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GRASSROOTS NEWSLETTER

JUSTICE EQUITY BEGINS WITH "ACCESS": "RAP SHEET DAY" AT 006TH DISTRICT POLICE STATION PREPARES 130 FAMILIES FOR ARREST/CONVICTIONS "RELIEF"



On Monday, March 13th, over 130 families who have been impacted by arrest/conviction and incarceration, including juveniles, lined-up outside the Gresham 6th District Chicago Police Station to sign-up for "Pre-Rap Sheet Justice Access Day", led by Get Cleared, Chicago, the campaign of the Monroe Foundation "Break the Generational Cycle of Recidivism".

Additionally, the office of the City Clerk Anna Valencia processed City Key I.D. cards for individuals without ID cards, which, through advocacy of Get Cleared, Chicago, the Chicago Police Department has agreed to accept as an ID form for finger-printing to obtain their Criminal History Reports or "Rap Sheets".

Otis C. Monroe, III, president of the Monroe Foundation, stated, "Justice Equity begins with access, and the impact support of PNC Bank will enable us to provide access to the courts by filing their petitions, and support from the Building Collective POWER of the Chicago Community Trust, has further boosted the campaign to educate individuals with backgrounds, on their voting rights in the Mayoral run-offs. Additionally, UPS promoted employment opportunities across the street at Don Vic's Barbershop as participants left the station as part of the foundation's "Background Friendly Chicago" REDI Project, supported by Citi and US Bank.

"Rap Sheet Day" will be held on March 27th at the City of Chicago Public Safety Headquarters, 3510 South Michigan Avenue. To support the work of Get Cleared, Chicago, visit www.GetClearedtoday.org or contact Otis Monroe at 773-315-9720