

COMMUNITY ALERT

WWBIC

Small Business Funding Panel

Thurs, Feb 7th
Washington Park Library

2121 N Sherman
6-7:30pm

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Black History Month 2013 “Crossroads of Freedom”

February is Black History Month across the nation. There is a theme this year built on important milestones of the past we celebrate. The theme is “At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington.” 2013 marks the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation signed by Abraham Lincoln and the 50th anniversary of the historic march on Washington with the “I Have A Dream” speech by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Both events are tied together in the history of black freedom and equality. At right is a painting of the first reading of the Emancipation Proclamation with President Lincoln and his advisors.



Budget Out On Feb. 20, What Should WI Do?

Gov. Walker will release his budget on Feb. 20th in an address to the Legislature. The budget is two-year spending and taxation plan for the State that equals about 68 billion dollars. Budgets are moral documents and they should represent spending and taxation done to help ensure justice and provide for those in poverty. Here’s a short list of items I believe should be in this budget.

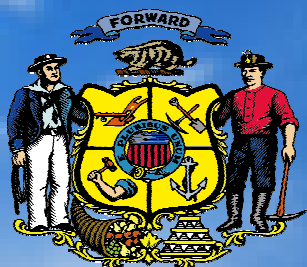


- Increased funding for all schools with better accountability for all
- Reforms that streamline justice and invests in people over prisons
- Funding to build infrastructure that is committed to a greener world, including roads.
- Efficiencies and consolidations in state government

Dear Friend,

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Nation School Choice Week Highlights Kids

This week has been National School Choice Week, a celebration of choice schools in our state. Laying aside the political differences many have about the choice program, I joined with Mayor Barrett, County Executive Abele, MPS Superintendent Thornton, and others to celebrate the good things that happen when kids are the priority. We have work to do, but we can do it together!



Reed Hall Appointed WEDC CEO

Reed Hall, the interim CEO of WEDC, was made the permanent CEO of WEDC by Governor Walker this week. Gov. Walker made



the choice despite a national search that recommended three other candidates. While this selection raises some concerns for people, Mr. Hall is a competent manager and accomplished businessman who ran Marshfield Clinics. His appointment is the subject of a hearing in my committee next week. What do you think of the selection?

Contact Us! We Always Enjoy Hearing From You!

“Black history is American history.”

Morgan Freeman



“The cost of liberty is less than the price of repression.”

W.E.B. Du Bois