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## **LaGrange Youth Council to Host Fun Run Fundraiser for Calumet Community Garden Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**

***LaGrange, Ga. March 16, 2022*** – The LaGrange Youth Council will be hosting the “I Sweat Green” Fun Run Fundraiser Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> along The Thread Trail.



LYC Sustainability/Fun Run Fundraiser Committee members pictured from left to right: Sustainability Committee Chairperson Devin Dents, Andy Patton, Bobby Traylor, Khamani Philpotts, William Pitts & LYC Chairperson Milly Criswell. Not pictured LYC Historian Kate Asbell, Ayaka Kimura, Skylar Allen & Ka’Various Perry.

Registration is \$20 and begins at 8:00 a.m. with the race beginning at 9:00 a.m. 100 percent of the money will go to Calumet Park Neighborhood's Community Garden, Pat's Garden.



"I Sweat Green" image created by LaGrange Youth Council member Khamani Philpotts

"I am passionate about helping my underserved community that is Calumet Park," said LYC Committee Chairperson Devin Dents who came up with the idea of raising money for Pat's Garden. "To start a fun run and help build a community garden for the late Patricia Underwood, a great leader in Calumet Park, is an honor for me."

Ms. Pat owned a corner store in Calumet Park and cared for many of the neighborhood children. In early 2020, Ms. Pat was shot by a stray bullet and killed. Citizens of Calumet Park are set to begin construction on a community garden in her name that will benefit the entire community.

"It is very important to the LaGrange Youth Council that we choose to support causes that will benefit our community. This year, one of our three committees focuses on sustainability," said LaGrange Youth Council Chairperson Milly Criswell. "Hosting a fun run to benefit Pat's Garden is a great way to promote local sustainability while benefitting community members and honoring the legacy of Ms Pat. We invite

everyone to join us and help us raise money for this very worthy cause.”

“We’re extremely proud of our Youth Council students,” said LaGrange Youth Council Advisor Jeremy Andrews. “These young leaders are passionate about this fundraiser and have worked hard to come up with a way to help our community on a local level.”

**WHO:** LaGrange Youth Council & Calumet Park Neighborhood

**WHAT:** A roughly 1 mile fun run to raise money for Ms. Pat’s community garden in Calumet Park Neighborhood.

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 9th. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the race begins at 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** The Thread at Granger Park on Highland Avenue (Grassy Field adjacent to the LaGrange High School Marching Band field near the LHS parking lot.)

**MORE INFO:** Sign Up Info: \$20 registration fee. PayPal ([paypal.me/lagrangeyouthcouncil](https://paypal.me/lagrangeyouthcouncil)) or Venmo ([www.venmo.com/u/lagrangeyouthcouncilga](https://www.venmo.com/u/lagrangeyouthcouncilga)).

Please designate with the name of the participant and “fun run”. You can also register the day of on site with cash or card.



*The LaGrange Youth Council is an advisory board composed of local youth that provide advice and counsel to the local governing body. The Youth Council give our local youth a more formal role in the local decision making process. This group is made up of junior and senior high school students from surrounding public and private schools.*

**WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2022-2023 LAGRANGE YOUTH COUNCIL. For more information and to download an application go to**

[http://www.lagrange-ga.org/Home/Youth Council.](http://www.lagrange-ga.org/Home/Youth_Council)

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