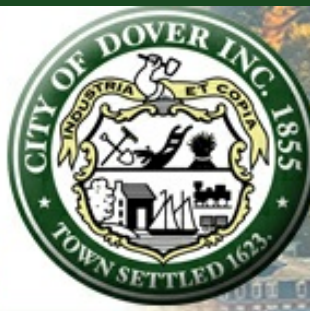


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Trash and recycling reminders

Waste Management, the City's new solid waste and recycling vendor, began curbside pick-up on July 1. Although pick-up routes mostly remain the same, residents are reminded that:

- The pick-up time on your regularly scheduled collection day may be different than it was prior to July 1. To ensure trash and recycling are picked up, please remember that all items must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on the designated collection day or as early as 4 p.m. the day before.
- By City ordinance, the maximum weight of trash bags is 35 pounds. Waste Management may reject trash bags that exceed the weight limit. Bags should be tied or sealed and should not be overloaded. Please note that the smaller, 15-gallon bags are rated for 20 pounds maximum.
- Dover trash bags can be purchased from a variety of local merchants, as well as the City Clerk's Office, the Community Services facility on Mast Road, and the Recycling Center. For a list of local merchants selling Dover trash bags, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xfXAs>.
- Curbside trash and recycling pick-up will follow the existing holiday schedule. Collection during a holiday

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Missed the meeting?

Meetings this week:

Planning Board, July 28, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

School Board, July 29, 5:30 p.m.

The School Board will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

week will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week beginning on the holiday. For a list of holidays, see the city's website here:

<https://go.usa.gov/xwApG>.

- All non-metal items too large to fit in a Dover trash bag, such as furniture, mattresses, toilets and carpets, require a bulky item tag. Bulky item tags can be purchased at the City Clerk's Office, the Community Services facility on Mast Road, the Recycling Center and at most locations where city trash bags are sold.

There are new restrictions on what types of plastics can be recycled. Only the items listed below should be placed in your household recycling bin:

- **Plastic:** Only #1, #2 and #5 plastics are allowed. Bottles, tubs, jugs, jars only. Remove caps. Rinse and dry. NO PLASTIC BAGS.
- **Glass:** Bottles and jars only. Rinse and dry.
- **Cardboard, cartons, paper:** Newspaper, magazines, office paper and junk mail only. Flatten, then place in recycling bin, paper bags, or bundle and tie. Rinse and dry. No plastic bags.
- **Metal:** Aluminum, tin and steel cans. Rinse and dry.

Note: The City of Dover discourages the use of single-use plastics including, but not limited to, plastic straws, disposable plates, cups, utensils, light-weight plastic bags, beverage containers and razors.

Clean recycling means materials can get to their next best use, which helps protect the environment by conserving natural resources, saves energy and reduces greenhouse gas emissions. Placing items in recycling bins that are not recyclable such as Styrofoam, light bulbs, plastic flower pots and bags, contaminates the entire load and may send it to a landfill and will cost us more. Recycling bins that contain non-recyclable items may not be picked up or flagged with a warning sticker.

Follow these simple recycling guidelines:

- Recycle all bottles, cans and paper.
- Keep items clean and dry.
- No plastic bags of any kind.

Not sure if an item is recyclable? When in doubt, visit <http://www.recyclesmartma.org>. Enter the item name and click search.

For more information, contact Community Services at 516-6450.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).



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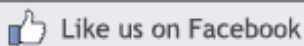
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City Hall hours:

Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday
8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Recycling Center hours:
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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City Clerk seeks election workers

The City Clerk's Office is seeking election officers to help staff Dover's polling places during upcoming elections, including the State Primary in September and the General Election in November.

The City Clerk's office provides training to all election workers. These are paid positions. Election workers must be at least 18 years old and a Dover resident.

Election officers assist with a variety of duties on election day, including aiding voters, maintaining order, opening and closing the polls, and processing the vote counts. Election workers are needed in all of the City's six wards.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018 or email City Clerk Susan Mistretta at s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov.

NHDOT, City of Dover issue reminder on placement of political signs

Another election year is upon us and the Department of Transportation and the City of Dover are reminding candidates and their campaign workers about proper placement of political signs.

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation reminds candidates that state law addresses political signs on state property as follows:

- The law prohibits placement of political signs on the interstate highways, including the entrance and exit ramps.
- The law prohibits placement of political signs on or affixed to utility poles or highway signs, including delineators.
- Signs that create a traffic hazard or obstruct the safe flow of traffic will be removed. Signs affixed to bridges create a traffic hazard and will be removed.
- Signs will be removed to perform maintenance. This is prime mowing season, so it is best not to place signs in

an area with long grass that is likely to be mowed in the near future.

- Placement of signs should only be on private property, not public property, and where the landowner has provided permission for the placement of the sign.
- Signs on private property that obstruct traffic signs or signals, or restrict a motorist's field of view at an intersection, will be removed as a traffic hazard. (RSA 236:1, 236:73.)
- Candidates are required to remove all political signs by the second Friday following the election, unless the election is a primary and the advertising concerns a winning candidate. (RSA 664:17.)

In an effort to best use the Department's resources, NHDOT Commissioner Victoria F. Sheehan has written to the political party chairs and political candidates regarding placement of political signs. In the event the Department needs to remove political signs for safety or maintenance, the signs will be held at the local patrol headquarters until one week after the election and then discarded. (RSA 664:17.)

In Dover, political advertising signs are regulated by state law (NH RSA 664:17) and City code (Chapter 170, Section 170-32.L). Political advertising is not permitted within any city-owned rights-of-way.

According to Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker, signs should be placed behind utility poles, away from the street side, and never on a utility pole. Where there are sidewalks, the backside of a sidewalk is generally the start of private property, behind which a sign may be placed. Additionally, political advertising should only be located where the private property owner has given the candidate written consent.

Proper placement of political advertising signs is important to maintain safety and maintenance of Dover's roadways. As in years past, the city will monitor the placement of political advertising signs to ensure that all candidates are in compliance with the rules and regulations.

"Whether signs are viewed by staff or are the subject of a written complaint, the candidate will receive a call from the Planning Department to inform them that they need to move or remove the offending sign within 24 hours," said Assistant City Planner Elena Piekut. "If the sign is not relocated or removed, the sign will be confiscated and subject to a fee for retrieval.

"We thank the campaigns in advance for their cooperation," Parker said, "and wish them the best of luck."

For more information, contact the Office of Planning and Community Development at 516-6008.

State Primary Election sample ballots now available

The Secretary of State's Office has released sample ballots for the 2020 State Primary Election, which will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020.

The sample ballots for all Dover wards can be viewed on the [2020 State Primary page here](#).

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018.

Special election provisions in place due to COVID-19 pandemic

Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, the Secretary of State's office has made provisions for all voters to register to vote by mail and to request absentee ballots for any reason.

Under new guidance, voters can now register by mail during the COVID-19 pandemic and can request an absentee voter packet from the City Clerk's Office or from the New Hampshire Secretary of State. Voters need to fill out a registration form and provide election officials with a copy of a current photo ID, as well as a copy of a bill, bank statement or other document with a name and address.

Voters also need a witness, who will be allowed to stand 6 feet away or behind a window, to watch the voter sign their form and to attest by affidavit to the voter's identity.

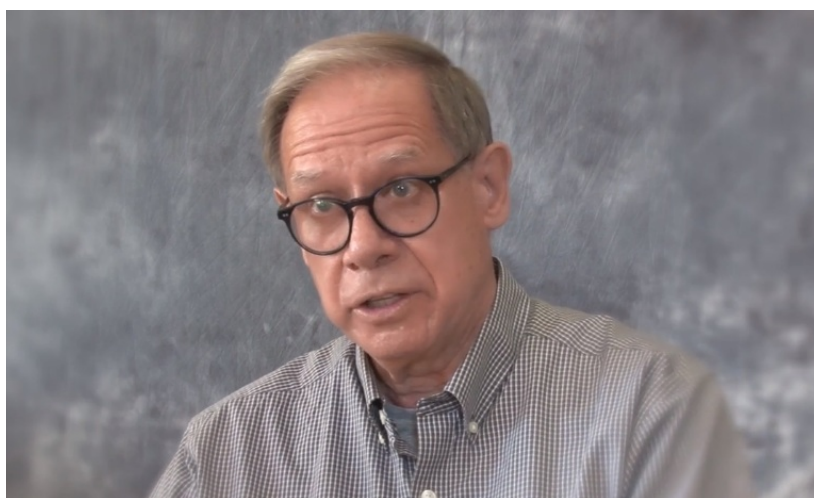
Forms must be returned by mail or in person to the City Clerk's office.

The state's complete guidelines [can be viewed here](#).

Absentee ballot requests [can be downloaded here](#) from the City of Dover's website. Absentee ballot requests must be returned by mail to the City Clerk's Office at City of Dover, NH, City Clerk, 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820. The completed form can also be returned via the public drop box, located inside the Customer Service Center vestibule at City Hall.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018.





Superintendent provides update on planning for next school year

School Board to consider options during special session on July 29

Superintendent of Schools William Harbron recently released an update the community on plans so far to reopen Dover's public schools this fall. School officials are considering three options to reopen schools, including remote learning for all, in-person education at the schools, and a hybrid model that is a combination of in-person and remote learning.

Harbron's 16-minute video update is followed by three remote learning presentations made to the School Board on July 13, including the results of recent surveys of parents and students.

The video update can be viewed by clicking the image above or at <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=QrNP4SB3uk67>.

The School Board is scheduled to meet for a workshop on Wednesday, July 29, to discuss options for reopening Dover's public schools. The meeting will be held in Room 305 at the McConnell Center and begins at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be broadcast live on Channel 22 and streamed live at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

Tickets on sale for this year's Cochecho Arts Festival

Tickets are now available for the 2020 Cochecho Arts Festival, which will take place Aug. 14 to 16 in a different location and format to ensure audience members' safety. Visit dovernh.org/caf to purchase tickets and see the full weekend schedule.



**COCHECHO
ARTS
FESTIVAL**

The Cochecho Arts Festival has taken place each summer for the past 33 years, bringing music and arts to downtown Dover. Given the COVID-19 restrictions, the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is adapting the festival to bring the arts to residents in a safe and enjoyable format. This year's festival is underwritten by Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, and would not be possible without the generous support of all CAF sponsors.

The Friday and Saturday festival shows will be in drive-in format at St. John's United Methodist Church, located at 28 Cataract Ave. The visual arts exhibit on Sunday will be held at the Seacoast Growers Association Farmers' Market in upper Henry Law Park on Henry Law Avenue.

Friday, Aug. 14 will be a Drive-In Movie Night, sponsored by Newburyport Bank. For only \$10 per vehicle, festival-goers have the chance to view "Rocketship," a short film directed by Alfred Thomas Catalfo, a local screenwriter, director, and attorney. Following that will be "Shrek," featuring the voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy and Cameron Diaz which earned the film an Academy Award.

The Drive-In Children's Series on Saturday, sponsored by Service Credit Union, will be free of charge (registration still required). Magic Fred will get things started at 10 a.m. with lots of age-appropriate comedy and awe-inspiring magical illusions. At 11 a.m., Wayne from Maine will be performing his unique, interactive brand of children's music as he has for over two decades. To cap off the Children's Series, magician BJ Hickman will take the stage at 12 p.m. for his magic show that is always loaded with clever deceptions, mind-reading miracles, and lots of non-stop action and silly surprises.

Saturday night's Headliner Series, sponsored by First Seacoast Bank, will be \$10 per vehicle. The night will kick off with "Shark in the Parking Lot" at 5:30 p.m. that will feature the band Rosie, hosted by 102.1 & 105.3 The Shark. Rosie has been touring New England for 39 years playing originals to hard rock, metal, blues, and some country. Taking the stage at 7 p.m. is Entrain, the eclectic Martha's Vineyard-based six-piece band formed in 1993. Capping off the Headliner Series will be local band Soggy Po' Boys at 8:30 p.m. The Soggy Po' Boys serve their jazz messy, mixing brass-fueled mayhem with spirituals, Meters-style old-school funk, and the Caribbean side of the New Orleans tradition.

On Sunday, in collaboration with the Seacoast Growers Association, the Cochecho Arts Festival will showcase artists and their work at the Farmers' Market in upper Henry Law Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come and check out all of the different local crafters and artists and what they have to offer. This event is free and open to the public, with no ticket required.



Apple Harvest Day goes virtual

Over the past few months, the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce has seriously evaluated the potential of having the 36th annual Apple Harvest Day in person. When trying to determine our ability to host the event, we spoke with our vendors, volunteers, local officials, community members, and chamber members to get a sense of participation and concerns surrounding the event. Throughout the discussion, the reoccurring concern for hosting an in-person event was how to properly implement the federal and state safety recommendations given the size and scope of the event.

After careful consideration, The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce has decided to alter the format of this year's festival to ensure the comfort, and safety for our vendors, volunteers, and participants. The festival will not be happening in its traditional in-person format, but instead, the 36th Annual Apple Harvest Day will be online through a virtual platform.

"Apple Harvest Day at Home" will offer vendors and festival goers the opportunity to experience Apple Harvest Day from the safety and comfort of their own home. This new online format will give vendors and visitors the ability to shop Apple Harvest Day for the entire month of October, rather than just a single day.

In an effort to preserve the authenticity of the event, there will still be a live-streamed program on October 3, 2020 featuring events like the "first bite ceremony". The plan is to give vendors an opportunity during the live stream program to do virtual demonstrations as well. Whether that's crafting a new pair of earrings, or a call for volunteers for a local non-profit, we are encouraging vendors to think outside the box! In addition to vendor demonstrations, we have plans to include musical performances and virtual attractions like Wildlife Encounters' live animal program.

State now accepting applications for new GAP Fund

Applications for the New Hampshire General Assistance and Preservation (GAP) Fund opened this week.

Gov. Chris Sununu has authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$30 million of CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds ("flex funds") for the New Hampshire General Assistance and Preservation (GAP) Fund to provide emergency financial relief to New Hampshire businesses and nonprofit organizations impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, but that have been unable to access support from other existing state and federal programs.

Eligibility for the GAP Fund, include but are not limited to:

For-Profit eligibility criteria:

- Be a for-profit business
- Have at least one (1) non-owner employee
- Have its principal place of business in New Hampshire or conduct a significant portion of its operation in New Hampshire
- Demonstrate that the business was fully operational prior to March 13, 2020
- Not currently be in bankruptcy
- Not have permanently ceased operations
- Be in Good Standing with the New Hampshire Secretary of State
- Demonstrate a quantifiable financial impact on their business due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Not-for-Profit eligibility criteria:

- Be a nonprofit organization that is not a 501c(3) or 501c(6)
- Have its principal place of operations in New Hampshire
- Administrative expenses due to COVID-19 that are in compliance with IRS rules and regulations for business expenses
- Have a primary purpose that is not lobbying and/or legislative advocacy
- Not currently be in bankruptcy
- Not have permanently ceased operations
- Be in Good Standing with the New Hampshire Secretary of State
- Demonstrate a quantifiable financial impact on their business due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Receipts of Coronavirus Relief Funds from any other state program is not an automatic disqualification; however, the amount of such assistance will be taken into consideration for eligibility and the amount of any award. Additionally, a business where the only employees are owners of the business are not eligible for grants under the GAP Fund as an alternative relief program was designed to address the need of these entities using CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds ("flex funds").

Important Dates and Timeline

- Application period: July 21 to Aug. 4, 2020
- Application verification period: Aug. 5 to Aug. 18, 2020

An instructional webinar to review the GAP Fund application process will be held on July 28 at 2 p.m. To register, visit https://nhbfa_gap-session2.eventbrite.com.

Applications

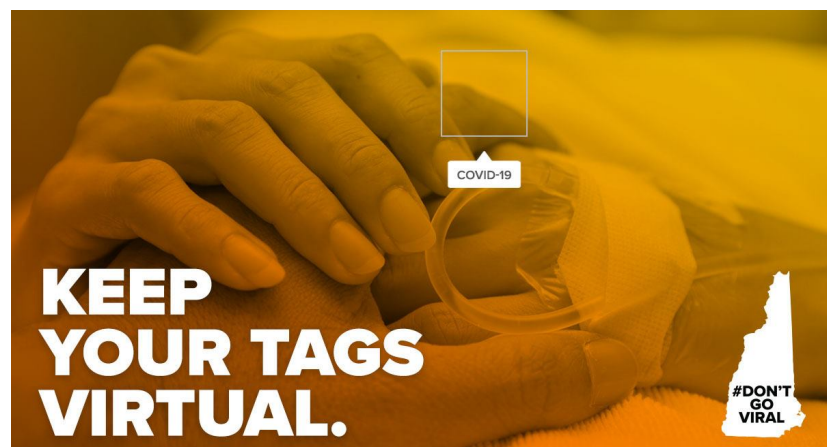
For-Profit and Nonprofit GAP Fund applications are available here

Please fill out the appropriate form below, which is required to submit as part of the corresponding application.

Each application has a separate worksheet that is required to be submitted:

- Nonprofit: [COVID-19 Worksheet](#)
- For-Profit: [NH BFA Personal Financial Statement](#)

More information: <https://www.goferr.nh.gov/covid-expenditures/new-hampshire-gap-fund>.



Wear a mask. Some things aren't worth sharing. Stopping the spread of COVID-19 isn't just about you, it's about everyone around you. This is the one time you don't want to go viral.

UPDATED: Status of City and school facilities and services

Dover Public Library

The Dover Public Library expanded its hours of operation to Mondays, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



For patrons who choose not to visit in person, the Library will continue to offer its pickup service on Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m., and on Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

See library.dover.nh.gov for more information about the pickup service.

The Library is open with the following restrictions:

- The hours of 9 to 10 a.m. will be reserved for elderly or medically vulnerable patrons.
- Patrons with any symptoms of COVID-19, including fever or cough, should not enter the building.
- The Library is requesting that all patrons wear masks. Masks will be provided to those who need one.
- A maximum of 22 patrons will be allowed in the building at a time and of those 22, eight will be allowed in the Children's Room.
- The parking lot door, near the Children's Room, is the designated entrance, and the front door will be the exit. This does not apply to patrons in need of the elevator, or families exiting the Children's Room.
- Patrons will be allotted one hour to be in the building to give computer users enough time to get their work completed. However, patrons are asked to keep their visits as short as possible.
- Please follow all social distancing protocols. Decals on the floor denote 6-foot spacing at service desks.
- Please no food and drink in the building due to the fact that patrons would need to remove their masks to consume.
- Please return all materials in our outside book drops. All books will be quarantined for three days and will be checked in on the fourth day.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at all service desks.
- The DVD collection has been relocated to the Lecture Hall to allow for more spacious browsing.

For more information, call the Library at 516-6050 or email libraryquestions@dover.nh.gov.

Jenny Thompson Outdoor Pool

The Jenny Thompson Outdoor Pool is now open for recreational swimming. To meet state guidelines for reopening, several restrictions are in place, including:



- Everyone should arrive showered and ready to swim. Locker room use will be limited.
- Capacity will be limited to 40 patrons on a first come, first served basis.
- Patrons must maintain 6 feet of physical distance from other patrons who are not members of the same household.
- Masks must be worn when entering and exiting the facility, in the pool lobby, locker rooms and pool deck, prior to entering the water.
- The pool is modified for physical distancing and no equipment, such as goggles, will be provided.
- The use of any equipment, including kickboards, fins, noodles, toys, and barbells are not allowed until further notice.
- Diving boards will be open to the public from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. and 3 to 3:30 p.m. only.

Under the new guidelines, the Outdoor Pool cannot offer group and private lessons until further notice.

For additional information and guidelines, see <https://go.usa.gov/xfxGd>.

McConnell Center

The Fitness Center, located at the McConnell Center, is open during regular hours, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Precautions will be in place for those using the facility, including:

- The Fitness Center will operate at half capacity
- Staff will be wearing masks and visitors are strongly encouraged to wear masks in all common areas
- Cardio rooms will be limited to 4 people at a time
- Time restrictions may be placed on cardio equipment, if needed
- The weight room, Cybex room and dance studio will be limited to 7 people at a time

- It is recommended that patrons call about room availability in advance to working out
- Additional hand sanitizers will be available
- Anyone who is sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 is asked to stay home

Butterfield Gym

The Butterfield Gym is open during regular hours.

Dover Community Senior Center

The Dover Community Senior Center, also located at the McConnell Center, remains closed.

Ice Arena

The Dover Ice Arena is open. Although open, a number of Arena programs planned for the summer will not occur, including Learn to Skate, Rock Night, youth and adult introduction to hockey, recreational public skate, and skate rentals from the Pro Shop.

Parks and playgrounds

Some recreation areas are open again to the public, including the Longhill Park Dog Park, pickleball and tennis courts, and the Bellamy Park Disc Golf Course. Several restrictions are and remain in place at these locations until further notice, including prohibited use by those who exhibit and symptoms of the coronavirus, have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days, or are at risk due to known factors including underlying health conditions.

Pickleball and tennis courts are now available first come, first served. Additional pickleball programs, drop-in and recreational play are also now available.

Parks and playgrounds are no longer closed, but an advisory is in effect. Please remember:

- Playground equipment is not sanitized
- Stay home if you are sick
- Wash hands before and after use
- Avoid touching surfaces
- Use of parks and playgrounds is at your own risk

For more information, contact Dover Recreation at 516-6401.

Dover Indoor Pool

The Indoor Pool is open for lap swim only. Lap swimming will be broken down into one-hour swim blocks, followed by a 30-minute block for staff to clean the facility. Patrons will exit the

facility no more than 15 minutes after their swim block has ended.

All swimming is arranged by reservation only. To make a reservation, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/recreation/aquatics/index.html> and follow the instructions to sign up.

For additional information, including new guidelines and restrictions, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xwQuy>.

City Hall

City Hall is open to the public during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



When open, additional safety precautions and guidelines will be followed at City Hall, including:

- The building is open with limited capacity.
- All staff wear masks. Customers are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Masks are available to the public, if needed.
- Clear partitions are installed in all offices at City Hall to limit in-person contact.
- While in the building, please remain 6 feet apart from others.
- Hand sanitizing stations are available throughout City Hall.
- All common surfaces are cleaned and disinfected frequently.

Payment for a variety of bills and services can still be made via a drop box at City Hall. The drop box is conveniently located inside the Locust Street Customer Service Center entrance at City Hall and is accessible during regular business hours. Payments for water and utility bills, property taxes and parking violations can be made via the drop box. The drop box can also be used for motor vehicle registrations.

Public School Offices and SAU

School and SAU offices are open to the public by appointment. To make an appointment, call the respective school's main phone line or SAU office. All visitors are required to fill out a questionnaire, have their temperature taken before entering, and wear a mask.

Community Services

The Community Services facility on Mast Road is open to the public during regular hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



The Recycling Center on Mast Road has remained open during its regular schedule of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility on Middle Road is open to septic, RV and sludge deliveries.

The chapel at Pine Hill Cemetery is open but appointments are encouraged. To contact the chapel for an appointment, call (603) 516-6480.

Public Welfare

Public Welfare, located at the McConnell Center, is open. Please use Door 3 at the McConnell Center. Public Welfare can also be accessed by appointment. Contact the office by phone at 516-6500 to set up an appointment. Interviews may also be conducted over the phone, instead of in person. Necessary paperwork can be mailed to the office at Dover Public Welfare, 61 Locust St., Dover, NH 03820, faxed to the office or placed under the office door.

Some forms are available online at the [Public Welfare website](#).

Those eligible for welfare benefits must still qualify financially and apply to other programs for which they are eligible.

Public Meetings

Most public boards, commissions and committees are now meeting in person. Provisions are in place to accommodate physical distancing by public body members and the public, including additional audio and visual equipment and overflow space.

See the City of Dover's [website for a calendar of upcoming meetings](#).

Utility service calls and interior assessing inspections

City staff has resumed interior water and sewer utility service calls. These services calls will be made by appointment. During these service calls, city staff will wear masks, as well as eye protection and gloves. Staff will maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others.

Assessing staff has resumed interior inspections. Inspections

will be made by appointment. Inspectors will wear masks and maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others. They can be identified by a city issued identification card.

For more information, or to verify an inspector's identification, call the Assessor's Office at 516-6014.

Inspection Services

Inspection Services, located at the Liberty North End Fire Station at 262 Sixth St., is now open during regular hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The number of people permitted into the facility will be limited. For more information, contact Inspection Services at 516-6038.

All services and facilities

For more information, including a list of available services and city facility access, see [our online resource here](#).

City Council seeks applicants for Committee for the Elimination of Racism and Bias

The City Council will soon form an ad-hoc Committee for the Elimination of Racism and is seeking community members interested in sitting on the advisory panel. The committee will hold listening sessions, review data and develop an action plan intended to help identify and eliminate systemic racism in municipal operations, including public boards and commissions.

The advisory committee will report its recommendations to the City Council.

The City Council discussed the composition of the committee at its meeting on July 8. Members of the committee will likely include a City Councilor; a School Board member; a representative of Dover High School's Project DREAM; a member of the public representing the NAACP, ACLU, or similar organization with a mission that seeks to eliminate racism and promote racial justice and equality; a member of a field of academia with a focus on identifying and eliminating systemic racism/bias; and members of the community with knowledge, interest, and experience in addressing systemic racism and bias. The number of community members is yet to be determined, pending interviews of applicants by the City Council's Appointments Committee.

Members of the community interested in serving on the Committee for the Elimination of Racism and Bias should contact the City Clerk's Office for an application or [download the application here](#). Applications must be returned to the City

Clerk's Office in person, by mail or by email. Applications will be reviewed in the coming weeks by the Appointments Committee.

The pending formation of a Committee for the Elimination of Racism and Bias follows the unanimous adoption of a resolution by the City Council in June that condemns systemic racism and acknowledges the effects of racial inequity on education and economic opportunities. The resolution states that Dover will continue to "strive to become increasingly welcoming, inclusive, representative, and responsive to historically underrepresented and underserved communities."

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018.

City's boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future.

Current vacancies are as follows:

- **Conservation Commission** - one alternate member
- **Downtown Dover TIF Advisory Board** - one regular member
- **Ethics Commission** - four regular members
- **McConnell Center Advisory Committee** - one regular member
- **Open Lands Committee** - two regular members
- **Pool Advisory Committee** - one regular member and one alternate member
- **Dover Utility Commission** -one alternate member

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, [click here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, [click here](#). Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office in person, by mail, or by email. Committee application

forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.



Behind on your mortgage or rent?

Assistance available through Dover's Welfare office, CAP

The state has authorized \$35 million from the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund to support those in need of housing assistance as a result of COVID-19. Funds are available through New Hampshire's five Community Action Program (CAP) agencies.

The program is open to all New Hampshire residents and there are no income restrictions.

The program has two components: one-time assistance grants and a short-term rental assistance program.

- The one-time assistance grants cannot exceed \$5,000 and can be used to assist households with:
- Past-due rent from April 2020 forward for households that fell behind on rent due to either increased household expenses or lost household revenue as a result to COVID-19;
- Past-due housing/household related expenses that may impact an individual's/families' ability to remain housed; and/or
- Other housing related one-time expenses that if not paid impact the ability to maintain housing.
- The short-term rental assistance to maintain or secure permanent housing includes assistance for:
- Past-due rent that was not paid due to a COVID-19 related inability to pay and ongoing rental assistance on a short term basis. The rental assistance will decrease over time as households regain stability; or
- First month's rent and ongoing short-term rental

assistance to assist with initial costs to facilitate the transition of working households from shelters into permanent housing.

- Program payments will be made directly to the landlord or provider, and this program will end by Dec. 30, 2020.

The Housing Stabilization Fund application is available through Community Action Partnership of Strafford County. For more information on the Housing Relief Program, including the application, visit <https://straffordcap.org/housing-relief-program/>.

Residential tenants unable to make rent payments, or who are falling behind, can reach out for assistance to:

- **Dover Public Welfare**; 603-516-6500; s.gaston@dover.nh.gov; bit.ly/doverwelfare
- **Community Action Partnership of Strafford County**, 577 Central Ave., Suite 10, Dover, NH 03820; 603-435-2500; cap@cap.org; straffordcap.org.
- **DHHS Bureau of Housing Support**, 271-9196, or dhhs.bhhs@dhhs.nh.gov
- **Dial 2-1-1**

Business tenants and landlords may be eligible for financial relief through federal and state resources. For more information about assistance available to landlords and commercial tenants, contact the **Office of Economic Development** 603-516-6043.

Visit www.dover.nh.gov/dovercares for additional resources.



Schools continue summer breakfast and lunch program

The public schools will continue provide breakfast and lunch to all students throughout the summer. Food for the summer program is distributed by Community Action Partnership of Strafford County on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 10 to 11 a.m.

Pick-up locations are:

- Redden Gardens
- Rutland Manor
- White Cliffs at Dover
- Dover High School
- Lilac Garden
- Woodman Park Elementary School
- Westgate Village
- Strafford Farms

For more information, contact the Dover School District at 516-6800.

Grab and Go program provides food throughout the summer

Summer has arrived, and for many Dover children, that means a decrease in available food, including food distributed

over the last three months by the Dover School District. Grab and Go, a nonprofit program that provides food to the children, will offer healthy food to Dover children every week throughout the summer.

Now in its sixth year, Grab and Go has distributed over 10,000 weekend food bags.

Those in need of food this summer can pick up food bags at one of several locations throughout the city. Food bags are generally available at each site for approximately 45 minutes.

The program will continue through Friday, Sept. 4.

Pick-up locations and times are as follows:

Thursdays

- Dover Teen Center, afternoon
- Dover Public Library, afternoon
- Dover Public Welfare, afternoon
- Garrison Elementary School, 1:15 p.m.
- Whittier Falls, 1:30 p.m.
- Park Street Park, 1:45 p.m.
- Henry Law Park, 1:45 p.m.

Fridays

- Westgate Apartments, 9:30 a.m.
- Woodman Park, 9:30 a.m.
- Strafford Farms, 10 a.m.
- Belknap Street, 10 a.m.
- Dover High School, 10 a.m.
- White Cliffs, 10:30 a.m.
- Rutland Manor, 10:30 a.m.
- Lilac Gardens, 11:45 a.m.
- Redden Gardens, 11:45 a.m.

Grab and Go is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

For more information, email dovergrabandgo@gmail.com.

Slow the Spread of COVID-19



Use cloth face coverings to help slow the spread of COVID-19

COVID-19 spreads mainly from person to person through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice (e.g., while shouting, chanting, or singing). These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. Recent studies show that a significant portion of individuals with COVID-19 lack symptoms (are "asymptomatic") and that even those who eventually develop symptoms (are "pre-symptomatic") can transmit the virus to others before showing symptoms.

To reduce the spread of COVID-19, CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings when around people outside of their household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.

Why it is important to wear a cloth face covering

Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others. Wearing a cloth face covering will help protect people around you, including those at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and

workers who frequently come into close contact with other people (e.g., in stores and restaurants). Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings. The spread of COVID-19 can be reduced when cloth face coverings are used along with other preventive measures, including social distancing, frequent handwashing, and cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces.

The cloth face coverings recommended here are not surgical masks or respirators. Currently, those are critical supplies that should be reserved for healthcare workers and other first responders. Cloth face coverings are not personal protective equipment (PPE). They are not appropriate substitutes for PPE such as respirators (like N95 respirators) or medical facemasks (like surgical masks) in workplaces where respirators or facemasks are recommended or required to protect the wearer.

For more information, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>.



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, [located here](#).



July 28, 1665 - The treasurer was ordered to pay for the killing of a wolf in the year 1663, "as appeareth in a note under the Constable's hands, in the hands of John Hall, Deacon, under the selectmen's hands," the money to go to the said John Hall, Deacon, and fifteen other persons, each to receive an equal portion. As the price for killing a wolf was but 5 pounds. The share of each could not have been large, though it was very proper, as the town had given its note for the amount, that the same should be paid.



July 26, 1696 - The people of Dover were waylaid as they were returning from the public worship, when three were killed, three wounded, and three carried to Penobscot, from whence they soon found their way home. The persons killed were Nicholas Otis, Mary Downs and Mary Jones; those wounded were Richard Otis, Anthony Lowden and

Experience Heard; those captured were John Tucker, Nicholas Otis, Jr. and Judith Ricker. As these persons all appear to have lived between Waldron's garrison and Garrison Hill, it is probable that the attack was between the upper falls and the brow of the hill before reaching Otis' Garrison.



July 28, 1824 - The proprietors of the Cochecho River Boat Co. held their first meeting for the choice of officers. At the June session of the Legislature petitions were presented for a charter to build a canal, or railway from Lake Winnepesaukee to Dover; also for the purpose of plying ferry boats to be moved by horse power across the river from Dover Point to Newington.



July 27, 1830 - "Present appearances promise an unusual crop of potatoes. Some farmers have offered them at ninepence a bushel, in anticipation of the harvest. Good hay is now selling for \$5 a ton. (Dover Enquirer)"



July 31, 1848 - Died, Alfred I. Sawyer, aged 49 - a useful and enterprising citizen, and the founder of the "Sawyer Woolen Mills."

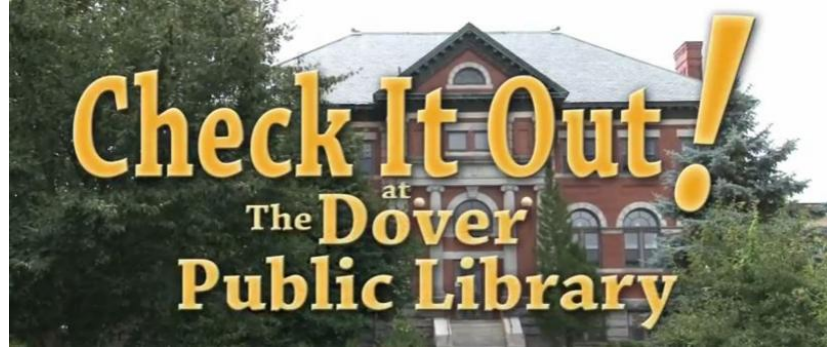
Historic Walking Tours: Summer 2020

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will offer its Historic Walking Tours on a limited basis throughout the summer of 2020. There will not be a set schedule; rather, tours will be conducted by request depending on the availability of our volunteer tour guides. The three tours offered include Downtown Walking Tour, Pine Hill Cemetery Tour, and Historic Homes Architectural Tour.

Group size will be limited to no more than 10 and participants will be required to wear masks. Participants will also be encouraged to bring their own water, wear comfortable shoes, and wear a head covering. Tours run about 90 minutes long.

To schedule a tour, call the chamber at 603-742-2218 or email info@dovernh.org. The fee for the walking tours is \$10 per person, with a \$25 limit for families.

If interested in becoming a tour guide, contact the Chamber at 603-742-2218 or info@dovernh.org.



Summer reading at the Dover Public Library

Green and White, Reading Unites! is under way and will continue through Friday, July 31. In an effort to bring the community together during this challenging time, we will set one goal for readers of all ages. Can kids, teens, and adults altogether read 3,000 books during the eight-week summer reading program? Watch the progress on the book tracker on the front lawn of the library. At the end of the program when the goal is met (we know you can do it!) everyone who participated will be entered in a raffle for a chance to win one of many gift cards. All prizes will be from Dover businesses in order to support our city.

Our summer reading program for 2020 will look different from past years, but will still include books, crafts, activities, and prizes. Each week during the program, families can take home a "Summer Fun Bag" which will include a craft, a STEM activity, and some small toys. The first bag will also include a "Writing Box" for families to use throughout the program. Each week a new "Write About It" challenge will be offered. There will be virtual storytimes, book groups, and other online activities to engage patrons of all ages.

To join in the challenge, go to our website library.dover.nh.gov and register for the program.

For more information, email p.falconer@dover.nh.gov or call 603-516-6052.

This Week at the Library

Tuesday, July 21 through Tuesday, July 27, All Day **Weekly Teen TikTok Challenge**

Are you a teen TikTok wizard? Show us your skills in our second-to-last weekly Teen TikTok Challenge of the summer! This week's pick is #rosesarered - show us your best meme poetry then tag us on TikTok using @doverpubliclibrary or #doverpubliclibraryteens, or send your videos to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov

Tuesday, July 14 through Friday, July 31, All Day **VIRTUAL Cookbook Club**

Join us for a virtual exploration of Sarah Copeland's cookbook *Every Day Is Saturday*. Throughout the month of July, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. We will share your creations on our social media pages throughout the month. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram [@doverpubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/doverpubliclibrary).

Sunday, July 26, 2 to 4 p.m.

VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Under

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Roll20 with Dungeon Master Aidan Bolduc! The group will meet every other Sunday and there is no commitment to attend all sessions. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play. **Please register for this program and you will receive an email 48 hours prior to the event with the log-in information.**

Monday, July 27, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Read to a Librarian

You can choose what works best for your child, phone or computer and schedule reading time for your child to keep practicing their reading skills this summer! You can pick from any title we have on Hoopla so a librarian can read along with them easily. **Please register for this program and you will get a specific time slot.**

Wednesday, July 29, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Online Storytime on the DPL YouTube Channel

Check out a new session of Miss Tina's storytime. This storytime and all previous recordings may be viewed at: <https://bit.ly/2z4EDcp>

Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Get Lit! Adult Book Club on the Library Lawn

Join this new book club and discuss "*Girl, Woman, Other*" by Bernardine Evaristo outside on the Library's front lawn! Copies of the book will be available to borrow on Hoopla Digital. Bring your own blanket or chair to sit on, drinks and snacks, and don't forget your mask!



CITY OF DOVER  **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stay informed with City of Dover
special announcements, project
newsletters and updates

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies,

special projects, and other important information? [Sign up now](#) to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, development and construction project updates, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, [click here](#). An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- **Director of Public Welfare**
- **Environmental Projects Manager**
- **Parking maintenance specialist**
- **Police officer**
- **Firefighter/EMT**
- **Deputy City Attorney**
- **Superintendent of Utilities**
- **Truck driver/Utilities**
- **Arena maintenance/Ice resurfacer**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.
