverse event.

The Oct. 15 Open Streets route will feature a roughly 5.5-mile loop that connects Madison Park, Selwyn Park, Montford Park, Freedom Park, Myers Park, Ashbrook, LoSo and Colonial Village neighborhoods. Neighbors and businesses along the route will be notified soon so they can plan accordingly. The route map is available now at <http://openstreets704.com/route/>.

The first three Open Streets events attracted more than 50,000 people to routes through

Charlotte's west side, east side, historic South End, NoDa, and surrounding neighborhoods. This is the fourth in a series of four Open Streets events launched by a two-year grant from the Knight Foundation.

For more information, contact Park and Recreation Director Jim Garges at 980-314-1012 or James.Garges@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Employee Fest 2017 Set for Oct. 5

Our annual Employee Fest will take place on Thursday, Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Freedom Park.

Similar to last year's event, Employee Fest 2017 will be a celebration of staff's hard work, and will include recognition of Customer Service Heroes of the Year, Team of the Year and Employee of the Year.

Employee Fest 2017 will also feature diverse performances and interactive games throughout the day.

For more information, contact Rebecca Carter at 704-301-7618 or Rebecca.Carter@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Sept. 19, noon – County Manager Dena R. Diorio will participate in a discussion with the Charlotte Clergy Coalition for Justice about community issues. The event will take place at Union Presbyterian Seminary, 5141 Sharon Road, Charlotte
- Tuesday, Sept. 19, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH-14
- Tuesday, Sept. 19, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Friday, Sept. 22, 4 p.m. – County Manager Dena R. Diorio will speak at the "Engaging Local Government Leaders" event at the Harvey B. Gantt Center, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte
- Saturday, Sept. 23, 10 a.m. - ASC Public Art Dedication of "Spiral Odyssey" at Romare Bearden Park

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