



Reparations Committee  
Thursday, March 3, 2022  
Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, G300 9:00 AM

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Staff recommends the Reparations Committee accepts and place on file staff's update on the orientation (one-on-one) of first sixteen reparations beneficiaries.

**For Action: Accept and Place on File**

[Update on Orientation \(one-on-one\) of First Sixteen Reparations Beneficiaries - Attachment - Pdf](#)

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Staff update regarding tax implications of reparations benefits

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Staff recommends the Reparations Committee accepts and place on file the March 2021 Donation Report.

**For Action: Accept and Place on File**

[Reparations Financial Donation Report - Attachment - Pdf](#)

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Reparations Committee  
Thursday, January 13th 2021  
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### **Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Peter Braithwaite, Councilmember Bobby Burns (virtual), Robin Rue Simmons, Carlis Sutton, Bonnie Lockhart, and Claire McFarland Barber (virtual)

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Devon Reid

Other Present: Kimberly Richardson, Deputy City Manager; and Tasheik Kerr, Assistant to City Manager

### **CALL TO ORDER/DECLARATION OF A QUORUM**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Councilmember Braithwaite.

### **CONSIDERATION**

#### **Approval of the Restorative Housing "Ancestor" Category Recipient List**

Committee member Robin Sue Simmons, Committee member Sutton, Committee Member Lockhart, Committee member Barber, and Councilmember Burns gave speeches acknowledging the reparations process thus far. Councilmember Braithwaite thanked those who contributed to the development of the Restorative Housing Reparations program. Councilmember Braithwaite explained there were over 600 applicants, and the Reparations Committee gave direction to prioritize the ancestor category of applicants. All names in the ancestor category would be drawn and placed in order. In total, 123 recipients applied as ancestors. The Committee randomly selected the ancestor applicants in the following order:

Selection Number	Unique ID	Selection Number	Unique ID	Selection Number	Unique ID	Selection Number	Unique ID
1	878399340	22	875695309	43	879030608	64	880256140
2	880758209	23	880788450	44	879020787	65	877510163
3	867396349	24	880267306	45	875013389	66	881788288
4	872063608	25	880778813	46	871486485	67	866225435
5	872089868	26	880219835	47	866244960	68	882347996
6	866294163	27	879621983	48	868401725	69	880723205
7	883127207	28	872118062	49	883252151	70	882675613
8	883153365	29	880454851	50	870251932	71	869198954
9	883155497	30	876566111	51	881851353	72	879599665
10	872113295	31	875152066	52	869213022	73	882333557
11	877780395	32	881899934	53	880399427	74	881543662
12	883240824	33	866337535	54	863570962	75	866243629
13	867383974	34	880220238	55	866346567	76	869462148
14	880269116	35	874918181	56	878948248	77	872101898
15	872059972	36	873118499	57	881906487	78	870173898
16	883310473	37	880760135	58	870374093	79	879626920
17	877840845	38	866225408	59	883286978	80	878958629
18	882482987	39	881978812	60	883292926	81	877477644
19	880976670	40	867344402	61	865401934	82	877792758
20	874893796	41	865598582	62	872082295	83	863249220
21	871546426	42	874968341	63	874089076	84	871560534

<b>Selection Number</b>	<b>Unique ID</b>	<b>Selection Number</b>	<b>Unique ID</b>
85	874953359	104	878987428
86	866208361	105	874889602
87	882627913	106	879054622
88	872080314	107	881551932
68	882347996	108	878936318
89	870419222	109	879871764
90	883311711	110	879631013
91	870388431	111	877837004
92	880720577	112	872156283
93	863315354	113	874958773
94	883269379	114	883283115
95	872679132	115	870250345
96	874898465	116	878134099
97	863552405	117	876517446
98	865974637	118	878926011
99	881932465	119	883279304
100	875004049	120	883241744
101	876570622	121	864122449
102	883217009	122	882055753
103	863548185	123	879055800

**COMMUNICATION**

Councilmember Braithwaite announced, the first 16 recipients would be notified by mail and phone, in addition to the announcement. Next month, the Committee would assess the procedure for direct descendants, according to Deputy City Manager Kimberly Richardson. Councilmember Braithwaite recommended including a list of housing resources for seniors.

Committee Member Simmons noted there are people who want to participate and bring resources to the community. Councilmember Braithwaite thanked everyone who attended the meeting and contributed to the program's success. Councilmember

Braithwaite recognized Deputy City Manager Kimberly Richardson and Assistant to City Manager, Tasheik Kerr for their contributions to the Reparations Program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment was made by Vannesa McCoy, Ronnie Mohammed, Alba Hennel, Ndonga Muboyayi, Alberta Dortch, Tina Payton, Kamm Howard, Delores Holmes, and Christina Djossa

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Committee member Simmons, seconded by Committee member Lockhart to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.



# Memorandum

To: Members of the Reparations Committee  
 From: Audrey Thompson, Interim Parks & Recreation Director  
 CC: Tasheik Kerr, Assistant City Manager  
 Subject: Update on Orientation (one-on-one) of First Sixteen Reparations Beneficiaries  
 Date: March 3, 2022

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends the Reparations Committee accepts and place on file staff's update on the orientation (one-on-one) of first sixteen reparations beneficiaries.

Committee Action:

For Action: Accept and Place on File

Summary:

Staff has begun meeting one-on-one with the selected first sixteen reparations beneficiaries regarding the Restorative Housing Program. Beneficiaries were provided an overview of the three program benefits (Home Purchase Benefit, Home Mortgage Assistance Benefits, and Home Improvement Benefit) and their respective procedures. Staff also inquired of beneficiaries' housing needs and recommended alternative programs/resources that could supplement the beneficiaries' Reparations benefit of \$25,000 where appropriate.

Thus far, staff has met with eight of the first sixteen reparations beneficiaries. **Table 1** below summarizes the wards the eight beneficiaries belong to and their selected benefit. **Table 2 and chart** includes the Ward demographics of all 123 selected Ancestors.

**Table 1**

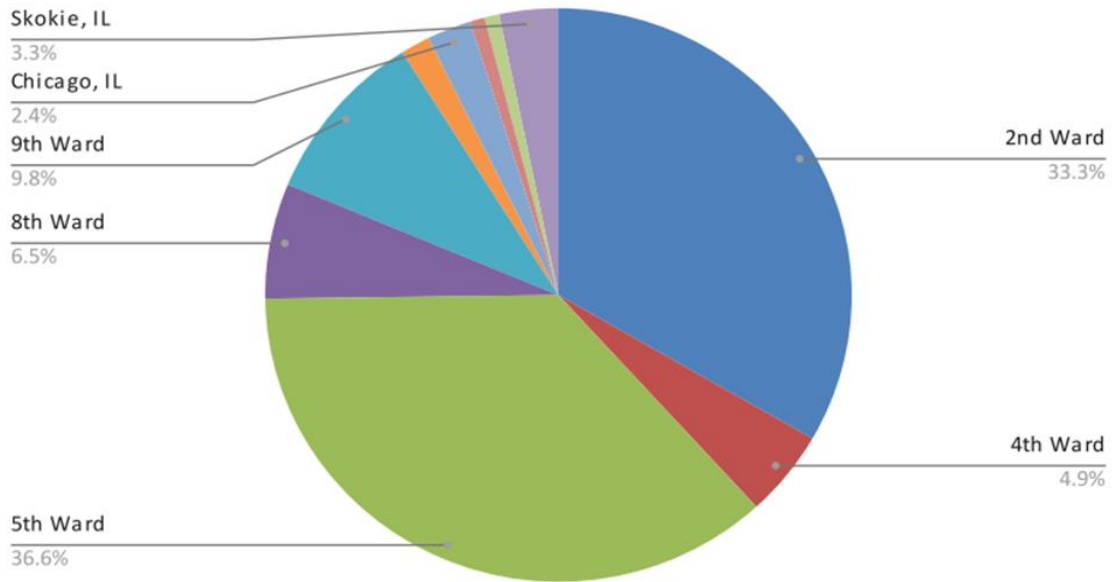
Ward	Selected Benefit
2	Home Mortgage Assistance
9	Home Improvement
5	Home Improvement
8	Home Improvement
1	Home Mortgage Assistance and Home Improvement
5	Home Mortgage Assistance and Home Improvement

4	Undecided
8	Home Mortgage Assistance and Home Improvement
2	Undecided

**Table 2**

Ward/Residency	Number of Ancestors
2	41
4	6
5	45
8	8
9	12
Belen, NM	2
Chicago, IL	3
Glendale, WI	1
Morton Grove, IL	1
Skokie, IL	4
Grand Total	123

**Ancestors: Residency**







## Memorandum

To: Members of the Reparatons Committee  
From: Nicholas Cummings, Corporation Counsel  
Subject: Staff Update Regarding Tax Implications of Reparatons Benefits  
Date: March 3, 2022

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Recommended Action:

Staff update regarding tax implications of reparatons benefits

Committee Action:

For Discussion

Summary:

From the start, the City's reparatons programs have been designed to have little to no tax implication on recipients. Yet questions surrounding the implications persist. To that end, the law department retained Tax Law Offices, Inc., a Black owned tax firm to opine on the potential consequences of the City's current program; any program that may provide a direct cash payment; and finally, any implication on entitlement aid/benefits.

Tax Law Offices, Inc. has offices in Illinois, Maryland and South Carolina with accountants and lawyers who are former IRS employees on staff.



## Memorandum

To: Members of the Reparatons Committee  
From: Tasheik Kerr, Assistant to the City Manager  
Subject: Reparatons                      Financial                      Donation                      Report  
Date: March 3, 2022

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Recommended Action:

Staff recommends the Reparatons Committee accepts and place on file the March 2021 Donation Report.

Committee Action:

For Action: Accept and Place on File

Summary:

As of March 1, 2022, the City has received **\$69,103** in donations to the Reparatons Fund. This represents an increase of 41% from December 2021.

As to the 3% Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax on adult/recreational cannabis sales within the City, the Committee should note that per the state statute (35 ILCS 120/11), the City cannot share reasonable statistics concerning the operation of the 3% tax or share allocations received from this tax since there are fewer than 5 adult-use cannabis dispensaries in Evanston. Doing so would be a breach of confidentiality.

Attachments:

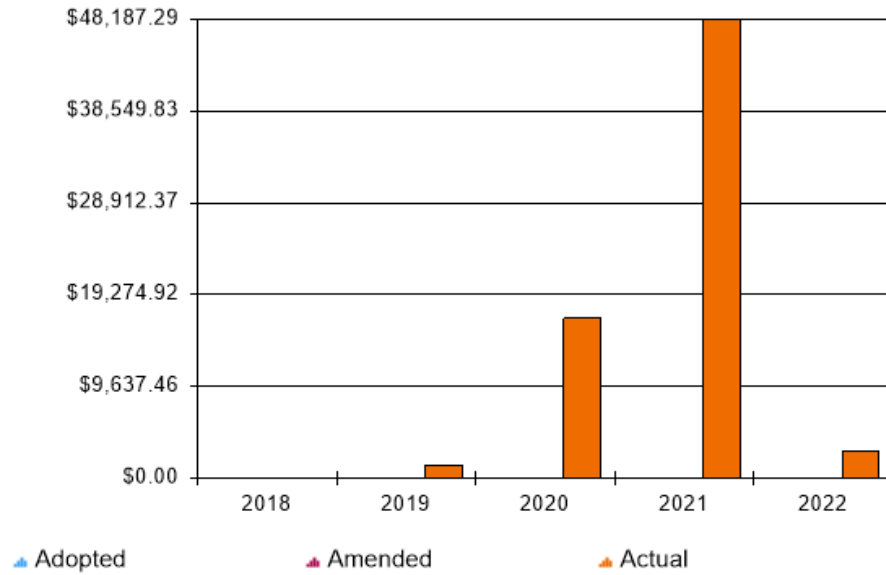
[March Donations Report](#)

Chart By Account Prior Fiscal Year Activity Include

**177.15.1595 (REPARATIONS FUND.CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE.REPARATIONS FUND.DONATIONS )**

Classification **Other Revenue**

5 Year Trend Analysis by Account



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual	\$0.00	\$1,335.00	\$16,806.50	\$48,187.29	\$2,775.00

Annual Totals YTD

Reclass Journal Type

Prior Year Include

Classification **Other Revenue**

Fiscal Year **2022**

Amended Budget <b>\$0.00</b>	Revenues <b>\$2,775.00</b>	YTD Balance <b>-\$2,775.00</b>	Percent Received <b>---</b>
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Month	Budget	Amendments	Revenues	Current YTD Balance	Perce
January	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	-\$2,500.00	
February	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	-\$2,775.00	
March	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
April	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
May	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
June	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
July	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
August	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
September	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
October	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
November	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
December	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$2,775.00	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,775.00	-\$2,775.00	
Unposted Transactions	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$2,775.00)	
Grand Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,775.00	(\$2,775.00)	

