

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



COMMUNITY ALERT

Driver's Ed

Need a license? Lost your license? Driver's Ed can help get you back on the road!

Jan 28 –30 11am-2:30 PM

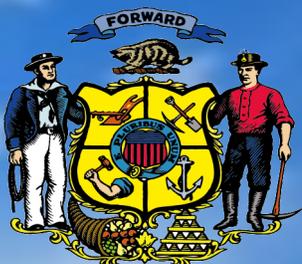
MLK Center
1531 W. Vliet Street

Questions? Please call:
414 344-5788 ext 23

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm
Here to Serve!



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Now that the new year of 2014 is upon us, I think it is important to reflect on the progress our community has made and look toward the future. It has now been 147 years since Eezkiel Gillespie fought for black suffrage and became the first African American to vote in the state of Wisconsin. It has been 58 years since the civil rights movement began, leading to historic legislation, the Civil Rights Act and Voting Rights Act. We have elected and re-elected the first African American President of the United States. Despite the significant progress that has been made, there are still issues we must overcome – and voting consistently in every election is one. Our community voted in historic numbers in 2012 playing a pivotal role in the victories for President Obama’s and U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin. The presence of President Obama on the ballot led to a surge of enthusiasm in our community. Mid-term elections tend to receive less attention from the media and less enthusiasm by the public in general. Elections enable you to hold your elected officials accountable. As I walk through the neighborhoods of our great city, I see people from all walks of life that are looking to express themselves. People who hope to express their dreams and ambitions. By exercising our right to vote, we are doing more than honoring the sacrifices of those who came before us. These times are too important for us not to express ourselves and raise our collective voice through voting. While an election cannot pay the electric bill or put on the table, it can put leaders in place that will stand up and fight for the people who work hard every day and still struggle to make ends meet. We can elect leaders who understand the challenges the less fortunate among us face. I encourage everyone to look toward 2014 with optimism in our hearts, for we have the ability to build a brighter future. We have the opportunity to begin the New Year with optimism and the determination to have our voices heard.



Blanketing Greater Milwaukee

From January 20 to 31 the Milwaukee Area Labor Council and United Way are collecting new and gently used blankets for homeless shelters and community agencies

Drop off locations:

Milwaukee Area Labor Council: 633 South Hawley Road, Suite 110

United Way of Greater Milwaukee: 225 West Vine Street

ANY City of Milwaukee Firehouse

Questions: Call (414) 771 7070

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TRAFFIC FATALITIES AT NEW LOW

The Department of Transportation recently released data on the number of traffic deaths in Wisconsin in 2013. There were 527 fatalities last year, the lowest number since 1944. While progress has been made to reduce these tragedies, there is still more work to do. Focusing on education and prevention in order to avoid instances of drunk driving, and improving driver safety and training will help to perpetuate this positive trend. I am committed to finding solutions, legislative and otherwise that will keep the people of Wisconsin safe on our roads.



NEW DISTRICT OFFICE

I am happy to announce that I have opened a new district office in Milwaukee! It is located at 2602 West Silver Spring Drive. In case you were not able to attend the open house last December, you are welcome to stop by anytime and say hello! We would love to see you! I look forward to meeting more of my constituents. The district phone number is still (414) 342—7176. As always, I am here to serve!

Wise Words of the Week!

Contact Us!

We Enjoy Hearing From You!

“Be patient and understanding. Life is too short to be vengeful or malicious”

- Phillips Brooks



“Intellectuals solve problems, geniuses prevent them”

- Albert Einstein

