



12th District Milwaukee County Supervisor

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Committee Assignments: Transportation and Transit (Vice-Chair) • Finance • Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services • Parks and Culture

## Hello Fellow District 12 Residents,

I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and spirits, and any residual effects from the historic flooding in August are in the past.

I'm roughly three-quarters through my second 2-year term as your Milwaukee County Supervisor. It has truly been a pleasure meeting and working with many of you in person and through dedicated community organizations. From my vantage point, I see how incredible our citizens can be.

Some highlights for me this year include:

- Hosting various clean ups with VIA in parks and areas such as Clarke Square, Jackson Park, and various locations throughout District 12
- Securing \$30 million to preserve the Mitchell Park Domes
- Co-hosting the Mitchell Clarke Friends BBQ with the Friends of Mitchell Clarke
- Collaborating with my Board colleagues and County departments on items like the Milwaukee County Transportation System, Milwaukee County Jail improvements and supporting safe access to our County Courthouse

Thanks to the collaborative work of our committees last fall, the Board unanimously passed a balanced budget in record time. While we hope for a similar outcome this year, we recognize the economic landscape for 2026 will be more challenging. Your feedback is crucial to this process, as resident input provides the blueprint for building our next budget. We encourage you to contact my office with your concerns, ideas, and suggestions, and we also invite you to attend the open houses listed in this newsletter. Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this position, I would not be here if it wasn't for you. I look forward to continuing to represent each of you!

Warm regards,

**Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez**  
**Milwaukee County Supervisor - District 12**

## Ensuring the Mitchell Park Domes' Future



*I am very pleased to share that after 3 ½ years on the Board of Supervisors, I was able to work with fellow Supervisors to reinvest in community by securing \$30 million to preserve the Mitchell Park Domes! The Domes are the beating heart of District 12. Being able to help keep them open for future generations is something that I am very proud of!*

## Neighborhood Cleanups



*This summer, I've had the great opportunity to host and co-host several neighborhood cleanups. It's been a pleasure to work alongside my neighbors to make our community a cleaner, healthier, and safer place for everyone. Cooperating with wonderful local organizations like VIA and the Friends of Mitchell Clarke has been an amazing experience, and I look forward to more community engagements like these.*

## Securing \$30 Million for the Mitchell Park Domes Reimagined

As I reflect on 2025, I'm filled with immense gratitude – and cautious optimism – knowing that our community has taken a pivotal step toward preserving the Mitchell Park Domes. In July, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors voted to provide \$30 million over the next six years to advance the Domes Reimagined project. This decision means \$5 million per year will go toward restoring one dome at a time, enhancing our public spaces with a new visitor center, expanded gift shop, café, and a lively children's dome – while a privately funded Nature Learning Center elevates our educational offerings.

This milestone wouldn't have been possible without the strong partnership between the County, Milwaukee County Parks, and the Milwaukee Domes Alliance. Their leadership, paired with philanthropic, tax-credit, and grant support totaling well over \$100 million, makes our vision realistic today. I am particularly proud that the resolution included a protective measure from my colleague Sup. Sheldon Wasserman: if the Domes Alliance were ever unable to fulfill its duties, operations would revert back to county oversight – safeguarding both the Domes and taxpayer investment.

Representing the 12th District, which includes the Domes and its surrounding neighborhoods, I have long said that we can – and should – turn this landmark from a burden into a source of strength, connection, and environmental culture for our south side. I promised to “fight tooth and nail,” and I'm gratified that my amendment requiring accountability for funding release was adopted. Still, I'm mindful of the county's broader fiscal realities – our projected \$46.7 million deficit and vast infrastructure needs mean every dollar carries weight.

Looking ahead, I remain committed to seeing this project through – ensuring annual budget installments are approved, the lease and development agreement is finalized this fall, and that the Domes truly become a revitalized anchor of community, education, and hope. While the work ahead is real, I'm proud of what we've begun together flipping the narrative so the Domes can now stand tall, not as a symbol of disrepair, but as a beacon for the future of our community.

*The renderings above portray various aspects of the Domes Reimagined plan, including a nature learning center, cafe, and gift shop.*



## Recognitions I Have Given Out This Year

- **Ruthie Burich-Weatherly**, a public-health advocate and an HIV/STD-prevention specialist with over two decades of experience including LGBTQ+ health was recognized during Pride Month.
- **Dawn Dunlap** retired from her role as Executive Assistant in the Milwaukee County Zoo Director's Office in June 2025 after an incredible 40 years of dedicated service in the County.
- **Jen Hense**, Urban Ecology Center's Executive Director and **Terry Evans**, Urban Ecology Center Washington Park Branch Director were recognized during Earth Month.
- **Melissa Muller**, the driving force behind Washington Park Wednesdays, an acclaimed eight-week summer concert series at the historic Bandshell was recognized during Parks and Recreation Month.
- **Michelle Nate**, Deputy Comptroller for the Office of the Comptroller retired at the end of February 2025 after a decade of dedicated service to Milwaukee County.
- **Kory Postotnik** retired from his role at Department of Health & Human Services after serving 25 years with the County.
- **Mike Strehlow** semi-retired from his current role as anchor for CBS 58 after dedicating over four decades to broadcast journalism.
- **Tom Stawicki** retired from his current role as Operator after serving 20 years with the Milwaukee County Transit System.
- **Yvonne Wentlandt** (lifelong contributor to the Valley community) and **MiquelaRae Artz** (founder of Live, Laugh, Loaves MKE, a free food distribution service on the South Side) were recognized during Women's History Month.

## Energy Assistance is Available for Qualifying Milwaukee County Residents



Through the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program, qualified Milwaukee County residents can receive a one-time annual payment to make your heating and electric bills more affordable!

### 1. See if you qualify.

Go to **KeepWarmMKE.org** to check income guidelines and see if you qualify. 175,000 county residents will. You may also qualify for services like furnace repair, weatherization and crisis benefits.

### 2. Make an appointment or complete your application online.

- Apply October 1 - May 15.
- Visit **KeepWarmMKE.org** or
- Call **270-4MKE (4653)**. Dial 211 for after-hours help.

### 3. All appointments are conducted by phone.

A team member will call you at your scheduled appointment time to process your application.

## Get the Help You Need

IMPACT 2-1-1 is a central access point for people in need.

During times of personal crisis or community disaster, the free, confidential helpline and online resource directory make it easy for residents to get connected to information and assistance.

**Simply dial 2-1-1.** If you want detailed information please go to: [www.impactinc.org/impact-211](http://www.impactinc.org/impact-211).

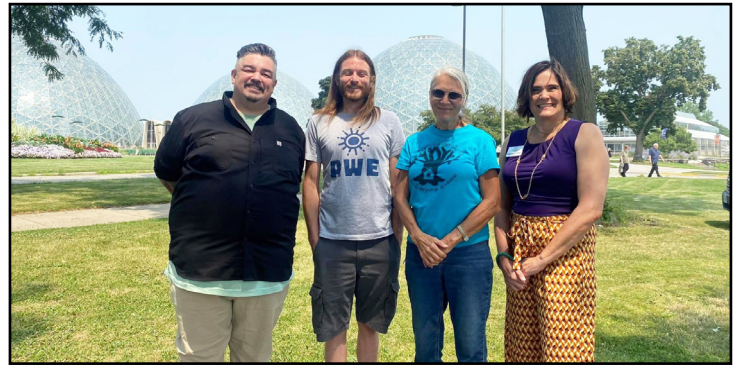


## Latiné Heritage Month at the Board



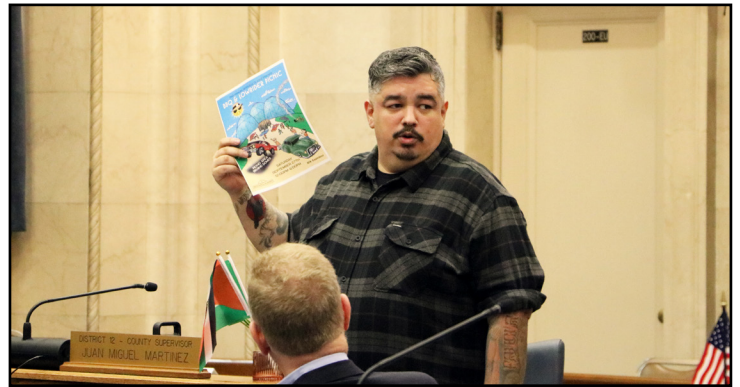
Supervisor Martinez speaking on Latiné Heritage Month during the September 2025 County Board meeting.

## La Familia de Arte



Supervisor Martinez and members of La Familia de Arte, a grassroots organization dedicated to creating meaningful change in the Milwaukee area through collaborative, community-based projects, and public artwork for all.

## Addressing the County Board



Supervisor Martinez encouraging colleagues to attend an event at Mitchell Park.

## Marcia P. Coggs Health and Human Services Center



Earlier this year, along with several of my fellow Supervisors, I celebrated the opening of the Marcia P. Coggs Health and Human Services Center. The center will be a lifeline to many in our city, being the home to both the County Health & Human Services and NourishMKE. It is located in the King Park neighborhood, where it will continue to be a trusted resource for over 50 years. The location is easily accessible by walking and public transportation. This facility is part of a larger investment in the area, which also includes the construction of 120 single-family homes to promote BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and people of color) homeownership, recent upgrades to the nearby Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, and its adjacency to the Mental Health Emergency Center.



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*Please join me for an upcoming meeting on the 2026 Milwaukee County budget. I want to hear your budget priorities for the coming year.*

## Annual County Board Public Hearing

**Monday, October 27, 2025 • 6:00 p.m.**

Mitchell Park Domes, Greenhouse No. 7 - 524 S. Layton Blvd.

## Town Hall Meeting

**Tuesday, October 28, 2025 • 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Mitchell Pavilion at Mitchell Park - 524 S. Layton Blvd.

## Enjoy Free Milwaukee County Attractions! Visit [county.milwaukee.gov/freedays](http://county.milwaukee.gov/freedays)




Free to all (excluding groups) the first Thursday of every month, sponsored by Kohl's. County residents get \$2 off every day.

800 W. Wells St., Milw.  
(414) 278-2728  
[www.mpm.edu](http://www.mpm.edu)




Free admission for: up to 4 for those receiving food assistance and military personnel/families.

2220 N. Terrace Ave.  
Milwaukee  
(414) 271-3656  
[www.villaterrace.org](http://www.villaterrace.org)



Free every day for kids 12 and under and WI K-12 teachers. Thursdays 4-8 p.m. pay what you wish.

700 N. Art Museum Dr.  
Milwaukee  
(414) 224-3200  
[www.mam.org](http://www.mam.org)



Free the first Thursday of the month. Free for members of indigenous tribes/native nations & for up to 4 for those receiving food assistance and military personnel/families.

1801 N. Prospect Ave., Milw.  
(414) 278-8295  
[www.charlesallis.org](http://www.charlesallis.org)




Check website for Family Free Days and other discounted admission. Parking fees still apply.

10001 W. Bluemound Rd.  
Milwaukee  
(414) 256-5412  
[www.milwaukeezoo.org](http://www.milwaukeezoo.org)



Free admission on the third Thursday of each month (excluding groups).

929 E. Wisconsin Ave.  
Milwaukee  
(414) 390-5437  
[www.bbcmkids.org](http://www.bbcmkids.org)



Free and open every day 8 a.m.-close.

750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr.  
Milwaukee  
(414) 273-5533  
[www.warmemorialcenter.org](http://www.warmemorialcenter.org)

## Service Guide for 12th District Milwaukee County Residents

### 12th District Milwaukee County Supervisor

Juan Miguel Martinez .....(414) 278-4269

Aging and Disability Resource Center ... (414) 289-6874

### Airports

Mitchell International Airport .....(414) 747-5300

Timmerman Airport .....(414) 461-3222

Child Support Services .....(414) 615-2593

Clerk of Circuit Courts .....(414) 278-5362

Community Reintegration Center .....(414) 427-4700

County Board of Supervisors .....(414) 278-4222

County Clerk .....(414) 278-4067

County Executive .....(414) 278-4211

County Treasurer .....(414) 278-4033

### Courts

Civil Division (small & large claims).....(414) 278-5362

Criminal Division .....(414) 278-4538

Children's Division .....(414) 257-7700

District Attorney's Office .....(414) 278-4646

Election Commission .....(414) 278-4060

### Emergency/Public Safety

Sheriff General Information .....(414) 278-4766

Sheriff (non-emergency) .....(414) 278-4788

TDD Emergency.....(414) 278-5252

Burn Center Hotline (24 hours).....(414) 585-1163

Emergency Management (24 hours).....(414) 257-4709

Suicide Prevention/Intervention .....(414) 257-7222

Mental Health Crisis .....(414) 257-7222

Fraud Hotline .....(414) 93-FRAUD

Health and Human Services.....(888) 947-6583

### Jury Services

General Information.....(414) 278-4469

Reserve Juror Message.....(414) 985-6000

Marcus Performing Arts Center.....(414) 273-7121

Medical Examiner.....(414) 223-1200

Milwaukee Art Museum .....(414) 224-3200

Milwaukee County Historical Society... (414) 273-8288

Milwaukee County Parks .....(414) 257-7275

Organized Sports.....(414) 257-8030

Golf Office .....(414) 257-8024

Boerner Botanical Gardens.....(414) 525-5600

Mitchell Park Domes .....(414) 257-5600

### District 12 Parks

Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S. Layton Blvd....(414) 643-0120

Jackson Park, 3500 W. Forest Home Ave ....(414) 672-5052

Kinnickinnic River Parkway-East.....(414) 643-0120

Milwaukee County Sports Complex.....(414) 281-2694

Milwaukee County Zoo .....(414) 771-3040

Milwaukee Public Museum .....(414) 278-2728

### Municipality

Milwaukee City Hall/Common Council .....(414) 286-2221

Milwaukee Night Number .....(414) 286-CITY (2489)

Office of Persons with Disabilities .....(414) 278-3932

Register in Probate .....(414) 278-4444

Register of Deeds .....(414) 278-4021

Rent Assistance.....(414) 278-4894

### Senior Centers

Clinton & Bernice Rose Senior Center .....(414) 263-2255

Kelly Senior Center .....(414) 481-9611

McGovern Park Senior Center .....(414) 527-0990

Washington Park Senior Center.....(414) 933-2332

Wilson Park Senior Center .....(414) 282-5566

Serving Older Adults .....(414) 933-2332

### Transit System - [www.ridemcts.com](http://www.ridemcts.com)

Bus Routes/Schedules/Fares .....(414) 344-6711

Customer Comments.....(414) 937-3218

Transit Plus.....(414) 343-1700

UW-Extension.....(414) 615-0550

Veterans Services .....(414) 266-1234

Victim/Witness Service .....(414) 278-4667