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# Press Release

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### This Week in Westland February 6, 2021 - February 14, 2021

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**Free Mask Give Away** – The City of Westland has partnered with Wayne County for a free mask giveaway. Westland residents can come to Westland City Hall, located at 36300 Warren Road, **Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** and request a pack of 5 free washable masks and also receive a COVID educational packet. Additionally, there will be a weekly drive through operation in the city hall parking lot on **Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Westland Partners with Wayne County for Free Drive Thru COVID-19 TestingClinic** – The City of Westland has established a free drive thru COVID-19 testing clinic to assist in the Wayne County COVID Testing. Residents will have no out of pocket expenses for testing. However, if insurance information is available, it will be collected for the laboratory testing fees. There is no pre-registration or appointments needed. Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Residents can expect to receive their results within 2-3 days, which will be shared via email, phone call or text message. The testing will take place in the parking lot of Westland Friendship Center located at 1119 Newburgh Road. The testing hours are Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Gleaners Free Food Distribution** – Families and individuals in need of food are encouraged to attend upcoming drive up distributions provided by Gleaners Community Food Bank. **On Tuesday, February 9th and February 23rd from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.** at Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center located at 32150 Dorsey Road, 30 pounds of groceries, items like milk, fresh fruits, vegetables, lean protein and other shelf-stable foods will be distributed. There is no appointment needed, nor identification or proof of eligibility to receive food. You may pick up for another household as well without their presence in the car.

**Scheduled Upcoming Civic Meetings** – Residents are invited to attend the upcoming City Meetings via zoom. Please visit [www.cityofwestland.com](http://www.cityofwestland.com) for the links to join the meetings. Below is a list of the meetings with their date, time and

location:

- **Tax Increment Finance Authority Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.** Please click [here](#) for the agenda.
- **Police & Fire Civil Service Study Session Commission Meeting** will be held in person on **Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.** This meeting will be held in person in the Gene McKinney Ballroom located at 36300 Warren Road. Please click [here](#) for the agenda.
- **Westland Fire and Police Civil Service Commission Meeting** will be held in person on **Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.** This meeting will be held in person in the Gene McKinney Ballroom located at 36300 Warren Road.
- **The Marijuana Business Review Board** will hold their meeting **in person on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** This meeting will be held at Westland City Hall located at 36300 Warren Road in the Council Chambers. Please click [here](#) for the agenda.

**City Offices will be closed for President's Day on Monday, February 15th.** In recognition of the federal holiday. This includes City Hall and the 18th District Court, however trash and recycling pick up will not be affected.

**Westland Businesses Promote Job Opportunities through Westland Works** –Are you looking for a job? There are many job opportunities with businesses throughout Westland. Please visit <https://www.cityofwestland.com/Jobs.aspx> for the businesses hiring.

**The Westland Police Department** is offering all eligible residents an opportunity to win a new Ring doorbell camera. Please visit [www.cityofwestland.com](http://www.cityofwestland.com) for details and terms.

**Mike Modano Ice Arena Open Skate** – the Mike Modano Ice Arena, located at 6210 N. Wildwood, has open skating every Sunday from 1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m. The capacity is limited to 30 people and masks are required at all times. The cost is \$6 for children and \$7 for adults with a \$4 skate rental fee for Westland Residents and \$5 skate rental for non-residents. For more information please call (734) 729-4560.

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Westland, Michigan is the state's 10<sup>th</sup> largest municipality, with a population of over 84,000.

Westland has been recognized as one of 24/7 Wall Street's America's Best 50 Cities to Live, offering residents and visitors an ideal blend of single – family affordable homes, apartments and condominiums, great schools, and access to numerous outdoor activities. Public safety is delivered by full-service, professional law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

Westland is well known as a premier destination for shopping and dining in Wayne County with hundreds of shops and restaurants anchored by the Westland shopping Center, one of the country's original four regional malls.

The City is served by two public school districts; Wayne-Westland Community Schools serving 12,000 youth was recently named one of the best schools in Michigan by WXYZ-TV and is the proud recipient of 14 Golden Apple and two Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Awards. Livonia Public Schools, educating nearly 15,000 students, is proud of their MEAP/MME scores that exceed State averages and the district has also earned Golden Apple and Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School awards.

The City provides competitive incentives for those who are interested in investing in Westland, making it one of the hottest investment markets in the region. Westland's Fast-Track to Business Team, which consists of key decision makers who work diligently to "cut the red tape" and expedite the approval process for new business development.