

ANNOUNCEMENT

Proposed Youth Assessment Center

COMMUNITY MEETINGS PLANNED ON PROPOSED YOUTH ASSESSMENT CENTER

The Shelby County Mayor's Office and Division of Community Services will host three community meetings during the month of April to discuss the framework of the proposed youth assessment center to get more input to help shape the implementation phase of the program. The three meetings are in different parts of the county at the locations and times below:

- **Wednesday, April 18, 2018 from 6-8pm at the Ed Rice Community Center, 2907 N. Watkins Street, Memphis, TN 38127 (Frayser)**
- **Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 6-8pm at Germantown United Methodist Church, 2331 S. Germantown Road, Germantown, TN 38138 (Germantown)**
- **Monday, April 30, 2018 from 6-8pm at Knowledge Quest (Universal Parenting Place-UPP Location), 990 College Park Drive, Suite 104, Memphis, TN 38126 (South Memphis)**

The proposed youth assessment center is a key objective of the current Operation: Safe Community crime plan. Patterned after successful efforts in other communities, the assessment center would provide a means of (1) diverting many non-violent youthful offenders away from the juvenile justice system and (2) addressing underlying factors to reduce the rate of repeat offenders.

Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell has taken the lead in developing the assessment center model and has assigned Shelby County Division of Community Services Director Dorcas Young-Griffin to spearhead implementation.

Consider participating in one of these upcoming community meetings.