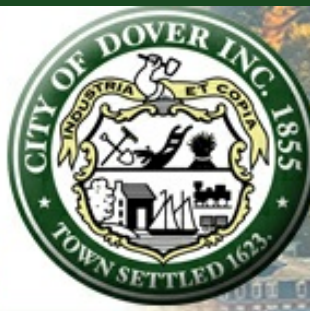


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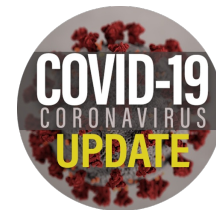
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## City facilities begin to reopen to walk-in customer service

The City of Dover continues to reopen some facilities and services as part of a phased reopening that will continue in the coming weeks. City services and staff at all facilities have been accessible online, by phone and email during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.



As of today, the status of city services and facilities is as follows:

### City Hall

City Hall will open to the public on Monday, June 22, during regular hours. City Hall hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Through today, Friday, June 19, City Hall is open by

Missed the meeting?

## **Meetings this week:**

### **School Board, June 22, 6 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a special session on Monday, June 22, 2020, beginning at 6 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall. Please note: This meeting is open to the public, but participation is encouraged by television, live-streaming and on-demand viewing. Public comments are welcome by email, in writing or by phone at 516-MEET.

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

### **Planning Board, June 23, 7 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 23, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

### **City Council, June 24, 7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

appointment only.

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

- The building will be open with limited capacity.
- Visitors will enter from the Hale Street and exit to the Locust Street or Central Avenue doors.
- All staff will wear masks. Customers are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Masks will be available to the public, if needed.
- Clear partitions have been 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 will be available throughout City Hall.
- All common surfaces will be 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.

## **Parks and Recreation**

### **McConnell Center**

The Fitness Center, located at the McConnell Center, will reopen to the public on Monday, June 22. The Fitness Center will be 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.



Access to the Fitness Center will be limited to Door 3.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit [www.dover.nh.gov/dntv](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv).


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



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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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- Additional hand sanitizers will be available
- Anyone who is sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 is asked to stay home

The basketball court at the Butterfield Gym remains closed at this time.

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

## 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 Dover Indoor Pool began a phased reopening on June 15.

During the first phase, the Indoor Pool is open only to Dover residents 17 years and older. Only adult lap swim will be allowed at this time. 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

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

### **Dover Public Library**

The Dover Public Library will reopen with limited hours and new restrictions on Monday, June 22. For patrons who choose not to visit in person, the Library will continue to offer its Pickup Service on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. See [library.dover.nh.gov](http://library.dover.nh.gov) for more information about the Pickup Service.



Beginning on Monday, June 22, the Library will

The Library will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 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

## **Community Services**

The Community Services facility on Mast Road is open again 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 10-vehicle limit has been lifted.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility on Middle Road is open again 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, will open Monday, June 22. 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](#).

## Elections

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.

## Utility service calls and interior assessing inspections

Beginning Monday, July 6, city staff will resume 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.

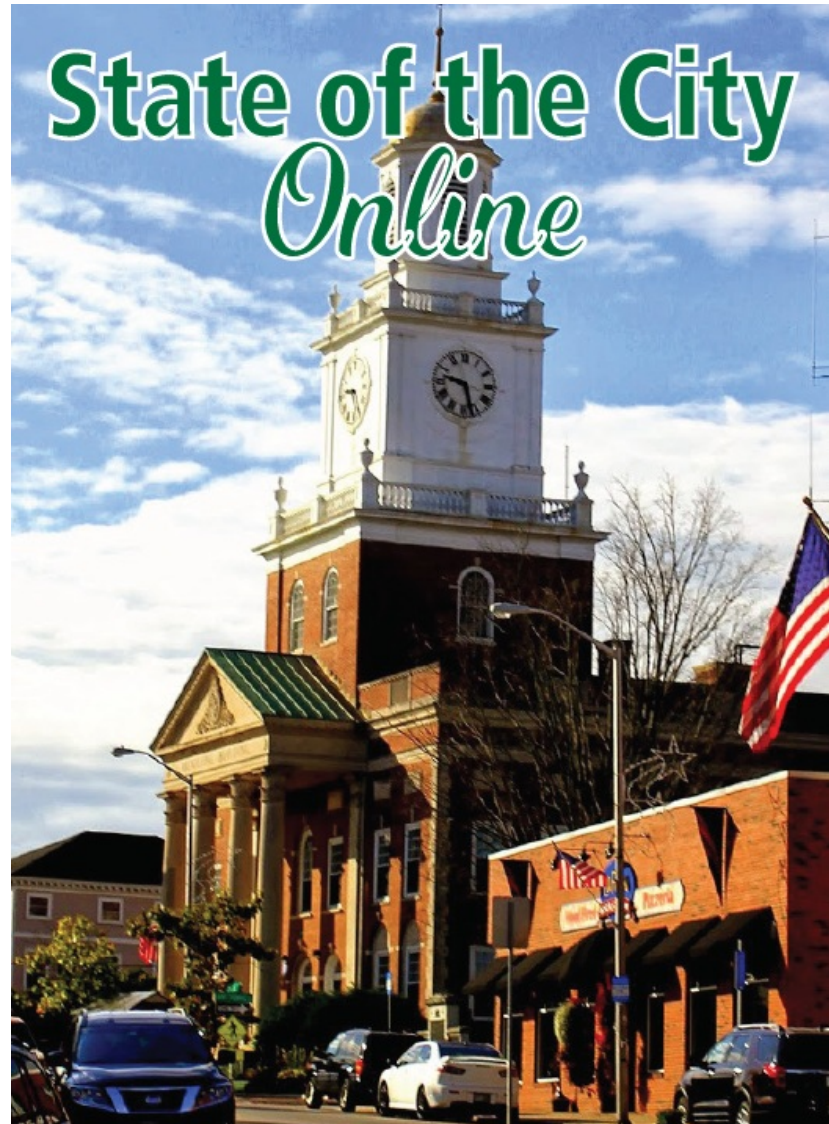
Also on July 6, the Assessing Office will resume interior inspections. Inspections will be made by appointment. Inspectors will wear masks and maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others. They can be identified by a city issued identification card.

Exterior property inspections resumed on June 1.

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

## All services and facilities

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



## Dover Chamber to host State of the City forum on June 22

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will host its annual State of the City Forum on Monday, June, 22 at 9:30 a.m. The event, underwritten by Eversource, will take place via the video conference platform Zoom with a simultaneous livestream on the Chamber's Facebook page. The event will also be recorded and made available through both the Chamber and the City of Dover's websites.



This year's forum will focus on the City's outlook and priorities for the rest of the year and will also feature an overview of

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital to the COVID-19 outbreak. Panelists include Dover City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., Dover Economic Development Director Daniel Barufaldi, Dover Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director Paul Haas, and Dr. Malcolm Rosenson, Wentworth-Douglass Hospital's Chief Quality and Patient Safety Officer.

#### PRESENTERS



**J. MICHAEL JOYAL, JR.**  
City Manager



**DANIEL BARUFALDI**  
Dover Economic Development  
Director



**PAUL HAAS**  
Dover Fire Chief and Emergency  
Management Director



**DR. MALCOLM ROSENSON**  
Wentworth-Douglass Chief Quality  
& Patient Safety Officer

"Our annual State of the City Forum provides members and citizens with a unique opportunity to hear firsthand from City officials about relevant topics," says Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce President Margaret Joyce. "The Chamber is honored to partner with the City of Dover in presenting the forum and we are grateful to Eversource for their support of this event."

In addition to Eversource, this year's State of the City Sponsors include D.F. Richard, Newburyport Bank, ReMax On the Move, and Martel Plumbing & Heating. To register, visit [dovernh.org/city](http://dovernh.org/city).

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit association of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working together to advance the economic well-being of its members and the community. For details on Dover Chamber membership and programs or for a schedule of activities, call (603) 742-2218 or visit [www.dovernh.org](http://www.dovernh.org).

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## Dover Open Lands Committee celebrates 20-year anniversary along with Pollinator Partnership

For the past 20 years the Dover Open Lands Committee (OLC) volunteers and city staff have been working with willing landowners to conserve Dover's most important natural and cultural resources. These resources protect our drinking water supplies, preserve our farm and forest lands, provide flood mitigation in extreme weather events, maintain critical fish and wildlife habitat, and preserve of our community's character for current and future generations to enjoy. Over the past 20 years many dedicated residents have served on the OLC, but two devoted volunteers, Anna Boudreau and Ann Reid, have been on the committee since it was formed in 2000. Steve Bird, City Planner, has been the staff liaison since the first meeting.

This year, to commemorate their 20th anniversary, a "Pollinator Week" logo was designed by Viera Boudreau, an artist from Dover, to be unveiled at the OLC's first annual Pollinator Week event, which was planned to coincide with the global Pollinator Partnership's 20th anniversary, as well. Pollinator week runs from June 22-28, but due to social distancing concerns the event will not be held this year; however, check the [OLC Facebook page](#) daily during Pollinator Week to learn about things you can do to support pollinators.

Anna Boudreau, the current Chair of the OLC, reflected on the accomplishments of the last 20 years by stating, "Often

partnering with other organizations like the Southeast Land Trust of NH (SELT) and The Nature Conservancy, we have managed to complete 20 separate land protection projects that has resulted in the permanent conservation of over 850 acres in Dover. The benefits from this success includes the conservation of wildlife habitat, the protection of land for drinking water wells, the preservation of farmland to promote local foods, the safeguarding of scenic vistas, and maintaining undeveloped areas that allow us to experience the serenity and renewal provided by nature."

If interested in becoming a member or for more information about the Open Lands Committee, call the Planning Department at 603-516-6008 or e-mail Steve Bird at [s.bird@dover.nh.gov](mailto:s.bird@dover.nh.gov).



## Hale Street traffic and parking restrictions in place June 22 and 23 for utility work

Hale Street will be closed to through traffic on Monday, June 22 and Tuesday, June 23, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, for utility work. In addition, on-street parking restrictions will be in place for the duration of the work. The work will not affect the outdoor dining area on the Hale Street sidewalk, but may be loud at times and generate some debris.

The work involves the extension of a natural gas service line to City Hall by a Unitil contractor, New England Utility Constructors, Inc., of Lawrence, Mass. Businesses on Hale Street, including City Hall, will remain open.

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

## Spur Road traffic restrictions in place

Paving work on Spur Road began on June 17 on the south end of the road. Work to reclaim and prepare the road for paving will continue today until 5 p.m.

Paving will begin on Monday, June 22, and continue through Wednesday, June 24, from 7 a.m to 5 p.m. each day.

During the work, traffic will be restricted to one-way, alternating traffic. The work may also require some road closures, as needed.

The work is part of the Spur Road Reconstruction Project.

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



## Prohibition on evictions ends July 1

The governor recently announced that his emergency order prohibiting owners of non-restricted property and restricted property from initiating eviction proceedings, will end July 1. However, for eviction notices issued since March 17, 2020, the landlord must provide at least 30 days notice to vacate the premises. The order does not apply to eviction notices issued before March 17, 2020.



Recognizing that many tenants are challenged in paying rents due to COVID-19, the governor has also authorized \$35 million from the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund to support those in need of housing assistance as a result of COVID-19. Of the allocated \$35 million, \$20 million will be initially expended, with \$15 million being held in reserve, for rent stabilization and housing support. All initial disbursement of funds will be available through New Hampshire's five Community Action Program (CAP) agencies.

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.

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](mailto:s.gaston@dover.nh.gov); [bit.ly/doverwelfare](http://bit.ly/doverwelfare)
- **Community Action Partnership of Strafford County**, 577 Central Ave., Suite 10, Dover, NH 03820; 603-435-2500; [cap@cap.org](mailto:cap@cap.org); [straffordcap.org](http://straffordcap.org).
- **DHHS Bureau of Housing Support**, 271-9196, or [dhhs.bhhs@dhhs.nh.gov](mailto: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](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dovercares) for additional resources.

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## Voters can register by mail, request absentee ballots

In addition to allowing all New Hampshire residents to vote by absentee ballot for any reason, the Secretary of State's office has released details about how residents can register to vote by mail.



Under the new guidance to register by mail during the COVID-19 pandemic, prospective voters 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.

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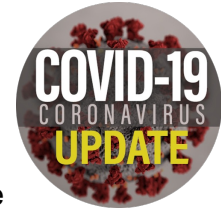
Avenue, Dover, NH 03820. The completed form can also be returned via the public drop box, located inside the Customer Service Center vestibule at City Hall.

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## Local restaurants offer outdoor dining, open up to limited indoor dining

Under reopening guidance from the state, restaurants are allowed to offer outdoor dining if an area can be set up safely and with the coordination and approval from the City. After seeking permits to open and working with city officials, including the Office of Economic Development and Inspection Services, many local restaurants have been approved for outdoor dining. Some locations are using existing decks or outdoor dining space, while others have been authorized to use adjacent parking areas. The city has provided temporary traffic barriers where needed.



All applications for a temporary outdoor dining permit are reviewed by Inspections Services, Dover Police, Dover Fire and Rescue and Community Services. The permits are provided at no cost to the restaurants.

Restaurants approved for outdoor dining are:

- **The Nook**
- **Strafford Farms**
- **Newick's Lobster House**
- **Thompson's Tavern**
- **The Farm**
- **Patty B's**
- **Weathervane**
- **Sonny's Tavern**
- **Chapel & Main**
- **Silver Fountain Inn**
- **2 Home Cooks**
- **Stalk**
- **Adelle's Coffeehouse**
- **Flight Coffee**
- **Harvey's Coffee Shop**
- **Castaways Boathouse**
- **Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 443**
- **Garrison City Beerworks**
- **Blue Latitudes**
- **Panera Bread**
- **Earth's Harvest**
- **Lickee's and Chewy's**
- **Roost**
- **Five Guys**

- Margarita's
- Roger's Pizza
- Cara's Irish Pub
- Dover Brickhouse
- Ember
- 99 Restaurant
- Slow Burn Lounge
- Far Out Diner
- Empty Pint
- Dover Natural Foods
- Cochecho Country Club
- La Festa Brick and Brew
- Wing-Itz
- Thirsty Moose Taphouse

City staff will continue to process applications and work with restaurants seeking a temporary permit for outdoor dining.

State requirements for outdoor dining require that these areas be cleaned and disinfected, as appropriate, and that outdoor space be clearly delineated and distanced from people walking by. The complete guidelines can be viewed here: <https://go.usa.gov/xvsQE>.

Restaurants seeking to offer outdoor dining must complete an application for temporary outdoor seating. The application can be downloaded on the City's Inspection Services web page, or directly here: <https://go.usa.gov/xvsQU>.

Restaurants in the state's southern counties, including Strafford County, are able to open for indoor dining at 50 percent capacity, according to revised guidelines released by the state. Under the guidelines, restaurants are able to open at 50 percent capacity as long as dining parties can be seated 6 feet apart. Staff must continue to wear masks for both indoor and outdoor dining.

Dover health officials will conduct spot inspections to help ensure the new guidelines are implemented.

The revised guidelines for the food service industry can be viewed here.

Many restaurants in Dover continue to offer take-out, delivery and curbside pick-up. For an updated list of Dover restaurants open for take-out, curbside pick-up and delivery, visit the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce here: <https://www.dovernh.org/takeout-restaurants>.

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# LET'S PLAY DOVER TRIVIA!

## HOW TO PLAY DOVER TRIVIA:

Download your Dover Trivia card from [dovernh.org](http://dovernh.org).

■ Answer as many questions as you can! Take a photo of your completed trivia card and email it to [info@dovernh.org](mailto:info@dovernh.org)

**or**

■ Type up your answers and email them to [info@dovernh.org](mailto:info@dovernh.org)

Each week, two winners will be drawn at random from among the completed trivia cards. The winners will each receive a \$100 gift card to a local business. Winners will be announced each week in the Chamber of Commerce's *Peek at the Week* e-newsletter and in the City's *Dover Download* e-newsletter.

**The following week, do it all over again by downloading a new trivia card from [dovernh.org](http://dovernh.org). The game will continue throughout the month of June with the last drawings taking place on July 2.**



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### TRIVIA WEEK THREE

1. In which year was the first post office established in Dover?
2. How long is the Bellamy River?
3. In 1659, there being no prison in Dover, Jellian Pinkham was fined for being absent from Church for 13 days. What was her fine?
4. Which Dover cemetery has been used as a public burial ground since 1731?
5. In 1711 Dover forbade anyone from turning which animal loose onto the town commons?
6. At the time it was built in 1950, this Dover elementary school was the largest in NH. What is the name of that school?
7. Who is the Dover native who won 12 medals in swimming during the 1992, 1996, 2000, and 2004 Olympics?
8. The first message to arrive by telephone to Dover was to announce the assassination of a president. Which president was it?
9. Lucy Hale, the beautiful daughter of Senator John Parker Hale of Dover, was courted by Oliver Wendall Holmes Jr., Robert Todd Lincoln, and which famous actor?
10. What was the name of the street before it was renamed "Henry Law Avenue"?

## Get this week's Dover Trivia card

Congratulations to last week's winners -- Sarah S. (\$100 to Herbal Path) and Bruce C. (\$100 to Ear Craft) -- both of whom won \$100 gift cards to local businesses. Thank you to [Leone, McDonnell & Roberts](#) for sponsoring last week's Dover Trivia.



Download this week's Dover Trivia card from [dovernh.org](http://dovernh.org), sponsored by [Profile Bank](#).

To play, answer as many questions as you can, and email your completed card to [info@dovernh.org](mailto:info@dovernh.org). Each week, two winners will be drawn at random from among the completed trivia cards. The winners will each receive a \$100 gift card to a local business. Winners will be announced each week in the Chamber of Commerce's *Peek at the Week* e-newsletter and in the City's *Dover Download* e-newsletter.

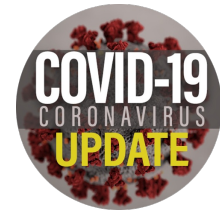
New trivia cards will be available each week throughout the month of June. The final drawing is July.

For more information, or to download this week's trivia card, visit <https://www.dovernh.org/>.



# SBA reopens disaster Loan Program to all businesses

To further meet the needs of U.S. small businesses and non-profits, the U.S. Small Business Administration reopened the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) and EIDL Advance program portal to all eligible applicants experiencing economic impacts due to COVID-19.



"The SBA is strongly committed to working around the clock, providing dedicated emergency assistance to the small businesses and non-profits that are facing economic disruption due to the COVID-19 impact. With the reopening of the EIDL assistance and EIDL Advance application portal to all new applicants, additional small businesses and non-profits will be able to receive these long-term, low interest loans and emergency grants - reducing the economic impacts for their businesses, employees and communities they support," said SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza. "Since EIDL assistance due to the pandemic first became available to small businesses located in every state and territory, SBA has worked to provide the greatest amount of emergency economic relief possible. To meet the unprecedented need, the SBA has made numerous improvements to the application and loan closing process, including deploying new technology and automated tools."

SBA's EIDL program offers long-term, low interest assistance for a small business or non-profit. These loans can provide vital economic support to help alleviate temporary loss of revenue. EIDL assistance can be used to cover payroll and inventory, pay debt or fund other expenses. Additionally, the EIDL Advance will provide up to \$10,000 (\$1,000 per employee) of emergency economic relief to businesses that are currently experiencing temporary difficulties, and these emergency grants do not have to be repaid.

EIDL loans are only available for businesses that have not already received EIDL loans.

SBA's COVID-19 Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) and EIDL Advance

- The SBA is offering low interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses and non-profit organizations that are suffering substantial economic injury as a result of COVID-19 in all U.S. states, Washington D.C., and territories.
- These loans may be used to pay debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can't be paid because of the disaster's impact, and that are not already covered by a Paycheck Protection Program loan. The interest rate is 3.75% for small businesses.

- The interest rate for non-profits is 2.75%.
- To keep payments affordable for small businesses, SBA offers loans with long repayment terms, up to a maximum of 30 years. Plus, the first payment is deferred for one year.
  - In addition, small businesses and non-profits may request, as part of their loan application, an EIDL Advance of up to \$10,000. The EIDL Advance is designed to provide emergency economic relief to businesses that are currently experiencing a temporary loss of revenue. This advance will not have to be repaid, and small businesses may receive an advance even if they are not approved for a loan.
  - SBA's EIDL and EIDL Advance are just one piece of the expanded focus of the federal government's coordinated response.
  - The SBA is also assisting small businesses and non-profits with access to the federal forgivable loan program, the Paycheck Protection Program, which is currently accepting applications until June 30, 2020.

For additional information, please visit the SBA disaster assistance website at [SBA.gov/Disaster](https://www.sba.gov/Disaster). Local small businesses with questions about EIDL or any other SBA program should email [NewHampshire\\_DO@sba.gov](mailto:NewHampshire_DO@sba.gov) or contact Dover's Office of Economic Development at 516-6043.

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## PPP funds still available

The Paycheck Protection Program provides small businesses with funds for payroll costs and other eligible non-payroll costs.



More than \$100 billion in PPP funds are still available. The recent passage of the Paycheck Protection Flexibility Act allows small businesses to use funds up to 24 weeks with the option of extending the life of the loan from two years to five. SBA will forgive loans if funds are used as intended.

Small businesses and eligible nonprofit organizations, veterans organizations, and tribal businesses described in the Small Business Act, as well as individuals who are self-employed or are independent contractors, are eligible if they also meet program size standards.

A number of local lenders in Dover are available to process loan applications. For a list of lenders eligible to accept Paycheck Protection Program applications, visit <https://www.sba.gov/paycheckprotection/find/?address=03820>.

The program is open until June 30, 2020, but businesses should apply as soon as possible.

For more information, visit the SBA's Paycheck Protection Program page here: <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program-ppp>.

Businesses with no existing relationship with an SBA lender can contact the office for assistance at [newhampshire\\_do@sba.gov](mailto:newhampshire_do@sba.gov).



## Spring is a good time to test your soil quality

*Spending more time than usual at home these days due to the coronavirus pandemic? Thinking about working on the lawn or digging in the garden? Whether you are looking to enjoy more time outside or engage your children in a project, this season is a great time to develop some new habits that will improve your green thumb, help protect the environment, and save money. Whatever we do in our yards affects lakes, rivers, streams and bays downhill. By adopting a few simple practices, we can protect the health of water bodies we love while taking care of ourselves and the people around us by sheltering at home.*

### **How to test your soil**

Although the UNH Soil Lab Testing is temporarily closed due to the pandemic, it doesn't hurt to get ready to submit a soil sample for testing. Soil test

results provide important information about nutrient and mineral levels in our soil, characteristics of the soil, and recommendations for fertilizer. Without this information, we may end up applying products or using practices that waste



time and money, inhibit plant growth and contribute to pollution. Watch a short video about how to take a soil sample and learn more about soil testing here:

<https://extension.unh.edu/tags/test-your-soil>.

This series provides tips for growing healthy lawns and protecting water quality while we are spending more time at home. This is a perfect opportunity to adopt habits that we have put off because we didn't have as much time at home. Enjoy the season of growth while keeping yourself and others safe. Learn more tips for [water quality friendly lawn care here](#).



## Spring street sweeping continues

Citywide street sweeping by Community Services crews continues this week. Street sweeping operations begin weekdays at 3:30 a.m. and continue for two consecutive eight-hour shifts throughout the day.

Work is expected to be complete prior to the end of June.

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



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](#).



**June 19, 1813** - William H. Griffin advertises his Nail Factory at Waldron's falls, for sale, with all the machinery. This, so far as appears, was the first Nail Factory established here. The business was pursued, in a small way, for several years, until it was superseded by the superior inventions of Jacob Perkins, by which cut nails were furnished much cheaper.



**June 20, 1823** - A person on the Landing having in charge a wagon loaded with powder, strewed a quantity on the ground; a lad touched the loose powder with a coal of fire, which communicated to the straw in the wagon, and the whole exploded. Two men were killed in attempting to stop the horses, and a third was seriously injured. The wagon was blown to atoms.



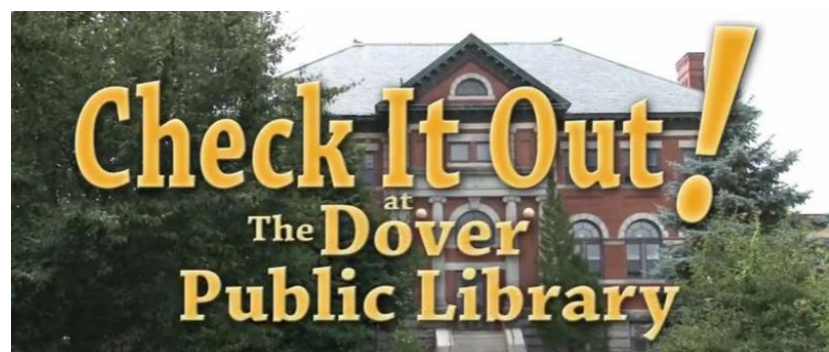
**June 24, 1832** - At a public town meeting the selectmen and physicians of the town were constituted a Board of Health and authorized to adopt measures necessary for the public safety from the Asiatic cholera, then alarmingly prevalent in the country.



**June 23, 1861** - The ladies of Dover met at the Court Room for the purpose of forming an association to furnish the soldiers from the State in actual service with clothing, hospital stores, etc., necessary to health and comfort, when not supplied by the government, and also to carefully watch and care for the general well being of the New Hampshire soldiers in every possible particular. The Association was organized by the choice of Mrs. John P. Hale as President; Mrs. N. Low, Mrs. A. G. Fenner, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. D. H. Wendell, Treasurer; Miss Charlotte Palmer, Cor. Secretary; Mrs. J. J. Duxbury, Rec. Secretary; with two ladies from each of the religious Societies in the city as managers. This Society continued its operations through the Civil War and sent large contributions to the Sanitary Commission for the relief of the soldiers.



**June 22, 1863** - Amaziah Goodwin of Lyman, Me., a revolutionary soldier, aged 100 years and 4 months, arrived in town, on his way to Boston, to be present at the celebration of the 88th anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill. Stopping at a relatives to recruit, he was taken sick and died this day.



# Summer reading at the Dover Public Library

Green and White, Reading Unites! is under way and will continue to 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](http://library.dover.nh.gov) and register for the program.

For more information, email [p.falconer@dover.nh.gov](mailto:p.falconer@dover.nh.gov) or call 603-516-6052.

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## This Week at the Library

### **Saturday, June 20 through Monday, June 22, All Day** **Weekly Teen Tiktok Challenge**

Are you a teen TikTok wizard? Show us your magical abilities by joining in our second weekly Teen TikTok Challenge of the summer! This week's pick is the #namechallenge: make your own layered name art using just paper and markers, then tag us on TikTok using @doverpubliclibrary or #doverpubliclibraryteens, or send your videos to Emily at [e.fortin@dover.nh.gov](mailto:e.fortin@dover.nh.gov).

### **Monday, June 22, 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, June 24, All Day** **Online Family Storytime on the DPL YouTube Channel**

Listen to Miss Tina read stories and sing songs. Watch all our recorded story times here:

<http://library.dover.nh.gov/kids/listen-to-a-story.html>

**Thursday, June 25, 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**Virtual Sing Along with Miss Tina**

Families are invited to join in this joyful sing along of classic children's songs. **Please register for this program and you will receive an email 30 minutes prior to the event with the login information.**

**Thursday, June 25, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

**VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Under**

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Zoom with Dungeon Master Griffin! The group will meet every other Thursday 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 30 minutes prior to the event with the login information.**

**Friday, June 26, 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

**VIRTUAL Mother Goose on the Loose**

Parents/caregivers are invited to join with their babies for a 1/2 hour early learning program specifically designed for children from birth to 24 months. Mother Goose on the Loose uses books, rhymes, songs, musical instruments, finger plays, flannel board characters, puppets and other props to help parents/caregivers develop the child's early literacy skills in a fun and joyful environment. **Please register for this program and you will receive an email 30 minutes prior to the event with the login information.**

**Friday, June 26, All Day**

**Felt Puppet Avatar**

Kids in grades 3 and up are invited to create their own felt puppet avatar using instructions found on Creative Bug at: <https://www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/felt-puppet-avatars>. After signing up for the program, pick up the materials at the library anytime on Friday, June 26 between 9 and 5 p.m. When you complete your puppet, send a photo or video to Miss Jojo at [j.higgins@dover.nh.gov](mailto:j.higgins@dover.nh.gov) by Monday, July 13. She will take all your avatars and make a virtual puppet show.

**Saturday, June 27, 2 to 3:30 p.m.**

**Knitting and Crocheting Group Front Lawn Meetup**

Bring your own chair or blanket (and maybe some bug spray) and join us on the front lawn for a knitting and crochet meetup! We ask that everyone follows all the social distancing guidelines for a safe and comfortable crafty gathering. Come share all your Finished Objects and Works in Progress with the group.



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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.

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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 the following positions:

- **Police officer**
- **Media Services Technician**
- **Truck driver, Utilities**
- **Seasonal maintenance worker**
- **Summer day camp counselor**

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

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

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