### **Featured Events**

### Thursday, Nov. 21

**Ridley Tenant Council**, 4:00 p.m., Family Investment Center, 600-C Ridley Circle.

#### **Every Monday**

Youth Steel Drum Classes 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center, 2410 Wickham Avenue.

### Friday, Dec. 13

ARTech Lights & Open House 3:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Brooks Crossing Innovation Lab, 550 30th Street, Suite 102.





# Your Choice

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# You're Invited: Dedication Ceremony

All members of the public are invited to the dedication ceremony of the McCallum Family Home. Hosted by Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg and Newport News Shipbuilding. This event will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 17, 3:00 p.m. at the McCallum Family Home, 2111 Madison Avenue.

This will be Habitat's 200th and the Shipyard's 17th home! Both Habitat for Humanity and the Newport News Shipyard joined together to build a house for the McCallum family. The family played a vital role in the development of this new home.



### Habitat's 200th Home | NN Shipyard's 17th Home







Crystal McCallum was born in Newport News and grew up in Hampton where she currently works as an employee of Hampton City Schools. She is the proud mother of three children.



Cover photo: Participants from the Teen Panel Discussion hosted by Us 4 Us at the Boys & Girls Club in Newport News.



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# **Community Bulletin Board**

### **Ridley Tenant Council**

Ridley residents are invited to the Tenant Council Meeting Thursday, Nov. 21, 4:00 p.m. at the Family Investment Center, 600-C Ridley Circle. Join your fellow neighbors to discuss the neighborhood and any upcoming events.

### **Holiday Frost 2019**

Free children's holiday celebration on Friday, Dec. 13, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center, 2410 Wickham Avenue. The theme is "The Nightmare Before Frozen" - merging two iconic holiday films into one amazing live experience! Kids leave with their first gift of the holiday season. RSVP is encouraged, at eventbrite, bit.ly/209Mrgx (link is case sensitive).



## ARTech Lights & Open House

Free holiday event on Friday, Dec. 13, 3:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Brooks Crossing Innovation Lab, 550 30th Street, Suite 102. Come see the Double Helix animated art installation created by Jefferson Lab scientists and enjoy a variety elements such as:

- Skating rink [also available Dec. 14, 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Dec. 15 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.]
- Silent disco
- Bonfire
- "Techtivities" from Jefferson Lab, Newport New Shipbuilding, Brooks Crossing Innovation Center
- Food and beverage vendors

### **Youth Steel Drum Classes**

Mondays, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center, 2410 Wickham Avenue. Ages 10 - 18 are invited to come and join a free steel drum class. In-person registration required, contact 757-247-8950.



#### **Free GED Classes**

Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. or Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Discovery STEM Academy, 12 Chestnut Avenue. Interested in obtaining your GED? Need help preparing? Call 757-928-6838, ext. 38900 or email jessica.morris@nn.k12.va.us.

# **Community Snapshots**







Images from left to right: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) designation of Envision Centers in Newport News and Norfolk, citizens at the ARTum Festival at the Superblock Park, and Assistant Chief Hudgins with volunteers feeding the homeless at the PORT winter shelter at First Baptist Church, East End. Source for top right image of the youth drummer: Daily Press.