

**Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 10am – 2pm:**

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY - At the Three Sisters Gardens**

Volunteers are needed to plant and help maintain the gardens and students can obtain service hours. Enslaved people planted fruits and vegetables to supplement the rations given out by plantation owners. They sometimes sold their produce to earn money which enabled some folks to purchase their freedom. Today, community gardens with fresh fruits and vegetables are a way for urban populations to maintain their health and also supplement their diets. Shaymar Higgs, The Space-Free Art for All, will have demonstrations at the Springhill Lake garden.

The Three Sisters Gardens are located at:



**Springhill Lake Recreation Center (6101 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770)**

Garden Coordinator - Carolyn Lambright-Davis

At 12:30pm there will be a re-dedication at the Springhill Lake garden to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Three Sisters Gardens

**Greenbelt Community Center Garden (15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770)** located behind the Community Center  
Garden Coordinator - Maggie Cahalan

**Schrom Hills Park Garden (6915 Hanover Pkwy, Greenbelt, MD 20770)**, is located near children's playground area. Garden Coordinator – Effie Levner

**Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 2pm-5pm (or until food runs out):**

**Food Demonstration: How Much Sugar Do You Consume Daily**

**Sponsored by Beltway Plaza Mall**

Center Court at Beltway Plaza Mall



**Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 12pm-4pm:**

**The Space Free Art For ALL: Art Projects**

**Sponsored by Beltway Plaza Mall**

**Beltway Plaza Mall & Springhill Lake Recreation Center's Three Sisters Garden** Come join us and be creative. Project can be displayed in Beltway Plaza Mall or taken home. Free art kits will be available to take home for participants.

Visit the Greenbelt Virtual Recreation Center at  
[www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation)  
for registration links to all events.

*City of Greenbelt*

**JUNE**  
**TEENTH**  
**Celebrate Freedom**



*June 19, 2021*

Umoja-Unity: Unifying our community as we strive to strengthen our City

# JUNETEENTH ACTIVITIES

*"Freedom's Eve," January 1, 1863. So many enslaved people waited anxiously for the Emancipation Proclamation to become a reality in Confederate States that the tension in houses of worship and on plantations was overwhelming. Its passage brought much relief and joy on many Southern plantations. Enslaved people in Texas would not learn that they were free until June 19, 1865, when the union army arrived in Galveston, Texas to inform them of the Emancipation Proclamation. It is for the Freedom to all enslaved people/workers that Juneteenth is celebrated each year on June 19th, to commemorate the initial ending of slavery in America, that was completed with the passage of the 13th Amendment.*

2021 marks the 156th anniversary of Juneteenth and the Greenbelt Black History and Culture committee in collaboration with the Recreation Department, Old Greenbelt Theatre, The Space-Free Art for All, the Greenbelt Museum, GATe, RUAK, Beltway Plaza Mall and CHEARS -Three Sisters Gardens offers a series of activities and service opportunities to commemorate the ending of chattel slavery in America. A video about Juneteenth will be presented by Delegate Nicole Williams and will be aired on the City's media channels. GATe will air historical and educational information about Juneteenth during the week.

**Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 9pm**  
**(Rain date Saturday, June 19th)**

## **Moonlit Movie: Black Panther**

Purchase tickets at  
<https://greenbelttheatre.org/>



**Saturday - June 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**10am – 3pm:**  
**Regina's Black Artifacts Pop-up History Museum**  
**Springhill Lake Recreation Center (6101 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770)**

The popup museum is an invaluable collection of Black artifacts that consists of Black Inventions such as the Traffic Light invented by Garrett Morgan; Historical Black Figurines such as Harriett Tubman, Frederick Douglass and George Washington Carver to name a few; Black Memorabilia, books, newspapers, and the Now and Then artifacts such as an old typewriter (then) and a laptop (now) and much more. Although most of the collection is based on Black History, a portion of the artifacts such as the Now and Then items are not specific to Black History but are common items used by everyone that have evolved over time and fall into the category of general history. Collectively, all groupings will most certainly be enjoyed by visitors.

**Saturday, June 19th – 10am – 11am:**

## **Heritage Tour at Buddy Attick Park**

**Buddy Attick Park, stage/bandstand area is tour start location, 555 Crescent Road Greenbelt Reaction's Heritage**

Tour is a comprehensive and interactive program which will invite both Greenbelt residents and non-residents to learn about the storied history of Greenbelt's recreation development and current ecological efforts at Greenbelt Lake. The tour will take place at Buddy Attick Park where participants will be guided around Greenbelt Lake on the 1.25mile trail with seven unique stops. These "impromptu lecture stops" will include information about the creation of Greenbelt Lake, evolution of Buddy Attick Park rules, interesting stories throughout the park's history, and current water/ecological conservation effort.

**Saturday, June 19th – 4pm -8pm: Let's Get Together!!!!**

Organize a Neighborhood Gathering: Block socials, court socials, courtyard socials wherever you live get together or in your neighborhood outdoor spaces are encouraged. Come out and break bread with your neighborhoods and celebrate the hard-fought freedoms we all enjoy. Remember and celebrate your ancestors for their sacrifices and resilience in maintaining family and community!

To make your neighborhood social gathering event more fun and exciting, the Greenbelt Recreation department can provide outdoor game kits upon request. Available items to borrow: Frisbees, Assortment of balls, Corn Hole, Ladder Ball, Horseshoes, jump Ropes, Sidewalk Chalk, Jacks, Chess/Checkers set, Small Pop-up Goals, Volleyball/Badminton Sets. Please email [asesay@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:asesay@greenbeltmd.gov) to make the request.