****

**June 5, 2025** **Ald. Milele A. Coggs**

 (414) 286-2994

**Season 11 for We Got This kicks off on Saturday**

**Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** is pleased to announce that **We Got This** – the work and mentoring initiative for middle- and high school-aged males and females – begins its 11th season on **Saturday, June 7 at 8 a.m. at N. 9th St. and W. Ring.**

For 12 Saturdays, starting on Saturday June 7, young people can come to the garden at 9th and Ring to make a positive contribution to the neighborhood and earn $20 in the process.

Alderwoman Coggs said she is looking forward to the young men and women being ready and eager to be a part of the project again, and is hopeful that donors will once again step up and provide the support that helps generate the positive reward for the work the young people complete.

“We Got This provides each participant with a landscaping or cleanup assignment in their neighborhood and a small amount of money is paid to each for their work,” Alderwoman Coggs said. “We are so grateful for the initiative, which over the years has given many youth the opportunity to build a good work ethic and has kept many on a positive path.”

Motivated by concern for neighborhood boys surrounded by drugs, violence and a degree of hopelessness, community mentor and leader Andre Lee Ellis started We Got This in the summer of 2014 with the support of countless community stakeholders.

**-More-**



**We Got This/ADD ONE**

Last year, young people gave more than 3,000 hours of service to their community through the Saturday morning program, planting and beautifying formerly vacant lots. We Got This provided $30,000 to youth for their hard work making the neighborhood a better place to grow up. This year, there’s even more capacity to support and reward young people for their contributions.

A $20 donation provides work for one young person on one Saturday, and a $240 donation supports one youth for the entire summer. Please consider donating today at [wegotthismke.com](http://wegotthismke.com). If you know a young person who’s interested, the program is open to middle and high school boys and girls and runs June 7–August 23, every Saturday from 8 AM to noon at the corner of 9th and Ring. We Got This is also always looking for volunteers – please reach out to learn how you can get involved.

Please visit the website [https://wegotthismke.com](https://wegotthismke.com/) or send an email to contact@wegotthismke.com for more information.

**-30-**

