



Canton For All People exists to improve the quality of life for the residents in downtown Canton. Thank you for being part of our community as a donor, homeowner or any other program area we offer.

Watch a video from Executive Director Don Ackerman as he shares about upcoming events and programming. Plus, learn more about our work for the rest of 2026.



Upcoming Dates

- 6/30-7/6 - Shorb Market closed, reopens 7/7
- 7/19 - Open House from 1-3 p.m. at 625 Miner St., Alliance OH 44601
- 8/2 - Open House from 1-3 p.m. at 715, 719 & 801 Tenth Streets, Canton OH 44703 & 947 Shorb Ave., Canton OH 44703
- 8/18 - Homebuyer's Workshop at 5:30 p.m. at 1016 Second St., Canton OH 44703; located at Newton Family Apartments
- 8/29 - Summer Block Party from 12-4 p.m. at King Park
- 9/25 - Neighborhood Town Hall at 5 p.m. at Gibbs Avenue Center; dinner is provided

Neighborhood Town Hall

Canton For All People is hosting a Neighborhood Town Hall on Friday, September 25 at 5 p.m. at the Gibbs Avenue Center. Dinner will be provided.

We'll share the work we've done so far in the Shorb neighborhood and hear from YOU - the residents of Northwest Canton, on how we can continue to improve your neighborhood. We want to problem solve together about the neighborhood challenges that still remain.



During the event, you'll have the chance to view our **Neighborhood Photo Project** - a project where residents have taken pictures of their neighborhood to tell the story of Northwest Canton.

For more information on the Neighborhood Photo Project and to sign up for a photowalk [click here](#).

You can also email our Communications Director Kelly Krabill at kellyk@cantonforallpeople.org for more information.

Shorb Neighborhood Block Party

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for all people

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 | 12-4 PM | KING PARK

GRILLED FOOD | WATER GAMES | GIVEAWAYS

BOUNCE HOUSES | DJ BIG JUNE | & MORE

Summertime at Gibbs Kitchen

David Abou-Zakhim, Gibbs Kitchen's chef, has been busy this summer creating delicious and nutritious meals for kids at summer camps throughout Canton.

He kicked off the month of June by making daily meals for middle schoolers through TomTod Ideas' summer camp. This month,

Dave will add in meals for Southeast Community Center and Simply Youth's



summer camps. Altogether, Dave's making more than 300 daily breakfast's and lunches for campers.

A huge thank you to Crossroads United Methodist Church for allowing Dave to use the kitchen while construction finishes at the Gibbs Avenue Center.

Dave said he's excited to get into their new kitchen and make healthy meals from scratch.

"I've always believed in eating the colors of the rainbow," Dave said. "The colors of the rainbow are the most nutritious" options to eat such as fruits and vegetables and a healthy protein like chicken.

Dave, we can't wait to see (and taste test) what you'll create in the new kitchen!

If you'd like Gibbs Kitchen to cater your event, you can email Dave at dave@cantonforallpeople.org.

From shovel to keys!

Viola moved into her new home in June after months of hard work to become a first-time homeowner through Canton For All People.



"The house was meant for me," Viola said. "I got it built from the ground up, and this is my forever home."

Want to buy a house with us? Call our Housing Director Traci Skipper or our Neighborhood Service Coordinator Jada McElroy at (234) 360-3042 for more information. Houses for sale are also listed [here](#).

Our next open house is Sunday, July 19 in Alliance and Sunday, August 2 in Canton. RSVP to Jada at jada@cantonforallpeople.org. Walk-ins are also welcome.



Open House
Sunday, July 19th

1:00-3:00 PM

727 Milner St., Alliance OH 44601

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Sunday, August 2nd 1-3 p.m.

OPEN HOUSE

RSVP to Jada at jada@cantonforallpeople.org



947 SHORB AVE.
CANTON OH 44703



715, 719 & 801
TENTH ST.
CANTON OH 44703

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WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
HOMEOWNERSHIP?



ATTEND ONE OF OUR MONTHLY

HOME BUYER'S WORKSHOP

EVERY THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
FROM 5:30-7:00 P.M. STARTING AUGUST
18TH

LOCATED AT
CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE IN
NEWTON FAMILY APARTMENTS
1016 SECOND ST., CANTON OH 44703

*BUYERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ONE
MONTHLY SESSION*



RSVP TO JADA AT [JADA@CANTONFORALLPEOPLE.ORG](mailto:jada@cantonforallpeople.org)

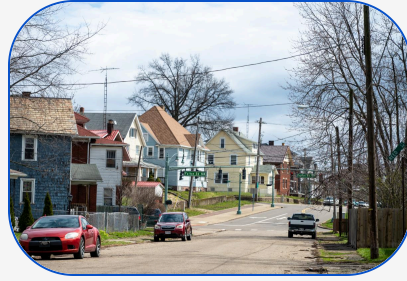


Apply for our Homeowner Improvement Program

Through a \$1.5 million Affordable Housing Program award from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, Canton for All People will complete repairs up to \$15,000 for owner-occupied homes in the City of Canton for eligible residents. [Apply here.](#)

Typical repairs include:

- Roof repairs
- Windows, doors and siding improvements
- Plumbing and emergency water issues
- HVAC replacement
- Electrical repairs
- Accessibility modifications



Eligibility Criteria include:

- Priority for majority minority census tracts
- Homeownership & residency
- Income limits
- Age 60+
- Physically or developmentally disabled
- Repair needs
- Program participation

Click [here](#) to learn more about the program and eligibility requirements. Fill out our [Homeowner Improvement Program](#) request form to apply.

You can also call our Neighborhood Service Director Matt Belliveau at (234) 360-3042 or send an email to matt@cantonforallpeople.org.

Fresh groceries at Shorb Market

We had 4,881 households shop for free groceries during the month of June. Thank you to our partners, the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank.



Shorb Market is located at 603 Shorb Ave. NW, Canton OH 44703 and is open Tuesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Lunch For All People is every Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Join us on [Facebook live](#) every Monday at 10:30 a.m. with Coffee with Carrie and Carlos to hear about weekly market offerings.



You can purchase your very own Coffee with Carrie & Carlos t-shirt and a percentage of the sales will help fund a food truck for the Shorb Market. The cost is \$20 and ordering



is through MVP Custom Tees & Apparel at 5100 Cleveland S. in Canton OH 44707. You have the choice of a English or Spanish version t-shirt in pink, green or black.

Here's how you can order:

1. Purchase in store at MVP Custom Tees & Apparel
2. Fill out an in person form at the Shorb Market

Payment is due at time of order.

Need other resources while at the market? We offer a community table where local partners offer free resources to the community.

Shorb Market is closed 6/29 - 7/6 and will reopen Tuesday, July 7.

Facebook Live resumes July 6.

Meet Sam

Sam is one of our summer interns. She works at the Shorb Market + Connection Center by checking in shoppers, stocking daily food items and handing out groceries. She also helps with data entry in our housing department.

"I really like interacting with people in the community," Sam said. "You really get the community feeling when you work there (Shorb Market) because you get to see so many regulars and volunteers that come in everyday and you can feel how tight knit the neighborhood is."

Sam is going into her senior year at the University of Mount Union with a major in psychology.



Leading Canton

Neighborhood Leadership Academy held its commissioning ceremony June 11 for the spring cohort.

As a group of nine, participants banded together on a final capstone project and presented it during the ceremony, which they called The Blueprint Block Party. This capstone project connects youth ages 18-26 with the tools needed to transition into adulthood and will host events to provide those resources for areas such as career readiness and financial freedom.



Pierre and Annah Williams, husband and wife 2024 graduates of the academy, said their cohort spent a lot of time trying to fix and repair issues in Canton rather than start something new and move forward with the idea.

A 2025 participant, Shauntae Metcalf, understands more about how she navigates her day to day.

"I now better understand myself so I can better lead others," she said.

Josh participated in the latest cohort, which helped developed his leadership style and confidence to lead others throughout Canton.

"I've always been a helper, but I've stepped up more now to take the lead on things," he said, noting he's open to connecting more with residents and leaders throughout Canton.



Monique Moore, the northeast Ohio regional liaison and statewide cultural outreach coordinator for Gov. Mike DeWine, commemorated the participants by presenting an award for completing the program. She also presented an award from Gov. Mike DeWine and Lt. Gov. Jim Tressel to Gino Haynes, facilitator and founder of the Neighborhood Leadership Academy, to praise his efforts for training and launching leaders in the community.

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