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JANUARY 2019

NEWS



HONORING DR. KING

Join us for the 28th Annual City of College Park Tribute to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 2:00 -3:30 p.m. at The Clarice's Kay Theatre located on the University of Maryland campus. This inspirational and educational event is free and for all ages.

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This year's theme is "Injustice Anywhere is a Threat to Justice Everywhere" presented by the 2019 Keynote Speaker Prince George's County Sheriff Melvin. C. High. Mayor Wojahn will read the City's proclamation at the event.

Artwork and performances from local groups, schools and community organizations are a prominent feature of the Tribute event. This year, Friends Community School, the Talent Group for Children, B'hai Chorale, violinist Makiko Taguchi and more will be performing during the event. Stay after the event for a brief reception and an opportunity to meet and talk to the performers.

Free event parking is available nearby in University Lots 1b and Z all day on Saturdays (excluding home football games). These lots are about a 2-5 minute walk to the venue. There are also paid parking options in the Stadium Drive Garage as well.

At the January 8 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting, the Mayor will read a proclamation about this year's event and Dr. King's legacy. Residents can live-stream the Regular Meeting and the proclamation on the City's website at www.collegeparkmd.gov under Mayor and Council. Council Meetings are also broadcast live on Comcast Cable Channel 71 and Verizon Channel 25.

For more event information or to share with your friends and neighbors, please visit the City's [Facebook event page](#) or [Eventbrite page](#).

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AWC PET TIP OF THE MONTH

This tip is brought to you by the City's Animal Welfare Committee.

Cold Weather Tips

- After walking your pets, be sure to rinse off and dry your pets paws, legs and stomach to remove any ice and snow, ice melt or chemicals that are used to melt snow. Pay particular attention to between the toes.
- If there are outdoor cats in your neighborhood, bang loudly on your car hood before starting the engine to give them a chance to escape.
- Bring your pets in when the temperature drops below freezing. Cats and dogs are susceptible to frostbite and hypothermia and should not be outside for long periods of time. Very young and older dogs are more susceptible to the cold, so limit their time outside when the temperature is below freezing. If your pet has a heavy coat of fur and prefers the outdoors, County law requires



COLD WEATHER PET SAFETY TIPS

As cold weather starts to hit our area, here are some helpful pet safety tips to keep your furry family members safe and warm this winter.

1. Provide warm shelter for your pets - keep them inside if you can, or make sure their outdoor shelters are enclosed, weatherproof and has warm bedding
2. Make sure that your pet has access to clean, non-frozen, potable water
3. Keep dogs on leashes when walking - dogs can easily become lost and disoriented due to a reduction in scent cues on the ground (and it's against the law!)
4. Dispose of antifreeze properly and thoroughly clean up spills - it's poisonous to animals!

For more cold weather tips and other pet info, visit: www.collegeparkmd.gov/animalcontrol



a house of proper size that is dry, draft free and at least two inches off the ground. Make sure the pet has access to clean, fresh and not frozen water.

- Antifreeze is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. Be sure to clean up any spills so your pet will not be tempted to taste.
- Don't leave your pets alone in cars in winter. Cars are just as dangerous in cold weather as in hot weather for your pet. Cars act as refrigerators and hold the cold and can cause animals to freeze to death.



JANUARY CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Call 240.487.3590 to request a pickup



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Christmas Tree Recycling will occur in the month of January by the Department of Public Works. Trees will be collected by appointment only.

To request a pickup, please call the Department at 240-487-3590. Please remove all decorations and place the tree at the curb for collection.

Collected trees are recycled into mulch which the City uses for landscaping. Residents can also purchase the mulch from the City to use for a variety of gardening needs.

THE CBE TIP OF THE MONTH

This tip is brought to you by the City's Committee for a Better Environment.

Green Cleaning

Want to save money and go green cleaning your house? Use vinegar as your cleaner! Both apple cider and white vinegar work well, and apple cider vinegar smells better.

Just mix equal parts vinegar and water in a spray bottle. Add a bit of lemon juice as a disinfectant. Shake it up and spray it on surfaces to clean them. You'll get a clean house without harsh chemicals. Just don't use it on granite or other porous stone surfaces that are harmed by acidic cleaners.



WINTER WEATHER

The City of College Park's priority during a snow event is public safety. Our goal is to clear snow and ice as quickly and efficiently as possible, restoring safe travel for emergency crews, civil motorists, and pedestrians. Snow and ice removal are considered an emergency operation and takes precedence over other Department of Public Works tasks.

The snow plan will go into effect upon the order of the City Manager or the Director of Public Works. The plan consists of an Alert Phase and an Operation Phase. Snow or icy precipitation, which requires roadway treatment, will be considered an emergency under the operational phase.

These steps will be followed during a snow emergency:

- Snow removal equipment will be dispatched to predetermined routes when snow or ice is imminent. Salting operations will begin at the onset of precipitation.
- Initially, one lane will be plowed on all streets followed by widening of the plowed lane. All streets will be plowed curb to curb, as conditions allow.
- Designated crews to clear sidewalks and trolley trail, will be dispatched to maintenance locations throughout the City.
- Snow and ice clearing operations will be carried out in accordance with established priorities as circumstances permit.

Please visit www.collegeparkmd.gov/snow for more information about snow and ice removal, who to call to report issues with snow and ice on non-City streets, tips and other helpful information during inclement weather.

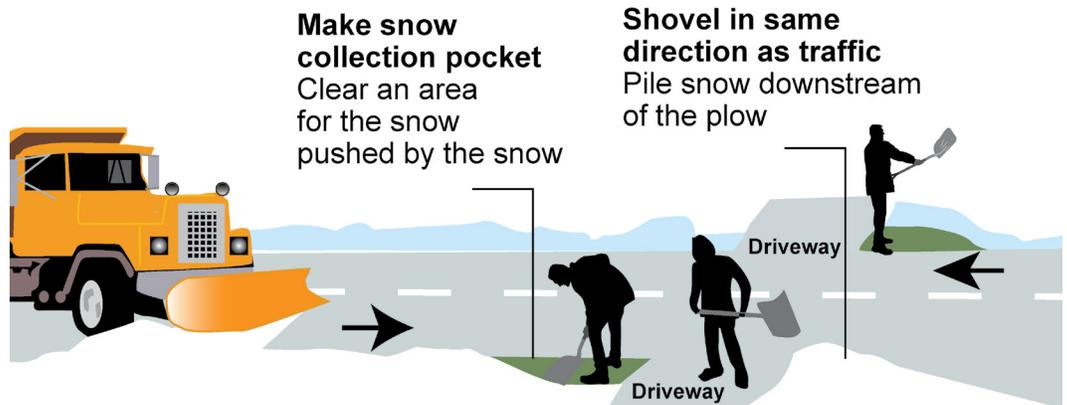
UPDATES DURING SNOW EVENTS

Public Works is staffed around the clock during snow events. Updates will be posted on the City's website (www.collegeparkmd.gov), all City social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) and emailed (sign up at www.collegeparkmd.gov/cpconnect).

You can also contact the Department of Public

A smarter way to shovel your drive

How to shovel your driveway to avoid having snow pushed back in when snowplows clear your street:



Works for more information, by phone at 240-487-3590 or email publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov.

PARKING DURING SNOW EVENTS

Public Works crews plow and salt City streets and city parking lots to clear snow and ice.

Things you can do to help include:

- Move parked cars off the street so the snow plows can clear snow to the curb.
- If off-street parking is not available during predicted snowstorms, park on the even side of the road (unless your address is odd-numbered or the area across from your house is undeveloped, then park on the odd side of the street). That enables the snow plows to clear more roadway.
- Residents are responsible for clearing snow from their driveways or driveway aprons. It's recommended to clear snow after the trucks have been through. If you begin to remove snow before the trucks are finished, you may have to clear your driveway more than once.
- Don't forget to clear snow and ice from the sidewalks, storm drains and fire hydrants in front of your home.
- City crews work around the clock during snow emergencies to clear the City streets. Our crews are working as fast and safely as possible to clear the roads - we will get to your street! Your patience is greatly appreciated during these times.

Always plan to set your refuse and recycling carts out for your regularly scheduled day during snow events. Refuse and recycling collections may occur later in the day than normal.

A VISION FOR DUVALL FIELD

Duvall Field is the City of College Park's largest recreation facility and it is undergoing a makeover.

Last year, the old concession and restroom building was replaced with a new building and plaza area. Now the City is embarking on a visioning and planning study to determine future improvements to this 7-acre facility. You can be a part of this process by contributing your thoughts and ideas about what you'd like to see or do at Duvall Field. We want to hear from residents, business owners, special interest groups and any other interested parties.

The visioning and planning project will look at the existing park, recreational facilities, programs and services and determine the current and future level of services for the community based on the public input that is received. Duvall Field was first established in the 1960's and improved in the 1970's with a concession/restroom building, playground and ball fields. While Duvall is permitted for use by groups both inside and outside of the City, the primary user today is the College Park Boys and Girls Club. The new plan will prioritize the needs and desires for upgrading and improving Duvall Field including its amenities, programs and services.



The City has hired GreenPlay, LLC, a nationally-known parks, recreation and open space consulting firm to oversee the project. The Green Play team will be conducting stakeholder interviews and focus group meetings on Wednesday, January 16th and Thursday, January 17th, 2019. If you would like to participate in one of these meetings, please contact the City of College Park Planning Department at 240-487-3538 or planning@collegeparkmd.gov. In addition, a Public Forum will be held on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Davis Hall, 9217 51st Avenue. Everyone is encouraged to attend and share their views. For more information about the Public Forum, please see the flyer and details under Events.

THEY REALLY DECKED THE HALLS!

It was another wonderfully festive holiday season in the City this past December. We saw tons of lights, inflatables, nutcrackers, lighted presents, snowflakes, candy canes, snow globes, tinsel and wreaths decorating many homes in the City. Thank you to all who participated in the City's Deck the City Holiday Decorating Contest and made our community all the more brighter this holiday season.

WINNERS:

Mayor's Choice Winner: 7004 Bowdoin Avenue

1st Runner Up: 9500 Rhode Island Avenue

2nd Runners Up: 9129 Autoville Drive & 4803 Ruatan Street

District 1

1st Place: 5005 Muskogee Street

2nd Place: 9108 48th Place

3rd Place: 9500 Rhode Island Avenue

District 2

1st Place: 4803 Ruatan Street

2nd Place: 8410 49th Avenue

3rd Place: 8410 Potomac Avenue

District 3

1st Place: 7004 Bowdoin Avenue

2nd Place: 7300 Baylor Road

3rd Place: 4605 College Avenue

Honorable Mention: 7322 Radcliffe, 7307 Radcliffe and 7013 Harvard

District 4

1st Place: 9129 Autoville Drive

2nd Place: 9204 St. Andrews Place

3rd Place: 3506 Metzertott Road



Mayor's Choice Winner
7004 Bowdoin Avenue

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

City of College Park Tribute to
REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019

2:00 - 3:30p.m.

Kay Theatre, The Clarice
University of Maryland College Park

**INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A
THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE**

Keynote Speaker

MELVIN C. HIGH

Prince George's County Sheriff



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FREE

INSPIRATION & ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL AGES

Organized by the City's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute Committee

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CITY TRIBUTE TO REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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1ST THIRSTY THURSDAY

5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

OLD MARYLAND GRILL

Join the City/University Community every first Thursday (of most months) for 1st Thirsty Thursday! Eat, drink and have laughs with colleagues and neighbors! This event is appropriate for children of all ages (1 to 101). You may even win some College Park swag!

The City of College Park Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee presents...

1ST THIRSTY THURSDAYS
Bringing the City and University Community Together

For more information call 240-487-3543. or visit
www.collegeparkmd.gov/events.

**FAMILY FUN
BOWLING BASH**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 27
1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.
BOWLERO LANES
9021 BALTIMORE AVE**

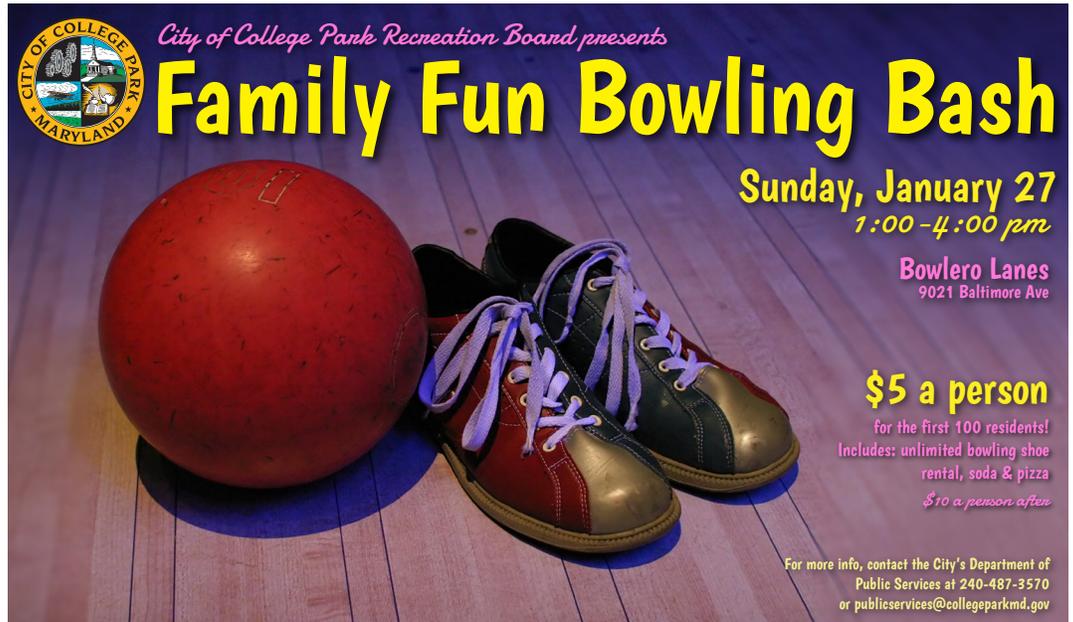
The City of College Park's Recreation Board presents...

Family Fun Bowling Bash!

Sunday, January 27 from 1 to 4pm at Bowlero Lanes (formerly AMF College Park - 9021 Baltimore Ave)

Only \$5* per person!! Includes unlimited bowling from 1-4pm, shoe rental, soda and pizza **For the first 100 City of College Park residents. Proof of residency required. After that, the price is only \$10 per person*

No reservations required and a limited number of



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lanes also have gutter guards!

Visit our [Facebook event page](#) or call 240-487-3570 for more information. Sponsored by the City's Recreation Board Committee.



PUBLIC FORUM
Duval Field Visioning & Planning Project

Thursday, January 17, 2019
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Davis Hall
9217 51st Avenue

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For more information:
Department of Planning, Community & Economic Development
CITY OF COLLEGE PARK
planner@collegetparkmd.gov
240.487.3538



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY HOLIDAYS

All City Offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1 in observance of the New Year holiday. Monday refuse and recycling collections will occur as normal, however Tuesday and Wednesday collections will slide forward one day. Special collections will only occur on Friday, January 4, 2019.

All City Offices will be closed on Monday, January 21 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday. Trash will be collected one day later than usual, and special collections will only occur on Friday, January 25.

FINAL WEEKS OF CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION

A final City-wide leaf collection will occur during the first two weeks of January, weather permitting. Look for the posted signs in your neighborhood to know when curbside leaf collection will occur. Refer to the city website www.collegeparkmd.gov/SpecialCollections#curbsideleaf for the most up-to-date collection schedule.

After the final leaf vacuuming occurs, soft yard waste collections will resume on your regular collection day.

Soft yard waste is leaves, grass and soft clippings. Use paper yard waste bags, the beige yard waste cart, or reusable containers with a City yard trim decal (decals can be pick up for free at any City building.)

ATTICK TOWERS WAITING LIST OPENING

This is a notice from the College Park Housing Authority.

College Park Housing Authority
9014 Rhode Island Avenue
College Park, MD 20740
(301) 345-3600

College Park Housing Authority will open its waiting list for housing in Attick Towers, the independent living high-rise apartment building located at 9014 Rhode Island Avenue in College Park, Maryland effective November 1, 2018 until January 29, 2019.

Applications can be picked up at Attick Towers or mailed by calling the number listed above.

WATER MAIN BREAKS

Water main breaks should be reported to Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) at 301-206-4002. Please have the physical address of the water main break available when you call.

HOLIDAY LIGHT RECYCLING

All holiday lights, working or not-working, are accepted for recycling at MOM's Organic Market, 9801 Rhode Island Avenue, College Park. Holiday lights are collected for recycling in December and January.

Please remove lights from bags/packaging and place in designated holiday lights recycling bin located in the lobby when you enter MOM's Organic Market.

What happens to the waste? Collected lights are broken down through smelting or shredding to recover raw commodities. These raw commodities are then used to create roofing and construction materials, piping, car batteries, other electronics, lead wheel weights, flatware, jewelry, and more!

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The following items are on display and are available to purchase and pick up Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at the Department of Public Works - 9217 51st Avenue, College Park.

For more information call 301-487-3590 or email publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov.

RAIN BARRELS - \$72.00.

Rain barrels are a great way to keep runoff from leaving your home. Outdoor watering accounts for a large percentage of water consumption. By having a rain barrel and storing rainfall, you'll have water for outdoor irrigation. Size is 50-gallon.

Once installed, Prince George's County residents can apply for a [Rain Check Rebate](#), off-setting most of the cost! Rain barrels come with lid, overflow cap, pre-installed screen and ring, flex overflow hose, ball valve – spigot, re-usable zip ties, hose clamp and rubber washer. Diverter kit is not included.

YARD WASTE CARTS - \$25.00 FOR RESIDENTS TO PURCHASE

The beige 65-gallon yard waste cart can be used for either "soft yard waste" or "woody yard waste." The two products are collected on separate days and processed into different products. This sturdy cart has wheels and a lift-bar for easy collection.

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Using the new yard waste cart can save time and money – single use paper lawn bags become expensive over time and can tear or fall apart when wet.

BACK YARD COMPOST BIN - \$20.00 CITY RESIDENTS / \$40.00 NON RESIDENTS.

Composting is a great way to dispose of your household food waste and yard waste diverting them from the landfill. Size: 33" high x 31" wide, large capacity – 11 cubic feet with convenient 12"x16" offset, front access door.

SMARTLEAF® COMPOST AND WOOD MULCH

Compost is \$28.00 per cubic yard and wood mulch is \$12.00 per cubic yard. Material may be picked up Mon.-Fri. between 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Deliveries have been suspended for the season. For more information on compost [click here](#), or wood mulch [click here](#). For further questions, or to place an order, please call 240-487-3590

SPECIAL TRASH/BULK TRASH – CALL TO SCHEDULE

You must call to schedule an appointment to collect special trash, white goods, electronics for recycling, or brush. Please don't place items at the curb until you have scheduled an appointment. Call 240-487-3590 or email publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov to schedule a collection on Thursday or Friday.

Keep in mind that appointments are scheduled on a first come first serve basis and occasionally slots fill up and collections will be scheduled for the following week. Upcoming holidays will impact the availability of special collections. Have your items at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled day.

MUNICIPAL SCENE

TWO OPTIONS TO STAY IN TOUCH!

EMAIL:

Sign up for "College Park Connected" at www.collegeparkmd.gov/cpconnect. Choose the "General Interest" category to receive the Municipal Scene directly to your inbox every month.

MAIL:

Did you know that College Park residents can receive the Municipal Scene through the mail? Please submit your name and address to the City Clerk's office to get on our mailing list. Contact us at 240-487-3501, or send an email to iroberts@collegeparkmd.gov.

DIRECTORY

City of College Park Main Number.....240-487-3500
City Hall, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740
Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8am-6pm

City Hall Departments

Administration.....240-487-3501
City FAX Number301-699-8029
Finance.....240-487-3509
Human Resources.....240-487-3533
Parking Enforcement Division240-487-3520
Planning/Economic Development240-487-3538

Housing Authority

(Attick Towers) 9014 R.I. Ave.301-345-3600

Public Services: 8400 Baltimore Ave. 240-487-3570

Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Public Safety and Recreation. Parking Enforcement is at City Hall.

24 Hour Hotline.....240-487-3588

For Urgent Code Enforcement, Noise Control, Animal Control Issues.

Public Works: 9217 51st Ave.....240-487-3590

Trash Collection, Recycling and Special Pick-ups.

Senior Program.....301-345-8100

Youth and Family Services

4912 Nantucket Rd.....240-487-3550

Drop-In Recreation Center301-345-4425

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Patrick L. Wojahn
5015 Lackawanna Street.....240-988-7763

Councilmember Fazlul Kabir (District 1)
9817 53rd Avenue301-659-6295

Councilmember Kate Kennedy (District 1)
9730 51st Avenue.....202-400-1501

Councilmember P. J. Brennan (District 2)
4500 Knox Road202-288-5569

Councilmember Monroe S. Dennis (District 2)
8117 51st Avenue.....301-474-6270

Councilmember Robert W. Day (District 3)
7410 Baylor Avenue.....301-741-1962

Councilmember John Rigg (District 3)
6809 Dartmouth Avenue443-646-3503

Councilmember Denise C. Mitchell (District 4)
4500 Knox Road301-852-8126

Councilmember Dustyn Kujawa (District 4)
9238 Limestone Place240-620-2105

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY: FIRE-AMBULANCE-POLICE.....911

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE SERVICES

P.G. County Police (Hyattsville Station)301-699-2630

P.G. County Police (Non-Emergency) 301-352-1200

P.G. County Park Police (M-NCPPC)..301-459-9088

State Police (College Park Barrack).....301-345-3101

University of Maryland Police.....301-405-3555

College Park Community Center301-441-2647
5051 Pierce Avenue, College Park

PEPCO - Power Outages, Lines Down...1-877-737-2662

WSSC: Water Mains301-206-4002

Prince George's County Storm Drains.....301-499-8523