



Sarvis Café Renovation is Underway!

CKAR developed the concept of a café that will be used to offer training in the culinary arts and to promote healthy eating and living in the communities we serve which include:

- The Town of Riverdale Park
- The unincorporated communities of East Riverdale
 - Riverdale Heights
 - Templeton Knoll
 - East Pines
- Beacon Heights
- Hanson Oaks
- Roswill
- Landover Hills
- West Lanham Hills
- Woodlawn



The Sarvis Café is located at 5711 Sarvis Avenue, Riverdale Park, MD 20737. It will serve breakfast and lunch daily and feature a menu that has foods from varieties of cultures. The menu focuses on healthy eating and reflects the diversity of our community so there is something for everyone.

Prince George's Community College is our training partner to provide 14-week certified Culinary Arts & Customer Service Training to 45 students in 3 cohorts. It will be a major recruitment site for local restaurants, caterers, and other businesses in the community. Trained chefs will fill positions at local restaurants, catering facilities and other businesses in their own community. Mentoring is provided by chefs and other professionals at Sarvis, and CKAR offers best practice training, fosters entrepreneurial skills, and train chefs to launch their own small businesses.

An informational community board will provide information on a myriad of classes such as ESOL, health and wellness, mental health and job readiness. Reduced meal cost and healthy eating discussions of cooking and grocery shopping will be available for seniors. Special events, workshops and meetings will be held on the café or on the KP Discovery Patio. There will also be guest chef "Cook and Chat" sessions for seniors while they enjoy reduced cost meals and discussions of cooking and grocery shopping alternatives.



ESOL Students Graduate from July Session

CKAR students of the July English for Students of Other Languages (ESOL) class celebrated another milestone as they held their graduation ceremony on Friday, August 2, 2019. Most are returning students who have completed 2 or 3 ESOL sessions. Their progression in learning the English language is great and many have testimonies of being able to communicate with their English speaking friends, doctors, co-workers, etc. This class is free and includes basic computer training. If you know of someone who may benefit from this class please let them know. The next session begins on August 12 and they can call our office to register.

Benjamin Zheng completed a 6-week summer internship at CKAR. He assisted managers in various departments, but mostly worked with Jeanette Mitchell, Communications Specialist as she tasked Ben with making posts on our social media sites and other duties that provided an opportunity to sharpen his graphic application skills. Benjamin is interested in Information Technology and will attend the University of Maryland this upcoming fall. We're confident Benjamin will do well in his education endeavors and career pursuits.





Thank you to our financial supporters. We need your donations to continue providing services and programs that enrich our community.
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The U.S. Census Bureau is Gearing Up for 2020 Census

CKAR is preparing to make a great impact in the 2020 Census with our support on two Census Complete Count Committees

The International & Immigration Subcommittee creates and coordinates materials and activities that target non-English speaking populations.

The Non-Profit & Community-Based Organization Subcommittee collaborates with community organizations to inform residents of the importance of participating in the 2020 Census.

Hard to Count Groups

Hard to Count (HTC) groups or populations who have historically been undercounted and/or traditionally have not responded well to the decennial census questionnaire, such as ethnicity/minority populations, renters, and low income households. CKAR services residents in many of the (HTC) areas and we are endeavoring to get the most accurate count possible for our communities in an attempt to avoid any negative impact by an undercount.



By law, every 10 years the U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States. Your participation determines representation and how billions in federal funds are distributed. If our community is undercounted, friends and neighbors miss out on an estimated \$18,250 per person over a 10-year period. Statewide, that's a total of \$26.6 billion over a 10-year period.

Complete Count Committees (CCC) are volunteer committees established by tribal, state, and local governments and community leaders or organizations to increase awareness and motivate residents to respond to the 2020 Census. CCCs serve as state and local "census ambassador" groups that play an integral part in ensuring a complete and accurate count of the community in the 2020 Census. Success of the census depends on community involvement at every level. The U.S. Census Bureau cannot conduct the 2020 Census alone.

HOW THE U.S. CENSUS IMPACTS OUR COMMUNITY

REPRESENTATION Determines the number of legislators Maryland has in U.S. House of Representatives.	SERVICES Funds our roads, schools, SNAP, CHIP, WIC, school lunches, and many other programs.	COMMUNITY FUNDING If our community is undercounted, we miss out on \$1,825 per person each year.	OUR FUTURE Informs our planning for transportation, housing, schools, emergency response.	JOBS Statistics help attract businesses and drive economic development.

[Click on this link to go to the 2020 Census website for more information about the 2020 Census & how you can participate.](#)