





JUNE 24, 2023

Rev. Dr. Wendell Anthony President Detroit Branch NAACP

Ms. Kamilia K. Landrum Executive Director Detroit Branch NAACP Dear Freedom Fighters:

We greet you with exciting news! You are cordially invited to attend the *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 60<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Freedom Walk* and the *68<sup>th</sup> Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner*. These iconic gatherings will bring thousands of people together who hold social justice, equality, and the advancement of all people high on their list of priorities.

The theme for this historic weekend is "June Jubilee: A Celebration of Freedom." Leading the effort for the 68th Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner is Mr. Christopher Ilitch, President & CEO, Ilitch Companies. The Annual Freedom Fund Dinner is the largest sitdown dinner of its kind; delivering a keynote address from some of the most renowned speakers including President Bill Clinton, Senator Barack Obama, Secretary of State/General Colin Powell, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, Vice President Joe Biden, Actor/Social Activist Harry Belafonte, and Vice President Kamala Harris to name a few.

The UAW International remains our historic partner for the *60<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Freedom Walk*. We have been pleased to commemorate this historic occasion every ten years beginning in June 1993 with the 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, and 50<sup>th</sup> Freedom Walks. This commemoration is special to Detroit because Dr. King first delivered his "I Have A Dream" speech here on June 22, 1963, before heading to Washington, D.C. for the March on Washington.

We ask that you join us at the Freedom Walk and bring your family, friends, and networks to take a stand with you. We will gather at Woodward Ave. and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd on June 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and march to Hart Plaza. The Rally at Hart Plaza will begin at 12 p.m. This event is free and will be a great opportunity to honor Dr. King's legacy and take a just stand against the systems'thracism that prohibit us from living Dr. King's dream.

Please register today at <a href="www.detroitnaacp.org">www.detroitnaacp.org</a> for more information. When visiting the website, you will be able to find out more details on the full weekend. Again, we appreciate your strong support, and we certainly hope that you will be in attendance for these historic events.

- Freedom Walk Summit
- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Statue Unveiling
- 60<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Freedom Walk & Rally
- 68th Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner

Thursday, June 22, 2023 Friday, June 23, 2023 Saturday, June 24, 2023

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Yours for Freedom, Justice, and Equality,

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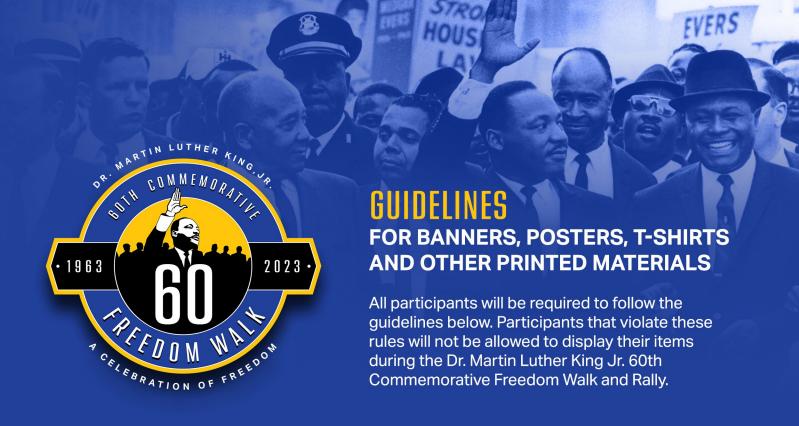
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**SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023 – 10 A.M.** 

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# CONTENT

- 1. No obscene, indecent, profane or offensive words, phrases, photographs, illustrations, symbols or forms of any kind will be allowed on display. The Detroit Branch NAACP reserves the right to determine any materials that violate this policy.
- 2. Any materials printed with the words "Detroit Branch NAACP," "NAACP," or with the Branch/NAACP logo must be approved by the Detroit Branch NAACP/NAACP prior to printing. Instructions on the approval process are below.
- 3. When referring to the event, please use the official event title "Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 60th Commemorative Freedom Walk." When referring to the Detroit Branch NAACP, please use Detroit Branch NAACP and not NAACP Detroit Branch, Detroit Chapter or any other variation.



- 1. Banners should not exceed 3 x 6 feet, unless approved for larger group sizes.
- 2. Posters should not exceed 24 x 36 inches.





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Approval requests can be sent to **media@detroitnaacp.org**. A response will be given in 24-48 hours. In your request, please include a graphic of the printed material and quantity of printing. **Printed materials should only be provided to your group members and not mass distributed or listed for sale.** 

If you have any questions, please send them to <a href="media@detroitnaacp.org">media@detroitnaacp.org</a>.

We look forward to your participation and support.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Schedule of Events** 

#### Thursday, June 22, 2023

Freedom Summit (Registration Required)
9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wayne County Community College District NW Campus

#### Friday, June 23, 2023

Special Unveiling 10:00 a.m. Hart Plaza

# Saturday, June 24, 2023

60<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Freedom Walk and Rally (Registration Required)
10:00 a.m. - Freedom Walk Step Off at Woodward @ Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
12:00 p.m. - Rally at Hart Plaza

### Sunday June 25, 2023 – Huntington Place (Ticketed Event)

68th Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner 5:00 p.m. – Freedom Fund Dinner

### Registration

All persons attending the event are required to register at <a href="www.detroitnaacp.org">www.detroitnaacp.org</a>. This will allow us to accurately prepare for our attendees and send important updates about your staging location for the event. Please be sure to record your organizations name on the registration page.

#### Signs/Banners/T-Shirts

Organizations are encouraged to wear their t-shirts and bring signs to the event. Official merchandise will be on sale at the start of the Freedom Walk and at the Rally. Please follow the brand guidelines when printing materials. It is very important.

#### **Parking and Shuttles**

Parking and Shuttle information will be updated on the website weekly beginning in June. Special accommodations are being made for attendees that are differently abled or unable to walk long distances. The Q-Line will not be in operation at the start of the march, but may be available after the rally.

### Lodging

A limited number of hotel rooms are available Thursday, June 22 – Monday, June 26, 2023. If you would like more information on hotel rates and availability, please email us at <a href="mailto:info@detroitnaacp.org">info@detroitnaacp.org</a>.

#### **Walk Route**

The walk route is approximately 1.7 miles. It will begin at Woodward Ave. and Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd at 10:00 a.m. and end at Hart Plaza. The following amenities will be available along the route: free water, first aid, information, portable restrooms.

#### Rally

The rally will begin at 12 p.m. The following amenities will be available at Hart Plaza: food trucks, free water, first aid, information, lost and found and portable restrooms. Please email us at <a href="mailto:info@detroitnaacp.org">info@detroitnaacp.org</a> to reserve seating for deaf/blind/or hard of hearing individuals and those that need wheelchair accessible seating.

# Security

No weapons or firearms of any kind are allowed at the event. The Detroit Law Enforcement community along with private Detroit Branch NAACP security will be onsite for the duration of the event.