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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



March 7, 2025



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DOVER, NH**

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Avenue
Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

**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

DOVER CITY COUNCIL

ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

Public hearing on city budget is Wednesday

**Art installations, purchase and
sale agreements also on
City Council's March 12 agenda**

The City Council will hold a public hearing on the city-side of the proposed fiscal year 2026 budget at its Wednesday, March 12 meeting.

The Council previously held a public hearing on the education portion of the FY2026 budget at its Feb. 26 meeting. In addition to the public hearings, members of the public are encouraged to provide their opinions on the FY2026 budget during the Public Forum section of any budget workshop or City Council meeting, or by emailing the City Council at CityCouncil-All@dover.nh.gov. Find more information about the FY2026 budget at the [FY2026 Budget Revealed](#) online resource.

The City Council will also hold two public hearings on pending ordinance resolutions. One resolution would add

3:30 p.m.

paid parking on Third Street between Chestnut and Grove streets, and on Grove Street from Third Street to the end of the street by the train tracks. The other public hearing is on a resolution to repeal the McConnell Center Advisory Board.

Also on the agenda:

- Authorizing temporary public art installations at Waldron Park and Henry Law Park.
- Authorizing two purchase and sale agreements. One is for a purchase of a half-acre parcel of land downstream of the old Tolend Road landfill and Bellamy Reservoir; the other is a sale of a 0.12 acre lot on Newton Street that the city determined to be of insignificant value.
- Authorizing the purchase of granular activated carbon media for PFAS filters at the Pudding Hill Water Treatment Plant for \$141,600.

The Council will also hold a first reading of a resolution that would authorize appropriation and bonding for the FY2026 Capital Improvements Program. The bonding would be for \$5,165,000 through the state's Drinking Water Revolving Fund that would be used for lead service line replacement projects. The Council will hold a public hearing on the resolution on March 26 with a vote to occur on April 9.

[Click here](#) for the complete agenda.

The meeting will be held in City Hall's Council Chambers beginning at 7 p.m. It will broadcast on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where it will also be available on-demand.



School Board takes up budget revision Monday

The Dover School Board will take up a revision to its adopted fiscal year 2026 budget at its meeting on Monday, March 10, said Superintendent William Harbron.

The School Board adopted its FY2026 budget on Jan. 6, 2025, which was included in the city-wide proposed budget presented to the City Council on Feb. 12.

The revised budget details have not yet been released, but are anticipated to be included in the agenda materials, typically posted the Friday afternoon before the Monday meeting. Agenda and agenda materials will be posted to the School Board's agenda folder, [available here](#).

The School Board meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will broadcast on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.

Ways to provide budget input

The City Council will hold a public hearing on city-portion of the FY2026 proposed budget at its Wednesday, March 12 meeting. It held a public hearing on the education-portion of on Feb. 26.

Members of the public may also voice their input during the Public Forum section of any City Council meeting or budget workshop, or by emailing the City Council at CityCouncil-All@dover.nh.gov.

Budget Meeting Schedule

All budget meetings begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

- Wednesday, March 12 – Regular Meeting: City Budget Public Hearing
- Wednesday, March 19 – Workshop: Community Services, Library, and DoverNet departmental budget presentations
- Wednesday, March 26 – Regular Meeting (Public can speak during Public Forum)
- Wednesday, April 2 – 6 p.m. Workshop: General Budget Review
- Wednesday, April 2 – Special Meeting: Budget Adoption (immediately following the workshop)
- Wednesday, April 9 – Regular Meeting: Fallback budget adoption date

Budget presentations and associated documents are posted on the [FY2026 Budget Revealed online resource](#).

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. sends a weekly newsletter that recaps any budget-related presentations and a look ahead to what will occur the following week. Sign up for the newsletter at bit.ly/doverdownload, and select "Budget Revealed" from the list of newsletters.

Street closures, parking restrictions for Run Before You Crawl 5K on Saturday

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following street closures and parking restrictions for the 11th annual Run Before You Crawl 5K event, presented by Dover Main Street. The race begins at 9 a.m. A downtown Dover restaurant and pub crawl will follow the race between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Find more information at <https://dovermainstreet.org/race/index.php>.

The following closures will occur on Saturday, March 8, 2025:

- Southbound Chestnut Street, from Sixth to Third streets, between 9 and 10 a.m.
- Fourth Street, from Grove Street to Chestnut Street between 8 and 10 a.m.
- Additional closures will be in effect during brief periods to accommodate the race

flow on Fourth, Washington, Whittier and Sixth streets.

The event starts and ends near the Harvest Church on Fourth Street, between Grove and Chestnut streets. The course will follow a clockwise loop of Fourth, Prospect, Washington, Whittier, Sixth and Chestnut streets. Dover police personnel and event volunteers will be on hand to help manage the traffic flow along the race route.

Parking restrictions will be posted and in effect on Saturday morning along Sixth Street from Hillside Drive to Chestnut Street, and Fourth Street between Grove and Chestnut streets.

COAST bus service and connections at the Dover Transportation Center, 33 Chestnut St., will remain in effect throughout the race, but some route diversions will be required due to the above-listed street closures. Amtrak Downeaster passenger train service will not be interrupted, but train passengers intending to park at the Transportation Center may need to plan for alternate parking arrangements. All normal Saturday metered parking restrictions will remain in effect.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Dover Police Lt. Marn Speidel at 603-742-4646.



Daylight Saving Time a reminder for fire safety and prevention

As clocks spring forward for Daylight Saving Time on Sunday, March 9, 2025, at 2 a.m., fire safety experts urge residents to use this biannual time change as a crucial opportunity to check smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

Dover Fire and Rescue encourages residents to take potentially lifesaving action by replacing batteries in smoke detectors and testing all devices during the time change. Officials also recommend checking on elderly relatives, neighbors and friends to ensure their detectors are functioning properly.

"We see a disturbing pattern where eight out of 10 child fire fatalities occur in homes without working smoke alarms," said Dover Fire Chief Perry Plummer. "This preventable tragedy highlights the necessity of installing sufficient smoke detectors throughout your home and establishing a consistent maintenance routine tied to the clock changes. Even hardwired units require battery backups to function during power failures."

According to the National Fire Protection Association, nearly three-quarters of smoke alarm failures during fires were caused by missing, disconnected or dead batteries. Changing batteries at least once a year, testing alarms monthly and promoting these practices among community members represent some of the simplest yet most effective strategies for preventing fire deaths and injuries.

"Residential fire deaths disproportionately occur between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when households are sleeping," Plummer noted. "Properly maintained smoke detectors provide an essential early warning system that can mean the difference between life and death. The risk is particularly high for children and older adults, who often need additional time to safely exit a burning structure."

Research shows that functioning smoke detectors double a person's chances of surviving a house fire.

For additional fire safety information or assistance, contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 603-516-6148.



Champion of equality: How Dover's Carmita Aileen Murphy changed New Hampshire's Constitution

Throughout Women's History Month, the City of Dover proudly celebrates local women whose achievements have helped shape our community. This week, we honor Carmita Aileen Murphy, an educator, advocate, and unsung hero of women's rights in New Hampshire.

Born in Montrose, Penn. in 1924, Carmita moved to Dover after marrying Arthur Murphy, a

distinguished Naval officer who served his country honorably during World War II and the Korean conflict. The Murphys quickly became integral members of the Dover community. Balancing family life with her passion for education, Carmita dedicated herself to teaching history at Dover High School for 10 years.

While enriching the lives of her students, Carmita also pursued higher education herself at the University of New Hampshire (UNH), earning both a bachelor's degree in government and a master's degree in political science. Her master's thesis was particularly notable, focusing on the influential role of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in promoting political rights globally. Carmita's commitment to advancing women's equality was evident both in her academic pursuits and her professional career.

However, Carmita Murphy's most enduring legacy lies in her pioneering advocacy for women's voting rights in New Hampshire. In 1956, as a delegate to the New Hampshire Constitutional Convention, she courageously led a one-woman campaign to remove the word "male" from the voting provisions in the state's constitution. Although women had federally obtained the right to vote with the 19th Amendment in 1920, New Hampshire had not officially updated its constitutional language, leaving women's voting rights incomplete at the state level. Carmita's passionate advocacy and strategic efforts culminated in the successful passage of this amendment in 1958, securing equal voting rights for all New Hampshire women and rectifying an overdue constitutional oversight.

Following her landmark achievement, Murphy continued her impactful work as assistant director of the UNH Extension Service. In this role, she spearheaded educational initiatives designed to empower community members through short-term courses and professional development programs. Murphy's legacy continued to inspire long after her retirement to Florida in 1980.

Carmita Aileen Murphy passed away in 2003, but her legacy lives on. Today, we proudly honor Carmita's dedication, which reminds us of the importance of advocating for equality and ensuring our rights are not taken for granted.

Dover Housing Authority holds public hearings at March 25 meeting

The Dover Housing Authority will hold three public hearings on its Tuesday, March 25 meeting.

The first public hearing will be on the DHA's five-year plan for 2024-2028, the Public Housing Authority's five-year and annual plan, and Moving to Work supplement. The plans can be reviewed at the Dover Housing Authority office, 62 Whittier St., Dover, Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The public may also email comments to info@doverhousingauthority.org or mail them to 62 Whittier St., Dover, 03820.

The DHA will also hold public hearings on Moving to Work Agency Specific Waiver and Moving to Work Safe Harbor Waiver.

The public hearings begin at 11:45 a.m. at the 62 Whittier St. office. A regular meeting begins following the public hearings.

[Click here](#) for the public hearing agenda. [Click here](#) for the regular meeting agenda.

Upcoming Meetings:

**Conservation Commission,
March 10, 5:30 p.m.**

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 10, 2025, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Recreation Advisory Board, March 10, 6 p.m.

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 10, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., in the Room 224 at the McConnell Center.

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

Planning Board, March 11, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

City Council, March 12, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

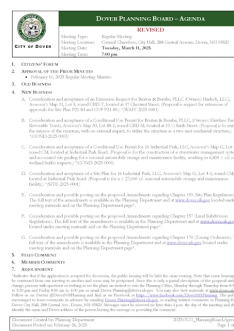
Planning Board, Technical Review Committee, March 13, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Solid Waste Advisory Committee, March 13, 6 p.m.

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 13,



On the Agenda: Planning Board, 3/11/2025

In a video released this week, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2025. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or <https://dovernh.viebit.com/watch?hash=FCrQu8qml1IZj0pl>.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will be broadcast live on Channel 22 and streamed live online.

Want to keep up on other projects and planning and community development initiatives in the City of Dover? Subscribe to the Planning Department's newsletter, the Dover Planning Review. To sign up, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select Dover Planning Review.

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

The City of Dover is currently accepting bids for the following projects:

- [Garrison Reservoir to Oak Street & Broadway Water Transmission Main](#)
- [Pavement Markings](#)
- [Reflectorized Pavement Lines](#)
- [Asphalt Trench Patching Services](#)
- [Construction Equipment Rental](#)
- [Police Mobile Data Terminals \(Police Cruiser Tablets\)](#)
- [Purchase of Bobcat Replacement Parts](#)
- [WWTP Biosolids Disposal Services](#)
- [Energy Performance Contracting Services](#)

Current bid documents can be accessed on the Finance Department's [bid page](#). Vendors can also join the City's bid list by visiting the site.

2025, beginning at 6 p.m., at Community Services, 271 Mast Road.

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

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including:

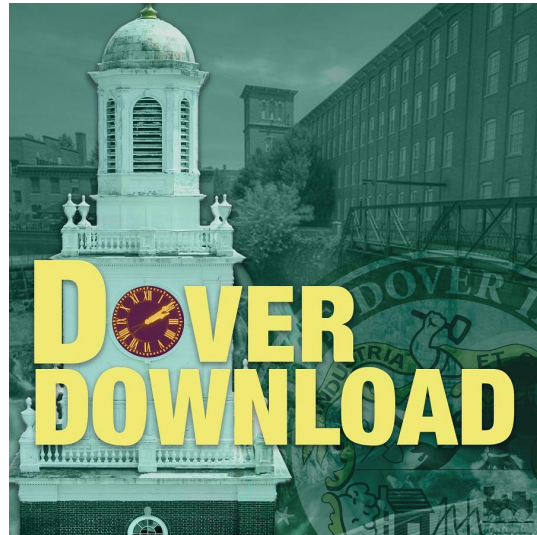
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Planning Board
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Utilities Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

The complete list of boards and committees can be found at www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Jerrica Vansylvong-Bizier at j.bizier@dover.nh.gov. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review applications.

For more information, contact the Finance and Purchasing Office at 603-516-6030.



The Perfect Storm: Anatomy of an Elusive Water Main Break

In the latest episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker hats with Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director Perry Plummer and Community Services Director John Storer about a recent major water main break in Dover. Listen wherever you get your podcasts or at <https://bit.ly/41KrwaN>.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online

Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

We want to hear from you! In each edition of Dover Download, we're looking for your response to our question of the week. A new poll will appear each week in Dover Download, along with the results for the previous week. Participating is easy – click on the link below to cast your vote.

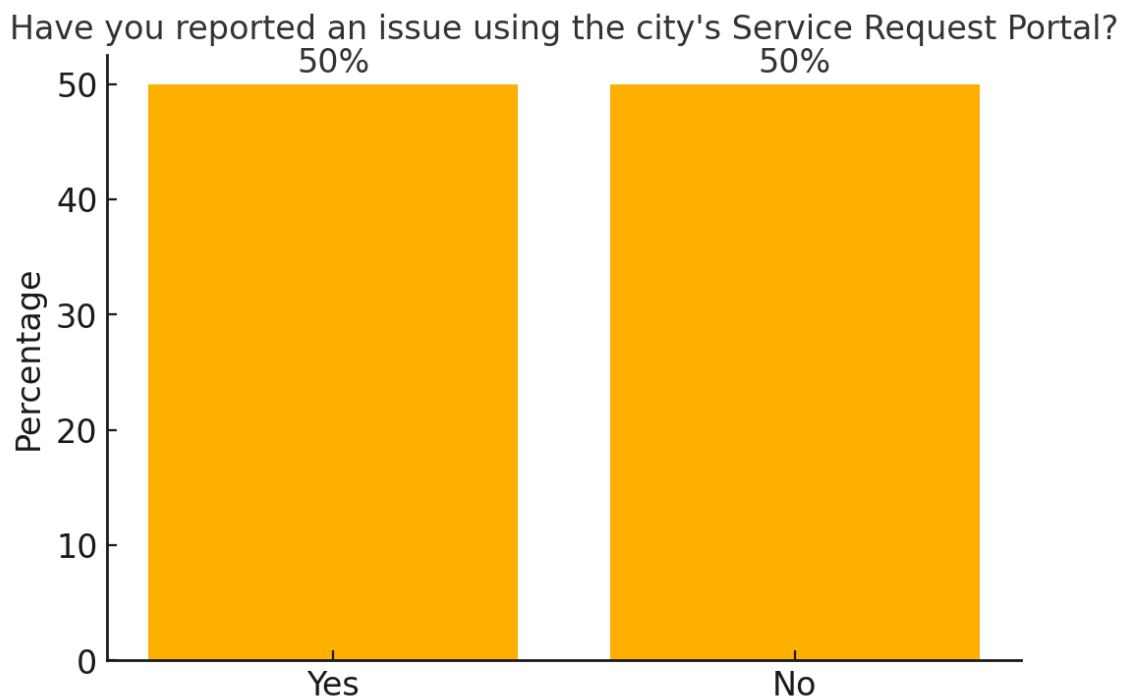
This week's question:

"Have you ever used a rideshare service, such as Uber or Lyft, within Dover?"

Let us know here: <https://polco.us/m5cekr>.

Please note that if you don't already have an account with Polco, the city's polling system, you will be asked to create one. Responses are anonymous.

Here are the results from last week's poll, which asked, **"Have you reported an issue using the city's Service Request Portal (service.dover.nh.gov/RequestPortal)?"**



The following events are from various historical records, sources, and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here](#).

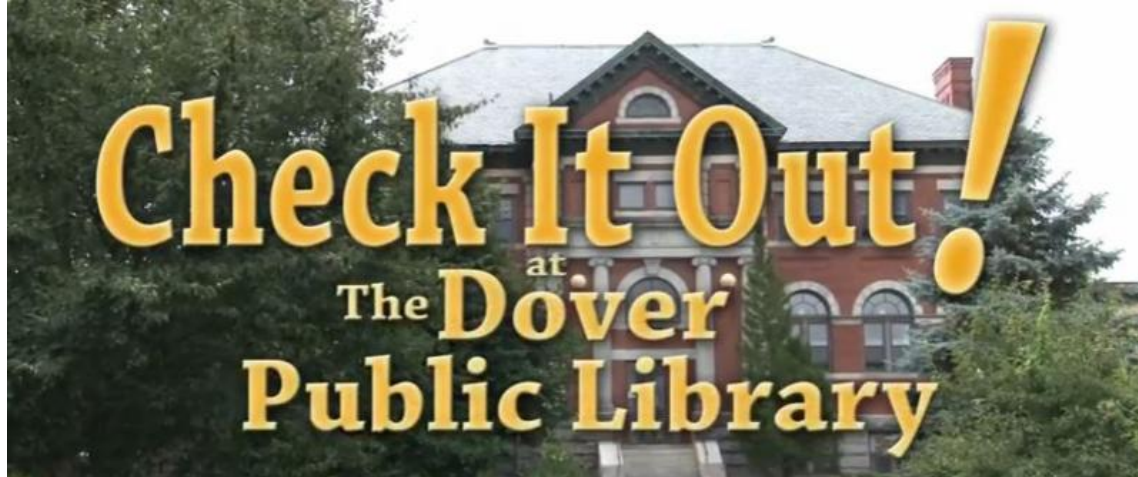
March 12, 1630 — Edward Hilton received a formal land grant for a significant portion of land along the Piscataqua River. Acting as his own agent, Hilton managed the settlement and development of the land until he later sold portions of his interest to other European colonial settlers. Following these transactions, Capt. Thomas Wiggin was appointed to oversee the settlement, while Hilton took on a broader political role as one of the commissioners for New England, appointed by the Lords of the Council. In this capacity, he also acted as the legal representative in transferring the towns of Saco and Biddeford to Richard Vines. The land granted to Hilton and his associates included the area known to the Indigenous people as Wecanacohunt and later renamed Hilton's Point by European settlers. Today, this historic land grant covers what is now Dover, Lee, Madbury, Durham, Newmarket, Stratham, and parts of Newington and Greenland.

March 19, 1672 — The town's selectmen convened to address outstanding financial matters and community upkeep. They issued a directive requiring all delinquent constables to settle their overdue accounts with the town treasurer. These accounts included unpaid taxes and other financial obligations from previous years. The selectmen warned that any constable who failed to comply would face immediate legal action. During the same meeting, the selectmen instructed the town treasurer to oversee repairs to the glass windows of the town's meeting house, a central gathering place for religious services and civic meetings. The cost of these repairs was to be charged to the town's general fund. This decision reflects the early colonial practice of strict financial oversight by local governments. Town selectmen played a crucial role in ensuring tax collection, which was essential for funding public expenses such as meeting house maintenance. In Puritan New England, the meeting house was not just a place of worship but also the heart of community governance, making its upkeep a priority.

March 15, 1831 — A large seal, six feet eight inches in length and weighing nearly 400 pounds, makes its way up the Cochecho River and is spotted just a few miles below the town. While seals are typically found along the Atlantic coastline, sightings this far inland were — and still are — unusual.

March 11, 1966 — The City of Dover officially filed its opposition to a petition by Boston and Maine Railroad to eliminate passenger rail service between Boston and Dover. By the mid-20th century, passenger rail service in New England was in decline due to the rise of automobile travel and the expansion of the interstate highway system. Once a dominant mode of transportation, railroads struggled financially as commuters and travelers increasingly favored cars and buses. The Boston and Maine Railroad, which had served New England since the 19th century, faced mounting losses on passenger routes and sought to cut costs by discontinuing services. Dover had deep historical ties to the railroad industry and relied on these trains for daily commuting, business, and regional connectivity. The city's decision to fight the petition reflected a broader struggle among New England communities trying to preserve passenger rail as a viable alternative to road travel. Despite these efforts, passenger rail services in many areas were ultimately reduced or discontinued in the late 1960s and 1970s. However, public advocacy for rail transit never fully disappeared, and decades later, commuter rail service between Boston, Dover, and Portland, Maine, was revived with the extension of the Downeaster service in the early 2000s.

March 12, 2004 — The Woodman Museum launched a fundraising campaign to purchase and renovate the historic Keefe House, located at 15 Summer St. The campaign raised over \$500,000, allowing the museum to acquire and restore the 1827 property. The Woodman Museum, founded in 1916, preserves and showcases local history, natural history, and art. Since its acquisition, the Keefe House has been used as an art gallery, administrative offices, archive storage, and exhibit space for transportation and local history. It also serves as a rental venue, further integrating it into the museum's educational and cultural mission.



Join the Library for an Irish harp concert

There's one instrument that has become synonymous with Ireland. You can find it prominently featured on its coat of arms, the national flag, various government seals, even a popular Irish beer brand.

We're talking about the harp — an instrument whose presence in Ireland dates back over a thousand years and is often featured in Irish music.

Dover Public Library invites you to celebrate St. Patrick's Day early with a live music performance by members of the New England Irish Harp Orchestra. The concert will be held Sunday, March 16, at 2 p.m. in the Dover High School Auditorium. The show will feature traditional Irish dance tunes, slow airs and songs.

The New England Irish Harp Orchestra was founded in 2005 and features New Hampshire and Massachusetts members. Led by Director Regina Delaney, they have been performing for 20 years throughout New England and Ireland and have produced four CDs. The orchestra has been featured at the ICONS festival, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library & Museum, the Balsams Wilderness luxury resort and on New Hampshire Public Radio.

This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit the library's website at library.dover.nh.gov or call 603-516-6050.

This Week at the Library

Monday, March 10, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Preschool Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306

Join us for a Preschool Storytime for kids aged 3-5. We will explore the science of mud and wind, and discover some of the furry spring animals who share this Earth with us. *Registration required.*

Monday, March 10, 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.
Big Kids Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306

Join us for a fun storytime for kids in grades K-2. We'll read more in-depth books, and follow our stories with an accompanying craft. Children attend this

Wednesday, March 12, 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Drop-In Art Lab for Kids
McConnell Center in Room 306

Kids of all ages are invited to bring their imagination and creativity to the Drop-In Open Art Lab. A variety of supplies will be available for you to use to create artwork of your own design

Wednesday, March 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Mount Washington Observatory:
Home of the Worlds Worst Weather
McConnell Center in Room 306

This program will explore the unique life and work of the weather observers stationed on Mount Washington and learn

event independently, without a caregiver.
Registration required.

Tuesday, March 11, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Baby Storytime

McConnell Center, Room 306

For babies 0-24 months with caregiver. A joyful, half-hour lap sit story time with books, songs, movement, and rhyme.

Tuesday, March 11, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Friends of the Dover Public Library

As a member of this group, as an active participant, or as a leader you can support this group which supports our library. Become a member of the Friends for as little as \$20 per year. This organization funds all the museum passes the library offers, a large portion of our summer reading activities, as well as cultural events for the community.

Wednesday, March 12, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime

McConnell Center in Room 306

Children of all ages with caregivers are invited to attend this program that includes stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets.

Wednesday, March 12, 11 am to 12 pm

**All Abilities Club: Art for All
Great Bay Services**

This inclusive program for adults welcomes those with disabilities as we create art and craft projects. Each session of this hands-on program will feature a different art exploration.

Wednesday, March 12, 2 to 3 p.m.

**Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club
McConnell Center in Room 306**

This book group is dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book is *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean.

why, for a mountain its size, Mount Washington hosts some of the worst weather on Earth.

Thursday, March 13, 10 to 10:45 am

Arts and Crafts Storytime

McConnell Center in Room 306

Arts and Crafts Storytime is for children ages 3-5 who are ready to attend storytime independently, without a caregiver. Each session will focus on a different theme. Books, songs, rhymes, and an art activity will all be part of the fun. *Registration required.*

Thursday, March 13, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Reading Rainbow Book Group

McConnell Center in Room 306

Join Reading Rainbow, Dover Public Library's Queer book group as we discuss *Cemetery Boys* by Aiden Thomas. Copies of the books will be available to borrow from the library and some through Hoopla or Libby. All are welcome at this inclusive book group.

Friday, March 14, 10 to 11 a.m.

Greenhouse in a Bag

McConnell Center in Room 306

Kids in grades 2-5 are invited to come learn how greenhouses work and how seeds sprout in this fun, hands-on event. We'll set up our own greenhouses in plastic bags for kids to take home and watch their seeds sprout.

Saturday, March 15, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

**Family Dance with The Suite Studio
McConnell Center in Room 306**

Families are invited to come dance with Jenna from The Suite Studio! You are welcome to wear/hold your babies while you modify the dance moves, or they can nap/watch from their bucket seat while you dance. For kids who are able to walk, and for those kids who are older and have sick dance moves themselves, they can dance beside you! However your body moves is the RIGHT way! Come for some fun and some good laughs.



Dover High School Athletics Complex JBC seeks fundraising volunteers

To help defray the cost of the upcoming athletic fields replacement at Dover High School, the Dover High School Athletics Complex Joint Building Committee (JBC) is seeking community volunteers to participate in fundraising efforts for the project. This fundraising team will be led by volunteers, with JBC and School Board members Michelle Clancy and Craig Flynn acting as liaisons. Participation is open to anyone in the community passionate about sports.

If interested in getting involved, contact Michelle Clancy at m.clancy@dover.k12.nh.us and/or Craig Flynn at c.flynn@dover.k12.nh.us by today, Friday, March 7.

Meeting frequency and location (virtual/in person) will be determined by the fundraising team, with the first meeting taking place by the end of March.

To learn more about the project, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/joint-building-committee-athletic-complex/>.

**Parents, Community Members, Business Owners
You are invited!**

Working Together to Prevent Mental Health Crisis

Strengthening Our Regional Community Safety Net

Focusing on Youth, LGBTQIA+ People,
Seniors & First Responders

**Welcoming
people from
Strafford County
and beyond!**

**Thursday, March 13 @ Dover High School,
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Pizza, salad & water provided by AFSP

Panel Guests



Jessica Goff,
New Hampshire
Outright



Officer Molly Jalbert,
Dover Police Department



Detective Rochelle
Jones & Mason,
Portsmouth Police
Department



Jodi Langelotti,
Mental Health
Educator & Advocate



Katie Michaud,
Cornerstone VNA

6:00-6:45 p.m.

Join us for a Community Resource Fair featuring organizations in Strafford County providing pro-social activities and mental health resources.

6:45-7:45 p.m.

Key Note Guest Speaker
Shamera Simpson, Executive Director
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

7:45-8:30 p.m.

Hear from our expert panelists about the impact of mental health crisis to our youth, LGBTQIA+, Seniors & First Responders communities.

Tonight's event is brought to you by



**American
Foundation
for Suicide
Prevention**



**This event
is free!**

State AG: Know your rights before purchasing home heating fuel

New Hampshire Attorney General John M. Formella urges New Hampshire residents to be vigilant and learn about their rights before purchasing home heating fuel. The Attorney General's Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau this week issued [essential guidance](#)

to help consumers avoid common pitfalls associated with heating fuel contracts and services.

“Do not let fuel-related issues leave you without heat. Heating fuel prices can fluctuate dramatically, and consumers are urged to be aware of their options to avoid falling victim to unfair business practices,” said Attorney General Formella. “We want to encourage all New Hampshire residents to read our guidance to better understand the terms of their contracts and to help them spot potential problems before they escalate.”

The guidance issued in the new [NH Consumer Insight newsletter](#) includes key tips and protections on navigating cash-on-delivery versus full-service plans, understanding pre-buy contracts, recognizing the critical details to look for in a written agreement, and knowing what steps to take if you suspect a fuel provider has violated your rights or engaged in deceptive practices.

Some key insights to know include:

- **Understanding Fuel Delivery Options:** Learn the differences between automatic and will-call delivery options, and how to select the best choice for your needs.
- **Monitor Your Fuel Levels:** For cash-on-delivery and will-call customers, keep a close eye on fuel levels to avoid running out during peak demand periods.
- **Pre-Buy Contracts:** While pre-buy contracts can lock in heating prices for the season, you should not trust a company that has failed to verify its ability to fulfill the agreement.

Protect Yourself: Before signing any heating fuel agreement, ensure it includes clear, written terms about the services provided, delivery options, contract's duration, and payment schedule or total payment due. A well-written contract is your first line of defense against potential issues.

Need Assistance? If you believe a company has violated your rights or engaged in deceptive practices, report it immediately to the New Hampshire Department of Justice's Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau at (603) 271-3641. Complaints may also be made via the Consumer Hotline by email at [Consumer Protection Complaint Form](#).



City of Dover, NH
Community Services

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PUBLIC WORKS WEEK
MAY 18-24, 2025



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Second Annual
OPEN HOUSE
AND
TOUCH A TRUCK



SATURDAY
MAY 17, 2025
271 MAST ROAD
DOVER, NH



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 for the following positions:

- **Secretary Community Services, Part Time**
- **Police Officer**
- **Fire/Life Safety Inspector**
- **Water Exercise Instructor II, Part-Time**
- **Swim Instructor, Part-Time**
- **Lifeguard I, Part-Time**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic**
- **Diesel Mechanic**
- **Engineering Intern**
- **Laborer - Public Works Streets & Storm Water**
- **Truck Driver - Streets**
- **Custodian - McConnell Center, Part-Time**
- **Public Safety Systems IT Technician**
- **City Attorney**
- **Data Collection Technician**
- **Account Clerk Library - Part-Time**
- **Assistant Tax Assessor**
- **Water Treatment Operator**
- **Police Social Worker**
- **Summer Day Camp Counselor**

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Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Boys Varsity Soccer Coach**
- **Boys JV Soccer Coach**
- **Substitute Teachers**
- **Long Term Substitute 6th Grade Special Education Teacher/Case Manager**
- **Girls JV Softball Coach**
- **Family Services Counselor**
- **Paraprofessionals**
- **Unified High School Volleyball Coach**
- **Girls Varsity Tennis Head Coach**

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