

**Mayor Kurtz's SwiftReach for Jan 14, 2021**

HELLO, IT IS JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>. PLEASE STAND BY FOR A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – IT WILL REPEAT ONCE.

**GOOD. FRIDAY. EVENING, NEIGHBORS. THIS IS YOUR MAYOR GREG KURTZ.**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE GETTING AN EXTRA TWO WEEKS TO PAY THEIR PROPERTY TAXES. THE TREASURER'S OFFICE HAS EXTENDED THE DEADLINE TO **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10**. THAT IS TWO WEEKS LATER THAN THE ORIGINAL JANUARY DEADLINE.

HAVE YOU HEARD THAT DUE TO THE PANDEMIC, THE RED CROSS IS FACING THE WORST BLOOD SHORTAGE IN MORE THAN A DECADE?

DID YOU ALSO HEAR THAT TO MOTIVATE PEOPLE TO DONATE, THE RED CROSS IS OFFERING **ALL DONORS IN JANUARY** A CHANCE TO WIN TWO TICKETS TO THE SUPER BOWL IN LOS ANGELES. EVERYONE WHO DONATES WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ENTERED INTO THE DRAWING.

A REMINDER THAT CITY HOSTS BLOOD DRIVES TWICE A MONTH AT THE CIVIC CENTER. THE NEXT BLOOD DRIVE IS **MONDAY, JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**. YOU CAN SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BY CALLING 1-800-RED CROSS.

AND FINALLY, MONDAY, JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> IS MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY – A FEDERAL HOLIDAY.

CITY HALL, INDEPENDENCE SCHOOLS, THE POST OFFICE AND MOST FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

ALL MONDAY TRASH AND RECYLING COLLECTION WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL TUESDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>.

THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE OPEN ON MONDAY FROM 6 AM TO 9 PM.

IF YOU HAVE A LONG HOLIDAY WEEKEND, MAKE THE MOST OF IT! UNTIL NEXT WEEK, BE WELL AND GOD BLESS