



NEWSLETTER

**May 2019**

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## General Meeting

**Tuesday, May 21st | 7:30pm**

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As a reminder, our next MVBA General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 21st** beginning at 7:30pm at the University of Baltimore located at 11 W. Mount Royal Avenue in Business Conference Room 143. At this meeting, we will be joined by Jerrienne Anthony, Director of Homeless Services at the Mayor's Office of Human Services.

Also at this meeting, we will be voting on the proposed changes to our MVBA bylaws. Ballots will be provided upon check-in at the meeting.

As always, our general meetings are free and open to the public, members and non-members alike. Please join us to discuss important issues and events related to our Mount Vernon community.



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## Proposed MVBA Bylaws Revision

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As discussed at our March 19th General Meeting and the April 24th Informational Meeting discussing the proposed MVBA bylaws, we will be voting on the proposed revisions to the bylaws at our May General Meeting. *Ballots will be provided at the beginning of the meeting, at 7:30pm, Votes will need to be cast by 8:30pm, at the latest.* Voting will take place at the University of Baltimore located at 11 W. Mount Royal Avenue in Business Conference Room 143.

To view the current and proposed version of the bylaws, please [click here](#).

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## New MVBA Business Members

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Each month, we recognize new businesses that join MVBA membership. This month, we're delighted to welcome **Chase Street Accessories** located at 17 W. Chase Street #1, **The Civil** located at 518 N. Charles Street, and **Paris West Optical** located at 521 N. Charles Street.

Encourage your neighbors and other businesses in Mount Vernon to become members of MVBA. It is only \$20 for Individuals and \$50 for Businesses, per year, to become a

member. We welcome all businesses in the neighborhood to join MVBA by clicking [HERE](#). If you have any questions on membership, please reach out to our Membership Committee Chair, Julie Canard at [membership@mvba.org](mailto:membership@mvba.org).

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## Homelessness, Panhandling & Loitering

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Officials at the Mayor's Office of Human Services would like our help tracking incidents of homelessness, panhandling and/or loitering, as mentioned previously. By sending a quick email to the following email address:

**homelessoutreach@baltimorecity.gov** regarding your experiences with homelessness, panhandling and/or loitering, it gives officials an opportunity to track these incidents and begin outreach with the individuals, as necessary. Of course, please call 911 if there is an emergency.

***Please note that the City is currently unable to receive email and voice-mail messages due to their system being down.***



## Baltimore City Council Legislative Updates

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The next Council Meeting is **Monday, June 3rd**. [Click Here](#) for the calendar for all upcoming Council Meetings and Hearings. All hearings and council meetings are open to the public. You'll need a photo id to enter City Hall.



## Howard's Park Dog Park Clean-Up

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Saturday, May 25th | 9am-1pm

Howard's Park Dog Park | 310 W. Centre Street

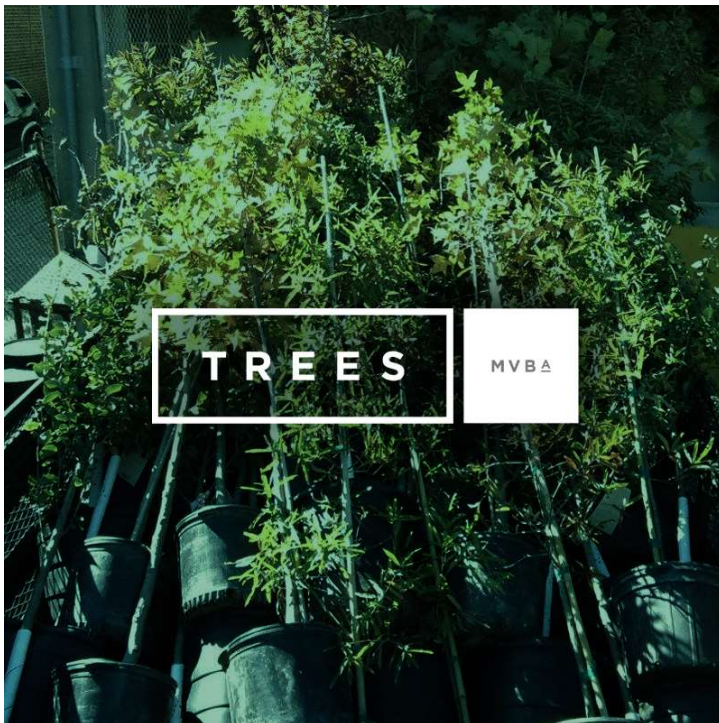
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Join MVBA for a spring cleaning of the Howard's Park Dog Park. All volunteers are welcome to join us in getting the park in tip-top shape. We'll meet at 9am at the dog park and wrap up around 1pm.

This is a rain-or-shine event, so please dress for the weather.

We hope to see you there!

For more information on the Howard's Park Dog Park, please visit the dog park's Facebook page [here](#).



MVBA June Tree Planting & Maintenance

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Saturday, June 1st | 9am-1pm Meet-Up Location | NW Corner  
of Charles & Madison Streets

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Join us for some tree planting and maintenance around the  
neighborhood on Saturday, June 1st. We'll meet at the  
northwest corner of Charles & Madison Streets (near Dooby's)  
at 9am and wrap up at around 1pm.

This is a rain-or-shine event, so please dress for the weather.

Wear closed-toe shoes, and bring work gloves if you have  
them. We recommend bringing a water bottle and sunscreen.

For more information about MVBA tree events, visit

[Eventbrite](#).



## Upcoming Business Round Table: Summer Quarterly Meeting

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Thursday, July 25th, 9-11am

12 W. Madison Street



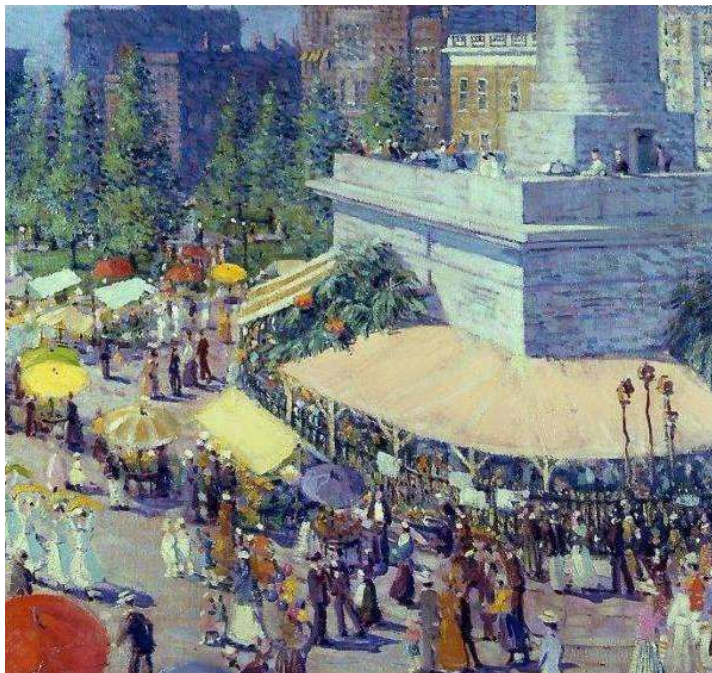
## Save the date!

We are very excited to continue to grow this event as a wonderful Fall festival that aims to promote local restaurants and small businesses in our community. In 2018, we saw over 2,000 visitors in the Oktoberfest Mount Vernon weekend. See you all there!

For any business, artist, restaurant/bar, or non-profit in Mount Vernon who would like to participate this year, please email [info@oktoberfestmountvernon.com](mailto:info@oktoberfestmountvernon.com) and/or [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out the vendor application.

If you are interested in being a sponsor for Oktoberfest Mount Vernon, please [CLICK HERE](#) to download the sponsorship opportunities PDF.

More info will be posted on [oktoberfestmountvernon.com](http://oktoberfestmountvernon.com) as we secure a lineup for entertainment and vendors.





# Mount Vernon Place Conservancy

## Flower Mart 2019

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Congratulations to the Mount Vernon Place Conservancy (MVPC) for an incredible Flower Mart 2019! Lance Humphries, MVPC Executive Director and his team did an fantastic job in holding their first Flower Mart. What a lovely community festival for all to enjoy!

We hope that you had the opportunity to stop by the **MVBA** tent when you visited Flower Mart and said 'Hello!" We had 3 lucky raffle winners of flower basket that the MVBA Clean & Beautiful Committee put together. Over the course of the 2 days, MVBA sold over 65 Planting Pouches, that were made from recycled water bottles, and gave away over 550 liters of top soil, and 100 packets of seeds of Zinnias and Mint to encourage urban gardening in the community.

A huge thanks goes to all of the volunteers who helped man the booth for the 2 days, as well as set up and take down, and clean up the MVBA tent.





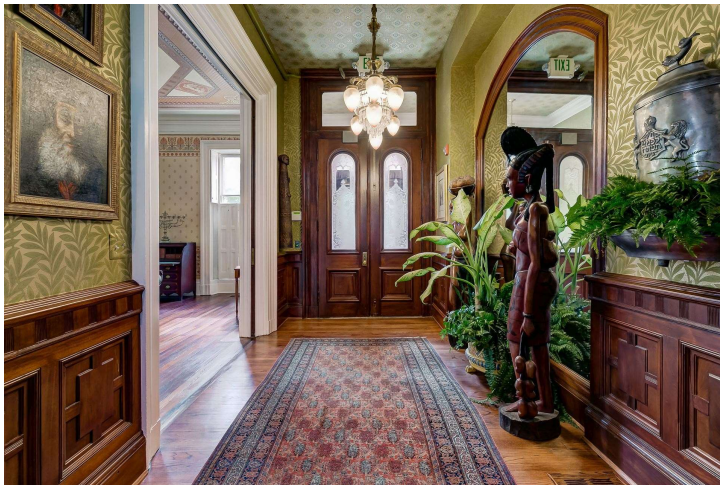
## Madison House

Your Elegant Mount Vernon Retreat located at...

4 East Madison Street

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Planning a family getaway, an intimate company retreat or  
a grand wedding reception?



Fully renovated and exquisitely decorated, this 1850's  
mansion nestled in historic Mount Vernon, is available as a  
bed and breakfast, or for your exclusive enjoyment.

Madison House boasts nine uniquely and beautiful decorated  
bedrooms, each with an en suite bathroom. Available for stays  
of two nights or more.



For more information, please call Dr. Paul Rhodes at  
202.713.1234 or email him at [PaulRhodesMD@gmail.com](mailto:PaulRhodesMD@gmail.com).

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## Baltimore AIDS Walk & Music Festival


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Save the Date! | Sunday, June 9th

Power Point Live | 34 Market Place | 8am-1pm

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Join Chase Brexton for the Baltimore AIDS Walk & Music Festival held on Sunday, June 9th at Power Point Live, 34 Market Place. For more details, see below:



**BALTIMORE AIDS WALK & MUSIC FESTIVAL**

PRESENTED BY **QUEST DIAGNOSTICS**  
 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE **BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
 & **OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

HIV ENDS WITH US

**JUNE 9, 2019**


POWER PLANT LIVE!

**WHEN & WHERE**

Sunday, June 9, 2019 | 8AM - 1PM  
 Power Plant Live! 34 Market Place | Baltimore, MD | 21202

**WHAT**

Open to all, the Baltimore AIDS Walk & Music Festival 2019 is supporting our Community Partners in the fight against HIV& promoting Baltimore's community-driven U=U campaign.



Are U in the Conversation?

**PROCEEDS**

Funds raised from the Baltimore AIDS Walk & Music Festival 2019 will be used to end the impact of HIV on our friends, families, & our communities, by expanding the education, testing, prevention, & treatment programs of our Community Partners & Chase Brexton's Infectious Diseases Center of Excellence.

**JOIN US**

INFO@BALTIMOREAIDSWALK.ORG | 410-837-2050 X1144  
**BALTIMOREAIDSWALK.ORG**

## Coming Up in June

- **MVBA Tree Planting & Maintenance**  
 Saturday, June 1st | 9am-1pm
- **No MVBA General Meeting in June**

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