



# JANUARY Minority Health Newsletter

Happy New Year!

A graphic of the year 2022. The numbers 20 are on the left and 22 are on the right, separated by a diagonal slash. The numbers are in a blue and white color scheme with a slight shadow. There are three small white starburst graphics: one near the bottom of the first '2', one near the top of the second '2', and one near the top of the first '2'.

*Happy New Year*

Happy New Year Summit County! As 2022 has begun, this is a reminder to focus on your goals this year. We faced a wide set of challenges in 2021, so this is a reminder to stay safe, find time to rest, and unwind this year!

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COVID-19

# SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)



Wear a cloth face covering  
in public spaces



Stay at least 6 feet  
from other people



Frequently wash  
your hands

With new records of cases and hospitalizations each day, the COVID-19 pandemic is still underway. There are many ways to decrease the transmission and slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Follow the CDC guidelines on how to protect yourself and others. Find out all you need to know about COVID-19 by following the link below.

[About COVID-19](#)

## COVID-19 Vaccine Information

[COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments](#)



Looking to get vaccinated? Follow the link below for available appointments in

Summit County. As of January 5th 2022, COVID-19 vaccinations will be

available inside at the clinic at 1867 W. Market St.

[SCPH Vaccine Info](#)

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## Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Observed each year on the third Monday in January, MLK Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities. The Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service is a defining moment each year when Americans across the country step up to make our communities more equitable and take action to create the Beloved Community of Dr. King's dream. His example is our call to action.. Follow the link below on how to volunteer and give back in your community.

[MLK Day of Service](#)

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# Support Black and Minority Owned Businesses

As Martin Luther King Jr. Day approaches on Monday, several local organizations are planning virtual and in-person events in honor of civil rights activist Dr. King. The Akron NAACP is encouraging residents to support Black-owned businesses on Martin Luther King Day, Monday, Jan. 17. Here's a list of local Black-owned businesses:

- Brown's Baked Goods, Call 330-412-1609.
- [OH SNAP Photo Lab](#), 209 S. Main St., Akron.
- [Fairlawn Nutrition Juice Bar](#), 55 Ghent Road, Fairlawn.
- [The Beanhead Brothers Coffee House](#), 2495 Romig Road, Akron.

## Martin Luther King Jr. Day at the Akron Art Museum



The Akron Art Museum will be open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17 with several special activities planned for Martin Luther King Day. All of the museum's exhibitions will be open and free to the public through a partnership with PNC Bank. The museum is offering self-guided tours to comply with social distancing. The museum will highlight work that was created during key moments in the Civil Right Movement. Follow the link below for more information!

[Akron Art Museum MLK Day Celebration](#)

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Akron-Summit County Public Library annual Martin Luther King Lecture



The Akron-Summit County Public Library will host its annual Martin Luther King Lecture virtually at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16. Bishop Joey Johnson of the House of the Lord, who also heads the mayor-appointed Racial Equity and Social Justice Task Force, will deliver a keynote address. For more information

visit: <https://services.akronlibrary.org/event/5921771>

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For more MLK Day celebrations,  
follow the link below!

[MLK Day Local Celebrations](#)

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BABY & ME Tobacco Free Program

# BABY & ME Tobacco Free Program™



*Healthy Babies. Born on Time.*

Are you or someone you know pregnant and wanting to quit smoking? \*Enroll in the **BABY & ME Tobacco Free Program!**

Quitting smoking is the most important thing you can do for your health and for the health of your baby!



\*For more information contact  
Imani Lucas  
at Summit County Health  
330-926-5756

Participants  
receive free  
diapers and  
wipes!

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Thank you to our frontline healthcare workers!



The past 2 years have been hard on everyone, especially our healthcare workers. The Office of Minority Health wants to thank all of our essential and frontline healthcare workers. Your hard work and passion is saving lives daily.

Thank you for all you do!

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