



# Celebrating a Century of Service

## PRESS CONFERENCE

*February 21, 2019 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm at Douglass Community Association*

Douglass Community Association turned 100 and that's big news! For 100 years, the Douglass has fulfilled its commitment to empower the residents of the Northside and greater Kalamazoo. At this time in our history, it matters that the Douglass is here and steadfast in the belief that every person should be able reach their full potential. The Douglass also has the distinct pleasure of welcoming Governor Gretchen Whitmer to tour the facility and learn about our remarkable history.

## OPEN HOUSE

*February 25, 2019 from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm at Douglass Community Association*

The Douglass continues to adapt to the changing needs of the community by providing countless services, many of which are through community partners like the Alma Powell Library, Boys & Girls Club, Loaves & Fishes, Momentum, Rootead, and St. Luke's Diaper Bank, to those who need it most. The open house will feature programs and services that are available within the Douglass facility or from partners of the Douglass dedicated to providing services that will enhance the lives of youth, adults, and families. The official community announcement of Douglass' 100 year anniversary launch will be at 5:30 pm. Refreshments will be served.

## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

*May 27, 2019 at Downtown Kalamazoo, Parade Route*

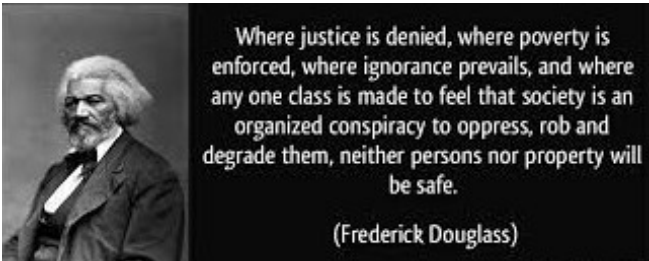
To honor our original history of serving African American soldiers, Douglass Community Association will participate in Kalamazoo's Memorial Day Parade.

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## SUMMER PICNIC

*June 29, 2019 from 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm at Douglass Community Association*

Douglass Community Association opened on July 1, 1919 on North Burdick Street. To celebrate this commemorative date and tout the prime location of the Douglass in the heart of the Northside, the community is invited to join us for this family friendly day of games, food, activities, and community fellowship.



## FORMAL DINNER CELEBRATION

*September 28, 2019 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm at Bernhard Center\**

Douglass' 100 year anniversary will culminate in a formal dinner celebration and fundraiser with a plated dinner and program. Keep a look out for pre-ticket sales. A commemorative book will also be available for purchase.

## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

*November 11, 2019 at 2:00 pm at Douglass Community Association*

Douglass Community Association was originally founded to address the social, recreational, and cultural needs of African American soldiers returning from World War I. To honor the roots of the Douglass, a celebration luncheon will be hosted to pay homage to active duty and veteran service members.

\* new location