

DOVER DOWNLOAD



News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



August 28, 2026



**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.



Council workshop to focus on switch to trash toters, water system

Toters would replace Dover trash bags

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026, starting at 7 p.m. in City Hall Chambers.

The Council will receive updates on the city's conversion from the current curbside collection of pay-as-you-throw trash bags to using toters for trash and recycling. The new totor system will begin on July 1, 2027, when the city's curbside trash and recycling contractor, Waste Management, will use robotic arms on collection trucks to empty the contents. The update will include a review of a draft

**Recycling
Center
hours:**

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

ordinance on the use of totes, which has been endorsed by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The current timetable for adopting the ordinance change would begin at the City Council's Sept. 9, 2026 meeting with a first reading of the ordinance, followed by a public hearing and a possible ratification vote at the City Council's Sept. 23, 2026 meeting.

The City Council will also receive an update on the public water system, including a discussion on aquifer levels, affects from the ongoing drought, and the recent call for voluntary water conservation.

[Read the complete agenda.](#)

The meeting will be held in City Hall's Council Chambers beginning at 7 p.m. It will be televised on DoverTV (Xfinity channel 22 and Breezeline channel 9010). It will also be broadcast on the city's [new streaming platform](#).

City urges water conservation amid ongoing drought conditions

The City of Dover urges residents and businesses to voluntarily reduce water consumption due to the ongoing [regional drought conditions](#). These voluntary measures will remain in place until drought conditions improve.

While many communities across the region implemented mandatory water restrictions, the city anticipates voluntary water use reductions will be sufficient, said Community Services Director John Storer, who oversees the city's water system.

"We've been fortunate to make it through the bulk of the summer without requesting any use restrictions, but we're starting to feel the effects of the extended regional drought," Storer said. "Cutting back on lawn irrigation and other water-intensive activities will go a long way in ensuring the city has enough water for everyone, including our firefighters when they need it most."

Current aquifer levels will be discussed at the City Council's workshop on the city's water utility system, which will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026.

The region has experienced drought conditions since July 8, 2025, when the U.S. Drought Monitor classified the region to be abnormally dry. Conditions worsened to moderate drought levels on Aug. 12, 2025, followed by severe drought conditions starting on Sept. 16, 2025. Severe drought conditions persisted through June 30, 2026, when conditions were upgraded to moderate drought conditions, where it has remained.

Reported Water Use Restrictions

Last Update: 7/30/2026

Legend

County Boundary

Town Boundary

Drought Condition

Abnormally Dry

Moderate Drought

Severe Drought

Extreme Drought

Municipality Status

Voluntary Restriction

Mandatory Restriction

Water System Status

Voluntary Restriction

Mandatory Restriction

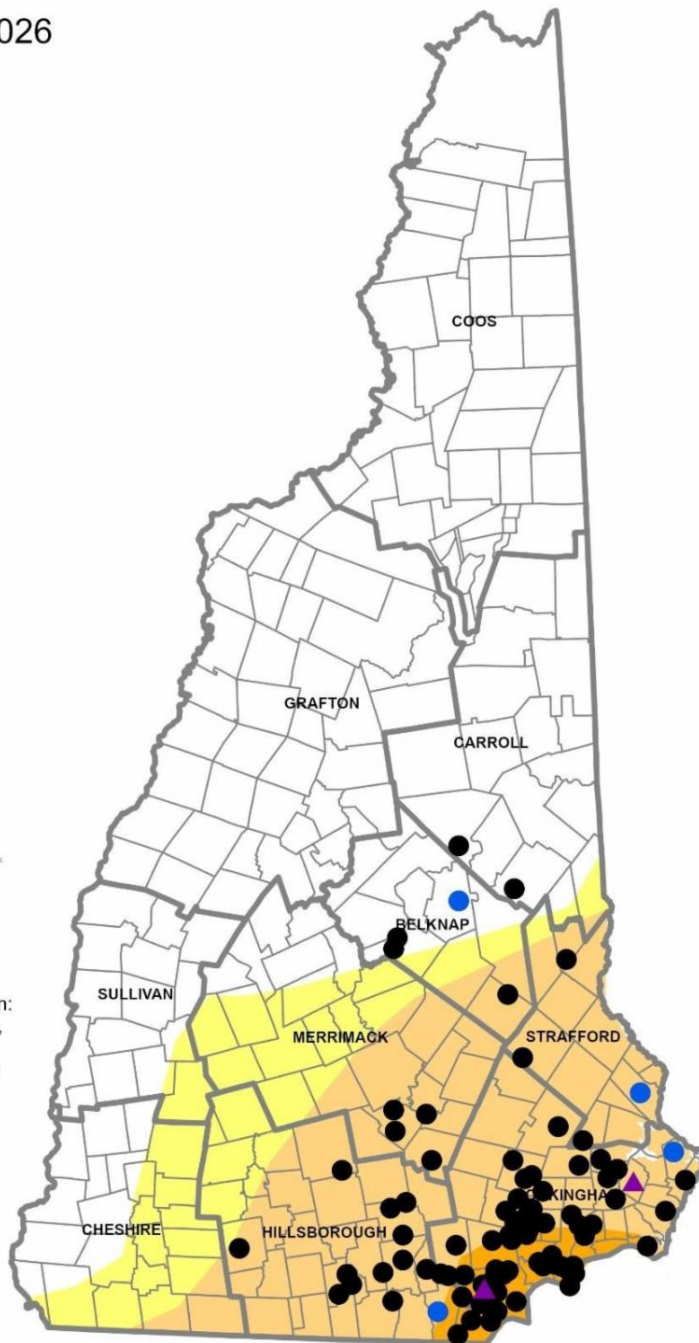


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Drought conditions based on
United States Drought Monitor
Produced by a partnership between:
National Drought Mitigation Center,
U.S. Department of Agriculture, &
National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration

Disclaimer: The status of water
use restrictions is based on
information submitted to the New
Hampshire Department of
Environmental Services or publicly
available and may not be
comprehensive or accurate.



Ninety public water systems have implemented water restrictions, [according to](#) the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. Most are mandatory restrictions.

Ways to conserve water

The public can conserve water in many ways:

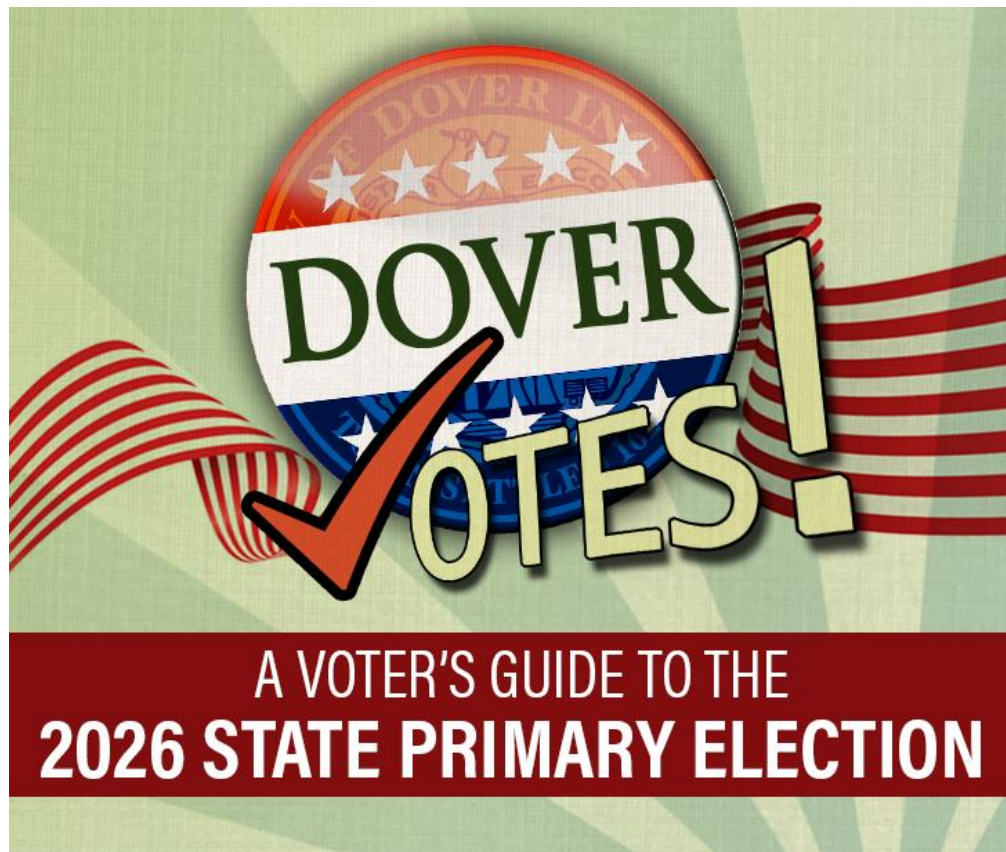
- Limit outdoor watering. According to the EPA, irrigation accounts for 30% of residential water use nationally — about 9 billion gallons per day. Avoid irrigating during the day, especially the hottest parts of the day when evaporation is highest.
- Utilize commercial car washes. They are more efficient with water and don't dump dirty water into the storm drains.
- Fixing leaky plumbing conserves water and saves money. Leaking faucets and toilets can waste thousands of gallons a year, leading to increased water bills.

- Be mindful of indoor water use. Take shorter showers, turn off the water when brushing teeth, and run dishwashers and washing machines only when full.

Find additional resources at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's [WaterSense online resource](#).

Track water use, get leak alerts with 'Eye On Water'

The city's public water customers can monitor their water usage with the Eye On Water [online portal and mobile app](#). The system helps track daily, monthly, and yearly consumption; users can also sign up to receive alerts for potential leaks. Customers will need their account number from their water bill. For assistance, contact the Water and Sewer Billing Office at 603-516-6028.



Supervisors of the Checklist in session Sept. 1

Last day to register in person before Sept. 8 primary

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office, 288 Central Ave.

During this session, supervisors register new voters, record changes of address, and make other necessary corrections to the checklist. Political party affiliations cannot be changed at this time. This will be the last day residents may register to vote in person before the Sept. 8, 2026 state primary election. Afterward, any voter registration will occur at the voters' polling place on Sept 8, where polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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

City election page offers resources for Sept. 8 state primary

The State Primary Election will be held Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2026, and the City of Dover has an online resource to help voters prepare for Election Day.

The city's 2026 State Primary Election [webpage](#) includes sample ballots for all six Dover wards, information and applications for absentee ballots, voter registration information, and other election resources.

The webpage also includes information about the Supervisors of the Checklist session on Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 5:30 to 6 p.m. in the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave. The supervisors will register new voters, record address changes and make other corrections to the voter checklist. Sept. 1 is the final day to register before the Sept. 8 primary.

Residents who are not registered by Sept. 1 may still register and vote at their polling place on Election Day.

The City Clerk's Office will be open on Monday, Sept. 7, from 1 to 5 p.m., to accept absentee ballots.

For more information about the Sept. 8 State Primary Election, visit the city's [2026 State Primary Election webpage](#) or contact the City Clerk's Office at 603-516-6018.

Dover Energy Commission, electrical inspector urge caution for plug-in solar generation systems

State needs to create, implement safety standards

Last month, New Hampshire Gov. Kelly Ayotte signed into law legislation will allow electricity customers to utilize plug-in solar generation systems — once state safety standards have been set. The [Dover Energy Commission](#) and the city's electrical inspector urge the public to be cautious around the use plug-in solar products until these safety standards are established.

"This is a great idea, but there are a lot of concerns," said Energy Commission Chair William Baber at the Commission's Aug. 19 meeting. "It's important for the well-being of our residents that they know the time is not quite right."

[Senate Bill 540](#), sponsored by Sen. David Watters of Dover and other bi-partisan legislators, would allow the residential use of a portable solar generation device that would plug into a regular, three-pronged electrical outlet, up to a maximum of 1,200 watts without the need to obtain approval from the customer's utility or use a net-meter system. Electric distribution utilities are not liable for any damage or injuries created from portable solar generation devices, according to the law.

Part of the new law will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2027, but the actual use of such systems will not be legal until the Department of Energy first certifies there is a nationally recognized electrical standard for plug-in solar systems. Following the certification, the state's building review board can then amend the state building codes to address plug-in solar generation systems, according to the Department of Energy.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PLUG-IN SOLAR

Plug-In Solar is an emerging technology that expands access to clean energy. However, key safety standards have not been set yet. Residents are encouraged to wait to buy for their safety!

WHAT IS IT?

Plug-In Solar panels plug directly into a household outlet and are portable. They are also commonly referred to as “balcony solar” and have gained popularity in Europe.



FACTS

NH residents may soon be allowed to install a small array up to 1200 watts. These arrays don't need a roof, utility interconnection approval, or a large investment like traditional arrays.

SAFETY FIRST

There are still several safety measures that need to be implemented before these arrays should be used. Risks of non-compliant arrays include fire, electrical overload, and shock.





NOT QUITE YET

This topic is still evolving. Dover residents are encouraged to wait until there is clear guidance from the NH Department of Energy before purchasing and using plug-in solar.

City Council recognizes Service Dog Month



Mayor Dennis Shanahan, left, reads a proclamation recognizing September as National Service Dog Month in Dover during the Aug. 26 City Council meeting. Brendan Madden of Service Dogs NH, right, accepted the proclamation and thanked the city for recognizing the month for the fourth consecutive year. Madden, who has had a service dog himself, noted the profound impact service dogs can have on the lives of people with disabilities.

Help update Dover's Transportation Master Plan by taking online survey

The City of Dover is updating its Transportation Master Plan and seeks the public to [take a survey](#) about their experiences getting around Dover, commuting, safety and other questions.

The survey is being conducted by the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and takes about five minutes to complete; every question is optional. A hard copy of the survey is available by contacting the Strafford Regional Planning Commission at 603-994-3500 or by [emailing](#) Senior Planner Mark Davie.

[Take the Dover Moves survey.](#)

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For a Downtown Parking Study. Volunteers are needed to observe vehicles in the downtown area at various times of day.

WHEN

Three Opportunities to Help:

September 12

September 13

September 16

Rain Dates: 9/19, 9/20, & 9/23

SIGN UP

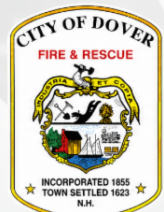


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Questions?

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**DOVER FIRE & POLICE
BLOOD DRIVE**

Monday, Aug. 31 • 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Dover Police Department • 46 Chestnut St., Dover, NH

BLOOD DONORS NEEDED NOW

\$20 AMAZON GIFT CARD FOR DONORS

In response to urgent need for blood donors, Dover Fire and Rescue, Dover Police team up for Aug. 31 drive

Dover Police and Dover Fire and Rescue will team up with the American Red Cross for a [community blood drive](#) on Monday, Aug. 31, as the Red Cross continues to emphasize an urgent need for blood donors.

The blood drive will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dover Police Department, 46 Chestnut St. Donors will receive a \$20 Amazon gift card.

Appointments can be scheduled at redcross.org by searching for "[DoverBattleofBadges](#)," or scanning the QR code here.



Scan for appointment info

Those unable to attend the Aug. 31 drive have other opportunities to donate. See the weekly list of upcoming blood drives further down in this edition of Dover Download for additional dates and locations in the area.



Dover to dedicate 9/11 memorial on 25th anniversary

The City of Dover will mark the 25th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks with a remembrance ceremony and the dedication of the city's new permanent 9/11 memorial on Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, at 11 a.m. in the Cocheco Mill Courtyard on Central Avenue.

The memorial was designed as a permanent place for remembrance, reflection and education, honoring those killed in the attacks as well as first responders, military members, survivors and those who died in the years that followed from 9/11-related illnesses. Its granite panels represent the Pentagon, the World Trade Center towers and Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and include interpretive elements recounting the events and impact of Sept. 11.

The memorial also holds particular significance for Dover. Four people with ties to the city were killed that day: Douglas Stone, a passenger on Flight 11; Kathleen and Michael Shearer, passengers on Flight 175; and David Scott Suarez, who was at the World Trade Center.

The Cocheco Mill Courtyard was selected in part because it was the site of Dover's first 9/11 remembrance ceremony. The memorial, approximately 27 feet long and 11 feet high, was designed by retired Assistant Fire Chief David Hanna and incorporates imagery representing police, fire and emergency medical personnel, as well as members of the military.

The dedication fulfills a commitment announced during Dover's 2025 remembrance ceremony to establish a permanent memorial in time for the 25th anniversary of the attacks.

Upcoming Meetings:

City Council Ordinance Committee, Aug. 31, 8 a.m.

The City Council Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Aug. 31, 2026, beginning at 8 a.m. in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Waterfront Tax Increment Finance Advisory Board, Aug. 31, 3:30 p.m.

The Waterfront Tax Increment Finance Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Aug. 31, 2026, beginning at 3:30 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

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

- [Sale of Mobile Kitchen Trailer, Laundry Trailer and Restroom-Shower Trailer](#)
- [PFAS Free Firefighting Structural Personal Protective Equipment](#)
- [Replacement of Sixth Street Bridge](#)
- [Commercial Real Estate Professional Services to Sell 30 Willand Dr., Somersworth](#)

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

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

City seeks bids for mobile kitchen, laundry and restroom-

Board of Supervisors of Checklist, Sept. 1, 5:30 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors of the Checklist will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in City Clerk's Office, City Hall.

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

Community Trail Advisory Subcommittee, Sept. 1, 5:30 p.m.

The Planning Board Ad-Hoc Community Trail Advisory Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Joint Building Committee, Sept. 2, 5:30 p.m.

The Joint Building Committee for the High School Athletic Complex will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

City Council, Sept. 2, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026, beginning at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Planning Technical Review Committee, Sept. 3, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Sept. 3, 2026, beginning at 10:30 am., in Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Downtown Dover Tax Increment Finance Advisory Board, Sept. 3,

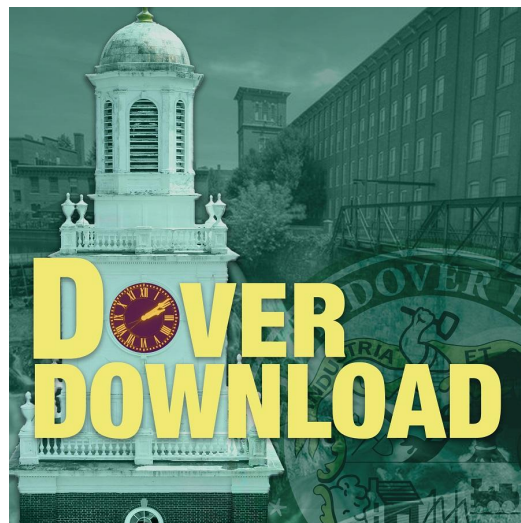
shower trailers

The City of Dover is currently [seeking bids](#) for the sale of its mobile commercial kitchen trailer, laundry trailer and restroom-shower trailer.

The kitchen trailer is from 2019, the restroom-shower trailer is from 2020, and the 8-foot by 20-foot kitchen trailer is from 2021.

The items are sold as is with no warranty. The proceeds from the sale will be used to help for funding the city's portion of the county's emergency warming center currently under construction on the county complex in Dover.

The bids close on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2026. Find the current bids at www.govdeals.com by searching Dover NH.



Back to School 2026: A Conversation with Superintendent Christine Boston

In the [latest episode](#) of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Superintendent of Schools Dr. Christine Boston about the start of the 2026–2027 school year.

[Listen](#) wherever you get your podcasts.

3 p.m.

The Downtown Dover Tax Increment Finance Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Sept. 3, 2026, beginning at 3 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

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

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

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

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

- Downtown Dover TIF
- Open Lands Committee
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Recreation Advisory Board

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

To apply, [complete an application](#), and return it to the City Clerk's Office, or [email it to](#) City Clerk Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier. 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



Dover Holiday Parade debuts commemorative ornament

The Dover Holiday Parade is starting a new tradition with its first commemorative [holiday ornament](#), inspired by the 2026 parade theme, "Yule Be Sorry: Holiday Mishaps and Bad Decisions Tinged with Regret."

Created and sponsored by Julia Nollet, the artist behind Juno Creates, the ornament offers a festive way to celebrate this year's theme while supporting a longtime Dover tradition. All proceeds benefit the Dover Holiday Parade Fund.

Ornaments are available at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce [and online](#) for shipping or local pickup. They will also be available during Apple Harvest Day on Oct. 3.

Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

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

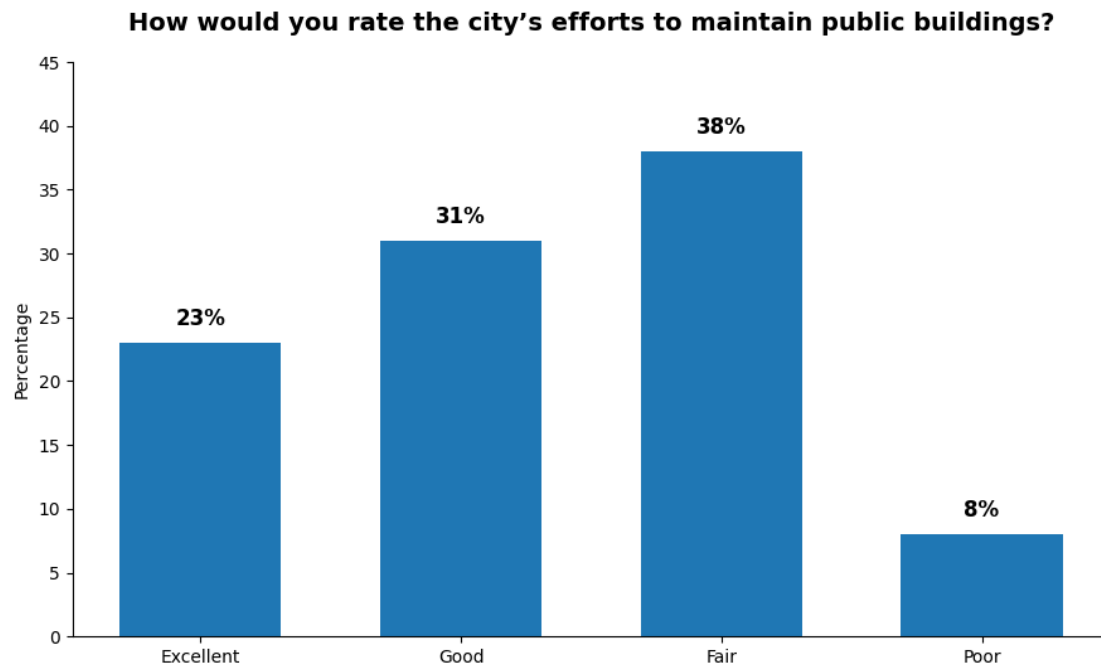
This week's question:

"How would you rate the ease of understanding city forms, permits or applications?"

[Let us know.](#)

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

Here are the results from last week's poll:



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

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

Sept. 4, 1838 — A prolonged dry spell left Dover with so little water that local mills announced they would operate for only half of each day until conditions improved. The shortage was particularly serious in an era when water was not simply a resource for households but a primary source of industrial power. By the 1830s, Dover had become a major center of textile manufacturing, with large mills along the Cochecho River powered by water wheels. The river had driven local industry for generations, and by 1830 Dover was among the nation's leading producers of cotton goods. The 1838 shutdown demonstrated one of the vulnerabilities of early industrialization: even a large manufacturing operation remained dependent on the natural flow of the river. Dover historian George Wadleigh later recorded the event simply as a "great scarcity of water," with the mills shut down for half of each day.

Sept. 4, 1839 — The Orinoco, a roughly 600-ton ship captained by Dover mariner Robert Rogers, was lost at sea while sailing from St. Petersburg, Russia, to Boston. The vessel holds a special place in local history as the last large ship built in Dover, bringing an end to nearly two centuries of local shipbuilding. Dover had once been an important New England shipbuilding center. Its location on the Cochecho River provided access to the sea, while the region's timber, water-powered sawmills and skilled craftsmen supplied what shipyards needed. By the 1820s, several yards were operating in Dover and producing at least half a dozen vessels a year, ranging from small 30-ton craft to ships of about 600 tons. The Orinoco belonged to Rogers, one of a number of Dover sea captains who participated in international trade. Rogers sailed aboard the vessel in September 1838 and it was lost at sea about a year later. Some surviving customs records spell the ship's name Oronoco and list it at approximately 656 tons, illustrating the variations that sometimes appear in 19th-century maritime records. Although the Orinoco marked the end of large-scale shipbuilding in Dover, the city remained a busy port. By 1840, nearly 200 vessels were entering Dover, with cargo often transferred to smaller gundalows capable of navigating the shallow Cochecho River to the downtown Landing.

Sept. 4, 1862 — Andrew Peirce, Dover's first mayor and one of the city's most prominent civic leaders of the first half of the 19th century, died on this day. Born Dec. 18, 1785, Peirce was 76 years old and in his 77th year. He spent nearly all of his life in Dover and served the community in an unusually wide range of public, business and religious positions. Peirce represented Dover in the New Hampshire Legislature for many years, serving as Speaker of the House in 1823 and 1824, as a state senator in 1825 and 1826, and for two terms on the Governor's Council. He was also a Dover town clerk, served 18 years as clerk of Strafford County, and participated in New Hampshire's 1850 constitutional convention. His business interests were equally broad: he was president of the Dover Bank, helped found the Dover Navigation Company, and served as a director of railroad and canal companies. He was also among the investors who organized the Dover Cotton Factory in 1812, an enterprise that helped launch Dover's transformation into a major textile-manufacturing center. Peirce also served in the militia during the War of 1812, leading a company when Portsmouth was threatened, according to his contemporary obituary. He later became a deacon of Dover's First Parish Church, serving from 1838 until his death. His most enduring distinction came late in life. Dover was incorporated as a city in 1855, ending more than two centuries of town government. When the new city government formally organized on March 25, 1856, Peirce took the oath of office as Dover's first mayor, an honor that reflected decades of public service. He was about 70 years old and served as mayor for one year. The Dover Enquirer, announcing his death, remembered Peirce as a devoted public servant whose neighbors regarded him with affection and whose public life was marked by a strong sense of civic responsibility. His career spanned a remarkable period in Dover's history, from the era of sailing ships and small-scale manufacturing through the rise of the textile mills, railroads and, finally, Dover's transformation from town to city.

Sept. 3, 1864 — Michael Reade Jr., a lifelong Dover resident and an important eyewitness to the city's transformation from a small post-Revolutionary community into a bustling industrial center, died on this day. The Dover Enquirer described Reade as perhaps the person most familiar with Dover's local history, much of which he had witnessed firsthand. Born in 1778, Reade grew up at what is now 43 Main St., in a house built by his father, Michael Reade Sr., an Irish immigrant who became one of Dover Landing's leading merchants. As a boy, the younger Reade heard the Rev. Jeremy Belknap preach at First

Parish Church before Belknap left Dover in 1786. Belknap later became known for his influential *History of New Hampshire* and as a founder of the Massachusetts Historical Society. Reade also witnessed one of the most notorious public events of early Dover history. On June 3, 1788, when he was about 9 years old, he ran from his Main Street home to Swasey's Hill to watch the execution of Elisha Thomas, a Revolutionary War veteran convicted of killing Capt. Peter Drown during a drunken fight in New Durham. It was the first execution in Strafford County and attracted spectators from throughout the region. The Enquirer recalled that Reade could remember a very different downtown Dover: when the Landing was partly wooded common land, when the Waldron family's large house stood nearly alone around what became Franklin Square, and when the Waldron and Coffin families controlled much of the property surrounding the Cochecho Falls. During Reade's lifetime, that landscape changed dramatically. Roads, stores and wharves transformed the Landing around the turn of the 19th century, and beginning in the 1820s, enormous textile mills rose along the falls. Dover's population grew from 2,871 in 1820 to 5,449 in 1830 and to more than 8,000 by mid-century. Reade did more than remember these changes. From 1812 until his death in 1864, he kept annotated almanacs recording ship arrivals, activity at the Landing, weather, and political and economic events. Those notes became an important record of everyday life in 19th-century Dover and helped later historians reconstruct a period of extraordinary change. By the time Reade died, the quiet community of his childhood had become an incorporated city dominated by textile mills, railroads, commerce and a much larger population. His long memory connected two very different eras of Dover history.



**REPORT A CRIME
ANONYMOUSLY.**



CALL 603-749-6000



**SUBMIT AN E-TIP AT
DOVERCRIMELINE.ORG**

Report crimes anonymously to Dover CrimeLine

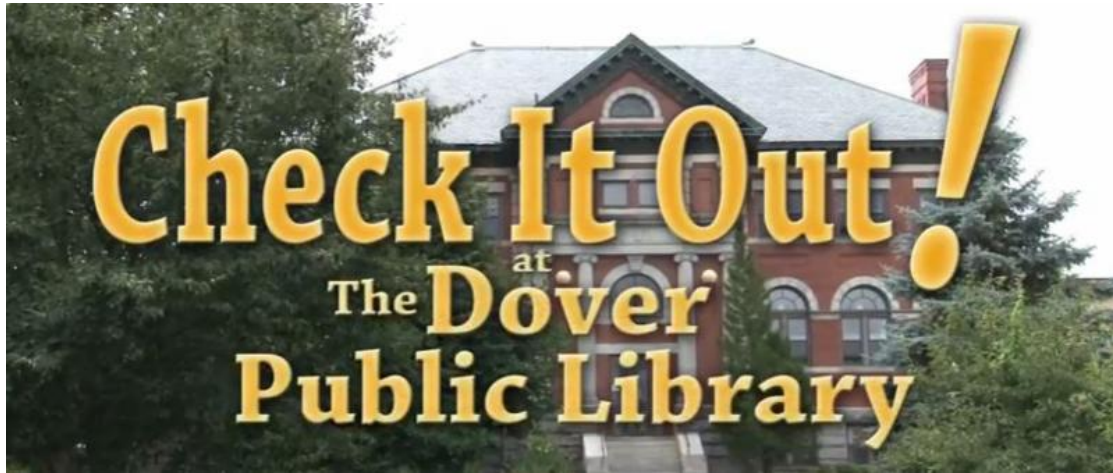
Dover CrimeLine is a community partnership between residents and the Dover Police Department that allows people to anonymously share information about criminal activity.

Anyone with information about a crime can call Dover CrimeLine at 603-749-6000 or submit an E-Tip through www.dovernhcrimeline.org. Tipsters remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000 if their information leads to an arrest or indictment.

Dover CrimeLine was established in 1991 to enhance public safety and reduce crime in the city. Since then, thousands of tips have contributed to arrests and investigations, with more than \$34,000 in rewards authorized.

Tipsters are reminded that Dover CrimeLine is not an emergency service. If a crime is in progress or has just occurred, call 911 or the Dover Police Department's nonemergency line at 603-742-4646.

For more information or to learn how to volunteer with the CrimeLine board, visit www.dovernhcrimeline.org.



This Week at the Library

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Adult Knitting Group

Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

This group is open to anyone who has a love for knitting, crocheting, and related fiber arts. All levels are welcome, no instructions provided! Bring your works-in-progress and any finished objects you would like to show off to the group.

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Genealogy Group
Community Room

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

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
All Abilities Club: Bingo

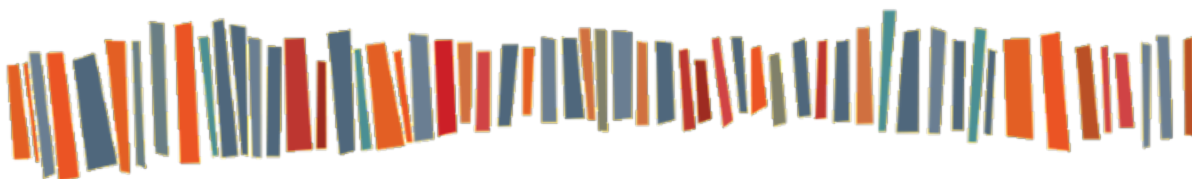
Community Room

Join us for a fun hour of Bingo! Small prizes will be awarded.

Thursday, Sept. 3, 10 to 11 a.m.
Cover 2 Cover Book Group
Trustees Room

Held the first Thursday of the month, September's selection is *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters. Copies of the book can be borrowed at the Adult Circulation Desk. New members are welcome.

Saturday through Monday, Sept. 5-7
Library closed for Labor Day weekend



**City of Dover to hold Household Hazardous Waste
Day Oct. 17**

The City of Dover, along with the towns of Rollinsford, Lee and Madbury, will hold a Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the City's Community Services facility, 271 Mast Road.

The goal of Hazardous Waste Collection Day is to allow for the proper disposal of household hazardous materials. Residents of the four communities can bring household hazardous waste to Community Services for safe disposal.

The following household waste will be accepted: fertilizer with acids; bathroom cleaners; brush cleaner; pesticides; car waxes/polish; disinfectants; corrosives; fungicides; creosote; furniture polish paint/stain/finish; insect spray; driveway sealers/tar; metal polish (lead and oil-based); lighter fluid; flea powder; mothballs; rust preventatives; pest strips/traps; gasoline; oven cleaners; solvents; pesticides; radiator flush; photo chemicals; thinner/turpentine; poisons; roofing tar; rug cleaner; wood preservatives; pool chemicals; and wood strippers. Empty containers are not hazardous. Please dispose of them in your regular trash.

Explosives, asbestos, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks, latex paint, waste oil and antifreeze will not be accepted.

Hazardous Waste Collection Day is for residents only. Proof of residency is required.

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



Stay connected with DoverTV

DoverTV has a new online home for live streaming and on-demand video, making it easier to watch municipal meetings, school programming and other local content from anywhere.

Visit bit.ly/doverTV to watch DoverTV channels live and browse available programs, meetings, series and playlists on demand. A link to DoverTV live streaming and on-demand video is also available from the homepage of the City of Dover website at www.dover.nh.gov.

DoverTV also continues to air on local cable:

- On Xfinity, the Government Channel is Channel 22 and the Education Channel is Channel 26.
- On Breezeline, the Government Channel is Channel 9010 and the Education Channel is Channel 9011.

Looking for an older meeting or program? Previously archived DoverTV content remains available at dovernh.viebit.com. That archive will transition to the new DoverTV on-demand service in the coming months.

Whether you watch live, catch up on a recent meeting or search the archives, DoverTV keeps you informed and connected to your community.

What is recyclable by Waste Management?

No matter what some package labels state, due to limitations at material recovery facilities, it's not possible to recycle everything made of plastic, metal, glass, and paper. Residents may use Waste Management's [Recycling Resources](#) and the [Recycle Smart](#) online search tool to identify acceptable recyclables for our community.

For more information, please call Community Services at 603-516-6073.



WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?



METAL

Food and beverage cans. Empty and rinse.



PLASTIC

Bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs with a #1, #2, #5 marking BUT not all #1, #2, #5 are currently being recycled; these include soft plastics such as bags, Styrofoam, hard plastics which are solid color black, blue and brown. Empty and replace cap.



GLASS

Bottles and jars. Empty and rinse.



PAPER AND CARDBOARD

Mixed paper, newspaper, magazines and boxes.

FOR HELP IDENTIFYING
ACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES, VISIT
WWW.RECYCLESMAARTMA.ORG.

Red Cross declares emergency blood shortage

The American Red Cross is declaring an emergency blood shortage as the blood supply fell nearly 25% in June. Blood donors are urgently needed to give now to help ensure patients receive lifesaving medical care without delay.



**American
Red Cross**

The shortage comes during the height of trauma season, when hospitals frequently see increased demand for blood due to serious injuries and other medical emergencies, according to the Red Cross.

A steep decline in blood donations since the end of May has created a growing gap between supply and patient need. Currently, Red Cross distributions to hospitals are nearly 3,500 units higher per week than expected. The shortage is especially serious for types O positive and B negative blood. Blood donors are urgently needed to give now to help ensure patients receive lifesaving medical care without delay.

Every day, thousands of patients rely on lifesaving blood donations. The need for blood is constant.

Schedule a blood donation appointment through the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#), visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). [Learn more about](#) the donation process.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Dover

- Friday, Aug. 28, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Wentworth-Douglass Hospital](#), 789 Central Ave.
- Monday, Aug. 31, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Dover Police Department](#), 45 Chestnut St.
- Tuesday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., [St. Mary Church](#), 25 Chestnut St.
- Tuesday, Sept. 8, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., [Bill Dube Ford/Toyota](#), 40 Dover Point Road
- Friday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Brueckner Group USA](#), 50 Lighthouse Dr.
- Thursday, Sept. 17, 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., [Dover Baptist Church](#), 151 Washington St.
- Tuesday, Sept. 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., [Dover Moose Hall](#), 45 Chestnut St.
- Monday, Sept. 28, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Holiday Maple Suites](#), 30 Holiday Dr.

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:

- **Custodian, Part-Time**
- **Fire/Life Safety Inspector**
- **Media Services Technician, Part-Time**
- **Gym Attendant, Part-Time**
- **Water Treatment Plant Supervisor**
- **Water Treatment Operator**
- **Diesel Mechanic**
- **Account Clerk II - Water & Sewer Billing**
- **Police Officer**

- Swim Instructor, Part-Time
- Lifeguard I, Part-Time
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Truck Driver-Laborer
- Heavy Equipment Operator 1-Utilities
- Arena Maintenance / Ice Resurfacer, SPT
- Arena Attendant, SPT
- Working Foreman - Water Treatment & Supply
- Fleet Inventory Coordinator

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

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:

- Anticipated Spanish Teacher
- District Float School Nurse
- Elementary School Classroom Teacher
- ESOL Newcomer Interventionist - one year only
- Freshman Boys Soccer Coach
- Girls Freshman Volleyball Coach
- Girls JV Soccer Coach
- Girls JV Volleyball Coach
- Girls Middle School Volleyball Coach
- Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Teacher
- Noon Aide
- Noon Supervisors
- Paraprofessionals
- Science Teacher - Biology and Chemistry
- Substitute Nurses
- Substitute Teachers
- Technology Integrator & Digital Literacy Instructor
- Volunteer Coordinator

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

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