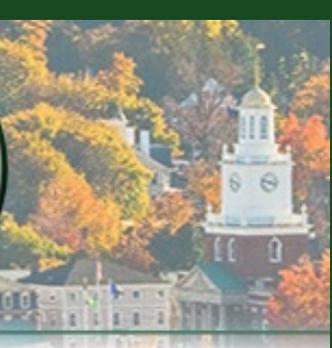
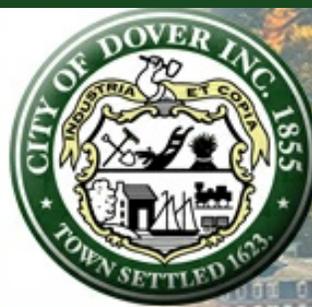


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### **Meetings this week:**

#### **Zoning Board, June 18, 7 p.m.**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

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](#)

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.

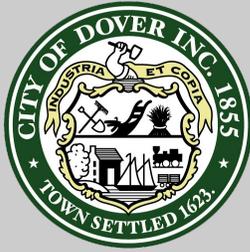


Beginning on Monday, June 22, the Library will open with the following restrictions:

- The Library will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- 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 [libraryquestions@dover.nh.gov](mailto:libraryquestions@dover.nh.gov).

## **Dover Indoor Pool to begin phased reopening on Monday, June 15**



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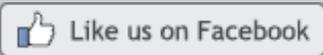
**City Hall hours:**

**Monday-Thursday**  
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
**Friday**  
8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(PLEASE NOTE: City Hall is closed to the public during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. City staff remain accessible by phone and email. For more information, see the City's [online resource for available services here.](#))

**Recycling Center**

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

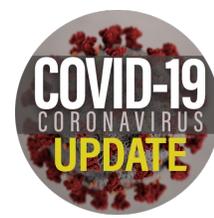


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Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official [Facebook page](#) and

The Dover Indoor Pool will begin a phased reopening on Monday June 15, 2020. To slow the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus, the Indoor Pool has been closed since March, in accordance with the governor's emergency order.



During the first phase, the Indoor Pool will be 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 will be arranged by reservation only. To make a reservation, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/recreation/aquatics/index.html> and follow the instructions to sign up.

Patrons visiting the pool will be asked the following questions before entering:

- Is your current temperature in excess of 100 degrees?
- Have you had a fever in the last 72 hours?
- Have you had close contact with anyone suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19?
- Do you have respiratory symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, cough or shortness of breath?
- Do you have flu-like symptoms such as muscle aches, chills, severe fatigue?
- Have you experienced changes in your sense of taste or smell (loss of either)?

Anyone answering yes to one or more of these questions will be asked to return another time.

While open during the first phase, new pool rules will be in effect, including:

- Swimming must be continuous upon entrance to departure
- No congregating at any time
- Patrons must maintain 6 feet distance from others at all times
- The pool is to be used for lap swimming and vertical exercise only
- Masks or cloth face coverings must be worn when entering and exiting the facility, in the lobby, locker rooms, and the pool deck until ready enter the pool
- Only swimmers will be allowed into the facility
- The diving boards will remain closed and there will be no observers
- Patrons will only be allowed to enter the facility at the exact time of their reservation and must leave no later

- than 15 minutes after their swim block has ended
- All lap swim times must be made by reservation

Patrons that cannot follow these guidelines will not be allowed to use the facility.

Because the risk of exposure to COVID-19 remains present, Dover Recreation is taking these steps for the safety of its patrons and staff. Anyone feeling ill or experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, fever, severe fatigue) are asked to wait to use the facility until feeling better. Patrons entering the facility are asked to take responsibility for their own protection, including the use of masks and hand washing, and to maintain social distancing practices by remaining 6 feet away from patrons not in your household.

There will be other noticeable changes to pool operations during the first phase.

- When residents arrive at the Indoor Pool, they are asked to wait outside until their reservation time. A staff member will open the door when the reserved slot is available. Patrons are encouraged to arrive in their bathing suits to maximize pool time.
- Patrons are asked to wear a mask or cloth face covering in the lobby, locker rooms, and the pool deck until ready to enter the pool.
- Hand sanitizer will be placed outside of the locker rooms for all patrons to use.
- All locker doors and shower curtains will be closed upon arrival. Patrons should leave locker doors and shower curtains open when leaving to allow for thorough cleaning.
- Only one person will be allowed per lane, even if in the same household. If the stairs or ladder are needed, please keep 6 feet of distance from other patrons when crossing lanes.
- Lifeguard stands will have a 6-foot area blocked off to allow lifeguards to remove their masks. Please do not approach the lifeguard or step inside 6-foot area except for emergencies.
- For thorough cleaning of the facility to take place, please exit the building no more than 15 minutes after a reserved swim block has ended.

For more information, contact the Indoor Pool at 516-6441.

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**Stay at Home order, cap on gatherings  
to end June 15**

On Thursday, Gov. Chris Sununu announced that New Hampshire's Stay at Home Order will expire on Monday, June 15, at 11:59 PM, along with the cap on gatherings of 10 or less. Recommendations by health officials that encourage people to continue to practice physical distancing and wear a mask in public remain in effect. A Safer At Home advisory will replace the Stay at Home Order.



Updated reopening guidelines have also been released for the following:

- Amateur and Youth Sports, Phase II
- Bowling and Entertainment Centers
- Charitable Gambling
- Funeral Homes
- Gyms
- Libraries
- Motorcycle Rides
- Museums and Art Galleries
- Outdoor Attractions
- Outdoor Race Tracks
- Pools
- Road Races
- Tourist Trains

Additionally, the governor announced that indoor movie theaters, performing arts, and amusement parks can begin to reopen on Monday, June 29. Guidance for these industries will be released early next week.



City Hall open by appointment

Dover City Hall is now open by appointment. Appointments will be accepted during regular business hours at City Hall, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Appointments can be made by calling the necessary office at City Hall or by calling the main phone line at 516-6000. Appointments can also be made by email. For a list of office phone numbers and contact information, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/contact-us/>.

Additional safety precautions and guidelines will be followed, including:

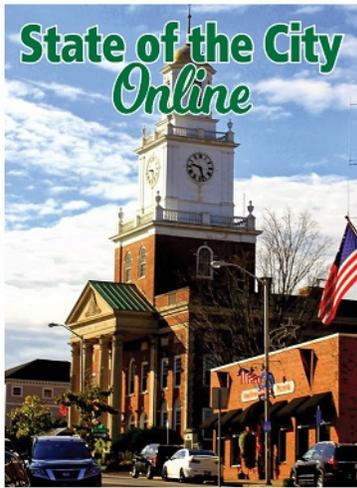
- All staff will wear masks. Customers are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Masks will be available to the public, if needed.
- Clear partitions have been installed in all offices at City Hall to limit in-person contact.
- While in the building, please remain 6 feet apart from others.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available throughout City Hall.
- All common surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected frequently.
- Building capacity will be limited.
- Entrance into the building will be from Hale Street only.

Appointment-only access to City Hall is part of a phased reopening of City Hall, which will occur in the coming weeks.

In addition to appointments, City Hall will continue to be accessible by phone, email and online. Payment for a variety of bills and services can also 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.

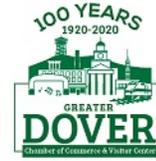
For more information, including a list of available services and city facility access, [see our online resource here](#).

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Monday, June 22, 2020  
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
This is a FREE event!

Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce for the 2020 State of the City Presentation. Dover city leaders will report on the outlook and priorities for the remainder of the year. A representative from Wentworth-Douglass Hospital will provide an overview of the hospital's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. There will be time at the end of the program for questions and answers.



PRESENTERS



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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

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## Chamber to hold virtual State of the City June 22

Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce for the 2020 State of the City presentation on Monday, June 22, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. This year's event will be held remotely.

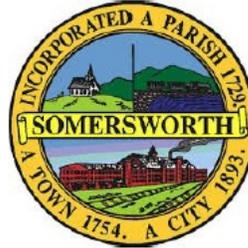
During the event, city leaders will report on the outlook and priorities for the remainder of the year. A representative from Wentworth-Douglass Hospital will provide an overview of the hospital's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. There will be time at the end of the program for questions and answers.

Panelists include:

- **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 Hospital Chief Quality and Patient Safety Officer

The event sponsors are Eversource (Underwriting sponsor), DF Richard, Newburyport Bank, and Martel Plumbing & Heating.

For more information, or to register, visit <https://www.dovernh.org/events/details/state-of-the-city-2020-online-31261?calendarMonth=2020-06-01>.



## Tri-City mayors issue statement about protests over death of George Floyd

The tragic death of George Floyd two weeks ago unleashed a tsunami of protests across our nation. The protests make clear that issues of racism that some may have hoped were behind us require a renewed national conversation and a commitment to guaranteeing that the American dream is available to every one of us. It would be easy, and wrong, to think that these issues don't affect those of us lucky enough to live in our relatively small communities in the nation's northeast corner. While our nation is vast and wonderfully diverse it is as true now as ever that we all suffer when one American or group of Americans is ill-served by our society. The actions of each of us-police officer, elected official, citizen-must recognize that we're all in this together.

Elected officials at every level must make sure that governmental departments and public employees treat each citizen with respect in each and every interaction. As Mayors we know first-hand that our local police departments remain committed to equal and just treatment of all citizens and constant self-examination for improvement. Our goal and approach has been and will always be to create communities where all are celebrated and welcomed.

As a united team of Mayors, we will continue with vigilance to ensure the seeds of hate never root within our Tri-City area. The Tri -City Mayors of Rochester, Somersworth and Dover, agree not only do Black Lives Matter but the lives of every person in this nation matters; African American, Native Americans, immigrants, Latinos, Asians, LGBT, all ethnic groups, all religions. It is our collective hope that through the protests, demonstrations and conversations that we will finally awaken to erase the lines of division and hate, and walk together as united citizens to ensuring the American dream for all.

With our same level of commitment to the foundation of rights and justice for all, we stand by our local law enforcement officers, with faith that they will continue to carry out their oath to protect the lives and liberties of all citizens.



## Dover's "virtual" graduation available to view online

Graduation and commencement for Dover's Class of 2020 was held on Wednesday, June 10, during a virtual ceremony that aired on Channel 22 and online.



The ceremony, which was recorded over several days last week at Dover High School, and follows a mostly traditional format, including addresses and greetings from staff and class leaders, and the presentation of diplomas.

Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, school officials and the School Board approved plans for a virtual graduation that adheres to health guidelines restricting large in-person gatherings and encouraging social distancing.

The ceremony can be viewed  
here: [https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?  
hash=ShHh91qtnhPr](https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=ShHh91qtnhPr).



Dover Fire and Rescue has been showing support for the Class of 2020 by flying "We Love Our Seniors" flags at city fire stations and from some vehicles. Because of the COVID-19 coronavirus, Dover's graduation was held on Wednesday during a virtual ceremony. The graduation ceremony can be viewed here: <https://dovern.h.viebit.com/player.php?hash=ShHh91qtnhPr>.

## Dover's Frank Torr named Citizen Planner of the Year

On June 10, Frank Torr was named recipient of the 2020 Citizen Planner of the Year by the New Hampshire Planners Association. The organization made the presentation during their spring webinar series.

The New Hampshire Planner's Association (NHPA) award annually recognizes citizen planners from New Hampshire for their advancement to the science and art of planning and commitment to community involvement through planning initiatives. The New Hampshire Planners Association promotes, assists, and supports professional planners in the State with the goal of achieving planning excellence to improve the quality of life today and tomorrow in New Hampshire's communities. The Citizen Planner of the Year is a reflection of that ideal, and is sought annually through nominations.

The NHPA selection committee recognized Frank and "wished there were more people like him" who encourage innovative planning, volunteer and have an interest in development. In a

letter of support written by Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker, Frank is described as "a voice of reason, a voice of realistic expectations and has a critical and substantial knowledge of property rights in New Hampshire. Not a meeting goes by without Frank offering pearls of wisdom about how an applicant should be treated, how we should protect abutters' interests and the community's role in land-use regulation."

Frank Torr has served on the Dover Planning Board for 22 years, starting March 11, 1998. He served as Vice Chair for four years from Aug. 26, 2008 to Dec. 21, 2012. He also served as Chair in 2016. In addition to his work with the Planning Board, Frank has served on various Master Plan steering committees and on the Technical Review Committee. Dover has benefited from Mr. Torr in a variety of ways, including as a City Councilor, a member of the General Court (both houses) and representing Strafford County on the Pease Development Authority.



Frank Torr

City Planner Donna Benton describes Frank as a "wonderful volunteer who you can always count on. He always has a smile on his face and you will only find him with a positive attitude. Often answering the question 'How are you?' with 'Great. It's the only way to be.'"

On receiving the award, Frank is quoted from a video by saying "I'm excited, honored, and humbled to receive the Citizen Planner of the Year Award. I'd like to acknowledge and thank Donna Benton who nominated me. I've been involved in real estate most of my life and have a great interest in development. Serving on the Technical Review Committee gives me an opportunity to work with the staff, ensure technical corrections, and to help give direction on development. Serving on the Planning Board for many years provided me the opportunity to help shape the City of Dover now and for the future. The Planning staff are professional, have great vision, and are a pleasure to work with. My colleagues on the Planning Board are on the same mindset and come from a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences. I believe diversity on the Board help shape better development. Thank you to the New Hampshire Planners Association for the award, it is greatly appreciated."

Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker and current Planning Board Chair Gina Cruikshank acknowledged Frank Torr as the recipient of the New Hampshire Planners Association's 2020 Citizen Planner of the Year award at their latest meeting Planning Board meeting.

## Downtown paving work begins Monday, June 15

Paving work is scheduled to begin on the following streets on Monday, June 15:

Washington Street, from Chestnut Street to Central Avenue  
Chestnut Street, from Washington Street to Locust Street  
Locust Street, from Washington Street to Silver Street

The work will occur on weekdays, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and is expected to conclude in two to three weeks.

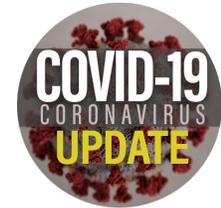
While the work is ongoing, on-street parking restrictions may be in effect and posted as necessary to facilitate the work.

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

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## Amtrak to reopen some train routes

Starting on Monday, June 15, the Amtrak Downeaster will resume limited service with one commuter train in operation southbound in the morning, and one northbound train departing from Boston at 5 p.m.



According to Amtrak, the resumption of the one train line is meant to provide commuting options for essential workers and those who are traveling for essential purposes.

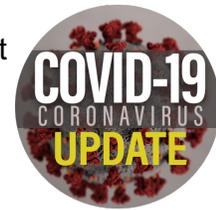
Amtrak will implement new cleaning and disinfecting protocols, including enhanced cleaning before and after each trip. Crews and passengers will be required to wear a face covering while boarding and moving about the train. The number of passengers per train will be limited to no more than 50 percent of available seating capacity so riders are able to adhere to the CDC's physical distancing guidelines. Station facilities will not be open; passengers should go directly to the outdoor platform to wait for their train. Café service will not yet be available; however, complimentary water will be available upon request. Stations are being updated with signage and other enhancements to promote public health and physical distancing.

For more information, visit  
<https://amtrakdowneaster.com/coronavirus-update>.

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## Main Street Relief Fund final grant submission deadline is today

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery announces that the Main Street Relief Fund Final Grant Submission is now open and will be available until tonight, Friday, June 12, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.



#### Main Street Relief Fund Prequalification

Applicants have been notified via email and directed to the Department of Revenue Administration web portal in order to complete the Final Grant Submission.

The Main Street Relief Fund will distribute \$400 million to eligible New Hampshire small businesses which have suffered financial loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The following information is required to complete the Main Street Relief Fund Final Grant Submission:

- Prequalification Application 8-digit Case Number generated in the initial submission and sent to your email
- Federal Taxpayer Identification Number and Type (including for all affiliated businesses)
- Principal Business Office Address
- New Hampshire Secretary of State Business ID
- 2019 Gross Receipts
- Estimated 2020 Gross Receipts in light of the impact of COVID-19
- All COVID-19 relief funding (grants and/or loans) received, or expected to be received, since March 1, 2020 (for example, amounts received for the Paycheck Protection Program or the Emergency Injury Disaster Loan)

[Program Overview and FAQs is available here.](#)

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## Shopping without plastic bags

Although a [ban on reusable shopping bags](#) remains in effect in New Hampshire for the duration of the governor's emergency order, currently set to expire June 26 unless extended by Gov. Chris Sununu, shoppers can still do their part to limit or avoid the use of disposable plastic bags. Disposable plastic bags are a significant source of recycling contamination and can damage sorting equipment.



The ban on reusable bags was intended to limit potential exposure to the COVID-19 coronavirus, but there is no evidence yet that single-use plastic bags are safer than properly washed reusable bags.

While the ban remains in effect, one simple way to avoid single-use plastic bags is to place groceries back in a cart unbagged, and then placed in reusable bags at your vehicle. After each use, reusable bags can be cleaned in a washing machine and heavy plastic and vinyl reusable bags can be wiped down with a treated cloth or soaked in soapy water and dried.

If single-use plastic bags must be used while the ban on reusable bags remains in effect, try to use fewer plastic bags by fitting more items in each bag. Plastic bags can be recycled separately at some area retailers.

Most important to reducing the risk of exposure to the virus is adhering to ongoing health guidelines, including sanitary surfaces, washing your hands and maintaining physical distance from others.

Last year, the City Council unanimously approved a resolution calling for the voluntary reduction in the use and distribution of non-biodegradable, single-use plastics.

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## Dover Trivia helps give a boost to local businesses

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and the City of Dover continue to partner on programs meant to assist with the economic recovery of the community's local businesses, while adding a bit of fun.



This month, the Chamber and City have launched Dover Trivia. To play, download this week's trivia card at [dovernh.org](http://dovernh.org), answer as many questions as you can, and email your completed card to [info@dover.nh.org](mailto:info@dover.nh.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.

This week's sponsor is [Leone, McDonnell and Roberts](#).

In May, the Chamber and City offered Dover Bingo.

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

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Property tax relief? Financial hardship?  
Food assistance? Business aid?  
Unemployment?

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## Dover CARES can help with housing, rental assistance

The current moratorium on evictions and foreclosures, part of the governor's emergency order of March 17 will expire July 1, Gov, Chris Sununu announced on Thursday. In addition, under a new order by the governor, eviction notices for nonpayment of rent due and payable between March 17 and June 11 will be extended from the current minimum of 7 days to 30 days.



For residents experiencing financial hardship from the COVID-19 coronavirus emergency, assistance is available for everything from rent, lease payments to utilities. As more people seek relief in these challenging times, it's important to explore options and request relief as soon as possible.

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](https://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).

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.



## Voters can now register by mail

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.

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.



## 10 tips for riding COAST safely during the pandemic

If you have not ridden public transit and COAST since the beginning of the pandemic, a lot has changed since the beginning of March.



At COAST, they are sanitizing and sterilizing buses throughout the service day to make sure their buses are safe to ride.

COAST has also treated all of their vehicles that are used in curb-to-curb transportation for older adults and individuals with disabilities with an EPA registered water-based antimicrobial nanocoating solution that provides persistent and continuous protection against microbes (bacterias, molds and viruses).

For passengers, until there is an effective treatment or vaccine, here are some recommended steps for a safer and more enjoyable trip on public transit. Some are now seen as common sense; others are specific to public transit and common courtesy:

1. Stay at home if you are not feeling well. If you are sick or experiencing any of the symptoms of COVID-19, you should stay at home. Do not touch your face, and cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow - not into the air or your open hand. Contain your microdroplets from your nose and mouth as much as possible.
2. Talk less and quietly onboard public transit. You release microdroplets whenever you speak, especially when you talk loudly and yell.
3. Wear a face mask or covering. As recommended by public health officials, you are urged to wear a face mask or covering while making a trip on public transit. This protects both yourself and others from potential coronavirus-carrying microdroplets, and they are an added tool given that adequate physical distancing may not always be possible, especially when ridership begins to increase.
4. Use available hand sanitizer when you board the bus.

Spray a small amount of hand sanitizer on your hands at the time of boarding (available at the bus entrances) so that when you move back into the seating area, anything you touch is being touched by your just sanitized hands.

5. If you can, avoid the most heavily traveled times and travel when there are less people. Yes, there remain times when the buses are more crowded. These times will vary by bus route.
6. Be patient, respect other passengers and drivers, and pay your fare. We are all in this together. Be considerate; treat others like how you would like to be treated.
7. Minimize your conversations with the bus operators and please keep your distance. While the bus operators are always happy to help answer questions, they are using temporary curtains to protect them at bus stops. Please move through this area as quickly as possible and limit questions for now. If you need to ask a question, please do so from behind the "stand behind line".
8. Let other passengers exit the vehicle first. Let passengers get off from the vehicle first before boarding. Also give them adequate space to deboard and clear before you move to step aboard.
9. Avoid making seating buddies unless you are riding together as a group; give extra space. Although physical distancing will not always be possible, spread out as much as possible when on the buses.
10. Limit your touching of your face mask or covering. It helps reduce the potential spread of the coronavirus from your hands to other surfaces.

COAST Executive Director, Rad Nichols, commented, "We are doing our part to make our buses safe to ride and we are operating to meet our many passenger's daily transportation needs. Throughout this pandemic our staff have shown an incredible commitment to our mission to champion and provide customer-focused public transportation with a commitment to excellence in safety and service."

Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) has provided public transit service to the Seacoast New Hampshire region since 1982. COAST is a non-profit agency, operating a regional public transit system that relies primarily on federal and local government support to operate. COAST is governed by a board of directors representing the communities served, two regional planning commissions, and many local and state agencies.

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## The right way to water your lawn

*Spending more time than usual at home these days due to the novel 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.*

### **Water wisely**

Our lawns and gardens need about one inch of water per week, which is about the annual average amount of rainfall in northern New England . During



dry spells, especially later in the summer, it may be necessary to water or irrigate to reach that amount. On the other hand, overwatering wastes water and can cause nutrients needed by plants to run off the property or leach deep into the soil out of reach of plant roots.

Place a rain gauge or empty bean or tuna can out in the yard and check it weekly to see if the rain has reached a one inch mark. Only water or irrigate when the rainfall drops below that one inch weekly average. Learn more about watering wisely here: <https://extension.unh.edu/blog/water-conservation-fundamentals-gardening-and-landscaping>

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](#).



## Webinar to offer environmentally friendly lawn-care tips

The Seabrook-Hamptons Estuary Alliance will co-host a webinar on Monday, June 15, at 6:30 p.m. called "Green Grass, Clear Water." The webinar will provide environmentally friendly lawn-care tips for property owners.

The speaker is Julia Peterson of UNH Sea Grant and Cooperative Extension (<https://seagrant.unh.edu/WQ-and-lawns-outreach>). The tips, which include how to grow and maintain a beautiful lawn that also helps protect valuable water resources, are relevant across the New Hampshire seacoast region.

Registration is free [but required here](#).

If unable to attend, online resources from the University of New Hampshire are available here:  
<https://extension.unh.edu/tags/home-lawn-care>.

This project is funded, in part, by NOAA's Office of Coastal Management under the Coastal Zone Management Act in conjunction with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program





## 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 17, 1657** - It was ordered that whoever should kill a wolf or wolves, whether English or Indian, within the town should have for so doing four pounds for every wolf killed, the head to be brought to the meeting house on Dover Neck or delivered to the constable and be by him publicly declared.

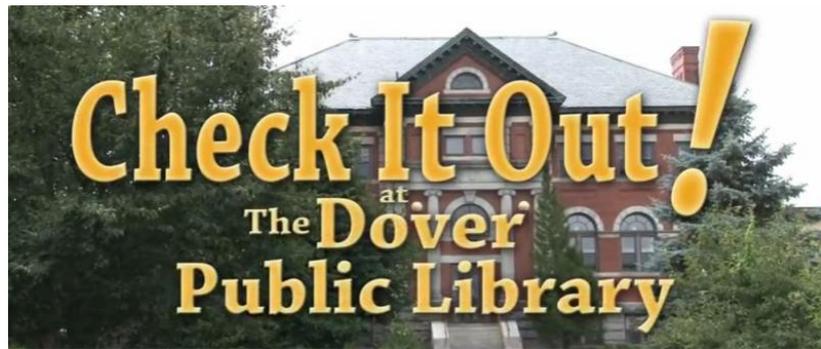


**June 18, 1833** - A public meeting was held for the purpose of making arrangements for the reception of President Jackson, then on a visit to Concord, and who was expected to pass through town on his way to Portland. But the President, in consequence of feeble health, returned direct to Boston and Washington.

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**June 16, 1852-** Candace Waldron, born a slave in the family of Thomas W. Waldron in 1781, died, aged 71. William H. aged 10, son of the late Dr. J. W. Cowan, drowned in Back River.

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**June 16, 1862 -** A heavy frost destroys corn in many places in Dover.

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**June 12, 1921 -** The Dover Board of Assessors announced the total inventory valuation of the City for 1921 as \$13,677,024. This included mills and machinery at \$1,121,621, and 580 horses, 4 oxen, 889 cows, 92 sheep, 55 hogs, 3,913 fowl, 71 vehicles and 4 boats.



## 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.



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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:

- **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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## Public comment period open for Bellamy River recharge facility

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services announced that a public comment period for a proposed

artificial recharge facility located in the Pudding Hill aquifer along the Bellamy River in Dover is now open.

The NHDES draft Water Quality Certification for the proposed facility is available for [public review and comment here](#).

The draft certification states that based on the facts, findings and conditions in the certification, NHDES has determined that there is reasonable assurance that the proposed activity will not violate state surface water quality standards.

The artificial recharge facility will withdraw water from the Bellamy River and discharge it to two infiltration basins. Groundwater recharge is needed to increase the sustainable yield of two of the City's water supply production wells (Ireland and DP #1) and to help manage groundwater quality within the Pudding Hill Aquifer.

Public comments will be accepted until 4 p.m. on June 15, 2020. Only written comments will be accepted. Comments may be sent by postal mail, or email (email is preferred due to COVID-19 restrictions). Please include the project name/certification number, your name, and organization; mailing address, email address and telephone number with your submittal.

If submitting by mail, address to:

401 Certification Program (Attention: Gregg Comstock)  
NHDES Watershed Management Bureau  
P.O. Box 95  
Concord, NH 03301-0095

If submitting by email, address to:

[gregg.comstock@des.nh.gov](mailto:gregg.comstock@des.nh.gov). (If possible, please use email due to COVID-19 restrictions)

For more information about the draft certification or if you have difficulties accessing a copy, please contact Gregg Comstock, Supervisor of the NHDES Water Quality Planning Section via email at [gregg.comstock@des.nh.gov](mailto:gregg.comstock@des.nh.gov).

The public notice issued by NHDES [can be viewed here](#).

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## Know what's "In the Bin":

How to keep your recycling clear of contamination

The City of Dover would like to remind residents that only the items listed below should go in your household recycling bin:

- **Metal:** Food and beverage cans.
- **Glass:** Bottles and jars.
- **Plastic:** Bottles, jars, jugs and tubs.
- **Paper and Cardboard:** Mixed paper, newspaper, magazines and boxes.

When we recycle properly, materials can get to their next best use, which helps protect the environment by conserving natural resources, saving energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Placing items in recycling bins that are not recyclable such as Styrofoam, light bulbs, plastic flower pots and bags, contaminates the entire load and sends it to a landfill. It's important to know when an item is not recyclable and to place it in the trash. Follow these simple recycling guidelines:



1. Recycle all bottles, cans and paper.
2. Keep items clean and dry.
3. No plastic bags of any kind.

Not sure if an item is recyclable? When in doubt, visit <https://www.recyclesmartma.org/>. Enter the item name and

click search.

Knowing what's "In the Bin" can help avoid contaminated loads of recycling, which are being rejected at processing centers and disposed as trash. These contaminated loads of recycling result in additional charges to the city.

For more information, please contact the Recycling Center at 603-516-6450 or refer to the [Talking Trash brochure](#).

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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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