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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### YOUR GUIDE TO EAT TO THE BEAT THIS SUMMER

Join the monthly summer-long celebration with live music and food trucks.

- **2nd Thursday** of Each Month
- **Lunchtime:** 11:00AM - 2PM

### Civic Center Drive & Central Park Boulevard

- **June 13:**  
*Larry Lee and Back in the Day*
- **July 11:**  
*All Directions*
- **August 8:**  
*Kathleen Murray Band*
- **September 12:**  
*Theo Gridiron Spight*

## WELCOME!

### WELCOME TO NEW SOUTHFIELD CITY CENTRE BUSINESS TRUCK-LITE.

In the coming months, watch [www.southfieldcitycentre.com](http://www.southfieldcitycentre.com) for more information about this automotive supplier and its new home in the City Centre.



## CENTRAL PARK PLAZA FILLS UP FAST

When Foster Financial Company, Inc. purchased Central Park Plaza in September 2017, the property was half vacant and needed work. Just 16 months later, the 6-story, 130,000 square foot office building is 93 percent occupied and has newly renovated lobbies and high quality refurbishments throughout. Foster Financial's success story is their unique ownership model, says Brad Noble, partner with the firm. By creating their own construction company, they are able to impart quality control while working closely with tenants to meet their individual space needs. Tenants at Central Park Plaza, a neighbor to Arbor Lofts on Civic Center Drive, include government, medical administration, insurance, legal, security, charter school management, and home healthcare. Since acquiring Central Park Plaza, Foster Financial has purchased Lahser Center at Lahser Rd. and the Lodge, and is planning to buy more. Easy accessibility and significant improvements in the Southfield City Centre make this area attractive to tenants and property owners alike. "We are big fans of the Southfield story, and it doesn't get enough publicity," says Foster Financial owner Brad Foster. "Everything you hear is about Detroit and new developments. But there is a strong demand for people to have beautiful offices with half the rent [of Detroit]."



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## LTU BUILDING NEXT PHASE OF STADIUM; FOOTBALL OPENER SEPT. 7

Lawrence Technological University has received approval from the City of Southfield for the next portion of a phased buildout of its outdoor athletic stadium.

Construction is under way on permanent spectator seating for 2,300 fans. The \$2 million steel and masonry structure will include space for adding future home and visitor locker rooms, restrooms, and concession stands. A permanent press box is also part of the future plans, along with an athletic training and conditioning center.

A permanent all-weather field and outdoor lighting were installed, in 2017 and 2018 respectively, thanks to an anonymous \$1 million gift. This new work is also being funded by an anonymous donor.

"We are delighted to build on the strong start that we have already established with the growth of our athletic programs," said LTU President Virinder Moudgil.

Lawrence Tech football will have its first full season this fall, with the first game set for 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7. Tailgating on LTU parking lots along 10 Mile Road will begin at 9 a.m.

LTU relaunched athletics in 2012 after a hiatus of more than 50 years. Football had not been offered since 1946. Lawrence Tech now offers 30 men's and women's athletic programs that involve more than 500 students, and will add track and field in the spring of 2020.

"The City of Southfield is extremely excited to have its own college football team," Southfield Mayor Ken Siver said. "The addition of the expanded sports program, campus activities, and residence halls have made positive enhancements to the college experience for Lawrence Tech students."

The Collaborative Inc., with offices in Toledo and Ann Arbor, is the architect on the stadium project. The general contractor is Rochester-based Frank Rewold & Sons Inc.

**For LTU athletic schedules, visit [ltuathletics.com](http://ltuathletics.com). For information about donating to the stadium or LTU athletic programs, contact Jay Redman, (248) 204-2317 or [jredman@ltu.edu](mailto:jredman@ltu.edu).**



## KIMMIE HORNE JAZZ FESTIVAL RETURNS TO THE SOUTHFIELD CITY CENTRE

**Friday, August 9, 6:00 - 10:30PM & Saturday, August 10, 3:00 - 10:30PM**

Grab your lawn chairs and head out to the Southfield Municipal Campus Front Lawn for the 2019 Kimmie Horne Jazz Festival. Acclaimed international artist Kimmie Horne blends jazz, R&B, and pop for a show that the whole family will enjoy. Kimmie Horne has performed in every major festival including Montreaux Jazz Festival, Motor City Blues Festival, Michigan Taste Festival and many more. "Kimmie is a phenomenal vocalist who brings a great lineup of talent," says Mayor Kenson Siver. "This is a wonderful event that was very popular with our residents last year." The festival will also feature a variety of food trucks and other vendors for an inclusive experience. **Mark your calendar and plan to attend.**

## DON'T MISS THE BIG DIG

The American Cancer Society will hold its inaugural BIG DIG event on Saturday, July 27 from 12 - 4 p.m. at 20300 Civic Center Drive in the Southfield City Centre. This is a family-friendly festival that gives kids hands-on time with construction and emergency service vehicles. "The Southfield City Centre feels like a great home for this event. With the City Centre's new development and growth, it's a great location to showcase construction equipment that kids love so much," says LeeannMcDowell, community development manager for American Cancer Society, Inc. The ticketed event is open to the public, and all proceeds support pediatric cancer research. Tickets are \$10 per child age 2 to 16 years old. Tickets must be purchased by July 12. [www.mibigdig.org](http://www.mibigdig.org).

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