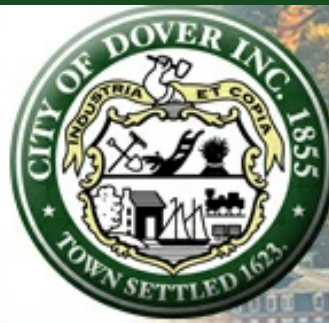


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

December 30, 2022



**CITY OF  
DOVER, NH**

288 Central  
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 3:30

## School Board to continue budget deliberations Jan. 4

The School Board will hold its fourth budget workshop on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, and continue deliberations as the board prepares to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2024.

The workshop begins at 6 p.m. in School Board Chambers, Room 306, at the McConnell Center. The workshop agenda [can be viewed here](#).

The School Board's last budget workshop included a review of enrollment data and the possibility of reallocating staffing positions in the schools based on enrollment trends.

Videos of the budget workshops and the documents reviewed by the School Board are posted on the [Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Revealed webpage](#).

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## Dover400 gala kicks off yearlong celebration

Dover400 will kick off a year of celebration on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022, with the First of the 400th gala event, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Dover City Hall. The black-tie

p.m.

optional event is the first of many events planned in 2023 as Dover celebrates its 400th anniversary, and its place as the oldest community in New Hampshire and the seventh-oldest permanent European settlement in the United States.



Saturday's gala will feature hors d'oeuvres by Mezzanine Catering, dancing to the music of the Black Agnes Band, a silent and live auction, and a champagne toast at midnight. In addition, there will be a fireworks display at 9 p.m., launched from Garrison Hill. The fireworks are sponsored by Dover Rotary.

Tickets are \$75 each.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit <https://bit.ly/3VwYG7t>. Additional questions can be sent to [Dover400@gmail.com](mailto:Dover400@gmail.com).



Benjamin Deely, a fourth-grader at Barrington Elementary School, stands in front of several boxes of donated goods, which he and his family recently delivered to the Willand Warming Center of Strafford County in Somersworth. Ben collected the goods during a donation drive at his school earlier this month.

## Barrington fourth grader gathers donations at school for Willand Warming Center

Benjamin Deely, a fourth-grader at Barrington Elementary School, recently delivered several boxes of donated goods to the Willand Warming Center, the result of a donation drive at his school.

According to Ben, the idea came to him over Thanksgiving dinner. He said his mom, Laura, asked everyone around the table, if they could only receive one gift this holiday season, what would it be?

"My grandma went first," Ben said. "She said she wanted donations for the warming shelter." Ben's grandmother, Wendy Whittle, is a volunteer at the Willand Warming Center.

Ben said he raced upstairs, grabbed a \$5 bill from his wallet and set it down on the table. When he returned to school after the Thanksgiving holiday, he said he asked to speak to Barrington Elementary School Principal Rich Boardman about starting a donation drive at the school.

According to Ben's mother, Laura Deely, Boardman is a strong proponent of empowering and engaging students, and quickly supported the idea. Boardman and Ben met several times to coordinate the project, which aimed to collect socks, hand warmers, hot chocolate packets and paper goods. Ben's friends helped decorate boxes that were displayed in the school lobby. It didn't take long for the boxes to fill up.

Ben and his family, including his grandmother, delivered the donations to the warming center on Friday, Dec. 23.

"We really appreciate Ben's donations," said Tory Jennison, Population Health Systems Chief for Strafford County. "His project showed his school community how one person can have a huge impact on the comfort and safety of others."

Jennison added that community support for the most vulnerable comes in many forms, including food and basic necessities.

"Ben's help is part of a wonderful family effort; we're grateful for the friendly kindness his grandmother Wendy brings every time she volunteers," Jennison said. "This donation drive was a great example of the power that each one of us has to make a positive difference. We thank Ben and his family for their giving spirit in support of our vulnerable folks this holiday season."

The Warming Center of Strafford County is located at 30 Willand Drive in Somersworth, and operates as needed through winter. Strafford County, through a partnership with the cities of Dover, Somersworth and Rochester, has contracted with SOS Community Recovery Organization to operate the warming center this season.

People who need help getting to the Warming Center can always call 603-742-2709 between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. for assistance when the center is activated.

The Warming Center continues to seek volunteers and meal donations. Volunteers can sign up at <https://signup.com/go/XvTNnpp>. Those able to provide meals can sign up at <https://signup.com/go/xaWRjPB>.

For more information, contact the Warming Center at 603-742-2709, 603-969-1305 or via direct message to the Warming Center of Strafford County Facebook page [www.facebook.com/warmingcenterofsc](http://www.facebook.com/warmingcenterofsc).





Benjamin Deely, a fourth-grader at Barrington Elementary School, center, stands next to boxes of goods collected during a donation drive at the school. He is joined by, left, Susan Danforth, a volunteer at the Willand Warming Center of Strafford County in Somersworth, and Barrington Elementary School Principal Rich Boardman.

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## Upcoming New Year's Day holiday hours for City facilities and services

City administrative offices, including **City Hall**, will be closed on Monday, Jan. 2, 2023, for the New Year's Day holiday. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

The **Public Library** will be closed on New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022; New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023; and Monday, Jan. 2.

The **Dover Ice Arena** will be closed on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 2022, and New Year's Day, Jan. 1, 2023.

The **McConnell Center Recreation facilities** will be closed New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023.

The **Dover Community Senior Center** will be closed on New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022; New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023; and Monday, Jan. 2.

The **Dover Indoor Pool** will be closed on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 2022, and New Year's

Because New Year's Day falls on a Sunday, there is **no delay for curbside trash and recycling pickup.**

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## **Master Plan panel seeks public feedback on their 'one wish for Dover's future'**

### **Survey part of community outreach for updating the Master Plan's Vision Chapter**

The Planning Board's Master Plan subcommittee is working on updating the Master Plan's Visioning Chapter and has a one question survey for the public: "What is your one wish for Dover's future?"

Survey feedback is part of community outreach the Vision Chapter Steering Committee will conduct over the coming months as it works to update the chapter. The steering committee, appointed by the Planning Board chair, selected "Distinctly Dover: A Community Vision for 2035" as the chapter's title.

The survey is [available here](#). Your one wish for Dover's future could be a specific feature, event, or overall quality; anything that you feel would contribute to a future that is Distinctly Dover.

The city's Master Plan is its strategic plan and is used to shape city and policy decisions. It doesn't include rules and regulations; instead, it forms the basis for developing rules and regulations and providing direction for capital investment and long-term budget priorities. In Dover, every ten years or so, the Master Plan's chapters or elements have been reviewed and updated, usually with one chapter reviewed and updated each year.

The Vision Chapter is the plan's first chapter used to capture the long-term view of the city and serves as a foundation on which all of the remaining chapters of the Master Plan are created. Updates on the project, and opportunities to provide feedback, will be posted on the dedicated Distinctly Dover [project webpage](#).

### **Upcoming Master Plan Visioning Events:**

#### **Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 5 p.m.**

- Online orientation meeting on how to volunteer as a Vision Ambassador to reach more community voices.

To apply, please email Erin Bassegio at [e.bassegio@dover.nh.gov](mailto:e.bassegio@dover.nh.gov).

#### **Thursday, Feb. 9, 6-7:30 p.m.**

- Virtual Visioning Event to learn more about the Vision Chapter update and to share your input to create Dover's Vision 2035.
- Registration [is required](#).

## Chestnut Street bridge to close Tuesday

The Chestnut Street bridge will close to all traffic on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, to allow a contractor to rehabilitate the 47-year-old bridge. The bridge will open to two lanes of traffic and at least one pedestrian sidewalk by Friday, May 19, 2023.

Chestnut Street vehicular traffic will be detoured via Washington Street, Third and Fourth streets, Central Avenue and Main Street. Any one-way side streets will retain their one-way travel.

The pedestrian path that travels underneath the Chestnut Street bridge is expected to remain open except for a few days at the beginning and end of the project as contractors mobilize.

The project consists of removing the pavement, membrane and sidewalks on the bridge, repairing deteriorated concrete in the bridge deck, reconstructing the bridge sidewalks, and installing a new bridge membrane, new bridge pavement and new wearing-course pavement.

Earlier this month, the City Council awarded a \$2.1 million bid for rehabilitating the Chestnut Street bridge to New England Infrastructures, LLC. The Transportation Advisory Commission reviewed and approved the bridge closure plan at its May 23, 2022, meeting.

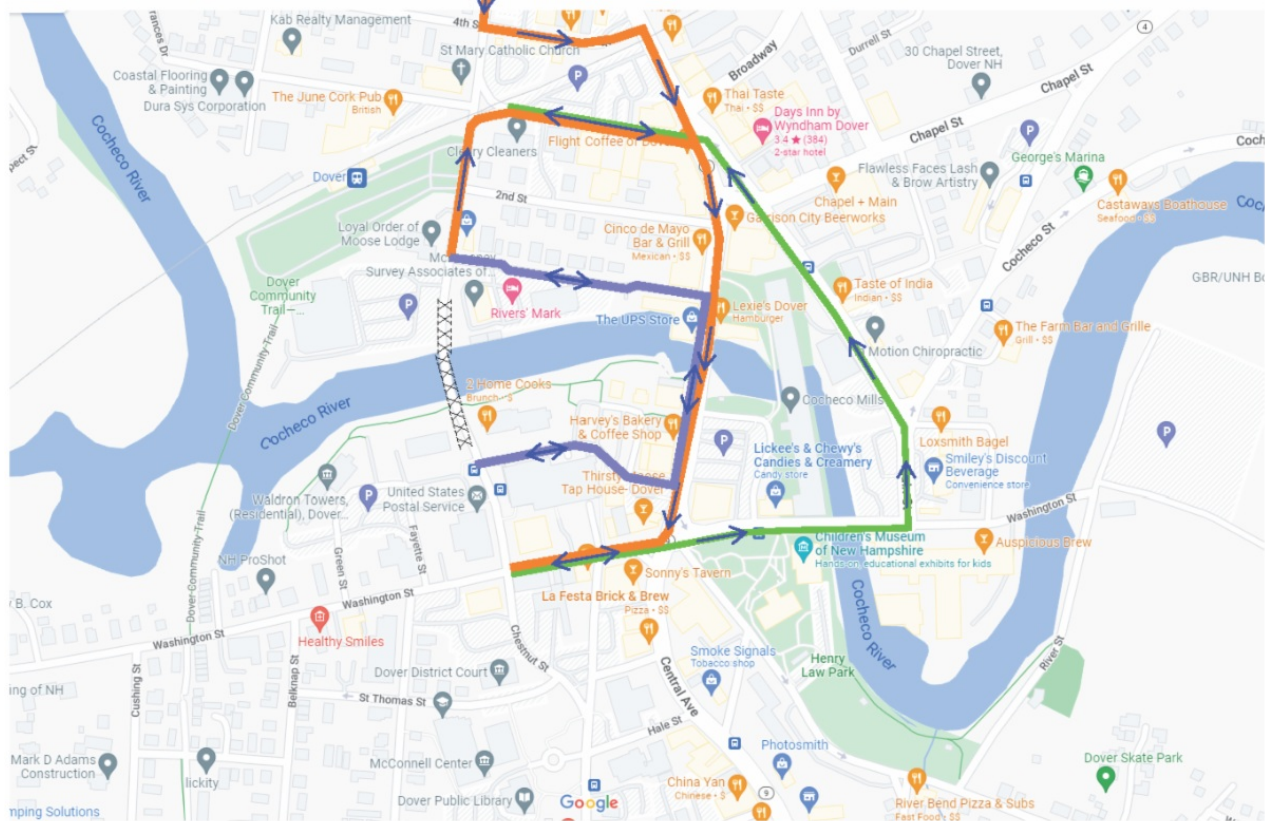
### **Sign-up for email alerts**

The project will significantly affect traffic, and the City of Dover will release regular updates about the project and related traffic impacts. To sign-up for these updates, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters> and add "Project update: Chestnut Street bridge repairs" to your current email subscription list.

Project documents and updates will be posted to the dedicated project page at <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/cityoperations/community-services/current-projects/chestnut-streetbridge-repairs/>. For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

### **Bridge detour routes**





- - North Vehicle Detour
- - South Vehicle Detour
- - Pedestrian Detour

## Holiday wrapping paper is trash only

All holiday wrapping paper must go into regular trash to avoid contaminating paper recycling, per the rules of the city's contracted waste provider, Waste Management. The contractor will not accept any holiday wrapping paper left at the curbside for recycling.

Many holiday gift-wrapping items are not recyclable; if they contaminate other recyclable items, it may cause the recycling bin contents to be disposed of in the landfill.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

## Chamber's 2023 sweeps tickets now on sale

Every year, the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce hosts an annual Sweepstakes and Auction event to raise money in support of our community events. Only 325 tickets will be sold and the lucky winner will receive \$10,000 cash. The drawing will be held in person on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 6:45 p.m. at Chapel + Main. There will also be an optional livestream via the Chamber's Facebook page.

To purchase tickets visit [dovernh.org/sweeps](https://dovernh.org/sweeps).

The Sweepstakes and Auction is the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's largest fundraiser of the year, supporting community events such as the Cochecho Arts Festival, Apple Harvest Day, and Festival of Trees.



## Upcoming Meetings:

### Planning Board Gateway Subcommittee, January 3, 3 p.m

The Planning Board Gateway Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 3, 2023, beginning at 3 p.m., at the Planning Department Workroom, 288 Central Avenue.

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

### School Board, January 4, 6 p.m.

The School Board will hold a workshop on Monday, Jan. 4, 2023, beginning at 6 p.m., in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

### Planning Board Technical Review Committee, January 5, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

### Library Board of Trustees, January 5, 4 p.m.

The Library Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, beginning at 4 p.m., at the Dover Public Library, 73 Locust Street.



## Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

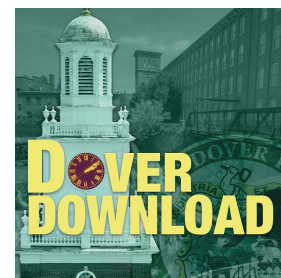
Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit [www.dovernh.viebit.com](https://www.dovernh.viebit.com) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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## Dover Download podcast: Your guide to what's happening this week

In addition to each week's email edition of Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a weekly podcast. The podcast is hosted by Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker, who chats each week about the city's programs, services, public bodies and projects. Each episode also takes a brief detour to the past with a look back at the week in Dover's history.



The podcast is available wherever you get your podcasts, including Spotify and Apple Podcasts, and at <https://anchor.fm/cityofdovernh>.

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## Tips for trash and recycling pickup

Community Services Director John Storer reminds the public of the following trash and recycling regulations:

- All trash for pickup is required to be wholly contained in Dover trash bags, secured and tied;
- 15-gallon bags have a 20-pound limit;
- 30-gallon bags have a 35-pound limit;
- All recycling is to be contained in Dover recycling bins;



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/>.

- Cardboard must be broken down and flat;
- Recycling plastics are limited to #1, #2 and #5;
- Bulky waste, such as furniture, toilets, mattresses, box springs, couches, chairs, and other large, non-metal items, must have a Dover bulky tag to be picked up. Bulky tags are available where Dover trash bags are sold;
- Owners are responsible for cleaning up any remaining debris from trash pickup.

The city's complete trash and recycling regulations are contained in "Chapter 145, Waste Management" of the city ordinances, available at <https://ecode360.com/33404878>.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.



The following events are from a variety of 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](#).

**Jan. 4, 1835** — The coldest morning observed for many years occurred on this day when the thermometer plummeted to 28 degrees below zero.

**Jan. 6, 1850** — Jeremiah Stickney, aged 85, died this day. He was the first person to introduce the manufacturing of cotton and woolen hand cards in Dover, having established the business here as early as 1798. For years he employed many people, principally children, in the manufacturing of cards, the teeth of which were then set by hand. The manufacturing of cards by machinery, the invention of which was introduced about 1820, superseded the old process, and Stickney gave up the business.

**Jan. 6, 1862** — Fire broke out in the wooden stores on Central Street, near Orchard Street, known as Marston's block. The fire originated in the D.N. Wendell Trunk and Harness shop, most likely from a stove. The weather was extremely cold, near zero, and several of the hand engines froze after a short time in operation. Tenants in the building had to be evacuated. They included Levi Brown's shoe store, a dentist, Dr. P.A. Stackpole, tailor and merchant Alexander Frazier, R. Palmers shoe shop, D. Lothrop & Co. druggists, Miss E.A. Horne, dressmaker, Mrs. Shepard's Boarding house, and Dr. Lindsey, amongst others. Frank Freeman's oyster house was the only one left in a condition to be occupied. (Dover Public Library)

**Jan. 8, 1863** — Charles H. Flanders of Dover, a soldier in Co. K, 11th Regiment, who died of wounds received at the battle of Fredericksburg, was buried with military honors by the Strafford Guards.

**Jan. 3, 1932** — Fire destroyed both Morrill blocks in Franklin Square. Twenty six businesses were destroyed. The blaze required fireman from as far away as Haverhill, Massachusetts, and burned so hotly that the sprinkler system in the Strand Theater was set off. For more about this fire, one of the worst in the city's history, tune in to the [Dover Download podcast](#) on Tuesday, Jan. 3 [here](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.

# Time to renew dog licenses

Dog licenses for 2023 are now available. All dogs must be licensed by April 30, 2023 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3, per household. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering sent by email to [s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov](mailto:s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov) or by mail to City of Dover, City Clerk's Office, 288 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820.

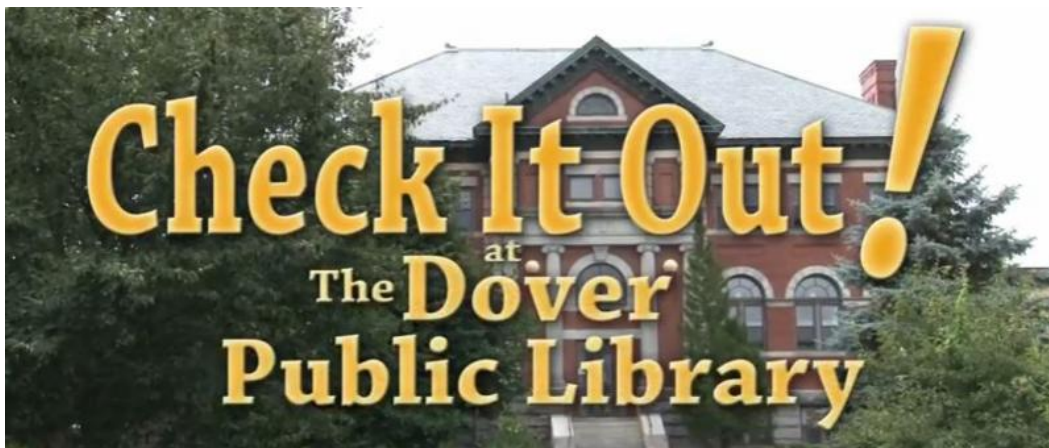
Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1, 2023.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or [online](#).

A checking account is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, [click here](#).

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 603-516-6018.



## This Week at the Library

**Saturday through Monday  
December 31 - January 2  
Library closed for Holiday**

### **January VIRTUAL Cookbook Club**

Join us for a virtual exploration of *The Snowy Cabin Cookbook* by Marnie Hanel. Throughout the month of January, 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. Your creations will be shared on the library social media pages.

Photos can be sent to Emily at [e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov](mailto:e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov) or tag the library on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

research, and listen to your newly-discovered family histories.

**Wednesday, January 4, 9:30 to 11:30  
a.m.**

### **Adult Knitting Group**

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels welcome

**Wednesday, January 4, 11 a.m. to 12  
p.m.**

### **Adult Chapter Book Club**

Adults with disabilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. Our first book will be *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. We will

**Tuesday, January 3, 6 to 8 p.m.**

**Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group**

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required, and all skill levels are welcome to play.

**Tuesday, January 3, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

**Genealogy Group**

Whether you're new to genealogical research or a seasoned pro, this group is a great way to meet others who share the same passion, can give you advice in your

end with activities and crafts related to the book and some time for socializing.

**Wednesday, January 4, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

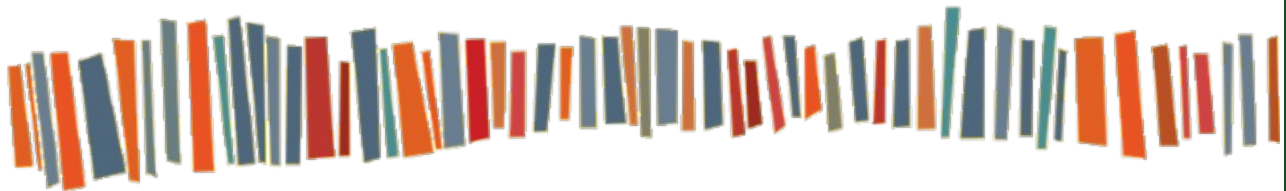
**Saving Energy and Money Heating and Cooling Your Home**

Wes Golomb, clean energy expert and author, will share ways to save on energy costs and create a more comfortable home - whether it's a new build, major retrofit, or simple improvements. In-person event, with an option to register and watch online.

**Thursday, January 5, 10 to 11 a.m.**

**Cover to Cover Book Group**

Join us on the first Thursday of every month to discuss a book. January's selection is *Elle and Coach* by Stefany Shaheen. Copies of the book can be borrowed at the Adult Circulation Desk. New members welcome.





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**Sign up for text alerts at [bit.ly/dovercodered](http://bit.ly/dovercodered)**

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**Current ban status: [bit.ly/doverban](http://bit.ly/doverban) or 516-PARK**



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## **Recycling Center accepting Christmas trees**

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road is now accepting Christmas trees during regular hours.

Trees must be free of all ornaments, lights, tinsel, tree bags and tree stands or they will not be accepted.

Trees can be placed in the brush pile.

The Recycling Center is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

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## 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:

- **Police Officer**
- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Firefighter / EMT**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic / Automotive Technician**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Swim Instructor I**
- **City Planner**
- **Arena Attendant**
- **Utility Systems IT Administrator**
- **Public Safety Systems IT Administrator**
- **Community Housing Navigator**
- **Working Foreman / Public Works**
- **Outreach Social Worker**

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

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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:

- **Special Education Teacher – Dover High School**
- **Special Education Paraeducators – Dover High School**
- **STEM Teacher – Dover Middle School**
- **Special Education Paraeducators - Dover Middle School**
- **Special Education Teachers – Dover Middle School**
- **Lunch Supervisors- Dover Middle School**
- **Special Education Teacher – Garrison Elementary School**
- **Special Education Paraeducator – Garrison Elementary School**
- **Special Education Paraeducator – Frances G. Hopkins Elementary School**
- **STEM teacher – Dover Middle School**
- **Custodian**
- **Nurse-RN (floating position)**

For more information about these positions, [click here](#).

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