District 4 Neighbors,

Welcome to the spring 2019 issue of “D4 in Action.” The city of North Miami kicked off Black History Month with a bang! The Welcome Reception for American Library Association (ALA) President, Loida Garcia-Febo was held in conjunction with the 2019 Black History Month Art Exhibit, *As A Matter of Black: A Seat at the Table*, curated by MUCE 305.

The 4th Annual Evening of Honors dinner celebration honored South Florida’s brightest and those dedicated to serving our community. The month culminated with NoMi Music Fest, the City’s Annual Black History Month established in 2016.

All money collected through ticket sales from NoMi Fest benefited the North Miami Emergency Utility Assistance Program Fund. The fund was created in 2017 to provide monetary utility bill payment relief to North Miami households in need.

On another note, I am proud to share with you that I was recently appointed to the National League of Cities (NLC) 2019 Council on Youth, Education and Families. The council oversees and supports the work of NLC’s Institute for Youth, Education and Families (YEF Institute). I look forward to making great strides in our community.

As always, it is honor to serve you in the city of North Miami.

Sincerely,

Councilman Alix Desulme, Ed.D.
City of North Miami, District 4
Leaders in Training (LIT) Program & Youth Opportunity Board (YOB) Summer Internship Program

The City’s Leaders in Training (LIT) Program was created through a creative collaboration with Patricia Elizee, Esq. and myself. The program was restructured to develop our city’s next generation of public servants through civic education, career readiness and enhanced understanding of local government processes.

Today, the program serves as a preparatory tool for North Miami residents, grades 9-12, to transition into the City’s signature Youth Opportunity Board (YOB) Paid Summer Internship Program. Upon completing the program’s hands-on 8 week professional leadership training, participants will gain soft skills needed to succeed in any profession.

The LIT Program serves as one of the pipelines to the City’s YOB Program. LIT equips youth with appropriate professional knowledge, skills and abilities to transition smoothly into YOB internships with various city of North Miami departments. LIT participants who transition to the YOB Summer Internship Program, will receive weekly supplemental training on work-related topics during hour-long lunch-and-learn sessions. Learn more by visiting www.NorthMiamiFL.gov/Students
Emergency Utility Program

On November 28, 2017, I sponsored legislation to create the Emergency Utility Assistance Program. This program will assist qualifying City residents, based on needs, with their City of North Miami water utility bill. The City of North Miami provided $5,000 from its general fund to support the Emergency Utility Assistance Pilot Program. Supplemental funding will be provided through corporate and customer donations. For more information, please visit www.northmiamifl.gov/departments/finance/UtilityBilling.aspx

Councilman Desulme Initiates New Sprinkler System Program

In 2018, I advocated for new guidelines to the City’s Home Beautification Program. Soon, residents will be able to apply for a new sprinkler system. Through the program, the City will furnish and install all labor, machinery and materials for a complete automated well irrigation system. For more information, please visit www.northmiamifl.gov/departments/cpd/Housing/default.aspx
Let’s Eat Healthy in D4

Healthy eating is something I always advocate for. In order to improve our quality of life, we must be mindful of what we eat. Through a partnership with Feeding South Florida, I sponsored a bi-monthly food distribution to provide residents with fresh produce, dairy products and other grocery items. The distribution is held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at Clyde W. Judson Jr. Community Center. Call 786-570-9502 for more details.

COMING SOON TO DISTRICT 4!
A stationary food pantry will replace the bi-monthly food distribution.
Ring Cameras in District 4

As part of the City of North Miami’s strategic crime prevention strategy, it was my initiative to expand the North Miami Police Department’s Ring Neighborhood Program. This program provides surveillance camera installation free of cost to District 4 residents. Several homes in District 4 are now equipped with brand new Ring Cameras. Ring Cameras are small wireless cameras which can easily be placed by the front door. By placing these surveillance cameras at the front doors of District 4 homes, valuable evidence can be collected and supplied to the North Miami Police Department in the event of a crime. In addition, residents can safely see who is at their door, even when they are not home. For more information, please call Constituent Service Coordinator Rosa Henriquez at 305-895-9815.

Patrolling in D4

The North Miami Police Department (NMPD) is proud to partner with our residents in District 4 to keep our community safe. You’re our eyes and ears in the neighborhood. If you see any suspicious activity or individuals, please contact NMPD at 305-891-8111 or Call 9-1-1.

Here are some helpful crime prevention tips:

- Be aware of your surroundings
- Do not leave valuable items visible in your car.
- Close all windows and lock all doors before leaving your vehicle.
- Make a copy of your registration and insurance, and keep them in your wallet or purse. Then remove all forms of identification from your vehicle.
- Do not leave garage door openers in parked vehicles.
- Install porch, yard and motion-detector lights to supplement street lights.
- Thieves look for homes that appear to be empty, so as a deterrent leave on radios or televisions.
- Trust your instincts. If something doesn’t feel right when you pull into your yard, call the police and drive to a well-lit area.
The City of North Miami Parks and Recreation Department celebrated the renovation and reopening of two North Miami Parks in District 4.

New Playgrounds in D4!

Rotary-Overbrook Shores Tot-Lot, located at 200 NW 123 Street.

Claude Pepper Park Tot-Lot, located at 1255 NW 135 Street.
Streetscape Road Improvements

Continued improvements to our District 4 Roadways and streetscapes are happening as we speak. Road resurfacing has taken place along NW 133 Street from 7-10 Avenues and NW 130 Street from 15-16 Avenues. We also have sidewalk repairs at NW 16 Avenue between 127-131 Streets, NW 8 Avenue between 125-131 Streets and NW 134 Street between 7-12 Avenues.

Road resurfacing between 15-16th Avenues and NW 130th Street

Sidewalk Repair on NW 16th Avenue

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In response to concerns from residents regarding the general cleanliness of the City I advocated for a block-by-block clean team.

On January 31, 2018 the City of North Miami’s Clean City Task Force was organized. In District 4 and citywide, the task force work to address unsafe, abandoned, unkempt, derelict and dilapidated buildings and properties, litter, illegal dumping, graffiti, abandoned vehicles, shopping carts and unkempt alleyways.
Out and About with Councilman Desulme

Left to Right: Councilman Desulme presented a proclamation to Monsignor Chanel of Saint James Catholic Church in District 4 for his birthday. Zoe’s Winter Groove: NMPD Chief Juriga, Councilman Alix Desulme, State Rep. Dottie Joseph, Alonzo Mourning and other members of the NMPD. Councilman Desulme and the NMPD command staff gifting residents in D4 replacement Christmas gifts after a fire took place destroying the original ones.

Left to Right: Councilman Desulme hosted a special book signing and meet-and-greet with Lisa Depriest, author of “Poor Teddy” at the North Miami Public Library. That day, 150 students received a signed copy of the book courtesy of Councilman Desulme. A community walk at Claude Pepper Park, hosted by Councilman Desulme.

NORTH MIAMI FLORIDA
Parks and Recreation
It Starts in Parks

SESSION DATES
Session 1: 6/10 - 6/21
Session 2: 6/24 - 7/5 NO CAMP: 7/4
Session 3: 7/8 - 7/19
Session 4: 7/22 - 8/2
Camp Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Extended Hours Available: Additional $20 per session 1-6, Monday - Friday from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

PERFORMING ARTS CAMP  Ages 6 - 14
12500 NW 13 Avenue
Residents: $160  •  Non-Residents: $200 (per session)

JUDSON DAY CAMP  Ages 6 - 12
12100 NW 16 Avenue
Residents: $30  •  Non-Residents: $50 (per session)

SUMMER CAMP  Ages 6 - 14
Registration Begins: April 1, 2019
Lunch and snack provided daily.

Tennis Clinic and Camp  Ages 6 - 16
Weekly sessions from June 10 - August 2  NO CAMP 7/1 - 7/5
PEPPER PARK TENNIS CAMP 1355 NW 135 Street
Fees: $85 weekly or $25 per day
Camp Hours Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Birth Certificate required for first time registrants. Proof of residency required to receive resident rate.
NO REGISTRATION WILL BE TAKEN ON SITE!
Register at the Parks and Recreation Administrative Offices, 12300 NE 8 Avenue or on-line at NorthMiamiFL.gov/Parks. Payments can be made by cash, money order, cashier’s check or debit/credit card. Online payments must be made with a credit card. SPACE IS LIMITED! For more information, please call 305-895-9840.

Additional summer camp programs available, to learn more visit NorthMiamiFL.gov/Parks

The City of North Miami does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs or activities.

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Recap: NoMi 4th Annual Golden Silvers Senior Program Luncheon

“Live your life and forget your age.” The City of North Miami’s Golden Silver Seniors Program founded by Councilman Desulme strives to provide the best quality recreational, educational and social programs to promote healthy aging while keeping our seniors engaged in the community. The Annual NoMi Golden Silver Senior Luncheon was held on February 27, 2019 at the Joe Celestin Center.
Recap: Celebrating Black History Month In North Miami

NoMi Public Library’s Black History Month Community Celebration

The NoMi Public Library hosted a Black History Month Community Celebration with special guest, American Library Association President, Loida Garcia-Febo. The event included cultural performances, raffles, book giveaways and activities for the whole family to enjoy.

2019 Evening of Honors

The 4th Annual Evening of Honors Dinner featured some of South Florida's brightest and most dedicated community leaders. The 2019 honorees were Elvis Dumervil, former NFL Player; Tracey Wilson Mourning, Founder of Honey Shine, Inc.; Dr. Shirley Gibson, Former Mayor of Miami Gardens; Kenny Stills, NFL Player; and Dr. Solomon C. Stinson, former Miami-Dade County School Board Member.

2019 NoMi Music Fest  www.nomifest.com

4th Annual NoMi Music Fest at Cagni Park

Performer images from left to right: NoMi Music Fest Headliner 112, Crystal Waters, Az Yet, Chanté Moore
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MOCA ..............................................................................305-893-6211
City Manager’s Office .................................305-895-9888
Mayor and Council Office .........................305-895-9815
City Clerk’s Office .............................................305-895-9817
NoMi Express Bus ...........................................305-947-9995
Building Department ......................................305-895-9820
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