

Directory of Non-Profit Organizations in Montclair, NJ

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Bnai Keshet

A vibrant Reconstructionist congregation that values both the unique individual backgrounds and beliefs of its diverse members and our shared historical traditions. We celebrate our role as participants in the evolution of Judaism by engaging our tradition thoughtfully, so it remains meaningful and relevant to each of us. In this spirit, we are committed to lifelong education, to hesed (caring), to tik-kun olam (repairing the world), and to sharing important life events. We are an informal and respectful community moved by prayer, fired by lively discussion, enlivened by laughter and song. <https://www.bnaikeshet.org>; email at bnaikeshet@bnaikeshet.org.

Christ Church Montclair, 68 Church St. / 973-783-1010

Founded in 1986 when Pastors David and Marlinda joined hearts with six other adults, Christ Church has grown exponentially year after year. Today Christ Church is home to 9,000 members, representing approximately 70 different nationalities! We offer several weekend worship experiences in two physical locations. Our east campus is located in Montclair at Church Street & Trinity Place and our West Campus is located in the Township of Rockaway at 140 Green Pond Road. Our online campus can be found at ChristChurchUSA.org/online. Our mission is to unite people to God and people to people. www.ChristChurchUSA.org

Congregation Shomrei Emunah

The spiritual home of a warm and inviting community of Jews in and around Montclair.

With pride in our congregation's long and proud history, we strive to build a contemporary community that welcomes individuals, couples and families of diverse backgrounds and orientations to join, thrive with us.

Shomrei weaves us all together in an intimate environment as we observe an egalitarian, vibrant Judaism, balancing openness and traditional practice in a variety of ways; renew and sustain our heritage through learning and ritual; share the cycles of life, and seek to nurture one another, our neighbors, Israel, and the world at large with our energy, time, and acts of loving kindness. We aspire to be a beacon of social consciousness and action.

First Church Christ, Scientist and Reading Rooms

Bookstores and reading centers for the exploration of spirituality, prayer and healing. We are a resource for anyone open to his or her quest for spiritual understanding and are open to people of all faiths, backgrounds and ways of life.

We are locally maintained by individuals who actively study and practice Christian Science and are members of the Christian Science Church at 8 Hillside Ave. in Montclair. Both the Reading Rooms and Churches are dedicated to helping visitors discover the peace, comfort and spiritual solutions available to all from God.

Today, there are more than 1500 Reading Rooms worldwide, and they continue to serve local communities. Many Reading Rooms also provide online access to Christian Science web resources.

First Congregational Church of Montclair is a progressive, multi-racial, open and affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ. We welcome people of all ages and identities to grow spiritually

in a safe and engaging community. Inspired by God's love, we bring peace, healing and justice to the world by serving our neighbors and each other. We partner with many area social service organizations including Garden State Equality, MESH, Montclair Sanctuary Alliance and Family Promise of Essex County. We are also the home of MMO Programs Daycare and Pre-school. (mmoprograms.org). Our Pastoral Staff is led by Rev. Ann Ralosky (revann@fccmtc.org) and Rev. John Rogers (John.Rogers28@gmail.com) who can be reached at 973-744-4856, or through our website www.fccmontclair.org.

Grace Presbyterian Church

A congregation of over three hundred individuals from Montclair and the surrounding communities, affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA). Since 1892 we have sought to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our local community, while reaching around the world to spread His Gospel of mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and justice. Our worship, discipleship, fellowship, and outreach ministries serve all ages in a welcoming, affirming environment. Our building is located at 153 Grove Street, on the corner of Tuxedo Road. Visit our website at www.gracemontclair.org, email us at office@grace-montclair.org, or call our church office at (973) 744-2565.

Masjidul Wadud

A religious not-for-profit entity that operates under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Its purpose is to offer services to adherents of the Islamic faith in Montclair and its surrounding towns. Our membership consists of approximately 25 families numbering around 200 individuals. Our services include the five daily prayers as well as the Friday congregational prayer called jumah. Wedding, Aqiqah (child naming ceremony) and lectures are also offered. Additionally, we offer a young muslim quranic class. Follow us on Facebook at Masjidul Wadud. Imam Kevin Dawud Amin 973-493-4982.

Montclair Church of Christ

A Pre-denominational Christianity whose mission is to preach the Gospel of Christ so that others might be saved, and to enhance in believers their love of God in order that their lives may be continuously transformed by and toward Christ Jesus. Every third Saturday we provide non-perishable food items to those in need. We offer professional and Christian counseling services for our members, and, every other Saturday, we have a lively small-group discussion titled Discussions About Anything & Everything (DAA&E).

Our Services are: Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Come join us at: 175 Glenridge Avenue or call our Minister, Willie L. Parker, Esq., LL.M at (973) 937-8424.

Montclair Community Church

A place of healing, hope, and restoration. We are a Gospel centered church where you are welcome. Come encounter God's grace, experience community, and engage the world with us. Our middle name is Community; It is our passion to connect people to Jesus, and to each other through the Word of God, weekly worship service, fellowship, community groups, prayer, and opportunities to serve. We are a multicultural church with worship and activities for individuals, families, kids, teens, young adults, couples, seniors... Come as you are, have an open heart and expect great things!

• Online: www.montclairchurch.net

- In-person: 143 Watchung Ave, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043
- Call Us: 973 746-0042
- Email Pastor Lee: Lee@montclair.church

The Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair (PCUM)

Located in beautiful and diverse Montclair, New Jersey, PCUM is a Christ-centered, and theologically diverse congregation of 550 adults and 200 children just 3 miles west of Newark, New Jersey and 15 miles from New York City. This growing community of young families and middle-aged adults believes deeply that "You are welcome here!" and is committed to the values of hospitality, participation, relationship-building, vibrant worship and outstanding music, independent thought, valuing children and teens as integral to our identity, and consistent service to our neighbors in need. PCUM worships every Sunday morning at 10:00 am in its spectacular sanctuary, which features inspiring architecture and breathtaking stained-glass windows. 53 Norwood Avenue / website: www.pcum.org; email: pcum@pcum.org. Telephone: 973-746-3854

Redeemer Montclair Church

A faith-based community seeking to live as followers of Jesus Christ in Montclair and surrounding neighborhoods. The church gathers on Sundays for worship and throughout the week in small groups for encouragement and spiritual growth. Redeemer Montclair seeks to demonstrate the love of God by supporting and partnering with organizations whose mission is to help Montclair to flourish socially, economically and culturally. To speak with us about helping in the Montclair community, please contact our staff at (973) 233-0388. For more information about the church, visit our website: www.redeemermontclair.com

Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church

A community-focused church located at 27 Monroe Place in Montclair. Food and clothing giveaways, educational programs, community outreach events, and other initiatives aim to demonstrate Christian love through service to others. Collaborations include its partnership with Montclair Emergency Services for Hope to provide prepared meals and provisions to those in need. The church's mission is "to build up believers of Christ in the most holy faith and to equip them for the work of the ministry of teaching, preaching, and practicing the word of God." The church has been an integral part of the local community since it was established in 1938. Rev. Elizabeth Campbell is pastor. Visit [@RMZB-Church](https://www.facebook.com/RMZBChurch) on Facebook, or the church's website: rmzchurch.org; or call 973-744-3012

The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army, located at 13 Trinity Place, provides services to the homeless and homeless prevention services to individuals and families. We operate Cornerstone Emergency Shelter, a 23-bed shelter in Montclair serving individuals and families not eligible for services through the Division of Family and Benefits. Monday through Friday we are open from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm providing case management, drop-in services and financial assistance for rent and utilities. For an appointment call 973-744-3312 and leave a message, your call will be returned. Monday – Wednesday at 11:30 am, we serve a hot meal, and provide those guests without addresses a place to eat inside at our drop-in center. Take away meals are available for members of the community who need a meal.

St. James Church

At the heart of Upper Montclair, worshipping in the Episcopal tradition St. James Church is an inclusive community focused on faith, family and fellowship, which seeks to

- Nurture spirituality through community and Christian education
- Grow and support our diverse membership through fellowship and outreach
- Serve the needs of Montclair and beyond through God's love.

Gracious God, strengthen in us two values that we hold central as a Christian Community. These values are inspired by Jesus' two great commandments. First, we love God or something greater than ourselves with all our hearts and mind, and second we commit to loving our neighbor as we love ourselves. There is no boundary or condition to our love and commitment to God or to our neighbor, no matter who they may be. All are welcome in this place. 581 Valley Road / 973-744-0270
www.stjamesepiscopal.org

St. John's Church

St. John's is an Episcopal church, neither Protestant nor Catholic, but something in-between. In the Episcopal church we call this the "via media," the middle way. Our small but diverse faith community, established in 1902, is strong and supportive — we value the gifts and friendship of long-time parishioners and newcomers alike. St. John's offers numerous opportunities to be active in social outreach within the many community groups we support. An idyllic, charming stone church and lush garden provide a welcoming setting for everyone. As expressed in our vision statement, "Many Paths, One Journey," we support any and all paths to God. And as we say in our baptismal vows we, "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." Come visit our parish for a truly authentic and peaceful experience. To know more about St. John's:
www.stjmontclair.org.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

"The Mark" (as we affectionately call ourselves) was called into existence, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in 1880. Our congregation was born out of a spirit of innovation and a risk-taking mindset. With a legacy as trailblazers within our community, we embrace those same sentiments and characteristics as we discern God's call to be active and relevant in an ever-changing world. Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. The Reverend Leslie Houseworth Fields is our senior pastor. Invite your family and friends to worship with us on Sunday premiering at 10 a.m. on Facebook, YouTube, IGTV [themarkmtc.freeonlinechurch.com/live](https://www.facebook.com/themarkmtc).

Telephone Number: 973-744-2345 / Email: info@themarkmtc.org

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Located at 5 High Street, Trinity Presbyterian Church is a warm, family-sized community church that is located in the South end of Montclair, NJ. We serve the community as a polling site and provide various community outreach efforts. We host services Sunday mornings at 10:00am (currently via FB Live-Trinity Presbyterian Church, Montclair), Bible Study Wednesdays at 12:30 and 7:00pm via conference call line (515-606-5385, passcode: 963308#)

Anita R. Wright, Pastor (973) 744-3396 Pastor's email: pastor-trinitymtc@comcast.net

The Union Baptist Church of Montclair

Located at 12-14 Midland Ave., The Union Baptist Church of Montclair began in February 1887, when thirty local residents, all members of the Baptist faith, formed their own religious organization and at that time named themselves the "Baptist Mission." Union Baptist Church was the first Black Baptist

church in Montclair. UBC strives to be a place where all are welcome in the sharing of Jesus Christ as Lord; where the power of God is demonstrated in worship and discipleship, where fellowship, health, healing and empowerment are brought about through prayer and service as led by the Holy Spirit. We seek transformation as we lift up Jesus Christ who empowers all to live transformed lives. Reverend Dr. Campbell B. Singleton, III is the ninth senior pastor.

Tel. # 973-746-3270

Email: church.office@unionbaptistmontclair.org

Website: www.ubcmontclair.org.

Unity of Montclair

Unity of Montclair is a church and spiritual community that offers a Positive Path for Spiritual Living. We are an open-minded, accepting spiritual community that honors all paths to God, and we welcome everyone, without judgment or guilt. Unity emphasizes the practical, everyday application of spiritual principles to life. We offer inspiring Sunday Services, social activities, youth groups, workshops and classes, and fellowship. We are a comfortably multicultural and multifaceted spiritual community in action. Come join us and watch your life change! Visit our website: www.UnityofMontclair.org, or call our office at 973-746-8417.

Arts and Culture

4th Wall Theatre

4th Wall Theatre sets the highest standards of excellence in producing diverse, seldom performed and original productions, celebrating a wide spectrum of visions and voices in theatre. 4th Wall is committed to breaking through the wall of imagination, to make cutting edge works accessible and to foster a positive theatre experience for our artists and audience. 4th Wall is the resident theatre company at the Westminster Arts Center on the campus of Bloomfield College in Bloomfield, NJ. The company may be reached at info@4thwalltheatre.org. Our website is www.4thwalltheatre.org

Dance on the Lawn (DOTL)

Dance on the Lawn (DOTL) is a nonprofit celebrating dance in New Jersey. DOTL aims to increase exposure to dance by bringing a diverse program of professional and emerging companies plus students of dance from around New Jersey together in a community setting that is free and open to the public. The DOTL free outdoor dance festival takes place every September on the front lawn of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Montclair. DOTL will celebrate its eighth year in September 2021. Website: To help support Dance on the Lawn, please consider a donation to Dance New Jersey earmarked for "Dance on the Lawn" in the "Special Instructions for Donation" field. Website: www.dancenj.org/fiscal-sponsorship-mentorship Contact Adria Rolnik at adria.rolnik@gmail.com or 973-568-0060

Essex Youth Theater

Montclair's premiere theater program for kids. Our unique acting program lets every child shine. Custom-written scripts give every child with an equal role and a solo song! Class size is small, with each child receiving lots of individual attention, and every class culminates in its own production.

We foster a fun learning atmosphere, where self-esteem and confidence-building are our primary emphasis. We provide a nurturing, caring environment where every child blossoms. Kids are gently encouraged to explore their natural creativity, build theatrical skills, grow friendships, and experience that indescribable feeling of accomplishment through the joy of performing. Summer Theater Day Camp, and after-school classes throughout the year for ages 6-13. Director Janet Sales: 973-746-3303. Email: EssexYouthTheater@comcast.net. Website: www.EssexYouthTheater.com.

Freespace Dance

The artistic voice of Freespace Dance is one of collaboration, believing in combining different art forms to create something unique and varied. Donna Scro collaborates with composers, dancers, musicians, visual artists, and designers. The vision is to open the doors to all artists to come, create and rediscover dance with each collaboration.

Donna Scro's work is athletic, bold, fearless, and connects to the human experience. Combining her athletic nature and her humanistic connection, Donna's work is accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds. Freespace Dance is a company that makes a strong connection both physically and emotionally with the audience, believes in the spirit of inclusion, and leaves all with a positive dance experience. The company strives to teach the love of dance to children and adults with the philosophy that if one can move, think, and feel, one can dance. Lisa Grimes lisa@freespacedance.com
Artistic Director Donna Scro / Donnascro@gmail.com.

Indie Arts Montclair (IAM)

Indie Arts Montclair (IAM) acts as a collective that aims to lift up and support like-minded creatives – DIY, local, new, and emerging artists in all disciplines – and put a face on alternative and outsider arts in Montclair. IAM provides support by identifying underutilized opportunities, collaborating with existing groups, and drawing from other community-focused projects. It offers networking and collaboration opportunities through music and theater performances, art installations, skill shares, podcasts, and interactive calendar of events, and a directory of DIY arts spaces. 126 Chestnut Street, 973-337-6547, indieartsmtc@gmail.com

Jazz House Kids

Jazz House Kids has been swinging doors open for 19 years, and its emerging musicians are soloing and singing their way to greatness. The award-winning organization uses America’s original musical art form – jazz – to transform lives by helping young people gain an artistic edge through music, mentoring, education and leadership. Through pre-professional musical training along with community engagement and education programs, Jazz House builds tomorrow’s community leaders and global citizens, and serves all students regardless of their financial circumstances. The Jazz House produces the acclaimed “No Tickets Required” Montclair Jazz Festival, which attracts over 20,000 people each summer and is led by seven-time Grammy Award winner and Artistic Director Christian McBride. For more information, visit www.jazzhousekids.org.

Little Kids Rock

Little Kids Rock transforms lives by restoring, expanding, and innovating music education in our schools. Thousands of Little Kids Rock teachers across 48 states lead a national movement to bring innovative and inclusive music education to students. Using popular music styles like rock, pop, Latin, and rap, our teachers build music programs that are as diverse as the kids they serve. Little Kids Rock provides musical instruments, teacher training, curriculum, and other resources that are key to successful school music programs. More than 550,000 kids currently participate in Little Kids Rock programs nationwide. Since 2002, the organization has reached more than 1,000,000 students. Contact Dave Wish at dave@littlekidsrock.org.

Make Music Montclair

A free celebration of music around the world open to anyone who wants to take part. Every kind of musician — young and old, amateur and professional, of every musical persuasion — pours onto streets, parks, plazas, and porches to share their music with friends, neighbors and strangers. The Montclair Make Music Day Committee is a committee of Indie Arts Montclair and is made up of volunteers, musicians, nonprofits, small business owners, and students. We are a member of the Make Music Alliance. info@makemusicmontclair.org

Montclair Academy of Dance

Founded by Maya Milenovic and Reggie Workman, the Montclair Academy of Dance & Laboratory of Music & Drama, Inc. is an arts platform that supports the development of students ages 3-18 through the interdisciplinary arts: music, dance, theatre and video. Its classes are at St. John's Episcopal Church at 55 Montclair Avenue; contact info is MADLOMD is P.O. Box 324, Watchung Station, 07032 madlomma@gmail.com

Montclair Art Museum

The Montclair Art Museum, together with its Vance Wall Art Education Center, engages our diverse community through distinctive exhibitions, educational programs, and collections of American and

Native American art. Our mission is to inspire and engage people of all ages in their experience with art, including the rich inter-cultural and global connections throughout American history, and the continuing relevance of art to contemporary life. After 100 years of service, MAM is recognized as the leading American art museum and community art school in Northern New Jersey. As an organization, we value: artistic inspiration, diversity of voices, individual and group creativity, and the importance of all arts to a civil, inclusive, and forward-thinking society. montclairartmuseum.org/contact-mam 973-746-5555

Montclair Community Band

Founded in 1983, the Montclair Community Band provides local band musicians an opportunity to rehearse and perform challenging band music. The Band performs 6 free concerts a year (3 indoor and 3 outdoor), and performs at Township events. There is no cost to participate. For more information contact Barbara Rudy, Band Manager at 973-202-3233.

Montclair Early Music

The mission of Montclair Early Music is to build community and foster participatory music making by providing opportunities for adults and children of all ages, races, and abilities to develop their musical, ensemble, and performance skills.

Drawing on the rich traditions of Early Music, MEM brings history to life through high quality accessible performances showing the powerful connections between early music, history, the visual arts, dance, and song. Concerts have historic themes or connect to holidays and seasonal celebrations and include singing, dance and thematic activities that complement the music. In 2022, MEM broadened the musical repertoire to include African American traditions, and in 2023 will further explore the varied contributions to Early Music in the United States. Contact Julienne Pape, Executive director, Cell: 973-932-0424, email: juliennepape@gmail.com

Montclair Film

A non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization that connects filmmakers from around the region and world with audiences by presenting films and year-round programs that engage, educate, and entertain through the power of visual storytelling. Montclair Film provides unique and meaningful ways to engage with diverse, creative, and sophisticated audiences and seeks sponsors for its signature film festival and other year-round programs that attract more than 46,000 annual attendees and generate more than 800 million media impressions yearly. For information about Montclair Film, visit montclair-film.org.

Montclair Operetta Club

The Montclair Operetta Club produces and presents two large scale "production" musical dramatic productions annually to further the education of our members and the people of the community in the musical and dramatic arts. In order that we further the education of our members and audiences, we award an annual scholarship to a deserving student who is pursuing his or her education in any of the fine or performing arts. Email: treasurer@mocmusicals.org, 494 Valley Road, 973-744-3133

Montclair Orchestra (now APEX Ensemble)

The Montclair Orchestra, founded in 2016, is now called the APEX Ensemble and has expanded its opportunities for students and audiences. APEX is a development orchestra and provides a learning environment for top musical conservancy students through fellowships, training and professional development mentors for the students. The mentors themselves come from a variety leading orchestral groups in the metropolitan area. Concerts are provided in Montclair and at venues other communities. www.apexensemble.org

Montclair Theatre Project

A new nonprofit theatre organization dedicated to the production and presentation of classic and contemporary dramas, musicals and other performing arts for the Montclair community, including exciting new works in development, featuring local writers and artists. During the summer, student actors, musicians, writers, composers and techies who've gone off to college come home to Montclair. Let's put them to work! Summer stock will allow our young, homegrown talent to work together with the many experienced theatre professionals and Broadway veterans who also live here. Montclairtheatre-project@gmail.com

Music Beyond Measure (MBM)

A 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization that engages trauma survivors in arts-based, healing-centered programs that teach coping skills through music education, collaboration in songwriting, and empowerment through performance. Based in New Jersey and serving the tri-state area, MBM is committed to individual and community healing through the arts. MBM hopes to promote a dramatic shift in the way that survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault experience the recovery process while bringing public awareness to how gender-based violence affects our families and communities. Learn more about our programs, such as the Montclair Community Chorus or the Mindful Music Program, or volunteer with MBM by visiting our website at www.musicbeyondmeasure.org

Oratorio Society of New Jersey (OSNJ)

The Oratorio Society of New Jersey (OSNJ) is a community choral group that has contributed to the vitality of culture in northern New Jersey for over 60 years. We perform the magnificent music of oratorios, cantatas, and related genres composed from the Baroque era to the present. Our members have joined OSNJ because they love choral singing, especially under the guidance of our gifted music director, Dr. Sándor Szabó. Contact: Cia Siebert, Treasurer, 113 Yantacaw Brook Road, Montclair 07043 oratoriosocietynj.org

Outpost in the Burbs

An all-volunteer not-for-profit outreach organization in Montclair, New Jersey dedicated to building community through music, service, and cultural events. For over 30 years, the Outpost has produced concerts by internationally known and emerging artists and has participated in community service in partnership with Human Needs Food Pantry of Montclair, Montclair Emergency Services for the Homeless, Community Food Bank of N.J., and the soup kitchen staffed by Outpost volunteers at Christ Episcopal Church in East Orange. Please visit www.outpostintheburbs.org or email info@outpostintheburbs.org for more information.

Parents Who Rock

A non-profit association of musicians and others based in Montclair, NJ, who volunteer their time and talents onstage and behind the scenes to raise money for non-for-profit organizations throughout the community. Over the past four years, fundraising events featuring PWR artists and other volunteers in conjunction with the Montclair Fund for Educational Excellence (MFEE) have netted more than \$200,000 for such organizations and causes as the All-Children's Playground, Mountainside Hospital Breast Cancer Education Center, the Montclair Rape Crisis Center, the Montclair Public Schools Developmental Learning Center, Volunteer Lawyers for Justice, Family Service League and many more. alma@parentswhorock.com

Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA)

Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt arts education organization whose mission is to provide comprehensive, inclusive developmental training in dance and related theater arts to students at every stage of life. Our outreach programs bring performing arts education to underserved communities in northern New Jersey, and our general scholarship fund provides tuition assistance based on financial need for all students through age 18. We are celebrating our 25th year as a Black-owned, woman-led business in Montclair, NJ. Find out more at www.smapa.org and contact us at info@smapa.org.

SEED Artists

SEED Artists presents adventurous jazz, creative music and arts programming that serves five primary goals: enrich and broaden the cultural fabric; inspire the next generation to be curious, creative and self-confident; encourage the arts; build community through collaboration; and foster inter-generational and cross-cultural exchanges. P.O. Box 1534, Montclair, 07042 19 Elmwood Avenue, Montclair 07042 info@seedartists.org

Studio Montclair Inc. (SMI)

Studio Montclair Inc. (SMI) is an inclusive, nationwide non-profit organization of exhibiting, professional and emerging artists and others interested in the visual arts. The mission of the organization is to promote culture, education, equality, and tolerance through art. Visit Studio Montclair's downtown gallery or virtual exhibit website (studiomontclair.online) to view and purchase contemporary art. Find out more about classes at SMI's Art Academy at www.studiomontclair.org/education. For more information, go to our website: www.studiomontclair.org, call 862-500-1447, or email us at smi@studiomontclair.org.

Studio Players

Montclair's Studio Players is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit mounting quality community theatre for audiences, performers and creative artists in North Jersey and the greater metro area. Alongside cabarets and guest performances, our 2021-2022 season includes Greater Tuna in December; Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All in January; and Mr. Burns, a post-electric play in May. Studio has redoubled its commitment to diversity & inclusion. We welcome people of all races, ethnicities, faiths, genders, sexual orientation and abilities to participate in any performing, creative or administrative role. Want information about tickets, upcoming performances, auditions or other ways to get involved? Website: studioplayhouse.org; box office: 973-744-9752; email studiopl@studioplayhouse.org; Facebook: www.facebook.com/StudioPlayhouse or Instagram [@studioplayhouse](https://www.instagram.com/studioplayhouse).

Vanguard Theater Company

Vanguard Theater Company is committed to changing the narrative through theater dedicated to DREAM: Diversity, Reciprocity, Education, Activism & Mentorship. Founded in 2015 to create true diversity and equity in theater training and mentorship, Vanguard offers year-round pre-professional training and performing opportunities, summer day and summer-stock sleep away programs, as well as main stage community theater with local and Equity guest artists. Vanguard is in residence at 180 Bloomfield Avenue, after renovating what was formerly known as the Old Mogul Theatre, the oldest proscenium stage in Montclair. For more information, visit www.VanguardTheaterCompany.org or find Vanguard across social media @VTCNJ and #dreamVTC

Advocacy Organizations

AAngelsNJ

AAngelsNJ is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit community organization that provides breast health education, cancer awareness and direct support services to underserved, uninsured and underinsured individuals and their families. AAngelsNJ awards annual book scholarships to Essex County high school seniors with plans to attend a 2 or 4 year college/university or trade school, in which one awardee each year, must be a Montclair High School student. Qualifying students must be volunteers of breast cancer awareness activities and/or whose life has been affected by breast cancer.

Want to find out how you can help or donate? Need more information? Logon to our website: www.aangelsnj.org or email Angelina Killane-Sims at: info@aangelsnj.org; angelina@aangelsnj.org

AAPI Montclair (Asian American and Pacific Islander)

A grassroots nonprofit whose mission is to create a more inclusive Montclair by uplifting the varied experiences of its Asian American and Pacific Islander communities and promoting awareness and education around AAPI culture and history. We are a brave space for AAPI to share experiences and unify our voices to create action and representation for our communities. Through our work, we hope to encourage structural change, build solidarity among communities, and fight for equity for all oppressed groups, while celebrating AAPI cultures. We invite co-conspirators to engage with and support our community-wide efforts towards a more inclusive Montclair.

Find out more at www.aapimontclair.org, facebook.com/aapi.montclair/, or instagram.com/aapi.montclair. To join, look for our private Facebook group or contact us at aapimontclair@gmail.com.

Bike&Walk Montclair

Founded in 2002, Bike&Walk Montclair advocates for policies, programs and street designs that support safe, biking and walking streets are for everyone and represents the people who walk and ride bicycles every day in Montclair and surrounding communities. More people will walk and bike when there are systems that support them, and when more people walk and bike, safety increases. Bike&Walk Montclair is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization whose work is wholly supported by our donors and members. Bike&Walk Montclair offers bicycle education classes designed for novice to intermediate cyclists ranging from Learn to Ride (all ages), Skill Building Rodeos, Street Savvy Classes, Bicycle Commuter Classes and School Assemblies. All classes follow the League of American Bicyclists Smart Cycling guidelines. Info@bikewalkmontclair.org

BlueWaveNJ

BlueWaveNJ, founded in 2005, is one of New Jersey's leading progressive grassroots organizations. Our mission is to protect and improve the rights, opportunities, and quality of life of all people through direct advocacy, public education on critical issues, and mobilization. Whether in our highly regarded election work or specific legislative issues, we pride ourselves on achieving real results. Our legislative priorities include protecting our democracy and voting rights, expanding social and economic justice, and ensuring environmental sustainability. www.bluewavenj.org

Brookdale Park Conservancy

This is an all-volunteer organization whose mission is to work on projects that preserve, promote, and enhance Brookdale Park. We work in close partnership with Essex County, but we are an independent organization supported by donations (and the occasional grant). From planting projects to clean-up

days, from light tree pruning to helping to care for the Rose Garden and pollinator gardens, and many other tasks, our volunteers are active in the park through much of the year.

To learn more or to get involved, visit our website www.brookdalepark.org or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/brookdaleparkconservancy, or send an email to info@brookdalepark.org or regular mail to PO Box 1148, Montclair, NJ 07042.

Clean Water Action

A national 501(c) (4) nonprofit organization with two offices in New Jersey, one in Montclair. With over 80,000 members in the state, our grassroots organization strives to pass public policy protecting our waterways and drinking water, as well as air quality, and works to elect environmental champions to office. You can find us at www.cleanwateraction.org/states/new-jersey and contact us at njcwa@cleanwater.org or reach our Montclair office by phone at (973)744-3005 or in person at 559 Bloomfield Ave., Suite 2, Montclair NJ 07042.

Consumers League of New Jersey

Consumers League of New Jersey fights for the right of consumers to safe products, fair contracts and legislation. CLNJ opposes legislation which legalizes unfair practices such as unlimited interest in payday loans and rent to own deals.

CLNJ was founded in 1900, influenced by the ideas of the Progressive Era. The archives of CLNJ's early history are preserved at Rutgers University Library, New Brunswick.

The modern Consumers League has been involved in struggles for fair credit and mortgage laws, and car safety. CLNJ has opposed industry lobbying to weaken strong consumer protection laws, such as the N.J. Consumer Fraud Act.

The CLNJ is nonprofit, nonpartisan civic organization and does not endorse political candidates. CLNJ works with all government officials who support consumer protection. Website: consumer-sleaguenj.org

Crawford Crews American Legion Post #251

Crawford Crews American Legion Post #251 was founded in 1934 and is located at its current location since 1934. The Crawford Crews American Legion Post is the oldest African-American Legion post in the country. Its members, most of whom served in World War II, fought in the 369th Infantry Regiment, known as the "Hellfighters." Over the years, the Post has been involved in many projects and programs including speaking in local schools, supporting Million Man Montclair's mischief night/halloween patrols, scholarship programs, and participation in Montclair's civic observances and parades. 210 Bloomfield Avenue, 973-746-6055

Friends of Anderson Park

The mission of this all-volunteer conservancy is to carry out the thoughtful stewardship of Anderson Park and to foster its historic, natural, cultural, environmental and educational qualities. Our primary mission is to protect the spirit and integrity of the park's nationally significant Olmsted-designed landscape and to rehabilitate and maintain its pastoral ambiance. We are an Essex County park, but financially independent of the county, reliant on donations and small grants to do our work. Volunteers are welcome to participate in a range of tasks, including planting, weeding, mulching, cleanups, commu-

nity service, and special projects. Learn more about us [atwww.FriendsOfAndersonPark.com](http://www.FriendsOfAndersonPark.com); connect with us through <https://www.facebook.com/friendsofandersonpark/> and <https://www.instagram.com/friendsofandersonpark/>; and reach out to us at info@friendsofandersonpark.com; (973) 495-9056; or P.O. Box 43712, Montclair, NJ 07043.

Garden State Equality

Garden State Equality, 40 S. Fullerton, lifts up the diverse voices of LGBTQ+ communities through education and advocacy to advance the movement for equality in New Jersey and nationally. We work tirelessly to ensure the communities we serve experience lived equality.

Investor Advocates for Social Justice (IASJ)

Investor Advocates for Social Justice (IASJ), was founded in 1975 and works with investors with faith-based values who seek to leverage their investments to advance human rights, climate justice, racial equity, and the common good.

We engage companies to address strategic environmental, social and governmental issues and advocate for change. We use a variety of shareholder advocacy strategies to encourage corporations to adopt more ethical and sustainable business practices and seek out collaborative partners who share similar goals to increase our effectiveness and impact. Institutions or individuals can become an “IASJ Affiliate” to help meet their commitment to being responsible stewards of their assets. “IASJ Affiliates” participate directly in or support collaborative shareholder advocacy campaigns with their portfolio companies. 40 South Fullerton Avenue, 973-509-8800 investoradvocatesforsocialjustice@IASJ.org

League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political membership organization which builds citizen participation in the democratic process, engages communities in promoting positive solutions to public policy issues through education and advocacy, acts after study and member agreement to achieve solutions in the public interest on key community issues at all government levels. We believe in respect for individuals, the value of diversity and the empowerment of the grassroots, both within the League and in communities. We act with trust, integrity and professionalism, operate in an open and effective manner to meet the needs of those we serve, both members and the public, take the initiative in seeking diversity in membership and acknowledge our heritage as we seek our path to the future.

website: www.lwvmontclairarea.org • address: P. O. Box 3141, Upper Montclair NJ, 07043
email: president@lwvmontclairarea.org

Million Man: Montclair

A nonprofit community service organization that was founded after the Million Man March on Washington in 1995 and has been meeting ever since. In its early years, there were many community related activities that included an annual Thanksgiving celebration, college visits for high school students, local business promotions, back-to-school haircut days, an African American business directory, and many more community/collaborative events. The Thanksgiving Dinner Celebration is the longest standing event that the group continues to this date. With over 150 volunteers and a host of groups and organizations, approximately 1000 home-cooked holiday meals are delivered to senior citizens and shut-in residents on Thanksgiving Day. Million Man: Montclair continues to collaborate with local township groups and organizations to further enhance the Montclair community. wachoice22@aol.com Million Man: Montclair, PO Box 227, Montclair, NJ 07042

Montclair Branch NAACP

Founded in 1916 and part of the national organization, the Montclair NAACP chapter works to disrupt inequality, dismantle racism, and accelerate change in key areas including criminal justice, health care, education, housing and the economy.

We have a dozen action committees and offer education workshops that work on local issues such as rental control, voting, public schools, etc. Adult membership dues are \$30.00 annually; we meet monthly at can be reached at 973-746-9315, P.O. Box 353, Montclair 07042 or www.montclairnaacp.org

Montclair Parents for Change

Montclair Parents for Change was founded in January 2018 to encourage and support voting among local parents and voting-age students. We circulate information about voting deadlines & requirements, encourage voter registration, and communicate with parents about the value and ease of voting by mail. We urge all eligible voters to vote in every election, with special attention to the 2018 election in the 11th district in New Jersey. Our programs meet parents where they already gather — in parks, schools, libraries, and sporting and community events — and aspire to make active citizenship part of everyday family life.

We are looking for more members to achieve our mission. Please join us. Contact Lisa Andersen at 773-860-9463 or Chelsea at 646-271-5198.

Northeast Earth Coalition

The Northeast Earth Coalition is a 501 (c) (3) volunteer-driven environmental & social justice nonprofit working at the community level to protect the environment and promote local sustainability and food security. We support the work of community & environmental activists. Envisioning a region where people can coexist and prosper in harmony with their environment, we promote the preservation and restoration of the natural environment. We have over 600 volunteers supporting the mission of our organization in Montclair and 11 other townships.

Address: 40 South Fullerton Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042; website <https://www.nearth.org>; Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nearth.org>

For additional information or to volunteer, contact us at: Info@nearth.org or (973) 233-1106. To donate, <https://www.nearth.org/donation/>

Out Montclair

Out Montclair is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization created to foster community with and provide support and solidarity for the LGBTQIA+ community of Montclair. We offer educational and recreational activities and events to support and promote inclusivity and equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, non-binary and gender-fluid youth and adults. Additionally, we are a safe space where our community and our allies can come together and celebrate who we are.

- General inquiries: info@outmontclair.org
- Partnership inquiries: Peter Yacobellis, peter.yacobellis@outmontclair.org
- Media inquiries: Cathy Renna, cathy@targetcue.com

Quiet Montclair

Quiet Montclair is a public education and advocacy group made up of local resident volunteers who seek to reduce the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in Montclair. We use scientific research and expertise to highlight the dangers that these machines create for public health, quality of life, and the local environment. We also provide resources for residents and property managers who want to shift to healthier, quieter, greener, and more socially just alternatives, including the promotion of local companies who offer low-noise, zero-emissions landscaping services. Please visit our website at www.quietmontclair.org to learn more.

Contact info: Peter Holm, Spokesperson, quietmontclair@gmail.com

The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army, 13 Trinity Place, provides services to the homeless and homeless prevention services to individuals and families.

Our Cornerstone Emergency Shelter, a 23-bed shelter in Montclair, serves individuals and families not eligible for services through the Division of Family and Benefits.

Monday through Friday we are open from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm providing case management, drop-in services and financial assistance for rent and utilities. For an appointment call 973-744-3312.

Monday – Wednesday at 11:30 am, we serve a hot meal, and provide those guests without addresses a place to eat inside at our drop-in center. Take away meals are also available.

Start Out Fresh Intervention Advocates

Start Out Fresh Intervention Advocates (S.O.F.I.A.) provides domestic violence victims and survivors with assistance and encourages them to be positive, self-sufficient and successful. Through referrals, public events, workshops, outreach programs, and direct services for general support, S.O.F.I.A. works to raise awareness around unhealthy relationships and eradicating abusive behaviors in our communities. Workshops offered include a focus on “Teen Safe Dating,” “Recognizing the Signs,” and “Supporting Someone in an Abusive Relationship.” S.O.F.I.A. also offers a support group centered on emotional healing through a creative process. Contact S.O.F.I.A. for more information.

Executive Director and Founder: Cynthia Walker

Email: info@supportsofia.org, 862-251-6791, www.supportsofia.org

Tenants Organization of Montclair

Created to establish and assist with implementation of rent control in Montclair. With that foundation, we are working to ensure tenants have access to and knowledge of their rights. We provide recommendations for resources to further assist tenants who may experience challenges while renting. To support the rent control movement, join us as a leader or member & to know your rights email us tenantsorganizationmontclair@gmail.com and LIKE us on Facebook @Toomadvocacy for the most current meeting ads. A 10-15 intake call gets you started. 973-936-8848 www.facebook.com/toomadvocacy

Trans Affirming Alliance™

The mission of the Trans Affirming Alliance™ is to partner with LGBTQ+ centers & projects to deliver services for our transgender and gender diverse communities. We provide legal guidance for name changes and gender marker changes and will be expanding our services to include direct legal services, legal representation, mental health counseling, career counseling and workshops, various support groups, and specialized health and wellness services for the transgender community such as vocal coaching.

Contact: Celeste Fiore, 8 Hillside Avenue, Suite 201, Montclair. info@transaffirmingalliance.org

Funders

College Women's Club of Montclair

The College Women's Club of Montclair is a group of college educated women that believes in the advancement of women through education, advocacy and research. We promote educational opportunities for women, provide financial aid to college-bound high school seniors in Montclair & surrounding towns, and enjoy the company of like-minded women. We are affiliated with the American Association of University Women. Members have the privilege of attending AAUW state & regional meetings and workshops & biennial national convention. We raise funds for our scholarships chiefly through a semi-annual "Used Book and Music Sale." The semi-annual book sales this past year provided the awards committee with \$40,000 for girls. We welcome any women with similar interests. A college degree, an associate degree (RN) from a regionally accredited college or university is required. cwcm@yahoo.com 26 Park Street, 973-783-7040.

Junior League of Montclair-Newark (JLMN), Inc.

A volunteer organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. Through hands-on projects and partnerships we build a better community by promoting health and wellness, literacy and arts for children-at-risk. The JLMN provides our members with formal educational program and hands-on training. We often do hands-on projects with community partners in 9 Essex County towns. www.jlmn.org. 40 South Fullerton Ave. 973-746-2499

Montclair Foundation/Van Vleck House & Gardens

The Montclair Foundation was established to support nonprofit organizations that meet health, educational, cultural, social service and quality of life needs in the greater Montclair community. In addition to our spring and fall grant award cycles, we created an emergency fund in 2020 to support local nonprofits' immediate and crucial needs during the pandemic.

The Foundation also has a strong commitment to the historic preservation of Van Vleck House & Gardens for the education, cultural enrichment, and enjoyment of the community. We welcome volunteers to contact us at Info@vanvleck.org or 973-744-4752 x 2 about getting involved with The Foundation www.montclairfoundation.org or in our gardens www.vanvleck.org.

Montclair Fund for Educational Excellence (MFEE)

The MFEE, Montclair's local education fund, is an independent non-profit that raises private dollars to engage and empower students, teachers and supporters of public education. MFEE drives innovation and collaborates with the Montclair community to create equitable access to high quality education for all students. We administer grant programs for innovative ideas from school personnel and address the needs of our school and community with district wide initiatives. We also hold informative and supportive workshops for the Montclair community, and host fundraising events that strengthen our community support for our schools. Learn more about us at <https://mfee.org>. Email: info@mfee.org. Phone: (973) 509-4021 or (877) 442 MFEE (6333)

Montclair Fund for Women (MFW)

The Montclair Fund for Women (MFW) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit foundation. Our mission is to support nonprofit programs that use innovative approaches to achieve educational success and social justice, with a special emphasis on women and girls of color in Montclair and North Essex. MFW grew out

of Montclair's historic African-American YWCA. For more information, please go to our website at: www.montclairfundforwomen.org. If you would like to make a donation, please contact our Executive Director, Lori Heninger, at lheninge@montclairfundforwomen.org.

Montclair Scholarship Fund

The Montclair Scholarship Fund (MSF) is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. MSF has awarded scholarships to college bound MHS seniors with financial need for more than 60 years. The Montclair Scholarship Fund has no staff but is instead run by an all-volunteer board of trustees who serve without compensation. MSF uses donations from generous individuals, memorial funds, businesses and organizations to provide college scholarships to deserving Montclair High School students with financial need. All donations are used solely for student scholarships. Incidental expenses of running the organization are covered by a separate fund. Contact: Leeta Jordan or Mimi Wrede, 100 Chestnut Street, Montclair.

Website: www.montclairscholarshipfund.org

Email: info@montclairscholarshipfund.org

Partners for Health Foundation

Partners for Health Foundation is a grant-making public charity based in Montclair. Since 2008, the Foundation has supported more than 130 nonprofit organizations in the Montclair area with grants for programs and collaborations intended to support healthy communities and lifestyles. Please visit our website for more information: partnersfdn.org.

Schumann Fund for New Jersey

The Schumann Fund for New Jersey is an independent foundation supporting organizations focused on early childhood development, social and educational services directed at meeting the needs of vulnerable children, youth, and families in Essex County, and efforts to engage the public in informed discussion of policy issues facing the State of New Jersey, particularly in the areas of education, racial and economic justice, and child welfare. For more information: fdnweb.org/schumann

Turrell Fund

The Turrell Fund is a foundation supporting the youngest and their families in New Jersey and Vermont. While the fund works on multiple strategic initiatives, we are fundamentally dedicated to providing general operating support for vital, community-based nonprofits serving children and families. The Turrell Fund also serves as key convener, bringing together organizations and individuals to build toward greater impact. We walk alongside our clients, offering capacity-building opportunities and a safe place to brainstorm and address challenges in their communities. Our primary areas of concern are: early childhood, K-2 education, music & the arts, social services, and systems change. 21 Van Vleck Street, 973-783-9358 turrell@turrellfund.org

We Are All Music Foundation

The foundation was founded in Montclair by a group of music professionals, media executives, business leaders and philanthropic activists. We are entrepreneurs who share a passion for music and believe in its power to change lives. Our mission is to provide meaningful support to the most impactful nonprofit organizations that use the power of music to improve lives and benefit society. There are thousands of music nonprofits; We provide grants to the very best focused on education, health and wellness, and underserved communities. weareallmusic.org 572 Valley Road, 917-861-0089

Children and Parent Organizations

Boy Scout Troop 12

Boy Scout Troop 12 Montclair has been contributing to the community and helping youth achieve their leadership potential for over 90 years. We're proud of our over 350 scouts who've reached the rank of Eagle - Scouting's highest award.

Scouting is for 11 - 17 year-olds interested in developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness. Scouts have fun across a wide range of activities including community service, fire building, first aid, hiking, swimming, canoeing, fishing, volunteering, conservation and much more. Meetings are generally on Fridays at 7:00 PM. Visit troop12montclair.org to learn more.

Brother to Brother

Brother to Brother Mentoring Program is a 501c3 non-profit organization, established in 2007, focuses on meeting the needs of all elementary, middle and high school male adolescents.

Our group mentoring activities are designed to be school-anchored and community-based to foster safe, nurturing, and positive relationships between adult mentors and their male mentees, their families, teachers and guidance counselors, local community leaders and social support groups. Mentoring encourages positive choices, promotes high self-esteem, and academic achievement. www.teenmentoring.org

Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey (GSHNJ)

Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey believes in the power of every girl. Our leadership program is designed to help a girl discover who she is, what she can do, and connects her with a powerful community of girls and mentors to make it happen. With unique opportunities, Girl Scouts explore, learn, succeed, and take action to make a difference in their community.

With so many new experiences to conquer and lessons to learn, a trusted partner and all-things-girl expert like Girl Scouts is exactly what your girl needs to succeed in and out of the classroom.

If you are a girl looking to explore your unique talents, passions, and interests or an adult who wants to volunteer or support the good work GSHNJ is doing, you've come to the right place! For more information, please complete our [Interest Form](#).

Goals for Life

Goals for Life is a fundraising organization that supports local charities benefitting women's health issues, predominantly breast cancer charities. We hold an annual women's soccer tournament in Brookdale Park (postponed this year again, due to Covid) and have raised funds for In the Pink clinic at St. Michael's Hospital in Newark, NJ chapter of Casting for Recovery, and many other small orgs that offer supportive services for women undergoing treatment.

Our website is goalsforlife.org

Kids Helping Kids, Inc.

A 501 (C) 3 organization that funds mobility equipment, teen lounges and programs in hospitals that empower and support teens and young adults transitioning to life after catastrophic illness or injury. www.kidshelping.org

Kids In Cleats, Inc.

Kids In Cleats uses soccer as the vehicle for children to rise out of poverty through education, self-empowerment and sport in Cameroon, Africa. We are breaking this cycle by providing our players with the skills that will open up doors for future opportunities to play and live abroad, paying for their education, and providing a safe environment that will provide nutrition and stability. For more information, please visit us at kidsincleats.org.

KinderSmile Foundation

KinderSmile Foundation provides underserved children with access to comprehensive dental care and educates children and their families about the importance of dental hygiene. We envision a future where every child has access to a dentist, and preventable dental diseases are eradicated. KinderSmile Community Service Learning Program (CSLP) offers mentoring and guidance to clinical and administrative volunteers and interns from high school through graduate school. Students acquire leadership skills and share the mission and goals of KinderSmile Foundation. In the past 14 years KinderSmile Foundation has impacted 31,000 children and has provided over 8 million dollars of dental care in New Jersey and globally. Please visit kinderesmile.org to learn more about our organization and fill out an application.

Laptop Upcycle

Laptop Upcycle is an all-volunteer, non-profit community service organization based in Montclair. We believe that ALL public-school students should have access to technology they need to succeed in school regardless of their family income level. Laptop Upcycle provides free laptops to low-income public-school students, including WIFI when needed.

We're supported by generous corporate and individual laptop donations, monetary donations from local individuals and grantor organizations, lots of enthusiastic volunteer hours and a range of partnerships with other non-profits nearby and nationally. The Laptop Upcycle mission continues to grow and includes expansion into nearby school systems.

You, too, can help close the technology gap for kids in our schools! Donate laptops, donate funds to help us purchase parts and equipment to refurbish laptops, become a grantor to help us expand to other communities or share your time and become a volunteer giveget@laptopupcycle.org

Mindful Awareness Academy for Children (MAAC)

A nonprofit organization that works to eliminate structural and cultural barriers to ensure equal opportunity for students of color. We provide academic, social, and emotional programs with a mindful approach to learning.

MAAC operates as a full-service, year-round program that offers a comprehensive approach to learning for students of color. Our k-12 scholars are greeted by cultural ambassadors who oversee MAAC's three-tiered approach: mindfulness, community, and academic support. Our team leaders, also known as influencers and energizers, lead the charge.

MAAC is the solution to addressing the disparities and inequities of the educational system. We redefine the learning experience. We inspire motivate and collaborate with the educational system in ways that bring humanity to the forefront. www.themaac.org

Montclair Community Council for Young Children, (MCCYC)

A group of concerned parents and community stakeholders who have come together with the intention of finding solutions to address the achievement gap in the Montclair School District.

The council's goal is to EMPOWER PARENTS to work in concert with stakeholders to identify relevant programs and services in the community and highlight programs and services that are missing that help children achieve and thrive. The council initiatives in Montclair and Essex County are administered by Programs for Parents, Inc.

In Montclair, the council has three committees: education, health and parent support. Youth activities are planned while parents attend the meeting. Guest speakers and workshops are held to address parental concerns raised that affect the education, health and safety of Montclair children and families. programsforparents.org.

The Montclair Friday Group

A volunteer run online and in-person group providing emotional and practical support for parents of children-with disabilities.

Contact Alma@takebackthekitchen.com

Programs for Parents

A non-profit organization that works to ensure that children get the best possible start in life. It does so by supporting children, families and childcare providers in Essex County.

Programs for Parents provides financial support to families to pay for childcare, facilitates professional development to childcare providers, supports parents through a variety of trainings, facilitates child screening assessments, provides support to childcare providers, registers individuals interested in providing home-based childcare, and assists parents in finding childcare.

For more information visit www.programsforparents.org or call 973-297-1114. Program for Parents, 570 Broad Street, 8th Floor, Newark NJ 07102

Project Graduation

Now in its 32nd consecutive year, Project Graduation sponsors an all-night, substance-free, adult supervised party for Montclair High School graduating seniors where they can celebrate their accomplishments with classmates in a safe and sober location. Hopefully you've even been a part of this iconic Montclair event and cheered the buses as they parade through town, exuberant graduates hanging out of the windows.

Project Graduation Inc. at mhspginc@gmail.com or MHS Project Graduation Inc, PO Box 43001, Upper Montclair NJ 07043

Side Door

Side Door was created in the spring of 2004 to provide a safe, welcoming, and inclusive space for Montclair's middle school students on Fridays after school. A program of Union Congregational Church, it offers town youth a free, safe and supervised alternative to being home alone or congregating unsupervised in area streets, businesses and parks.

After school on most Fridays, middle schoolers find an inclusive, supportive and welcoming space that is just for them and where they know they are safe. Spending time with friends old and new, racing from one age-appropriate activity to the next, they are mentored by high school and college students and overseen by adult volunteers.

Volunteers (adults and older students) are often needed and donations gratefully accepted. For more information, email sidedoor@unioncong.org, or visit sidedoormontclair.org.

Sister to Sister

Sister to Sister is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization which is entrusted by the community of Montclair, New Jersey to actively foster safe and nurturing relationships between Montclair Public School female students and caring female mentors.

Through these relationships, Sister To Sister hopes to inspire its participants with the highest ideals of character, conduct and educational achievement, so that they may become productive, resourceful and empowered leaders of their communities. For more information visit www.sistertosisterofmontclair.org

Skate Essex

Skate Essex is a volunteer organization which empowers the children of Northern New Jersey through skateboarding. We work with local communities to create safe skateboarding spaces and skateboarding programs for children to have an active lifestyle, build confidence, express creativity, break down social barriers and have fun. Want to help build skate parks in Montclair and Essex County? Want to learn to skate? www.Skateessex.org; Contact Board Member: Larry Linietsky (973) 997-3085; larrylinietsky1@gmail.com or skateessex@gmail.com

YMCA of Montclair

The YMCA of Montclair has been making a positive impact in our community since 1891. The Y is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit that operates 3 branches— Park Street YMCA, Geyer Family YMCA, and the Outdoor Education Center YMCA also known as Camp at the Lake. Membership is open to all, with financial assistance available to those who live in our service area with demonstrated financial need.

We are committed to caring for individuals and families, with a focus on youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. We offer a host of programs, including before and after school child care, summer camps, fitness and swimming facilities, educational workshops and health and wellness classes for all ages. Find us on the web at montclairymca.org. 25 Park St. / 973-744-6161

School and Learning Groups

Deron School

The Deron School serves students on the autism spectrum living primarily in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, and Union counties whose needs cannot be met in their sending school district. Our unique approach to educating students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), is state-renowned. We look to maximize their academic skills, functional communication, as well as life skills. Our Community-Based Instruction (CBI) and daily living skills curriculum begins at age five and culminates in our Bridge Transition Program. This continuum provides students with practical learning as they prepare to leave our school at age 21 and enter a new phase in their lives. 130 Grove Street, 973-509-2777, deronschool.org

IMANI

Founded nearly 20 years ago, IMANI is a community-based non-profit organization that offers educational support programs to promote high achievement for all students in the Montclair Public Schools. The goal is to close the achievement gap by collaborating with parents, teachers and school administrators to provide focused academic and social support for students of color. It offers programs for students at K-5, 6-8, 9-12 levels plus parents. The 9-12 programs focus on college advancement, SAT prep, study groups, and summer transition. IMANI is located at 73 South Fullerton Avenue, 973-509-2822, imaniprograms.org

Jack & Jill of Greater Essex County

Jack & Jill of Greater Essex County – Part of the national organization, our chapter makes a meaningful difference in the lives of all children on a local, regional and national. By harnessing the intellect, talents, gifts and resources of our mother members and fathers, our chapter has been able to leverage its collective resources in order to support the economic, physical, educational and emotional needs of African-American children. GreaterEssexJJ@gmail.org

Montclair Child Development Center, Inc. (MCDC)

Head start embraces the child, empowers the family and strengthens the community. Since 1968, we have helped thousands of children enter school ready to achieve academic success and assist families on the road to self-sufficiency. MCDC receives federal, state, and private funding, which supports our delivery of comprehensive, inclusive services to children birth to five years of age living in Belleville, Bloomfield, Montclair, Orange, and West Orange, New Jersey. Our entire team is committed to providing a safe, nurturing learning environment designed to address the child's nutritional and health needs while stimulating rapid growth in physical coordination, self-esteem, early literacy skills, math, and science. 33 Fulton Street, 973-783-0220, www.mcdcnj.org

Montclair Community Pre-K (MCPK)

Montclair Community Pre-K (MCPK) at 49 Orange Road is a play-based pre-kindergarten program for 3 - 5 years-old. Our team is dedicated to early childhood educational excellence and our school reflects the values, diversity and inclusiveness of our community. Our mission is to offer all three to five years-old in Montclair a high-quality education that prepares them for success in kindergarten and beyond, regardless of the family's ability to pay tuition. We strive to create a warm, welcoming, supportive environment for families and to be a leading member of our community. 973-509-4500 Email us at info@montclairprek.org / website: montclairprek.org

Montclair Cooperative School

The Montclair Cooperative School is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit whose mission is to educate the whole child by meeting each child where they are, and ensuring each child feels seen and heard. We put children at the center of school life, engage parents in their children's education, and guide our students in their personal growth and excellence. Whether you are enrolling your child into school for the first time, or interested in moving to an inspiring place for students, learn more about the joy of being part of the Co-op by going to our website montclaircoop.org or contacting admissions@montclair-coop.org

Neighborhood Child & Infant Care Center, Inc.

Neighborhood Child & Infant Care Center, Inc. at 30 Maple Ave is a Not-For-Profit Organization. Our hours of operation are Monday - Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Fridays 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.. Our mission remains the same, to nurture and stimulate children, as young as 6 weeks. We are currently open and licensed by the State of New Jersey to serve children Zero - 13 years of age. Our creative curriculum birth through 3rd grade helps us prepare children through age-appropriate curricula focusing on early academics. We continue to serve "Healthy Happy meals." We accept Programs for Parents which is a subsidy program to support low income working parents. Phone: 973-744-4228 Fax: 973-744-0737 / Email: neighborhoodchildcare@verizon.net

Park Street Academy

Park Street Academy preschool in has been a fixture in the Montclair community since 1996. Our student population is diverse and we pride ourselves on recognizing the importance of celebrating different cultures. We also understand the challenge of raising knowledgeable, responsible and caring children. Our students come to school eager to learn and integrate new information into their everyday lives. We help our children to become responsible and caring by helping them understand risks and opportunities, to see beyond themselves, and to appreciate the concerns of others. Park Street families quickly learn that they are a part of a community that is welcoming, We serve children aged 2 ½ - 6, 46 Park Street, 973-783-1800, parkstreetacademy.com.

Sawtelle Learning Center

Located in Montclair, Sawtelle Learning Center is a New Jersey State Board of Education approved private, non-profit school for students ages 3-21, presenting with autism spectrum disorder or other related disabilities. Sawtelle Learning Center has provided intensive individualized instruction and behavioral support based on the science of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) since 1992. Sawtelle Learning Center is part of Youth Consultation Service (YCS) a private, non-profit agency that has been providing services to children with special needs and their families throughout New Jersey since 1918. An important component of our students' education is Community Based Instruction which includes volunteer and work experiences in the community. If you are interested in volunteering or providing our students with volunteer experiences, contact Leisa Tomchek 973-744-0615.

Succeed2gether

Succeed2gether is here to help students and families in Montclair and surrounding communities. Begun in 2009, Succeed2gether is dedicated to closing the opportunity/achievement gap by providing educational and enrichment programs to students of low-income families in Essex County. Current services include one-on-one tutoring, reading and math buddies, summer enrichment workshops, after-school activity classes, parent learning workshops, mental health and wellness sessions, and a college readiness program. All programs are free to qualifying families. Together we can build the future, one child at a time. Contact: 973-746-0553, info@succeed2gether.org, www.succeed2gether.org

Senior Groups

Aging in Montclair (AIM)

A 501(c) (3) organization guided and administered by men and women over 55 living and working in the Montclair Area. AIM's overall mission is to assist seniors to live successfully in place and contribute to the community. AIM partners with many other organizations toward common goals and ensures that senior voices are heard. AIM facilitates six discussion groups and has an extremely active program of webinars and lectures on a wide spectrum of topics: health modalities, literature, history, music, education, travel, the environment, housing for seniors, CBD & medical marijuana, etc.-- all providing networking and social interaction among the seniors in the area. Membership is free and open to all. Call the AIM office at (973)707-5088 or email to AginginMontclairAIM@gmail.com for information.

Lifelong Montclair

Lifelong Montclair is an aging in place initiative of the Township of Montclair focused on transforming Montclair into a great place to grow older. Services at Lifelong Montclair include coordinated senior transportation services with Essex County Services as well as information and referral assistance. Wellness and educational opportunities are also offered through programs at Edgemont Park House and through the Montclair Institute of Lifelong Learning (MILL). Lifelong Montclair engages with a network of community stakeholders as well as promotes the inclusion of older adult residents' involvement through The Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) and a variety of focused round tables.

- Website link: www.montclairnjusa.org/government/departments/senior_services
- Contact Director of Senior Services/Lifelong Montclair, Margaret Church, at 973-509-4970.

Montclair Gateway to Aging in Place

The Montclair Gateway to Aging in Place (Montclair G.A.P.), a new non-profit organization, offers a variety of services to residents ages 55 years and older who want to live their best life locally. Our goal is to bridge the gap between existing services and real needs in order to help Montclair seniors age in place. We are currently helping seniors secure vaccination appointments and working towards improving Internet accessibility and training. www.montclairgateway.org

Senior Care and Activities Center

Founded in 1978, Senior Care and Activities Center's goal is to provide life enriching, affordable adult day health care services to meet the needs of participants and their caregivers. We provide a safe, secure environment for social engagement, and activities that reduce isolation and loneliness for the participants.

For the caregivers, we offer a welcome respite with counseling and support services available. Senior Care and Activities Center is a 17,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art building designed for the special needs of our participants. You can be secure in the knowledge that your loved one is being cared for in a supportive and stimulating center while you are at work, caring for children, or just taking a much deserved break. Monday-Friday – 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 110 Greenwood Avenue, 973-783-5589

Business and Housing

HOME Corp

A is a Montclair-based community agency whose mission includes preserving economic diversity while fostering financial empowerment. We own and manage approximately 60 units of affordable housing in Montclair, and we are a HUD certified Housing Counseling agency. Our housing counseling includes one-on-one counseling, along with workshops and we cover credit counseling, foreclosure prevention assistance and our popular first-time homebuyer workshops, which often enable participants to receive down payment grants from local banks. Our website is www.homecorp.org and we can be reached at 973-744-4141. Email us at info@homecorp.org

Montclair Center Business Improvement District (BID)

Representing more than 400 businesses and over 200 property owners in downtown Montclair, the mission of the Montclair Center BID is to create a visually appealing, prosperous and inclusive downtown through continuous cleaning and beautification, programming, marketing, economic development, and advocacy. The Montclair Center BID also creates outreach to attract shoppers and tourists, marketing opportunities for retailers and restaurateurs, and actively seeks to improve the area for businesses and residents. A 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization and a nationally accredited Main Street Community, the Montclair Center BID was established by local business leaders in 2002. For more information, visit montclaircenter.com. 26 Lackawanna Plaza / 973-509-3820

The Montclair Inn

The Montclair Inn, owned and operated by Montclair Shared Housing Association, is a nonprofit residence that provides an option to enjoy communal living for independent and active seniors starting at age 55.

We create a sense of community both inside and outside of The Inn, collaborating with state and township officials, local businesses, foundations, schools, other nonprofits, and volunteers. These collaborations support the Inn as the model of a non-profit residence. Above all, we offer an environment that supports older adults at an affordable cost. 27 Hillside Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042, 973-746-8917, themontclairinn.org

Montclair Senior Housing Corp.

Montclair Township has four affordable senior citizen housing projects containing 304 units.

- First Montclair House – This building includes 130 rental units built in 1980 including 19 efficiencies, 106 1-bedroom units and four 2-bedroom units located at 56 Walnut Street. The building is located adjacent to the Grove Street business district. 973-746-0895.
- South End Gardens – This building includes 100 units including 25 efficiencies and 75 one-bedroom units located at 304 Orange Road built in 1987. The building is located adjacent to the South End business district. 973-746-1537.
- PineRidge of Montclair – This building includes 50 one-bedroom units built in 2002 at 60 Glenridge Avenue. It is located adjacent to the Bay Street train station and the Pine Street business district. For more information, 973-766-0003.

National Housing Institute (NHI)

The National Housing Institute (NHI), founded in 1975, is an independent nonprofit organization that examines the issues causing the crisis in housing and community in America. The organization examines the key issues affecting affordable housing; it publishes “Shelterforce” – an independent publication that serves (and sometimes challenges) community development practitioners across the United States. 60 South Fullerton Ave., Suite #202; 973-509-1600

Health and Human Services

COPE

COPE, founded in 1968 to address the growing problem of drug abuse, provides quality behavioral health-care, prevention and outreach services that are affordable, accessible and responsive to individual, family and community needs. COPE merged with Oaks Integrated Care which offers over 230 health and social services programs throughout New Jersey. Services are available for pre-school, middle school and high school students as well as parents and their guardians. Website to access services is www.supportingparentssexnj.org or www.spenj.org. Montclair program supervisor is George Smith at george.smith@oaksintcare.org. 973-783-6655

Covenant House – Nancy’s Place

Covenant House – Nancy’s Place is a permanent supportive housing project located in Montclair, NJ that provides housing for young adults between the ages of 18-21 years old who are experiencing homelessness and who are living with a mental health disability. Nancy’s Place is a family-like setting with 24/7 on-site staff who provide case management and life skills education and refer young people to other supportive services that are identified through collaborative goal planning. We provide a safe, stable environment where young people can learn the skills, habits and attitudes needed to achieve their goals. To connect with the staff at Nancy’s Place, call Aquiyila Johnson at 973-744-8175.

Family Promise of Essex County (FPE)

Family Promise of Essex County’s mission is to help homeless and at-risk families achieve self-sufficiency by providing shelter, social services, and housing assistance through a community-based approach. FPE envisions a community in which every family has a home and the chance to build a better future. Our shelter system provides families with shelter, meals, and ongoing case management and related social services during the day. FPE recognizes that family homelessness and poverty are complex issues that require comprehensive, innovative solutions. Solving homelessness is not just about housing. Our holistic approach to the crisis of family homelessness includes three areas of focus: emergency shelter, prevention, diversion and stabilization.

Contact info: Tia Aery, Executive Director / Tia@FPEssexNJ.org / 973-746-1400

Family Service League and SAVE of Essex County

Family Service League and SAVE of Essex County provide essential services to people within Essex County and beyond. Family Service League is a counseling center that provides services for a wide array of presenting problems to individuals, couples, and families. We work on a sliding scale to ensure that services are affordable for all clients, and currently our services are being held both in person and virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic. SAVE is the designated rape crisis center of Essex County. We provided in person and virtual advocacy services for survivors of sexual violence through our 24/7 hotline. We also engage in prevention education services around sexual violence in the Essex County community.

- Office number: 973-746-0800
- 24/7 Sexual Violence Hotline: 1 877-733-2273

Human Needs Food Pantry

The Human Needs Food Pantry has been serving people in need for almost 40 years. We provide food, clothing and other essentials to people throughout Essex County on a weekly basis, and we provide food on a monthly basis for people from all over NJ. Items like diapers (baby & adult), baby wipes, feminine products, nutritional supplements and even pet food are provided to people who need them.

We are open to assist clients every Tuesday & Thursday between 12:30pm and 2:30 pm. We accept donations at our facility on the same days but between 8:30am and noon.

To receive assistance, come to the pantry during our service hours and bring your ID & proof of address. We are located at 9 Label Street. Executive Director Mike Bruno, 973-746-4669 / hfnpdirector@gmail.com.

Kiwanis Club of Montclair

The Kiwanis Club of Montclair is a 501 (c) (4) nonprofit whose goal is to improve the lives of children not only in Montclair but worldwide. For instance, Kiwanis mentors and supports the student/volunteers in Key Club at Montclair High. We award a scholarship to a graduating senior that recognizes leadership & community service. Club website: www.facebook.com/MontclairNJKiwanis. Kiwanis is an international organization that exists in 80 countries with over 550,000 members. Kiwanis International website: www.kiwanis.org/about. Want to make a positive difference in the lives of children in Montclair? Contact club secretary Peter Ebling, 973-748-1381, pwebling44@gmail.com.

Mental Health Association of Essex and Morris

The Mental Health Association of Essex and Morris, based out of Montclair, NJ, provides a wide range of mental health services to individuals in Essex, Morris, Passaic, and Sussex Counties. MHA's mission is to promote mental health, including the integration of physical healthcare, to improve the care and treatment of individuals with mental illness, and to remove the stigma associated with emotional and mental disorders. For more information on the different services MHA offers, visit www.mhaessexmorris.org, call 973-509-9777 or email info@mhaessexmorris.org.

Montclair Ambulance Unit

Montclair Ambulance Unit is Montclair's 9-1-1 emergency response service, employing approx. 35 highly trained EMTs (emergency medical technicians) since 1953. Responding to over 3200 calls per year, the Unit is able to respond because of generous donor contributions, health insurance reimbursements, and annual fundraising appeals and events.

With health costs on the rise and high deductible health plans providing virtually zero reimbursement to MAU, operations continue through donations to support ambulatory supplies and vehicle maintenance, and recruitment and employment of career EMT staff. EMTs complete 190 hours for certification and are required to complete continuing education to stay current with the latest life-saving skills.

Montclair Ambulance has a 12-member governing Board. Find out more at www.montclairems.org or by emailing director@montclairems.org. 95 Walnut St., Diane Esty, Executive Director, 973-803-3194

Montclair Emergency Services for Hope (MESH)

Montclair Emergency Services for Hope (MESH) is a local, faith-based organization dedicated to providing basic and essential services to Montclair's most vulnerable homeless adults and families. MESH partners with local churches, synagogues and other community members to provide a nutri-

tious evening meal, 6 days a week, to needy adults and families in Montclair, NJ and the surrounding areas. MESH also provides overnight respite at local churches and synagogues during extreme weather. 118 Elm Street, 973-751-2176

Montclair Neighborhood Development Corp

Montclair Neighborhood Development Corp's mission is to empower and support disadvantaged individuals including youth and families to achieve an improved quality of life through training, education, and advocacy. MNDC has several programs: career advancement Institute (youth employment), project oasis (education and recreation for at-risk youth), winter oasis (homework help) and services for Latino families. MNDC is located at 228 Bloomfield Ave., (973) 744-9094; montclairmndc.org

Montclair Rotary Club

The Montclair Rotary Club, in existence for 100 years, serves the communities of Montclair and Verona. A commitment to "Service Above Self" motivates its members to make significant contributions to the community including charitable assistance to local organizations in need and community service projects. The club supports local projects as well as projects global in scope as part of its participation in Rotary International. Some of its local activities include providing dictionaries to 3rd graders in the local schools and supporting hunger-relief agencies. Weekly luncheon meetings are held at 12:15 at the Greek Taverna, 292 Bloomfield Avenue. Contact: montclairrotaryclub@gmail.com, P.O. Box 1746, Montclair, NJ 07042

Project for Assistance in Transitioning from Homelessness (PATH)

The Project for Assistance in Transitioning from Homelessness is funded by the NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services. PATH is an outreach program that engages homeless individuals with mental illness living in emergency shelters or in places not meant for human habitation in Newark. Evidenced-based, culturally competent and strengths-based outreach techniques are used to engage individuals who are homeless people with mental illness. PATH aims to re-integrate consumers with financial, medical, psychiatric and housing services. PATH is a program of the Mental Health Association of Essex. 33 South Fullerton Avenue, 973-509-9777

Toni's Closet

Toni's Closet is a program of Toni's Kitchen, a ministry of St. Luke's Church. This low-cost thrift shop carries gently used clothing, housewares, toys and other items. The Closet is designed to ensure families have access to their basic needs with the dignity of shopping and choosing based on their preferences. Proceeds from the Closet are used to support Toni's Kitchen food ministry and outreach at St. Luke's Church. Located at 73 So. Fullerton Ave, Montclair. For hours check www.toniskitchen.org. Inquiries: hello@toniskitchen.org

Toni's Kitchen

Toni's Kitchen is a food ministry of St. Luke's Church. It provides hot meals, groceries and other essential items to those who are struggling with food need. Toni's Kitchen works with 2000 volunteers of all ages throughout our community to ensure that all residents have reliable access to healthy food for their families. Toni's Kitchen programs include a choice pantry, food truck, neighborhood pop-ups, healthy backpacks and, of course, their well-known kitchen program. Toni's Kitchen works with over 60 local partner organizations to provide over a million meals into the community each year. Toni's Kitchen, St. Luke's Church, 73 So. Fullerton Ave., Montclair. www.toniskitchen.org. Inquiries: hello@toniskitchen.org

Miscellaneous

DesignShed

DesignShed's mission is to celebrate New Jersey's creative communities through innovative programming all year long, and through the power of design, mobilizes those communities into action for a more resilient and equitable future. Every October, DesignShed produces Montclair Design Week, New Jersey's largest celebration with 10 days of installations, workshops, panels, short films, talks, walks, parties and design-a-thons. Go to www.designshed.org to learn how to get involved and discover your inner designer. After all, the future won't design itself!

Petia Morozov, Founder / petia@designshed.org

Friends of the Montclair Township Animal Shelter

In an effort to address some of the most urgent needs of homeless animals in our very community, Friends of the Montclair Township Animal Shelter (FOMTAS), a 501(c)(3) corporation, was created in 2012. FOMTAS supports the Montclair Township Animal Shelter (MTAS), a not-for-profit municipal organization that provides animal control services to the township of Montclair and provides support for approximately 1,000 lost, abandoned and surrendered animals per year.

Since its founding, FOMTAS has provided funds to support extraordinary medical expenses of MTAS animals; education materials for the public; food, supplies and training assistance for MTAS animals being fostered; traps for feral cats being trapped, neutered and then released (TNR); and other costs not covered by the shelter's budget.

Contact information:
PO Box 3141
Montclair, NJ 07043
www.fomtasnj.org
fomtasnj@gmail.com

The Garden Club of Montclair

The Garden Club of Montclair educates members and the public in the knowledge and practice of horticulture, conservation, and the artistic use of plant material. It beautifies the Township of Montclair and State of New Jersey.

The Club sponsors and supports projects of an educational character, specifically aligned to these purposes, and fosters fellowship through its work and social events. Among its activities the Club maintains the Avis Campbell Gardens at the United Way building and the raised beds in the Central Business District; conducts programs with schools and senior facilities; supports local organizations with horticulture and flower design assistance.

Members enjoy educational workshops in horticulture and flower design, hands-on experience, and visits to public and private gardens. Email GardenClubOfMontclair@yahoo.com for more information.

K-9 Disaster Relief

K-9 Disaster Relief is a nonprofit humanitarian organization to help the traumatized, including military veterans, military families and their trusted service canine partners with handlers trained in Canine Disaster Relief Services. It provides a course called "Canine Crisis Intervention" - a specialized acute emergency psychological crisis intervention using canines as "transitional objects." The model has

been used in over a hundred disasters in the last ten years. It evolved over the eight month period that K-9 Disaster Relief provided Canine Crisis Intervention services on WTC – Ground Zero. 551 Valley Road, 973-563-1291, www.k-9disasterrelief.org

Montclair African-American Heritage Foundation (MAAHF)

The Montclair African-American Heritage Foundation serves as an outreach organization to broaden minds and spirits. To preserve history, we recognize and promote cultural resources as an essential element of Montclair’s economic and social well-being. Providing quality historical, health, and cultural education within interactive forum settings will in turn strengthen our community as a whole. Additionally, through individual, corporate and business support, we provide recurring scholastic scholarships. Our events include the Annual African-American Heritage Parade & Festival on the first Saturday in June, health awareness workshops, movie nights and our Scholarship Fund Fish Fry. www.maahf.org, 228 Bloomfield Avenue, 973-866-3512

Montclair Community Farms

Montclair Community Farms, a local non-profit, educates and engages the community through farm, food and health. Our mission is to serve as a local hands-on resource that engages and educates the community through urban farming, affordable food access and healthy living. At the heart of Montclair Community Farms is its Coalition, partners, and community volunteers. Reach out to ana@montclair-communityfarms.org for volunteer opportunities.

Montclair History Center

The Montclair History Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve Montclair history, educate others about it and its importance, and share the stories of the people who have made Montclair what it is today. MHC offers tours of the historic houses, informal Zoom lectures and in person classes. Various volunteer positions are available at the History Center. For additional information contact Diane@montclairhistory.org, www.montclairhistory.org or call 973-744-1796.

Montclair Mutual Aid

Born at the start of the COVID-19 crisis, Montclair Mutual Aid is a group of volunteers who work to foster an ongoing network of people and groups in Montclair to help one another meet critical needs. We strive to determine why needs aren’t being met while empowering each other to address these reasons. We build community through events that both provide help and nurture solidarity, such as our monthly food distribution events with live music, International Women’s Day poetry reading with collection of menstrual products, a free kitchenware shop with community storytelling. Other programs include the direct giving of emergency cash and Gofers, the free pickup/shopping/delivery service for those who can’t get out.

Website: montclairmutualaid.org

Contact: hello@montclairmutualaid.org 973-707-3355

Montclair Women’s Club

Part of the NJ State Federation of Women’s Clubs, the Montclair Women’s Club at 82 Union Street is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping members achieve their full potential by engaging in community and civic affairs, artistic endeavors, environmental conservation, charitable works, and lifelong learning while also preserving our historic civic institution.

Our vibrant, growing community includes programs on Friday afternoons as well select evening and weekend activities and community service projects.

For more information about programs and membership visit our website at www.montclairwomensclub.org or email us at info@montclairwomensclub.org. Looking for a party or event space for rentals? Contact our rentals manager at rentals@montclairwomensclub.org.

Mountainside Medical Center

Mountainside Medical Center has been serving Montclair and surrounding communities since 1891. The hospital provides immediate access to services focusing on imaging, women's health, cancer care, surgery, obesity, stroke and chronic kidney disease.

With the addition of innovative capabilities, Mountainside's respected medical and community reputation has gained even more strength. Ongoing collaboration with physicians and community outreach enables Mountainside to bring the latest medical programs, technology and patient focused care to the local community.

The hospital is a designated Primary Stroke Center by the NJ State Department of Health and Senior Services and is one of only a few community hospitals licensed by the State to perform emergency cardiac angioplasty. Mountainside Medical Group, the hospital's physician network, continues to expand with physicians specializing in primary care, obstetrics and gynecology, gastroenterology, pulmonology, endocrinology, otolaryngology and plastic surgery. To learn more about Mountainside Medical Center visit www.mountainsidehosp.com

The Woman's Club of Upper Montclair

The Woman's Club of Upper Montclair, located at 200 Cooper Avenue in Upper Montclair, NJ, 07043, Phone # 973-744-9138, is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization, formed exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes.

The club awards yearly nursing scholarships, supports local food pantries, as well as many local charities. Meetings are held weekly on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm from October through May. Membership is open to any woman in Montclair and surrounding towns.

Further information can be found on the club's website www.womansclubofuppermontclair.org. The beautiful clubhouse is available for rentals.