

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



June 30, 2023



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,



Dover native Rory Makem and son of the Irish music legend Tommy Makem is one of several performers at the Dover400 Block Party on Saturday.

Event-filled week ahead for 400th

Block party, parade and fireworks all part of 400th festivities

Saturday, July 1: Dover 400th Anniversary Block Party

This event will be held along Central Avenue, throughout downtown Dover and Henry Law Park, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m: Food vendors, crafters, businesses, clubs, and

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

organizations will line Central Avenue.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m: Interactive walk through History, Lower Henry Law Park. Stroll through over a dozen exhibits highlighting various moments and eras of Dover's past and meet different historical re-enactors.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m: Blackhawk helicopter on display at Henry Law Park (weather permitting).

11 a.m. to 8 p.m: Live entertainment at the Rotary Arts Pavilion. Featuring Silver Strummers (11 a.m.), Dover Community Band (12 p.m.), Earth Kit (1 p.m.), Soggy Po Boys (2 p.m.), Reconstructed (3 p.m.), Rory Makem (4 p.m.), Thanks to Gravity (5:30 p.m.), and Ovation-80's Rock Tribute Band (7 p.m.)

11:45 p.m. to 1 p.m. Reading of Frederick Douglass' speech at Waldron Courtyard.

1 p.m: Open Mic.

Sunday, July 2: Dover 400th Anniversary Parade 3 p.m. starting at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce on Central Avenue and continuing to Pine Hill Cemetery.

Everyone is welcome to be a part of this exciting and historic event. Bands, businesses, and organizations from around New England will join Dover in celebrating 400 years.

Memorial service for Captain Moses Paul at Pine Hill Cemetery

Following the end of the Dover 400 parade, Federal Lodge # 5, The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, Palestine Commandery, York Rite bodies, and Scottish Rite bodies will observe a memorial service for Captain Moses Paul at his gravesite. The public is welcome to attend and observe the solemn ceremony performed on the 20th anniversary of his passing on July 9, 1880.

Tuesday, July 4: Celebrate Independence Day

9 a.m. A reading of the Declaration of Independence by the Garrison Players Arts Center at Dover City Hall.

7:30 to 9:15 p.m: Listen to the New Hampshire Army National Guard 39th Army Band at the Rotary Arts Pavilion.

9:15 p.m: Enjoy the spectacular fireworks over Dover from being shot off from Maglaras Park and Garrison Hill.

Street closures and parking restrictions for Dover 400 events on July 1, 2 and 4

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following street closures and parking restrictions for the series of Dover 400 events occurring from Saturday, July 1, through Tuesday, July 4.

Find more about the Dover 400 events at https://www.dover400.org/events.html.

Saturday, July 1

Block Party

The following streets will be closed to all traffic to allow the Dover 400 Block Party to operate from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

- Central Avenue southbound, from Second to Washington streets;
- Henry Law Avenue, from Washington to Williams streets.

Southbound traffic on Central Avenue will be detoured via Second Street to Chestnut Street. Motorists should expect delays in the downtown area.

Parking restrictions on Central Avenue and Henry Law Avenue will be posted in advance. Limited parking for the block party event will be available in the Orchard Street parking garage, the Dover Public Library/McConnell Center municipal lot, and the Dover Transportation Center lot.

Concerts will be held in the Henry Law Park Rotary Arts Pavilion from 12 to 8 p.m.

Sunday, July 2 <u>Parade</u>

The Dover 400 Parade begins at 3 p.m. The parade will follow the same traditional route of the annual Holiday Parade, starting at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, 550 Central Ave., and following Central Avenue (Route 108) south through downtown to Cleary Cleaners, 120 Central Ave., across from Pine Hill Cemetery.

Central Avenue (Route 108) will be closed to all traffic from 2:45 to 5 p.m. between Chestnut Street/New York Street and the Stark Avenue/East Watson Street intersections. This includes much of the downtown area. Temporary traffic detours will be in effect.

Additional street closures will be in effect to accommodate parade staging and setup. These include:

- Sixth Street between Horne Street and Central Avenue;
- Maple Street between Sixth and Hough streets;
- Grove Street between Fifth and Hough streets;
- Mount Vernon Street between Sixth and Milk streets.

Parking restrictions will be posted on **Sixth Street** on Sunday, July 2, to accommodate parade staging and in certain other locations where necessary along the parade route.

Dover Police are coordinating with CSX Railways to temporarily suspend freight trains at the downtown crossings to accommodate the parade. Amtrak Downeaster passenger train service will not be interrupted.

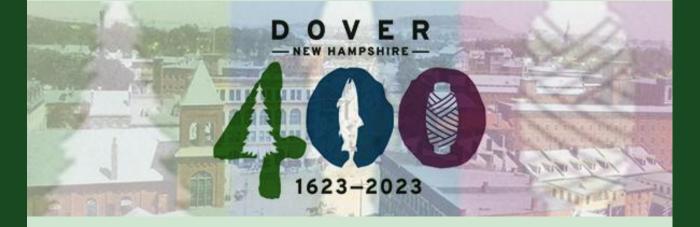
Tuesday, July 4 Fireworks

The City will hold concurrent Fourth of July fireworks displays at Maglaras Park (near Henry Law Park) and Garrison Hill Park. Both Maglaras and Garrison Hill parks will be closed to the public.

The fireworks displays can be viewed from Henry Law Park or other downtown locations, or from locations along Central Avenue from Oak Street northward to the Hannaford and Shaw's plazas. A concert performance by the 39th Army Band will be held at the Rotary Arts Pavilion from 7 to 9 p.m., and fireworks will begin at about 9:15 p.m.

At the onset of darkness on July 4, **Henry Law Avenue** and its surrounding streets that include **River, George, and Williams streets** will be closed to all motor vehicle traffic to ensure the safety of fireworks viewing.

Questions about traffic restrictions may be directed to the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646.



Other upcoming events celebrating Dover's 400th anniversary

Dover400, the committee organizing Dover's 400th-anniversary celebration, has events scheduled throughout the summer and year as the city reaches this historic milestone.

Other upcoming events include:

July 7 to Aug. 11: <u>Dover 400 Cochecho Arts Festival</u>. A summer-long festival full of music and art is held in Henry Law Park. View the Friday Night Headliner and Children's Show schedule: https://www.dovernh.org/cochecho-arts-festival

July 7 to Aug. 11: <u>Dover Artists Exhibition.</u> A special exhibition featuring Dover artists in the new Backstage Gallery, 1 Washington Street, Suite 1177, Dover. An artists' reception will be held on July 15 from 6 to 9 p.m.

July 22: The McConnell Story, Movie Night at the Strand at 7 p.m. This Hollywood Biopic is about Dover-born Capt. Joseph C. McConnell: The U.S. Air Force's first triple jet-on-jet flying ace and hero of the Korean War. The event will include a red carpet/ photo op for guests, a special Joe McConnell beer made by Chapel & Main, and more!

Aug 11: <u>Milestone Anniversary Celebration, Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce</u>. Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce in celebrating several chamber members' milestone anniversaries in one combined celebration from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Stay up-to-date on the latest events by visiting dover400.org.

Celebrate the Fourth of July safely

Fireworks illegal in Dover

Police Chief William Breault and Fire Chief Michael McShane remind residents that consumer fireworks are dangerous and illegal to possess and discharge in the City of Dover.

City ordinance <u>section 105-9</u> states that "no person, firm, partnership or corporation shall offer for sale, expose for sale, sell at retail, purchase, possess, transport, use or explode any fireworks without a permit." Permit requirements are detailed in <u>section 81-9</u>.

National Fire Protection Association estimates that fireworks were responsible for 12,250 fires in 2021. That year, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 11,500 people for fireworks-related injuries, with more than half to the extremities and 35% to the eye or other parts of the head. Children younger than 15 accounted for about 23% of injuries. Injuries from sparklers often account for one-quarter of emergency room visits.

In addition to the threat of fire and injury, fireworks can also trigger episodes of post-traumatic

stress disorder in some of our veterans and cause extreme distress for pets.

There are many safe alternatives to fireworks, including:

- Glow sticks
- Red and blue bubbles
- Silly string
- Confetti
- Party crackers
- Pinwheels

For more information, contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 603-516-6148.



Founding Fathers return to Dover to read Declaration of Independence

Dover kicks off Independence Day with its annual reading of the Declaration of Independence on Tuesday, July 4, 2023. Garrison Players Arts Center performers Don Briand as John Adams, Tom Dunnington as Benjamin Franklin, and Kevin Collins as Thomas Jefferson will read the Declaration at 9 a.m. on the steps of Dover City Hall (288 Central Ave). Mayor Robert Carrier will also speak.

The Garrison Players Arts Center has organized the reading for nearly 20 years.

Garrison Players Arts Center (GPAC) is a nonprofit, volunteer-based community theatre group dedicated to enriching the area's cultural life by presenting high-quality theatrical performances for family audiences. Established in 1953, the players encourage people of all ages to enjoy and participate in the many facets of the performing arts and to help maintain the Garrison Players Arts Center.

For more information about auditions, shows, or GPAC, visit the website at www.garrisonplayers.org.

Holiday hours for city offices and facilities

Trash and Recycling pickup will be delayed by one day all week beginning Tuesday

City administrative offices, including **City Hall**, will be closed on Monday, July 3, and Tuesday, July 4, 2023, for the Independence Day holiday. Regular hours will resume on Wednesday, July 5.

The **Public Library** will be closed on Sunday, July 2, Monday, July 3, and Tuesday, July 4.

The Fitness Center, located at the McConnell Center, will be closed on Tuesday, July 4.

The **Dover Arena** will be closed Saturday, July 1, through Tuesday, July 4.

The **Dover Community Senior Center** will be closed Saturday, July 1, through Tuesday, July 4

The **Dover Indoor Pool** and **Jenny Thompson Outdoor Pool** will be open for scheduled activities only from Friday, June 30, through Tuesday, July 4. For a list of scheduled activities and hours, visit the Recreation Department's website.

Inspection Services at the Liberty North End Fire Station will be closed on Tuesday, July 4. Regular hours will resume on Wednesday, July 5.

Trash and recycling pick-up schedules will be delayed by one day beginning Tuesday, July 4. Trash and recycling pickup will occur as scheduled on Monday, July 3. There will be no curbside pick-up on Tuesday, July 4. For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

The **Recycling Center** on Mast Road will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, 2023. Regular hours resume on Thursday, July 6, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4, is a parking holiday. Metered parking is not required on parking holidays in most locations, except for the Parking Garage, which is metered parking at all times.



Dover Olympians historical marker dedication this Sunday

The historical marker in Henry Law Park that honors Dover Olympians will be dedicated this Sunday, July 2 at 1 p.m., as part of the Dover 400 celebrations. The public is welcome to attend.

The marker, part of the Faces of Dover history project, was installed last fall at the top entrance of the park, near the corner of Henry Law Avenue and Washington Street. It is a partnership Recreation Advisory Board, Dover 400 Committee, Faces of Dover, Dover Main Street and the City of Dover.

The Olympians honored on the marker:

- Ted Vogel, Marathon, 1948 London;
- Barbara Marois, Field Hockey, 1988 Seoul and 1996 Atlanta;
- Jennie Marshall, Rowing, 1988 Seoul;
- Cathy O'Brien, Marathon, 1988 Seoul, 1992 Barcelona;
- **Jenny Thompson**, Swimming, 1992 Barcelona, 1996 Atlanta, 2000 Sydney, 2004 Athens:
- Jessica Parratto, Synchronized Platform Diving, 2016 Rio de Janeiro, 2020 Toyko;
- Liza Corso, Running, 2020 Toyoko Paralympics.

Court Street/Middle Road sewer work begins July 5

Daily road closures to start July 10

Work on the sewer replacement on Court Street and Middle Road from Tennyson Avenue to Hubbard Road will begin next week. From Wednesday, July 5, through Friday, July 7, crews will mobilize to the site to deliver equipment and supplies. Traffic flaggers will be on hand to assist as necessary.

Beginning Monday, July 10, work will begin in earnest, requiring daily road closures through the project area. The public should anticipate Court Street and Middle Road to be closed from Tennyson Avenue to Hubbard Road, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. until the project is complete, anticipated by Sept. 1, 2023.

Road closures will be posted within the project area depending on where the excavation occurs, and only residents within the closed zone will be allowed access. All through traffic should follow marked detour routes or should seek alternate routes.

The project will replace a failing sewer line of about 1,200 feet. After a competitive bid process, the City Council awarded the construction contract to D&C Construction Co., of Weymouth, Massachusetts, for a cost not to exceed \$202,100.

The failing sewer line was discovered during the utility investigation in preparation for the Court Street Reconstruction Project, which is anticipated to go out to bid later this year. Because of the condition of the sewer line, city staff recommended its immediate replacement ahead of the full reconstruction project.



Dancing Madly Backwards will kick off the Cochecho Arts Festival's Headliner Series on Friday, July 7.

37th annual Cochecho Arts Festival kicks off July 6

The Cochecho Arts Festival returns to Henry Law Park on Thursday, July 6, with a performance by the Dover Community Band.

The 37th Annual Cochecho Arts Festival will feature a Children's Series, Headliner Series, Community



Band, Shark in the Park, Family Movie Night, a Visual Arts Showcase, and more. This year's festival is underwritten by Orpheum Apartments & Cowork.

The Dover Community Band, a traditional New England community band made up of volunteer musicians from around the Dover area, will have Thursday night performances beginning on Thursday, July 6, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. They will appear again on July 20, Aug. 3, and 17.

The Headliner Series will run on Friday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. July 7 to Aug. 11 and will feature Dancing Madly Backwards, Whiskey Horse, Lexi James and Wildheart, Deep Blue C Orchestra, Studio Two, and Soggy Po' Boys, as live musical performances.

Concerts from the Patio, sponsored by Trueworthy Wealth Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors, returns for two of the Friday night concerts (July 7 and July 21) from the Children's Museum's outdoor play patio. This adult-only event ticket gets you a seat on the patio overlooking the stage, access to a cash bar, a 'snack box', and use of indoor restrooms. Guests are welcome to bring their takeout to the seating at the café and other tables. Tickets are \$15 and on sale at www.childrens-museum.org or at the door (space permitting).

The Children's Series will run on Tuesdays, July 11 to Aug. 15, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The performers include Rockin' Ron the Friendly Pirate, Aaron Risi, Magician BJ Hickman, Juggler Bryson Lang, UNH Theater, and Wildlife Encounters. At select Children's Series performances, a local artist will be on-site to work with children on an art project that may include painting, mono-printing, and more at the Art Rocks tent.

Family Movie Night, sponsored by Colony Auto Co. and Roger's Restaurant & Pizza, will feature Toy Story on Saturday, Aug. 5, and Jungle Cruise on Saturday, Aug. 12. Films start at dusk in Lower Henry Law Park.

The Farmers Market Acoustic Series, sponsored by Seacoast Eat Local, will run on Wednesdays, June 7 to October 4, from 2:30 to 6 p.m. at the Dover Farmers Market, 110 Portland Avenue, Guppey Park. Come check out all of the great vendors offering fresh and local foods while enjoying a live acoustic music performance.

'Shark in the Park,' organized by 102.1 and 105.3 The Shark, will feature the Seacoast's best classic rock bands. Shark in the Park will run on Wednesdays, July 12 to Aug. 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. The bands performing will be J Street Extension, High and Dry, The Big Picture, Key Elements Band, and Rosie.

The Woodman Museum will re-premiere The McConnell Story at the Strand Theater on Saturday, July 22, at 7 p.m. The movie was a Hollywood Biopic about Dover-born Capt. Joseph C. McConnell: The U.S. Air Force's first triple jet-on-jet flying ace and hero of the Korean War. The event will include a red carpet/ photo op for guests, a special Joe McConnell beer made by Chapel & Main, and more. Enjoy end-of-summer concerts at the Woodman Museum on select evenings in August from 4 to 6 p.m. Summer offerings at The Strand range from dance, theater, and music to comedy and karaoke.

Local artists will showcase their work in the park during The Visual Arts Showcase, sponsored by Atlantic Media Productions, on Saturday, Aug. 5, from noon to 4 p.m.

Show your support for the Cochecho Arts Festival by purchasing a First Seacoast Bank Festival Button for \$10. Button holder perks include a free bottle of water courtesy of Kennebunk Savings at the Friday night concerts and entry into the raffle to win a gas grill. All proceeds go directly back to the Cochecho Arts Festival.

Visit https://www.dovernh.org/cochecho-arts-festival for more information.

Upcoming Meetings:

Technical Review Committee, July 6, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, July 6, 2023, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

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



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 to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.



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 <u>located here</u>.

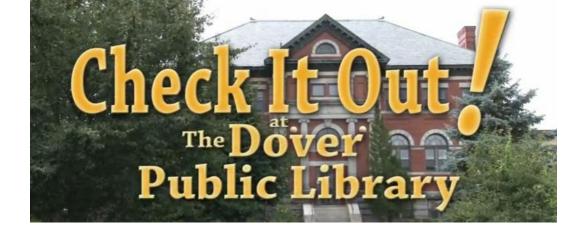
July 4, 1806 — The day was celebrated with "uncommon festivity." "Its early dawn was liberally saluted by Capt. Henderson's company of Artillerists, which performed the occasional evolutions with great spirit and precision." At 11 o'clock the company collected at Mr. Ela's tavern "where the parched throat was agreeably slacked with cooling punch." An elegant dinner was prepared in "Union Hall upon the hill opposite the Great Falls."

July 2, 1847 — President Polk passed through Dover this day on a special train bound for Portland.

July 3, 1849 — The town of Rollinsford, formerly part of Dover, and afterwards of Somersworth, was set off and incorporated on this day.

July 2, 1953 — Dover native Capt. Joseph McConnell, Jr., then the nation's first triple ace fighter pilot, was warmly welcomed by thousands in his hometown. McConnell was escorted to Dover in a motorcade led by state police. He was the guest of honor in a parade attended by more than 5,000 people, said then to be one of the largest in the city's history. A testimonial banquet was also held for McConnell at City Hall. According to accounts of the visit, McConnell was said to be happiest when he met with hundreds of eager children behind City Hall, on the lawn of the building that now bears his name, the McConnell Center. McConnell had originally enlisted in the infantry in 1940 after being turned down by the Air Force. He later transferred to the Air Force and flew 11 missions as a navigator in World War II. He earned the distinction of the nation's first triple ace during the Korean War, having shot down 16 MIG fighter jets during his eight-month tour.

July 4, 2004 — Jim Gelinas, dressed as Benjamin Franklin, and Don Briand, dressed as John Adams, both members of the Garrison Players, read the Declaration of Independence on the steps of City Hall in honor of Independence Day. Another member of the Garrison Players, Carol Bitov, was dressed as a colonist and handed out fliers that said "Vote George Washington for President." Former Dover Mayor Wil Boc was the first to encourage the reading of the Declaration of Independence on the Fourth of July. The 2004 reading of the Declaration of Independence was the first time it was read by costumed actors. That year, Briand contacted then Mayor Scott Myers to ask for permission to read in costume, to which to mayor agreed. The tradition continues this year with Don Briand as John Adams, Tom Dunnington as Benjamin Franklin, and Kevin Collins as Thomas Jefferson, all of whom will read the Declaration of Independence on July 4 at 9 a.m. on the steps of Dover City Hall.



This Week at the Library

July Cookbook Club Recipe Swap
Join us for a good, old-fashioned recipe
swap! Throughout the month of July, bring
in a favorite recipe (or multiple favorites) or
upload the recipe to our Google Form.
There will be a recipe binder at the main
circulation desk for patrons to browse
through and make copies of recipes. If you
make one of the recipes from the swap,
please send in a picture to be shared on our
social media pages. Photos can be sent to
Emily at e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov, or tag us
on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, July 3 and Tuesday July, 4 Library Closed for July 4th Holiday

Wednesday, July 5, 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, July 5, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Summer Lego Club

Come build at Lego Club! There will be a specific "Challenge-of-the-day" to work on or you can build their own creations. This is a family event for people age 5-99. All LEGO creations stay at the library. CAUTION: Legos are a choking hazard to children under the age of 3.

Wednesday, July 5, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. All Abilities Chapter Book Club

Adults with all abilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. The first book will be *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. Session ends with activities and crafts and some socializing.

Wednesday, July 5, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Slate Paint Night

Come paint one of the slates from the old roof. Simply decorate and doodle, or go all out and paint your slab from edge to edge. This is a chance to relax and be creative-all levels of ability are welcome.

Thursday, July 6, 10 to 11 a.m. Cover to Cover Book Group

Join us on the first Thursday of every month to discuss a book. July's selection is *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich. Copies of the book can be borrowed at the Adult Circulation Desk. New members welcome.

Thursday, July 6, 3 to 4 p.m. Summer Crafternoon for Kids: Retro Crafts

Kids in grades 1 and up and preschoolers, with an adult care-giver, are welcome to make a craft that was popular when parents or grandparents were kids themselves.

Thursday, July 6, 5 to 8 p.m. Magic the Gathering

Join us every Thursday evening to play Magic the Gathering. Collect cards, build decks, and duel other players. All ages and skill levels welcome. No materials required.

Friday, July 7, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Shake Your Rattle and Roll, Baby!

This program is for babies and toddlers-2 years. Dance to silly songs, sing rhymes, count to 5 with puppets and rock out with drums and instruments. Featuring a different genre or musical artist each week.



City seeking heirs of Redden Street property

The City of Dover is seeking to locate the heirs of Paul F. and Sally Ann Leary who own a parcel of land on Redden Street.

The parcel, 36005-F00000, is 0.09 acres and is the remaining portion of the property following lot line adjustments and land sold off. The property was deeded to the Leary's on Dec. 20, 1949, and recorded in Book 577 Page 65 in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds. Please contact the City Clerk/Tax Collector Susan Mistretta at 603-516-6012 for more information.

Upcoming meeting to review reconstruction project at Fifth and Grove streets

The City of Dover will hold a second neighborhood meeting to discuss the upcoming Fifth Street and Grove Street Reconstruction Project on Monday, July 10, at 6 p.m., in Room 323 at the McConnell Center. The meeting will review the draft engineered plans before finalizing the project's details. The reconstruction project, scheduled as part of the City's Capital Improvements Program, will encompass roadway reconstruction, upgrading underground utilities, and addressing drainage, roadway, and sidewalk conditions.

The City is working with a consultant to design the reconstruction project, ensuring the streets and sidewalks are safe and accessible for all users. The project is expected to go out to bid in mid to late summer, with a potential construction start date in either late 2023 or early 2024.

Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting to learn more about the project and provide input.

For the latest updates on the Fifth Street and Grove Street Reconstruction Project, visit https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/community-services/projects/fifth-street-grove-street-reconstruction-project/.

For project-related inquiries, contact Community Services at (603) 516-6450 or email <u>j.semprini@dover.nh.gov</u>.

CAPSC's free summer meal sites resume

Three locations in Dover

To help ensure no child goes hungry this summer, Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) will once again provide free meals to kids at sites across the county.

From June 26 to Aug. 18, CAPSC's Summer Meals Program sites will provide free breakfasts and lunches to any child 0-18 years old. Children don't need to register to receive a meal, and there are no income limits or any other eligibility requirements, but children do need to eat the food at the sites due to federal regulations.

Meal dates and times vary by site. A list of dates and times is provided below. All sites will be closed July 3-4 in observance of Independence Day.

The Summer Meals Program provides free meals because many families can find it financially hard to provide nutritious food between the end of the school year in June and the start of the next school year. The program provided 67,964 meals in 2022, tremendously helping the children and families who received them.

"With the increase in grocery expense, we all know that households are buying less with the same money; therefore, many of these children wouldn't find the food and snacks they need throughout the day and would sadly go hungry," said Deborah Evans, the executive director of Somersworth Housing Authority, which hosts a CAPSC summer meals site. "We can't thank CAPSC enough for their generosity in helping to feed our children this upcoming summer." Eight of this year's meal sites are open to the public, while additional sites will serve meals to children participating in local schools and recreation department summer programs and camps. In Dover, any child ages 0-18 can receive a meal at the following public sites:

Dover High School

25 Alumni Drive 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

Rutland Manor

1 Abbey Lane 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

White Cliffs at Dover

510 Martha's Way 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

For more information about CAPSC's Summer Meals Program, including all county locations, visit <u>straffordcap.org/summer-meals</u>.

CAPSC's Summer Meals Program is provided in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)/Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals are available to all children regardless of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. CAPSC is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



\$1 admission day for Dover residents is Saturday

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will offer \$1/person admission (which the museum charged when it first opened in 1983) for all Dover residents on Saturday, July 1, from 9 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. This special day for Dover residents coincides with Dover's Downtown Block Party. Everyone is welcome to visit the museum, but only Dover residents can enjoy the

special \$1/person admission.

This special Dover Resident's Day is one of many ways the museum is celebrating its 40th anniversary year in 2023.

Online reservations are still required for this special Dover Resident's Day. For Dover residents wishing to take advantage of the \$1/person deal, please reserve spots using the "Adult w/discount: will pay at door" price type, and then when you arrive at the museum, you will be asked to show proof of your Dover residency, and pay admission then. Learn more online at https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/40th-anniversary-in-2023.

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 the:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Heritage Commission
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Arts Commission
- Arena Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Utilities Commission

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

To apply, complete an application, <u>available here</u> and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Susan Mistretta at <u>s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov</u>. 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.

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:

- Executive Secretary Finance
- Adult/Children Circulation Desk Assistant
- Public Safety Dispatcher
- Police Officer
- Inspection Services Office Assistant
- Parking Enforcement Officer
- Firefighter / EMT
- Seasonal Maintenance Worker Facilities and Grounds
- Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator
- Laborer Public Works, Streets, and Stormwater
- Heavy Equipment Operator Utilities
- Truck Driver Streets
- Police Systems IT Technician

- LifeguardSwim Instructor I
- City Planner

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, click here.

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