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OAKLAND TOGETHER

A Newsletter for Older
Oakland Residents



While Pittsburgh's winters bring the opportunity to make fun shapes on fresh powder, The City of Pittsburgh's Snow Angel Program can help you keep your sidewalks snow-free and safe to navigate. This program pairs nearby volunteer Snow Angels with older adult residents and residents with disabilities to help them shovel and salt their sidewalk and property throughout the winter. If you are in need of a Snow Angel, apply now by visiting www.pittsburghpa.gov/snowangels or calling the **311** response center.

The Oakland Plan needs YOU!

Action teams are hard at work shaping the goals and priorities of the new Oakland neighborhood plan. If you have ideas about how to make Oakland a better place to live, work, and play, please consider joining an action team. Visit www.engage.pittsburghpa.gov/oakland or send an email to sophia.robison@pittsburghpa.gov to get involved.



Election sign recycling

Still have yard signs from November's election? Don't toss them! OPDC's Career Center is a site for election sign recycling. Bring your signs (and their metal stands) to our bin at the corner of Semple and Louisa Street. Election sign recycling will continue until December 4th.

Winter Recess for Pitt Students

University of Pittsburgh students will be returning home for winter break. Residence halls closed on November 25 and the spring semester will begin on January 19, 2021.

Tutors needed

Middle school students in South Oakland are in need of after-school homework help via Zoom. If you would like to tutor or mentor a young Oakland resident, please contact **Jeremy Blache-Schwartz, Manager of Education and Special Programs**, at jbschwartz@s2c.opdc.org.



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www.opdc.org

Oakland Pen Pals

Make a new friend this holiday season and become a penpal! OPDC's pen pal applications are still open. Reach out to **Marketing and Community Programs Coordinator Maura McCampbell** at 713-444-1592 or mmccampbell@opdc.org to be matched with another Oakland resident.

Shop local



Finding a gift this holiday season just got easier! Visit www.onlyinoakland.org/buy-gift-cards to purchase gift cards from one of Oakland's unique small businesses. Gift cards are a great way to give up-front support to local businesses during the pandemic.

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OPDC is here to answer your questions!

OPDC is a community-based organization dedicated to assisting Oakland residents. If there are any questions or concerns that you need answered, please do not hesitate to reach out to us via email at questions@opdc.org or by calling **412-621-7863 x17**.