

# Training and Development Through the Court

*As Judge of the East Cleveland Municipal Court, William L. Dawson has created programs and formed partnerships that aim to strengthen the community with knowledge and life skills tools. Below is a list of some of the programs offered by the East Cleveland Municipal Court.*

## **Finish First**

The Finish First Program is a 4 session course that instructing participants on how to avoid and, if necessary, handle negative interaction with the legal system.

## **Emotional Intelligence**

Emotional Intelligence is a key to reaching our maximum potential and success. This Court provides the introduction into this world of self control, self regulation and self promotion.

## **Read, Write & Speak**

Judge Dawson assigns each participant a book to read. After reading they must write a book report and give an oral report in Court.

## **Lemons to Lemonade Women's Empowerment Group**

This program is Court ordered twice a month and offered to the community on the monthly basis. Designed as a women's empowerment and enrichment seminar L2L is changing lives.

## **Adopt-a-Block**

A community initiative that gives the community a chance to help East Cleveland keep the city clean by volunteering to take responsibility for a specific street or park.

## **Couples Relationship ER**

Judge Dawson and the East Cleveland Court recognizes that many people are in damaging relationships. This program is aimed at offenders in the Court who must attend the session with his/her mate before any resolution of their criminal case. Participants receive basic skills to improve their communication and dispute resolution abilities.

## **Victims Group**

Understanding the Domestic Violence cuts deep, the victims group provides support, education and alternatives for those affected by Domestic Violence.

## **Batterers Program**

The Batterers program speaks directly to the abuser. Assessments are conducted so the instruction and counseling can be tailor fitted to the offender.

## **Anger Management**

Anger is one of the driving forces of destructive and criminal behavior. This groups provides the skills to properly deal with and overcome anger.

## **Drug Court**

East Cleveland Court is in a partnership with the Cleveland Court Drug Court program to provide the treatment and structure necessary to help addicted offenders eliminate drugs from their life.

## **Court Community Service**

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS FROM JUDGE DAWSON:**

**Senior Snow Removal - For East Cleveland Senior Citizens.**

**Judge Dawson's Beautiful You - Free Salon Day for Selected Seniors.**