



# WILLIE J. LIGHTFOOT ROCHESTER CITY COUNCILMAN



2024 Summer Newsletter

**ROC AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE COALITION**  
**2023 BRADY GUN TRACE DATA REPORT COMMUNITY REVIEW**  
**THE TRUTH ABOUT CRIME GUNS IN ROCHESTER**

- APRIL 16**  
6 P.M.  
PRAYER HOUSE CHURCH OF GOD BY FAITH  
270 CUMBERLAND ST.
- APRIL 23**  
6 P.M.  
ARK OF THE COVENANT CHURCH OF GOD BY FAITH  
60 LORIMER ST.
- MAY 7**  
6 P.M.  
GREATER ADAMS STREET CHURCH OF GOD BY FAITH  
230 ADAMS STREET

- HOSTED BY CITY COUNCILMEMBER WILLIE J. LIGHTFOOT AND GUN TRAFFICKING EXPERTS FROM BRADY
- EDUCATION ON THE GUN VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC IN ROCHESTER, AND THE WORK NEEDED TO STOP IT
- UPDATES ON THE ROC AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE SOLUTIONS ACTION PLAN

BRADY GUN TRACE DATA REPORT  
 City of Rochester, NY  
 Rochester City Council

## Crime Gun Community Sessions

Councilman Lightfoot and The Roc Against Gun Violence Coalition hosted a series of community sessions to review the key findings of the Brady Gun Trace Data report. The goal was to empower the community to become better informed about the report’s key findings and use these key findings as a basis for recommendations on policy, practices, procedures, ordinances, and legislation. There were 3 major events hosted in 3 community churches located on the East, West, and Northwest neighborhoods in Rochester with 2 events in April



**JUNE 1**  
2 - 6 PM  
**PARCEL 5**

**FREE**

**WEAR ORANGE**  
Come and Take the Gun Violence Pledge

Raffle giveaways  
 Speakers and entertainment by MIB & G (Mentors Inspiring Boys and Girls)

**#EndGunViolence**

Swag bags  
 "More of the Chaos" dance team

Proclamation by Mayor Malik Evans and Monroe County Executive, Adam Bello

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Logos for Rise Up Rochester, MIB & G, MOMS DEMAND ACTION, ROC AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE COALITION, UR MEDICINE, and others.

## Gun Violence Event

On June 1 Councilman Lightfoot and the Roc Against Gun Violence Coalition will join and support the Mayor and the city of Rochester (as well as many other community agencies ie: Rise Up Rochester, 585 SNUG Roc The Peace and more.) for an #EndGunViolence community event at Parcel 5 from 2pm to 6pm. This will be a family event where there will be speakers, entertainment, refreshments, and raffle giveaways. You and your family won’t want to miss it! Come out and support , take the Gun Violence pledge, and be sure to WEAR ORANGE !

## Youth Summit

The RAGVC will host a Youth Summit. It will be a 4-5 hour event held in July 2024 and will include promoting haircuts for youth, a books and backpacks drive, and other back-to-school promotions, led by various community groups engaged with our youth. more information will be released as it is developed.



**ROC THE BLOCK** Fourth Annual **COMMUNITY Employment FAIRS**

ROC the Block is a community-based hiring initiative that will bring businesses and recruiters to the city's four quadrants throughout the summer and early fall. With this fun, local, block-party styled event, Rochester employers and residents can meet to discover employment and wrap-around resource opportunities.

**SAVE THE DATES:**  
WEDNESDAYS, 11 A.M. - 2 P.M.

<b>June 12</b> Maplewood Rose Garden 250 Maplewood Ave.	<b>July 10</b> Franklin High School 950 Norton St.	<b>Aug. 14</b> Aberdeen Square Park 373 Aberdeen St.	<b>Sept. 25</b> Parcel 5 285 E Main St.
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Commission on RASE, IBERO, Wegmans, foodlink, Malik D. Evans, Mayor, City of Rochester, NY • Rochester City Council



**CITY COUNCIL REASSESSMENT HEARINGS**

**Willie J. Lightfoot, Sr.**  
Rochester City Council  
At-Large

**May 28<sup>th</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**City Council Chambers**  
30 Church Street  
Room 302A  
**6:00 p.m.**

Councilmember Lightfoot, joined by Councilmembers Martin, Smith and Lupien, will host a series of two hearings to give the community an opportunity to voice their concerns, experiences and input on the city reassessment process

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Feature Highlight  
ROCEDC (formerly known as REDCO)



**ROCEDC**  
Rochester Economic  
Development Corporation

The head of Rochester's nonprofit economic development arm has resigned, and half the organization's staff has been cut.

All operations will continue. The board has tapped Lomax Campbell and his Third Eye Network to "perform a full review of contracts and operations to ensure the long-term success of REDCO," Campbell sees this as a "turn-around management project," assessing the model, the resource structure and going back to stakeholders and collaborators alike to see what works and what doesn't. "My hope is to go back to the beginning, and see what needed to be put in place with that spin-out," Campbell said.