

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** Youth-Led Educational Forum on the job of  
Washtenaw County Sheriff

22 February 2024, 6-8pm  
Morris Lawrence Building  
Washtenaw Community College  
4800 E. Huron River Dr. Ann Arbor MI 48108

On February 22 2024, young leaders from Ypsilanti Community Middle School will interview the three candidates for Washtenaw County Sheriff. This unique civic engagement opportunity welcomes the WHOLE Washtenaw County Community to learn about the work of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office.

In 2024 our current sheriff, Jerry Clayton will NOT seek reelection after 16 years - Washtenaw County's LONGEST serving sheriff! There are three candidates vying for the position and all three are declared democrats! Six young leaders from Ypsilanti Community Middle School have been studying the work of the WCSO in preparation for this unique civic learning opportunity.

**Performances** by Ypsilanti Community Middle School Choir and Bands as well as a Special Reading by Detroit Poet, Filmmaker, Musician, & Playwright, Rose Marie Wilson, AKA One Single Rose.

**FREE Community Dinner & Local Vendors!**

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The WCSO has jurisdiction over all 720 square miles of Washtenaw County, including the major municipalities of Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, Saline, Dexter and Chelsea. The sheriff's department is responsible for policing and shared policing across these areas as well as the maintenance of the jail and dispatch systems. In addition to these essential programs the WCSO budget also supports 19 community engagement programs and critical aspects of the emergency management system. The budget for the WCSO is over 60 million dollars and absorbs 52% of the entire county budget.

In the words of the great Democracy advocate and neuroscientist, Marian Diamond, we've got to "Use it or lose it" when it comes to our democratic process!

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