

**THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY  
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 7:00 PM via Zoom**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Vote
Welcome	President Freeman Durham called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The number of people who attended the meeting online and via telephone was not tracked. Quorum was established.	None
1. Cincinnati Police Report	Officer Perry Locke discussed the crime statistics for March 2022 (posted on the website prior to the meeting and attached). The list of crimes is low in comparison to other neighborhoods. He reported that thefts of catalytic converters from cars is on the rise. He asked: if you see something suspicious, call the police and report. The police department has a class of new recruits. Those recruits are in their “probationary police” stage and will not be fully trained to be on their own until summer. There may be up to 7 recruits assigned to District 2. On the issue of patrolling the pocket park on Woodburn Avenue, next to the San Marco Building, Officer Locke reported that he did pass on the request to patrol the park regularly to other officers. He has checked the park a couple of times. Officer Locke’s phone number is: 513-979-4430.	None
2. Bush Recreation Center Report	Vanessa Henderson reported. See the attached summary of events at Bush Recreation for April. She highlighted the Recreation Department’s need for lifeguards for the pools this summer. Without lifeguards, pools can’t open. She is looking into having pickleball at Bush. Contact Ms. Henderson for further information ( <a href="mailto:vanessa.henderson@cincinnati-oh.gov">vanessa.henderson@cincinnati-oh.gov</a> ).	None
3. Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes	There being no revisions to the March 2, 2022 monthly Assembly Minutes (posted on the website prior to the meeting), the Minutes were deemed approved as posted.	None
4. Treasurer’s Report	Freeman reported on the February Treasurer’s Report that had been posted online prior to the meeting (see attached Report). Freeman reported that there was \$14,820 in income and \$10,781 in expenses for the month with a surplus of approximately \$4038. The unusual activity in February was the receipt of the Neighborhood Support (NSP) grant from the City (\$7638). There was approximately \$54,000 on hand at the end of February.	None
5. Membership/ Committee Report	Valerie Daley reported that now is a great time to renew your membership so that you are eligible to vote next month for the Board Trustees. Go to the link on the Assembly website: <a href="https://eastwalnuthills.org/join-now/">https://eastwalnuthills.org/join-now/</a> .	None
6. Events Committee Report.	Freeman reported in Christine Johnson’s absence. (1) There is the Monthly Trash Walk on the first Saturday of April at 9:00 a.m. (2) EWHA, with the Evanston Community Council, will co-host a music in the parks series starting in June. More information on both may be found on the EWHA website.	None
7. Infrastructure Committee & Farmer’s Market	Deb Dereshkevich reported. (1) Infrastructure - The Committee continues to work on street and traffic safety issues.. A couple new people have stepped forward to volunteer on the Committee. (2) Farmers Market – Deb said that the Market is looking specifically for bread, meat, and mushroom vendors. The Market is in need of vendors generally. The Market is scheduled to take place in the Madison parking lot on Friday evenings starting in late May and going through late October.	None
8. Parking Committee Report	Rick Boydston reported. The hourly parking receipts are back up to pre-COVID levels for hourly parking. The receipts are in the \$4500 range after parking fees are deducted. There are around fifty 24/7 monthly parkers. The Committee continues to negotiate with the City over a new lease for the Madison lot. The City wants more transient parking and less 24/7 monthly parking in both the Madison lot and the Woodburn lot. There is a possibility of installing charging stations in the lot(s) at some point. The installation would remove from use an hourly parking space. The Committee is continuing to consider the possibility of payment only by app and eliminating the payment kiosks. Monthly meetings of the Committee take place in the building where Hey Day is and take place right before the Assembly meeting. Anyone is invited to attend.	None

9 CMHA/Pocket Park Committee Report	Jinny Berten reported that the estimate to fix the fountain and install an on/off switch in the pocket park next to the San Marco building is around \$20,000. The Committee is looking for ways to raise funds to pay for the work.	None
10. Business Association Report.	Sara Sieftring reported. (1) Walk on Woodburn is April 13. (2)Samantha Reeves from the Walnut Hills Redevelopment Foundation (WHRF), which owns the "Rainbow Building" (north side of Madison Rd., next to the Growler House), came to the BA and asked for letters of support from the BA and businesses for a Neighborhood Business District Improvement Project (NBDIP) grant from the City for funds to whitebox the remaining empty bay in the building. Sara put Samantha's email in the Chat and asked businesses to send letters of support to Samantha.	None
11. Development Committee Report	Freeman reported in Drew Gores' absence. (1) The EWHA Board approved having the WHRF submit a NBDIP grant application for the Rainbow Building to whitebox the remaining unoccupied bay. (2) The 2-way street conversion project bids have been received by City. The bids have come in \$150,000 above budget due to increased construction costs, but not as high as was feared. At the EWHA Board meeting, the Board voiced its support to use the EWHA TIF funds to fill the \$150,000 gap to keep the project going. Freeman explained that TIF stands for Tax Increment Financing: in the designated EWH TIF district a portion of additional property taxes collected above a base property tax amount are placed in the EWH TIF fund to support projects in the neighborhood. The City's Planning Department will be doing Community Engagement on the proposed EWH TIF funding allocation. The City will schedule a community meeting to discuss the TIF allocation and the project. (3) Freeman reported on the Woodburn Properties (the 7 properties on the east side of Woodburn, north of De Sales Ln., and south of MRC). EWHA has looked to save and redevelop the properties over the years with no success. At this point, the Board is not sure that it is possible to save the buildings. The current owner of the Woodburn Properties is being sued by City for unsafe properties/nuisance abatement. A developer from Indianapolis is interested in buying the properties. That developer would demolish the existing houses and build new townhouses (perhaps 27). The Indianapolis developer has not purchased the properties. The developer would likely come before the Assembly to discuss the project and any variances that would be needed. Ed Pfetzing reported on new businesses coming to EWH: (1) Hey Day opened today and will be selling burgers, hot dogs, chicken and fries. It will be open most days from 4:00 pm on. (2) Symposium, in the former Cafe De Sales space, is scheduled to open on April 20. (3) Solstice is going into the former Suzie Wongs.	None
12. Vote on the EWH TIF Allocation.	While the City is planning to come to the Assembly attendees for an official vote of support for the allocation of the \$150,000 EWH TIF in the near future, a motion was made to ask attendees to vote generally to support the TIF allocation. After a second was made, and further discussion ensued and was completed, attendees voted to support the proposed EWH TIF allocation.	Approved
Adjournment	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m.	

Submitted by Drew Gores, Secretary

Attachments: Agenda, Police EWH Crime Statistics, Bush Rec Center Information, Treasurers Report  
The next EWHA Board meeting will take place on April 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EWHA ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE PLACE ON MAY 4 AT 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM**

**The next monthly Assembly meeting will begin immediately after the Annual Meeting is adjourned.**

Become a voting member of the Assembly by going to <https://eastwalnuthills.org> and signing up.



**EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY AGENDA**  
**April 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Via Zoom Call**

1. Welcome *Freeman Durham*
  
2. City Department Presentations
  - a. Cincinnati Fire Department
  - b. Cincinnati Police Department *Officer Perry Locke*
  - c. Bush Recreation Center, CRC *Director Vanessa Henderson*
  
3. Approval of Minutes from the Assembly Meeting on March 2, 2022
  
4. Treasurer's Report *Vince Accorinti*
  
5. Committee Reports *Various Committee Chairs*
  
6. Other Business

Adjournment

**The Annual Meeting of the Assembly will be held on  
May 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm  
and will be followed by the normal monthly meeting**

Reach out to the EWHA Board at: [info@eastwalnuthills.org](mailto:info@eastwalnuthills.org)

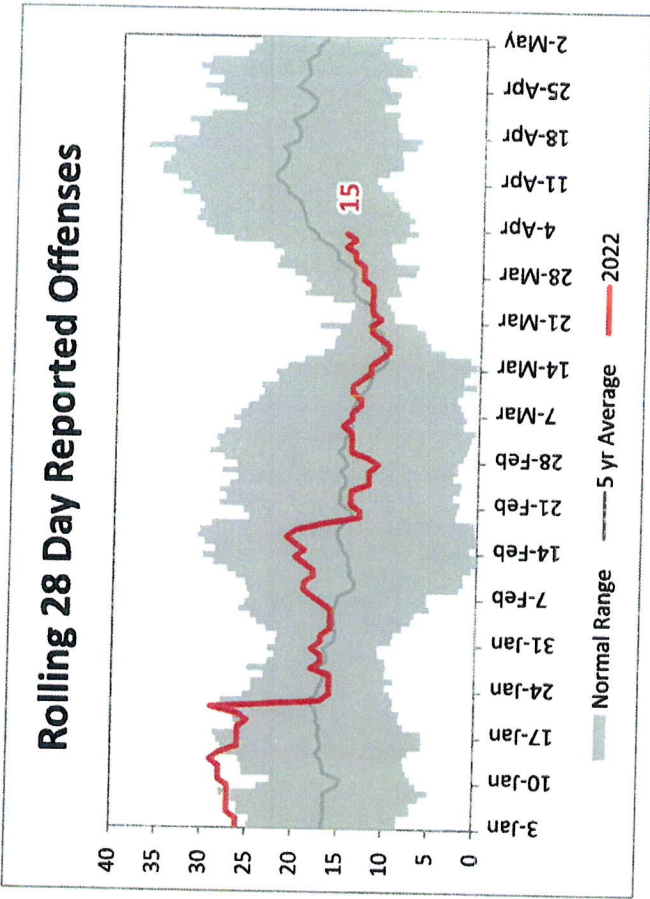
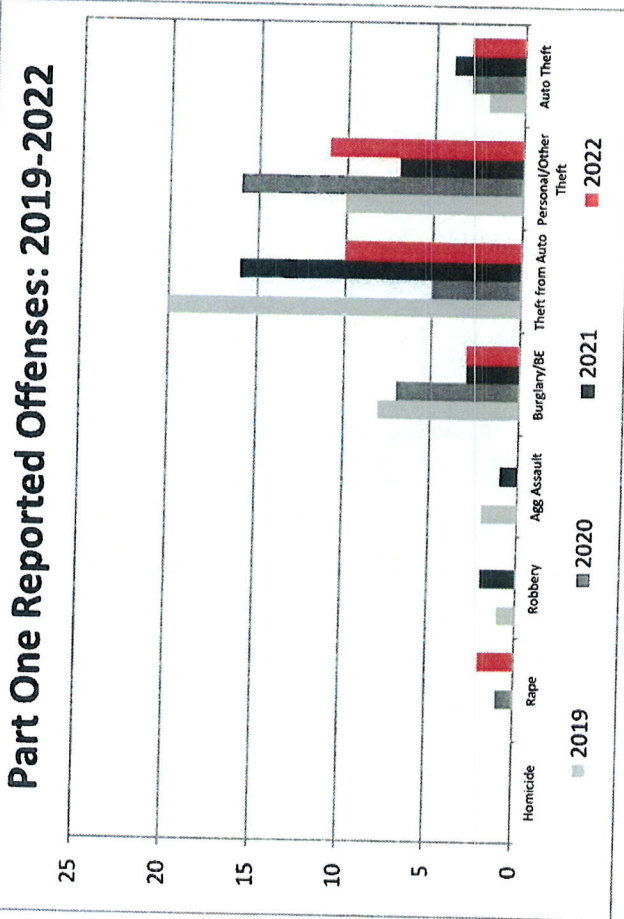
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# East Walnut Hills Neighborhood Report

East Walnut Hills	Year-to-Date: 4-Apr					
	2019	2020	2021	2019-21 Avg:	% Change: Avg / 22	% Change: 2021 / 2022
<b>Part 1 Crime</b>						
Homicide	0	0	0	0.0	N/C	N/C
Rape	0	1	0	0.3	500.0%	↑ 2
Robbery	1	0	2	1.0	↓ 1	↓ 2
Agg Assault	2	0	1	1.0	↓ 1	↓ 1
<b>Total P1 Violent Crime</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>-14.3%</b>	<b>-33.3%</b>
Burglary/BE	8	7	3	6.0	-50.0%	N/C
Theft from Auto	20	5	16	13.7	-26.8%	-37.5%
Personal/Other Theft	10	16	7	11.0	N/C	57.1%
Auto Theft	2	3	4	3.0	N/C	-25.0%
<b>Total P1 Property Crime</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>33.7</b>	<b>-19.8%</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>
<b>Total P1 Crime</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>-19.4%</b>	<b>-12.1%</b>

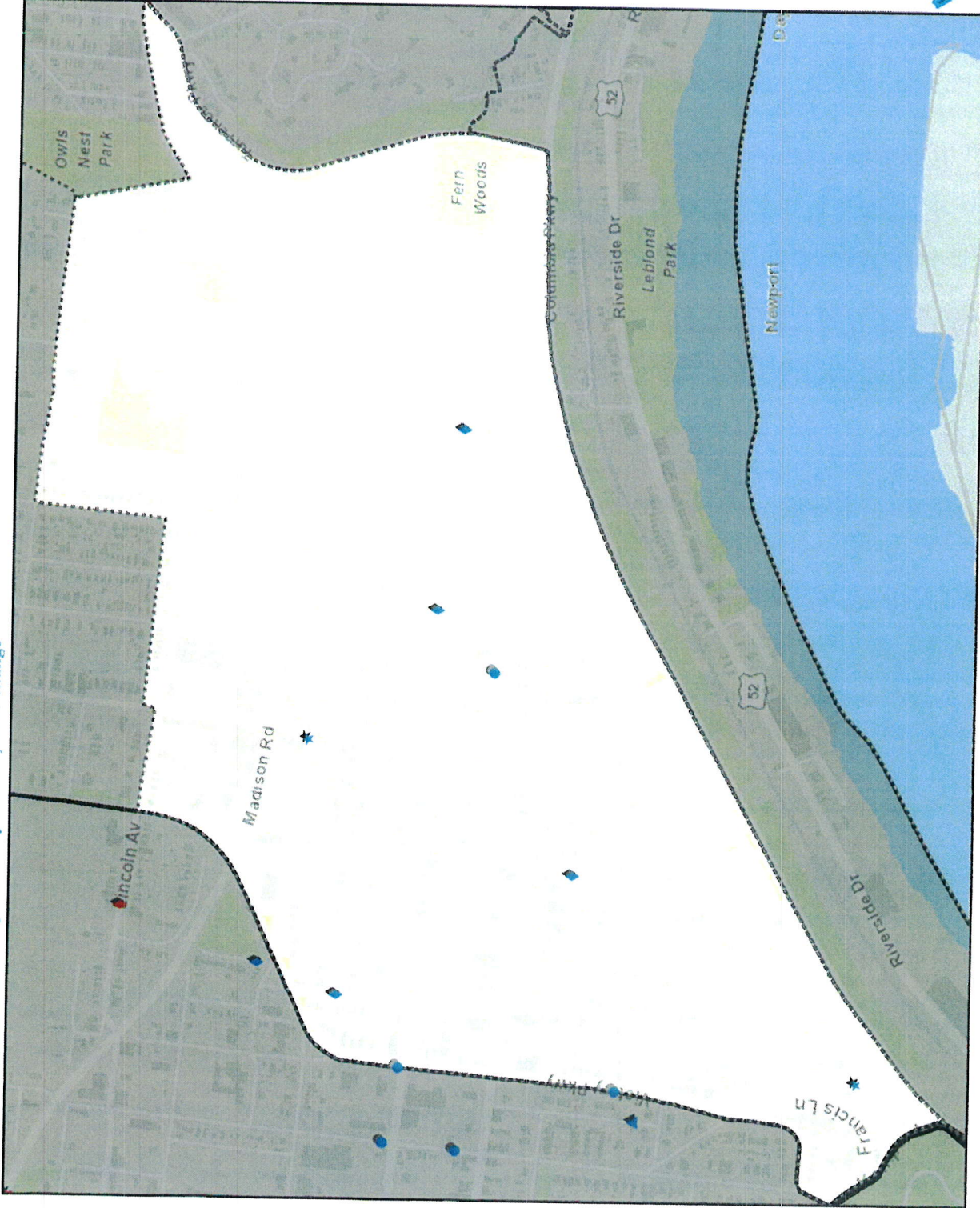
East Walnut Hills	Rolling 28 ending: 4/4/2022				
	Period 4 12/14/21 - 1/10/22	Period 3 01/11/22 - 2/7/22	Period 2 02/08/22 - 3/7/22	Period 1 03/08/22 - 4/4/22	% Change: P2-P1
<b>Part 1 Crime</b>					
Homicide	0	0	0	0	N/C
Rape	0	1	1	0	↓ 1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	N/C
Agg Assault	0	0	0	0	N/C
<b>Total P1 Violent Crime</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>↓ 1</b>
Burglary/BE	4	1	0	0	↓ 1
Theft from Auto	12	2	4	4	100.0%
Personal/Other Theft	3	6	1	4	-33.3%
Auto Theft	2	0	0	1	↑ 1
<b>Total P1 Property Crime</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>N/C</b>
<b>Total P1 Crime</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>



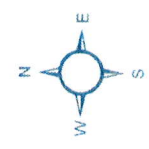


# EAST WALNUT HILLS Neighborhood Crime Report: 28 DAY REPORTING PERIOD

\*All information shown here are preliminary and subject to change

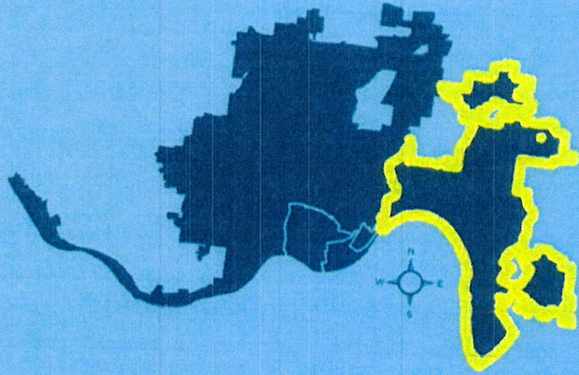


- Neighborhoods**
- Districts
- Violent Crimes**
- Homicide
  - Rape
  - Robbery
  - Agg Assault
- Property Crimes**
- Burglary/BE
  - Theft from Auto
  - Auto Theft
  - Personal/Other Theft



4/4/2022  
9:31

# Neighborhood Block Report EAST WALNUT HILLS



## Auto Theft

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
229007035	Theft	3/27/2022 8:50:00 PM	23XX GRANDVIEW AV

## Burglary/BE

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
229003736	Breaking and Entering	3/7/2022 3:30:00 PM	28XX WOODBURN AV

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
229006873	Burglary	3/25/2022 1:40:00 PM	12XX EDGECLIFF PL

## Part 2 Offense

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
229006389	Assault	3/19/2022 12:36:00 PM	25XX HACKBERRY ST



Incident No 229007443	Offense Criminal Damaging/Endangering	Date of Offense 4/1/2022 10:36:00 AM	Street Block 18XX WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT RD
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Incident No 229007194	Offense Forgery	Date of Offense 3/29/2022 3:20:11 PM	Street Block 12XX EDGECLIFF PL
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### Personal/Other Theft

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Incident No 229006216	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/18/2022 12:34:00 PM	Street Block 25XX HACKBERRY ST
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Incident No 229007109	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/28/2022 6:36:32 PM	Street Block 26XX VICTORY PY
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Incident No 229007194	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/29/2022 3:20:11 PM	Street Block 12XX EDGECLIFF PL
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Incident No 229007299	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/30/2022 4:28:00 PM	Street Block 26XX VICTORY PY
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### Theft from Auto

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Incident No 229005248	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/7/2022 6:20:00 PM	Street Block 26XX CLEINVIEW AV
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Incident No 229005358	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/9/2022 7:54:46 AM	Street Block 18XX WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT RD
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Incident No 229C000221	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/10/2022 11:49:47 AM	Street Block 24XX GRANDVIEW AV
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Incident No 229006566	Offense Theft	Date of Offense 3/22/2022 11:24:00 AM	Street Block 27XX ASHLAND AV
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# **Cincinnati Recreation Commission**

MACA, EWAC, and WHAC    Month – April 2022  
Bush Recreation Center 2640 Kemper Lane – 281-1286

## Report Topics –

Bush Recreation Center is seeking new partnerships for programs. If you have an programming ideas, please contact Vanessa Henderson at 513-281-1286 or [vanessa.henderson@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:vanessa.henderson@cincinnati-oh.gov).

CRC is currently hiring for part time positions. Please visit our website [cincyrec.org](http://cincyrec.org)

CRC is actively accessing our 23 outdoor pools for capital and safety repairs. In addition, we are currently recruiting for lifeguards and pool staff to work this spring/summer. Please if you know of anyone between 15 years of age or older, please encourage them to contact us at 513-357-POOL. We are planning to open our pools across the City, however pool openings will be vetted through the lens of safety i.e., what's happening with COVID and our ability to have enough lifeguards to safely open pools. Follow us on our social media platforms and website for updates. **WE NEED MORE LIFEGUARDS TO OPEN ALL CRC POOLS.** Please encourage teens and young adult to apply.

Bush will participate in the Xavier University Job Fair on April 7<sup>th</sup> 10am – 1pm.

**Opening Day – Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – We will ask campers to wear RED to support our team.**

To celebrate Easter – we are offering an Easter Egg Hunt for our campers inside Bush Community Center. On Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> each age group will be given an opportunity to find eggs and a special “**Golden Egg**”. Candy and goodies for all.

Eating on a Healthy Budget – Food Demo on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> Please register at <https://bit.ly/eatrightbush0422>. Or call 513-585-9879

Registration for Summer Day Camp – please pass information to families who need childcare this summer. Bush is a license facility! ODJFS vouchers are accepted. School age children 5 yr – 12yr. 10 weeks June 6<sup>th</sup> – August 12<sup>th</sup> Monday – Friday 7:00am – 6:00pm breakfast, snack and dinner provided. Field trips, STEM projects, swim lessons, and crafts.

**CRC Center Membership Information:**  
All memberships have been extended

Seniors \$10.00 (50 plus)  
Adults \$25.00 (25 – 49 yr)  
Young Adults \$10.00 (18 – 24 yr)  
Junior \$2.00 (5 – 17 yr)  
Cards are valid at all CRC Recreation.  
Additional fees may apply.

**EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY**

Monthly Report

2/1/2022 -- 2/28/2022

Category	Annual Budget	Month	Year to Date
	7/1/2021 6/30/2022	2/1/2022 2/28/2022	7/1/2021 2/28/2022
<b>INCOME</b>			
Membership Dues	9,700.00	425.00	8,215.00
Grants	22,398.00	7,638.00	21,138.00
Other Contributions	0.00	0.00	400.00
Parking Revenue	109,300.00	6,739.77	48,808.35
Event Income	100.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	200.00	17.15	85.15
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>141,698.00</b>	<b>14,819.92</b>	<b>78,646.50</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Outreach	10,300.00	450.00	7,193.58
Administration	1,190.00	56.31	207.39
Business Association	15,941.00	1,100.00	5,906.90
Beautification	22,550.00	0.00	19,193.98
Event Committee	5,500.00	0.00	899.72
Woodburn Parking Lot	37,695.00	3,220.68	17,630.62
Madison Parking Lot	51,498.00	5,954.08	30,245.47
NSP Repayment	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>144,674.00</b>	<b>10,781.07</b>	<b>81,277.66</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>-2,976.00</b>	<b>4,038.85</b>	<b>-2,631.16</b>

**BALANCE SHEET (Month)**

	1/31/2022	2/28/2022	Net Change
Operating Account	13,092.21	20,636.05	7,543.84
Madison Parking Lot Acct (Restricted)	10,695.07	9,632.76	-1,062.31
Woodburn Lot Acct	8,636.22	7,263.54	-1,372.68
Business Association Acct	6,399.11	5,329.11	-1,070.00
Business Association PayPal	11.97	11.97	0.00
Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advance to DCDC	11,108.00	11,108.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>49,942.58</b>	<b>53,981.43</b>	<b>4,038.85</b>

**BALANCE SHEET (Year to Date)**

	6/30/2021	2/28/2022	Net Change
Operating Account	24,367.47	20,636.05	-3,731.42
Madison Parking Lot Acct (Restricted)	11,175.86	9,632.76	-1,543.10
Woodburn Lot Acct	13,528.18	7,263.54	-6,264.64
Business Association Acct	761.11	5,329.11	4,568.00
Business Association PayPal	11.97	11.97	0.00
Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advance to DCDC	6,768.00	11,108.00	4,340.00
<b>TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>56,612.59</b>	<b>53,981.43</b>	<b>-2,631.16</b>