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ECPL Announces 5th Annual Shirellda Helen Terry Memorial for October

The East Cleveland Public Library is honored to announce the 5th Annual Shirellda H. Terry Memorial, taking place Saturday, October 27, 2018 12:00 – 3:00 pm in Greg L. Reese Performing Arts Center. In recognizing the diverse needs of the community, the theme of this year’s event is “I MATTER!”

October is National Bullying Prevention Month, so I MATTER! will emphasize Anti-Bullying & Suicide Prevention. The annual tribute to Ms. Terry also honors Shetisha Sheeley & Angela Deskins, two victims of violence. Shirellda H. Terry actively engaged in volunteerism at the Library and in the community, and ECPL dedicated the youth room to Ms. Terry following her death in 2013. A brief tour of the Shirellda H. Terry space will be included in the event.

The Shirellda H. Terry Memorial aims to inspire hope and creates space that connects young people and families to community resources for empowerment. As in previous years, the Shirellda Helen Terry Memorial will continue to feature dynamic entertainment, featuring performances by Christian Prince, the Brent & Worship Dancers, and E-Prep. This year’s event will also include community resources, teen testimonies, information, and guests from the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, Cleveland NEON, and other organizations. A highlight of guest speakers includes Sondra D. McCurry of McCurry & Associates, an experienced nonprofit consultant and workshop facilitator specializing in leadership and personal development; and two guests from the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, Marci Lieber, Outreach Specialist and Nonye Chukunta, Prevention Specialist.

For more information about the 5th Annual Shirellda Helen Terry Memorial, please contact East Cleveland Public Library at 216-541-4128 or visit online at www.eastclevelandpubliclibrary.org.