



STATEWIDE NEWSLETTER

FALL 2022

WELCOME TO THE SECOND EDITION OF THE **MBK OHIO NEWSLETTER!**

A VOICE FOR CHAPTERS STATEWIDE

The MBK Ohio newsletter is a voice for members and leaders of MBK. The quarterly newsletter is a way to feature your chapter's accomplishments. We want to know what's going on in your region! Share with us your trailblazing new programs, highlights from past events, and exciting upcoming events. We will share historical fun facts, funding opportunities, feature leaders, and highlight accomplishments.

We want to hear from you! If you have any questions, feedback, or information you would like to share, please contact us.

LOOKING FOR FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES?

Visit the national MBK Alliance's curated funding opportunities page for MBK Community leaders seeking funding for their work. The funding opportunities listed here include a wide array of funders from across sectors, as well as tools and resources to help enhance your work. In addition to these opportunities, please feel free to reach out to us if your chapter is interested in having us put together a custom portfolio of funding opportunities for your MBK community.

MBK OHIO: OFFICE HOURS

MBK Ohio will be hosting biweekly office hours. If you are interested in scheduling office hours to meet with the MBK Ohio team, please fill out the office hours form here: <https://forms.gle/oVxig2kzoAHpGDqdA>

OFFICE HOURS CAN COVER...

- FUNDING IDEAS
- AMERICORPS VISTA
- PROGRAM IDEAS
- GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR CHAPTERS

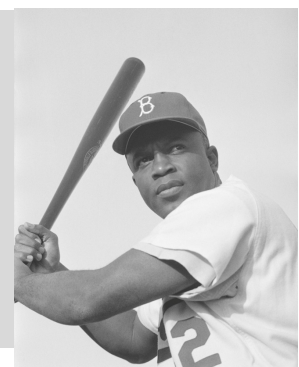
OFFICE HOURS WITH THE OBAMA FOUNDATION

Mr. Spark Bookhart, Systems Change Community Coach, supports MBK Communities in the Midwest region. He can be reached via email or feel free to join the Midwest Office Hours Roundtable on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday 1 pm - 2 pm EST of each month (October 13th & 27th).

Contact Spark anytime for invite details:
spark.bookhart@strategiccommunitypartners.org

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY - SEPTEMBER 12

In 1947, the first Black baseball player in the major leagues, Jackie Robinson, was named National League Rookie of the Year. Robinson broke the baseball color line when he started at first base for the Brooklyn Dodgers. When the Dodgers signed Robinson, it heralded the end of racial segregation in professional baseball



MEET OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM



KYLE STRICKLAND

MBK OHIO DIRECTOR
KIRWAN INSTITUTE



ADRIENNE MOETANALO

MBK OHIO PROGRAM COORDINATOR
KIRWAN INSTITUTE

MAISEE FRIED

MBK OHIO AMERICORPS VISTA

Maisee Fried graduated from The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science in Social Work. Maisee spent time during her senior field placement at the Kirwan Institute of Race and Ethnicity. She began her VISTA assignment with MBK Village Columbus before transferring to MBK Ohio, where she will serve another year. Maisee plans to return to OSU for a dual graduate program in Social Work and Public Administration.



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BRIAN AYERS

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE &
SPECIAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR



MBK OHIO & CINCINNATI REDS: SUMMER LEADERSHIP DAY



MBK OHIO LEADERSHIP DAY

On August 31st, 2022, MBK Ohio partnered with the Cincinnati Reds to host the second annual MBK Ohio Leadership Day. 150 students and 50 chaperones from across the state of Ohio gathered at the Great American Ballpark. Chapters from Mansfield, Columbus, Dayton, Cincinnati, Lincoln Heights, and Springfield gathered to celebrate the great American pastime.

Students met with U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown and Cincinnati Mayor Aftab Pureval, who spent the afternoon talking to students about their schools and futures.



MBK OHIO LEADERSHIP DAY

The day-long MBK Ohio Leadership event included tours of the Great American Ballpark stadium, Reds Hall of Fame Museum, and National Underground Railroad Freedom Center.

Panelists from medicine, sports, business, and entrepreneurship spoke to students about education and their futures in a small-group setting. Panelists included Barry Larkin (Major League Baseball Hall of Famer, World Series Champion and MVP Reds Shortstop), Brian Keys (Cincinnati Reds SVP of Technology), Corey Hawthorne, (Cincinnati Reds Director of Promotional Events and Player Relations), Victor Livisay (VP of People and Culture), Alvin Crawford (MD), Christopher T. Lewis (MD), Alvin Jones, (MD), Rico Grant (Entrepreneur), Ashleigh Dubois, (NKY Chamber of Commerce – Director DE&I), and Lindzie Gunnels (Realtor, Member of the Reds DE&I Advisory Board).



LOCAL

CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS



**CINCINNATI
CLEVELAND
COLUMBUS
DAYTON
LIMA
LINCOLN HEIGHTS**

**MANSFIELD
SPRINGFIELD
SUMMIT COUNTY
TOLEDO
YOUNGSTOWN**



MBK VILLAGE COLUMBUS

CHAPTER LEADS:
JAMAR HARRIS & JULIA CARTER

www.mbkvillage.org



EARN TO LEARN

In alignment with the MBK milestone of ensuring students graduate college and career ready, The City of Columbus - My Brother's Keeper Village program offered 200 students paid internships in the areas of business, entrepreneurship, fashion, film, and content creation.

Programs included OSU's Business Summer Residential Camp, Columbus Urban League's VLOG, and many more.

SAFETY CITY

In a partnership between The City of Columbus Department of Neighborhoods and Nationwide Children's Hospital, the one-week, 4-day session, was filled with active learning and featured a safety village. Upon completion of the program, each child earned a Certificate of Achievement and participated in a graduation ceremony.

Safety City is a safety education program for children ages 5, 6, and 7 living in the City of Columbus. The curriculum includes topics such as fire safety, vehicle and pedestrian safety, bike safety, stranger awareness, and internet safety, and more.



MBK DAYTON

**CHAPTER LEAD:
DR. STACY WORLEY**



DISTINGUISHED MALES AND FEMALES OF COLOR

The Distinguished Males / Females of Color programs was created to affirm, enhance, enlighten and inspire young men and women of color. MBK leader Dr. Stacy Worley is the coordinator for the Dayton Public Schools program. Students in grades 4 through 12 are connected to life coaches and mentors, engaged in activities and workshops, and supported through scholarships.

ANNUAL GOLF CLINIC

Dayton Public Schools in partnership with the Distinguished Males / Females of Color programs and MBK Dayton hosted the Annual DPS Office for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion Coed Golf Clinic on September 18th.

Students learned the basics of this timeless sport, including golf grip, swing, putting, chipping, and driving the ball.

POP-UP KICKBALL

MBK Dayton and Dayton Public Schools Cultural Engagement and Inclusion hosted several pop-up kickball games for students throughout the month of July.



MBK Dayton university send off for the class of 20-21 & 21-22 DPS Males of Color

BARBERSHOP TALKS

MBK Dayton and DPS Males of Color are releasing the second season of Barbershop Talk. The conversations allow youth to open up with trusted adults. This style of community outreach offers youth a safe place to explore feelings, current events, and societal pressures.

MBK LIMA

**CHAPTER LEAD:
EMMANUEL CURTIS**



**UPCOMING EVENT SERIES:
LIMA MBK HEALTH & HEALING WEEKEND
OCTOBER 14-15, 2022**

**AUTHOR REGINALD WILLIAMS:
PRESENTATION & BOOK SIGNING**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

11:30 AM ET - KICKOFF; 6:30 PM RECEPTION
VIBE COFFEEHOUSE & CAFE

MUSIC AS MEDICINE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 7:30 PM - 11 PM ET
LIMA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Join Lima MBK for an evening of good music and good vibes! The event will feature performances from AJ Ghent and His Singing Guitar; Yanna Cello; and ALäZ.

RSVP For Tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/music-as-medicine-tickets-431219066837>

HEALTH & HEALING RESOURCE FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

11AM - 4 PM
LIMA CIVIC CENTER



MBK LINCOLN HEIGHTS

CHAPTER LEADS:
CARLTON COLLINS + DARONCE DANIELS

www.theheightsmovement.org

INNOVATION CENTER

MBK Lincoln Heights celebrated the grand opening ceremony of the Innovation Center on September 12th. The center has connected residents to programs to support professional development, financial wellness, education, and physiological wellness.

The Innovation Center will have movie nights, yoga, financial literacy and Africana courses, art, and more on a weekly basis.



OTHER EVENTS

- **Teen Suicide Prevention Workshop** led by Clinical Psychologist Dr. Kathy Burlew took place on **Saturday, September 24**
- **Community Garden Harvest** every 2nd and 4th Saturday, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

MBK SPRINGFIELD

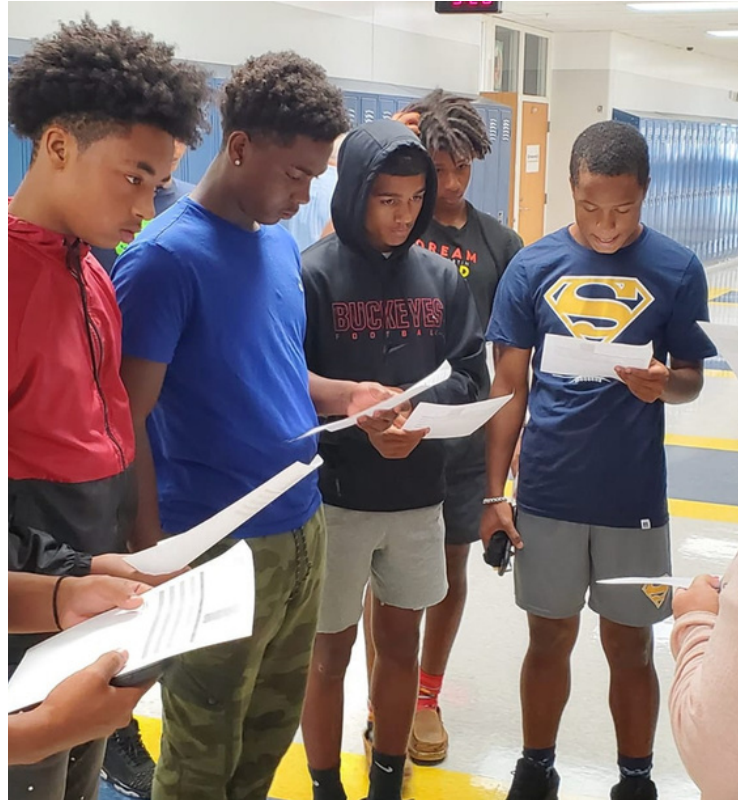
**CHAPTER LEAD:
CHRIS WALLACE**

FRESHMAN AMBASSADORS

12 students have been chosen to be MBK Freshman Ambassadors for Springfield High School.

Students met the new SHS Principal Ms. Cunningham and received a personal tour of the high school.

The Freshmen Ambassadors gave tours during orientation and will meet once a week during the school year with Richard Quisenberry to stay goal-oriented throughout their high school career.



COMMUNITY COOKOUT

On July 16th, MBK Springfield hosted a Community Cookout at Davey Moore Park. The event included food, music, games and local vendors.

MBK YOUNGSTOWN

CHAPTER LEAD: GUY BURNEY

MBK LEADERSHIP: SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

MBK Leadership Academy students participated in a financial literacy session about establishing and maintaining credit. Monica Jones a Realtor, Capital Investor, and Entrepreneur in the Youngstown area spoke to the leadership students about the importance of maintaining your credit and building capital. Students learned about purchasing property and building generation health.



In April, the program hosted a Leadership Camp called 'Quest for the Best.' Students participated in team building, leadership skills, public speaking, and community service projects.

Later that month, the MBK Youth Academy went to Washington DC and toured Maryland University, Morgan State University, and Towson University. Students also explored the African American Museum, Air and Space Museum, the Martin Luther King Memorial, and the Lincoln Memorial.

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YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

The YMCA MBK Youth in Government Program was designed for middle and high school students to develop leadership skills. Students explore the legislative process, receive training on writing skills, researched bills, and learn how to participate in elections. Students also practice public speaking and participate in volunteer community service opportunities.



ADDITIONAL MBK CHAPTER SPOTLIGHTS

MANSFIELD

MARIO DAVISON & DEANNA WEST-TORRENCE

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS WORKSHOP

MBK Mansfield held a two-day emerging workforce workshop series that focused on engaging and educating our youth about college, employment, or enlistment career options. Sessions included topics of professionalism, college and trade readiness, financial aid, substance use prevention, and more.



CINCINNATI

AUSTIN RAILEY & TERRANCE BACCHUS

WEALTH ACHIEVERS

MBK Cincinnati completed its first Wealth Achievers program in Aiken High School where they were able to deliver up to \$1,000 in individual scholarships to 16 young men. This program included partnerships with The Cincinnati Reds, Fifth Third Bank, Xavier University, Miami University's E-Gaming Team, UC Health, and The NURFC. They will continue the programming with the hope of adding additional schools to next years cohort.



AMERICORPS VISTA OVERVIEW

AMERICORPS VISTA PROGRAM

With support from AmeriCorps, the federal agency for volunteering and service, MBK Ohio is working with community partners across the state to improve the effectiveness of statewide programmatic coordination in education and workforce development for low-income youth and their families in the following MBK Ohio chapter communities: Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Lima, Lincoln Heights, Mansfield, Springfield, Stark County, Summit County, Toledo, and Youngstown.



VISTA ANNOUNCEMENTS

- As of August 14, 2022, VISTA member living allowance stipends were raised from \$15,002 to \$17,600.
- Beginning October 1, 2022 the Segal AmeriCorps Education Award will increase to \$6,895 to align with the Pell Grant maximum amount. All VISTA members enrolled on or after 10/01/2022 will earn the increased Segal Education Award amount.
- AmeriCorps funding opportunities can be found on [AmeriCorps.gov](https://www.AmeriCorps.gov)

VISTA LEADER HIGHLIGHT: DR. ANDREA GUICE

Dr. Andrea Guice was one of MBK Ohio's first AmeriCorps VISTA members, serving for the MBK Lima chapter since June 2019. In July 2022, Dr. Guice was selected to serve as our project's first-ever VISTA Leader.



The AmeriCorps VISTA Leaders program is open to members who have completed at least one year of full-time service with AmeriCorps or Peace Corps. Leaders work to expand and build capacity of individual members, guiding at least six members through their year of service.

Dr. Guice is a graduate of Lima Senior High School and received an undergraduate degree in Organizational Management from Bluffton University, an MBA from Tiffin University, and a Doctorate of Education from Bowling Green State University. Dr. Guice is an avid researcher and grant writer, with experience in both quantitative and qualitative research methodologies, national conference presentations, and facilitating leadership, pre-service mentoring, intercultural competency and school improvement professional development workshops.

"I simply enjoy being a part of a meaningful movement and working toward changing outcomes for vulnerable and marginalized groups and communities, especially people of color," Dr. Guice said on her favorite parts of working with MBK Ohio. Please join us in thanking Dr. Guice for her leadership and service!



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STUDY OF RACE AND ETHNICITY