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TRENTON FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

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News and Updates for Friends and friends in our community



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Introduction

Trenton Meeting moves into fall with vigor and enthusiasm. Collaboration is a theme as we acknowledge with gratitude the Black Lives Matter, Imperfect Village, Trenton Meeting and Isles cooperation that created the highly successful Back to School Block Party last month (cover photo – the night before).

This month our dear friends and neighbors, Elijah Dixon and Nicole Brown, are opening the Orchid House Café just down the street. Ambitious and talented, Elijah and Nicole are shining stars in the city and we are proud to have had a small hand in their progress toward success in their vision of community, prosperity and service.

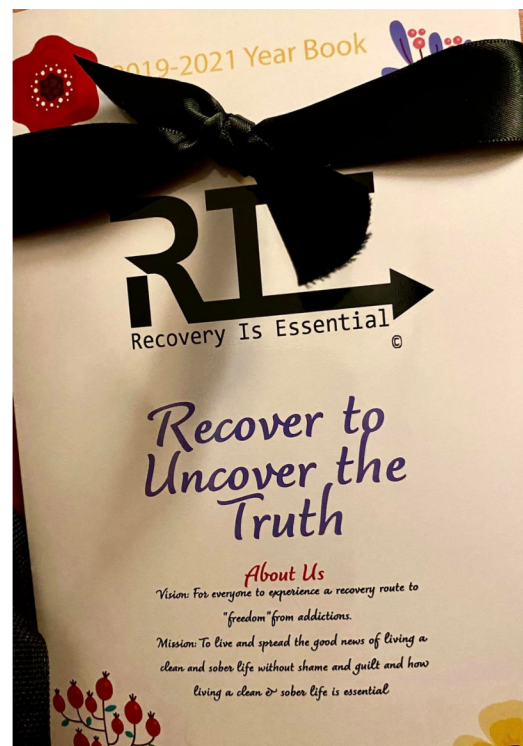
COMMUNITY INVESTMENT COMMITMENT

Last month we reported here on the commitment made to invest in our community which led to extracting \$100,000 from our endowment to establish the fund and creating the Community Investment Committee (CIC) to find and vet businesses and organizations for whom our financial assistance would make a difference in the community and in some cases all of Trenton. This month we will mention two more of the organizations we invested in with a little bit about each case.

- - A support organization for people recovering from addiction, Recovery Is Essential (RIE) received a grant for computer resources to handle administrative and outreach tasks.

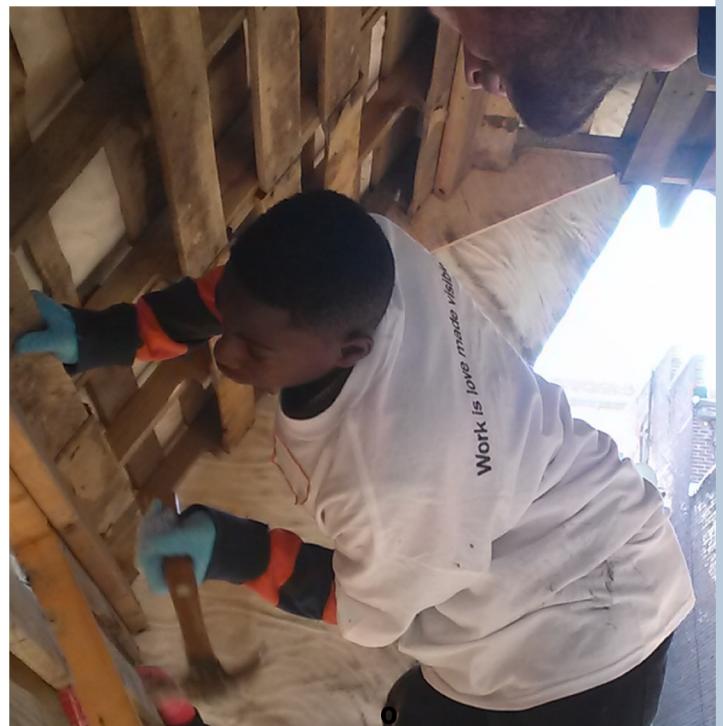
Just recently the founder, Stephani Register, approached a couple of members of the committee at a local event and excitedly expressed how transformative the support had been for her organization.

- - Following the completion of renovation of the Teen Room at the Trenton Free Public Library, a block away from our Meetinghouse, we were asked if we could support the acquisition and installation of computers for the young people in that room, which we did.



ORCHID HOUSE CAFE

Two doors down the street from the Meetinghouse is the newly opened Orchid House Café. Some years in coming to fruition, the Orchid House has been a community center and gathering place for conversation and advocacy and now has reached a goal of housing an operating Café with healthy food and drink. Over the years, the Meeting has supported Elijah and Nicole, the owners of this and other neighborhood properties, with loans and workcamps (bottom right picture).



SUPPORTING

Check or Money Order can be sent to
Trenton Meeting of Friends
PO Box 8
Trenton, NJ 08601

Scanning the QR Code will link you to PayPal for the Meeting to make an on online donation, or from paypal.com "send" your donation to trentonquakers@gmail.com



Trenton Quakers

Sat Sep 2, 2023

12:30pm - 2pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 3, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

Tue Sep 5, 2023

4:30pm - 5:30pm CMW Committee

Where: 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

Sat Sep 9, 2023

10:30am - 11:30am Wedding

Sun Sep 10, 2023

9am - 10am Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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Sat Sep 16, 2023

9am - 12pm Trenton Meeting mini-retreat

Where: Trenton Meeting of Friends, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

12:30pm - 2pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 17, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

1pm - 4pm March to End Fossil Fuels

Sat Sep 23, 2023

9am - 4pm BLM Spaghetti prep and distro

Where: Trenton Meeting of Friends, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

12:30pm - 2pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 24, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

11:30am - 12:30pm Peace and Social Concerns Committee

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

Fri Sep 29, 2023

All day Tri-Quarter

Fri Sep 29, 2023 - Sun Oct 1, 2023

Sat Sep 30, 2023

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