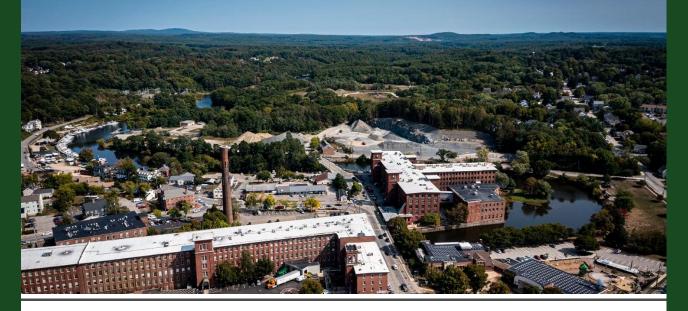


News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



June 4, 2021



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:

City Council adopts tax-cap compliant FY2022 budget

The City Council adopted the City of Dover's fiscal year 2022 budget during a special meeting on Wednesday, June 2, 2021. The special meeting and vote followed several weeks of budget meetings and workshops, including a budget workshop immediately preceding the special meeting. The final adopted budget is \$161,476,571, a 2.7 percent increase over the current fiscal year budget.

The general fund portion of the budget is \$129,137,793, a 2.9 percent increase. The adopted general fund portion of the budget is the amount allowed by the tax cap.

The Council voted 7-2 to adopt the budget, with Councilor At-Large Lindsey Williams and Ward 5 Councilor Dennis Shanahan voting against it.

The estimated tax rate as a result of the adopted budget is \$25.28, a \$0.42 or 1.7 percent increase above the current tax rate. The official tax rate will be set by the state Department of Revenue Administration later this year.

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Recycling Center hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The City Council agreed to reduce the city-side appropriations by \$108,297 and reduce the school portion of the budget to be within the tax cap, a reduction of about \$5 million. But before voting on the entire budget, the Council by a 7-2 vote, amended the proposed budget appropriations to increase the school portion of the budget by \$108,297, the exact amount the Council reduced from the city portion of the budget. Deputy Mayor and Ward 2 Councilor Dennis Ciotti and Ward 6 Councilor Fergus Cullen voted against the amendment.

Wednesday's budget workshop and special meeting, along with budget documents, can be viewed on the city's FY2022 budget online resource here, part of the Budget Revealed initiative. City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., first presented his proposed budget on April 14. Following the presentation, each department head presented its proposed budget to the City Council at subsequent budget workshops. The Council held a public hearing on the School Department portion of the budget on May 12, followed by a public hearing on the city portion of the budget on May 26.

Road closures in effect Saturday for road race

Dover Police Chief William Breault announces the following road closures for the SMA 5K run/walk event on Saturday, June 5, 2021.

The venue for this event is Saint Thomas Aquinas High School, 197 Dover Point Road, which has ample on-site parking. The course was relocated this year from Saint Mary Academy to help mitigate the traffic impacts. This will be Dover's first "in-person" road race since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Event organizers will follow state and CDC guidance for in-person footraces, to include staggered starts, which will discourage group gatherings. Staggered starts help promote social distancing but also extend the duration of required road closures. More information is available at http://saintmaryacademy.org/sma-5k/.

The event begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 5, 2021 at Saint Thomas Aquinas High School and ends at the same location.

Road closures that will be in effect include:

- Spur Road, from Gerrish Road to New Bellamy Lane, 8 to 11 a.m.
- New Bellamy Lane, 8:30 to 11 a.m.
- Ayers Lane, 8:30 to 11 a.m.
- Royer Lane, 8:30 to 11 a.m.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Dover Police Lt. Mark Collopy or Sgt. Marn Speidel at (603) 742-4646.



A contractor with John H. Lyman & Sons, Inc., uses an excavator to remove old sidewalk pavement on Rutland Street on Tuesday as part of a planned sidewalk reconstruction project.

Six sidewalks slated for reconstruction this season

Community Services started sidewalk reconstruction work on Rutland Street this week, commencing the annual sidewalk improvements slated for the 2021 construction season.

Each year, the Community Services Department creates a list of sidewalks considered to be a high priority for upgrades. The sidewalks selected for upgrades are designed by Community Services' Engineering Division. After a competitive bid process, the City Council on April 14 awarded the sidewalk improvements bid to John H. Lyman & Sons, Inc., of Gilford for \$451,000.

Over the coming months, the contractor is slated to reconstruct the sidewalks at the following locations:

- The western side of Central Avenue, between Planet Fitness and Walgreens
- The southern side of Washington Street, between Arch Street and Cushing Street
- The southern side of Hough Street, between Mt. Vernon Street and Central Avenue
- The western side of Central Avenue, between Rutland Street and Dunkin'/Dover Emergency Room
- The eastern side of Rutland Street, from Fisher Street to Silver Street
- The western side of Rutland Street, from Parker Street to Silver Street.

New pedestrian street-crossing infrastructure is also planned, including:

- A pedestrian refuge island in Central Avenue at the intersection of Fifth Street
- A new concrete landing pad in front of Subway/Burger King restaurant on Central Avenue at the existing crosswalk.

Residents should anticipate construction activities in the above areas that may result in increased noise, dust and traffic impacts.

The contractor's tentative schedule, which may change depending on weather and other conditions, is as follows:

June 1 to 18:

- Rutland Street (east side) from Parker Street to Silver Street
- Rutland Street (west side) from Fisher Street to Silver Street

June 14 to 21:

- Central Avenue (east side) from Rutland Street to Dunkin'/Dover Emergency Room
- Sidewalk landing pad at the traffic signal by Subway/Burger King on Central Avenue

June 15 to 30:

Hough Street (south side) from Mt. Vernon to Central Avenue

June 24 to July 9:

• Central Avenue (east side) from Planet Fitness to Walgreens

July 1 to July 7:

• Pedestrian refuge island on Central Avenue at the intersection of Fifth Street

July 7 to July 20:

Washington Street (south side) from Cushing to Arch

<u>Click here</u> for the sidewalk improvements project page, which includes the latest project schedule and links to project maps and bid documents.

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

Dover honors the fallen at Memorial Day ceremony



The commanding officer of the USS Greeneville, Cdr. Robert Lane, was keynote speaker at a Memorial Day ceremony at Pine Hill Cemetery on Monday, May 31. The City of Dover is serving as host community to the Greeneville, which arrived at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in March for two years of scheduled maintenance. Lane was introduced by Dover Mayor Robert Carrier, who also spoke at the ceremony. This year's event, hosted by the Woodman Museum, also included members of Dover High School's Navy Junior ROTC, Taps by the New Hampshire National Guard, and a Civil War cannon salute.

Following the ceremony, the Woodman Museum invited attendees to visit the burial sites of six of the many of Dover's Civil War soldiers who were killed in action and buried in the Pine Hill Cemetery.



Dry conditions persist despite some rainfall; Calls for water conservation continue

Despite the rainy Memorial Day weekend, a significant precipitation deficit remains for Dover and the region.

Because of this ongoing deficit, City of Dover officials continue to urge voluntary water restrictions to ensure an adequate and sustainable supply of drinking water throughout the summer. Last week, water usage had already increased to summer levels with an average of 2.5 million gallons of water used daily, up from 1.7 million gallons a day in April.

"Even though we got a good soaking this weekend, we are still way below where we need to be to fully recharge our aquifers," said Director of Community Services John Storer, who is responsible for the City's public water supply and infrastructure. "As the days get warmer, it will be even more critical to conserve water wherever possible if we don't receive any significant rainfall."

According to National Weather Service data recorded at the Skyhaven Airport in Rochester, 0.66 inches of rain fell over the Memorial Day weekend, bringing May precipitation total to 1.75 inches, half of the 3.52-inch average.

The precipitation deficit has been ongoing since last spring. Year to date, there has been 10.07 inches of precipitation recorded, 5.73 inches below the average. Since June 1, 2020, 28.50 inches of precipitation have been recorded, 12.86 inches below the 41.36 average.

The U.S. Drought Monitor continues to classify the region as "abnormally dry."

At this time, there are no mandatory water restrictions. However, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. and Storer are evaluating options if the lack of precipitation continues with current water use.

There are several ways users can help conserve water, including:

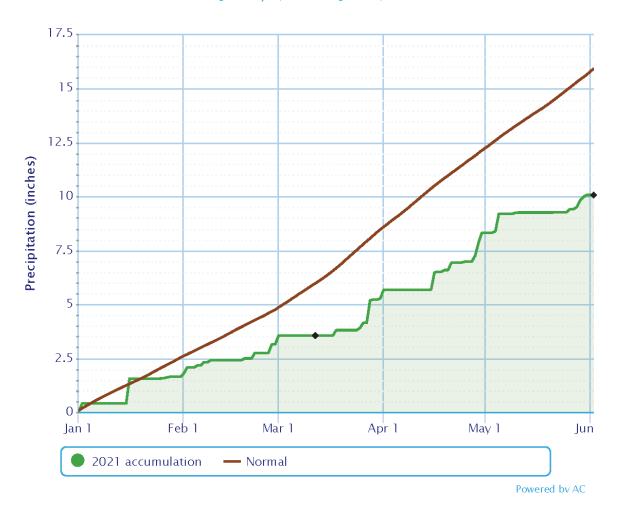
- Taking showers instead of baths, cutting back on shower times, only doing full loads of laundry, and turning off the faucet while brushing teeth, doing dishes and washing hands.
- Replace old water fixtures and appliances that are wasting water. Top-loading washing machines built before 2003 and toilets older than 1994 are known to be the largest

water-wasting culprits in the home. Showerheads older than 1994 can also waste a great deal of water, as can older bathroom sink aerators. Selecting ENERGY STAR certified machines and replacing old water fixtures with EPA WaterSense certified fixtures is an easy way to ensure you are choosing products that will save water and perform. For guidance on selecting ENERGY STAR and WaterSense certified products and more water efficiency tips, see the NHDES water efficiency fact sheets at https://www4.des.state.nh.us/NHisForWater/.

• Fix leaks, including running toilets. Running toilets can waste hundreds of gallons a day. Old and worn toilet flappers are often the culprit and are very easy to replace. Also, some toilet leaks can't be heard. Check for a leak by dropping food coloring (12 drops) or a leak detector dye tablet in the toilet tank. Do not flush for 15 or 20 minutes. If the dye shows up in the bowl, you know that your toilet is running.

Accumulated Precipitation - ROCHESTER SKYHAVEN AP, NH





Despite the rainy Memorial Day weekend, there continues to be a significant precipitation deficit that began last spring. Since the beginning of 2021, the area has received 5.73 inches below the average. Since June 1, 2020, the precipitation deficit is 12.86 inches below the average.

Dover400 appoints new board member

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th anniversary, recently announced it has elected Kerry Berry to its board of directors, bringing the committee membership to 16 citizens.

Berry is no stranger to volunteering; she also serves as president of the Dover High School Music Club Boosters board of directors and president of Project MusicWorks board of directors, a community outreach organization. Berry works as an operations officer for the U.S Department of State.

"We are very excited to have Kerry join our dedicated team," said Kevin McEneaney, Chair of the Dover400 board of directors. "We have a remarkable group of talented and passionate people, working together to make Dover's 400th birthday a most memorable year for our city."

Dover400 is amid its \$400 for 400 fundraising campaign, an effort to solicit 400 donors at \$400 to celebrate Dover's 400th Anniversary. All proceeds will support the activities planned throughout 2023.

For more information, please visit www.Dover400.org.

Dover's Open Lands Committee to hold "Pollineighbor" celebration

Please join the Dover Open Lands Committee on Saturday, June 19, from 9-10:30 a.m. to celebrate 21 years of land conservation in Dover, including 855 acres placed into conservation.

The committee will also celebrate National Pollinator Week and learn about labor-saving techniques, resources and plant selection to create pollinator gardens. A free native plant will be provided to the first 30 registrants.



The event location is Riverside Gardens, 201 Tolend Road in Dover. Register at the Dover Open Lands Committee Facebook event page or email kristenmurf@gmail.com.

Upcoming Meetings:

School Board, June 7, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a special session on Monday, June 7, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.in School Board Chambers at the McConnell Center.

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

City Council, June 9, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, beginning at 7 p.m.in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

Ethics Commission,

City boards provide many ways to let your voice be heard

The City of Dover reminds residents that it is easy to participate in public meetings. Public participation is vital for City of Dover operations and future planning.

In addition to attending public meetings in person, Dover residents, business owners and property owners may contact any public board or commission, such as the City Council or School Board, by utilizing specific email addresses or contact information that reaches all members at once. People can also call 516-MEET (6338) and leave a message that will be forwarded to the appropriate public body. To be heard ahead of a particular meeting, call or email at least two hours before the meeting begins.

As with speaking at a public hearing or Citizens' Forum, phone messages and emails sent to all board members will be retained as part of the meeting minutes and are subject to New Hampshire's Right to Know law, RSA 91:A.

City Council, School Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings and workshops are televised live on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at https://dovernh.viebit.com/.

To see all of the City's boards, commissions and committees, click here.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-

June 10, 3 p.m.

The Ethics Commission will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 10, 2021, beginning at 3 p.m.in the Council Conference Room at 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/.

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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 meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit <u>www.dovernh.viebit.com</u> to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.



Gov. Sununu to speak at annual Tri-Chamber State of the State Forum

New Hampshire Gov. Christopher Sununu will be the featured speaker at the annual Tri-Chamber State of the State forum scheduled for Wednesday, June 16, from 9 to 10 a.m.

The virtual event is sponsored by Eversource and hosted by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, the Falls Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce. Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$5 per person. Registration is available online at http://www.rochesternh.org/state.

Gov. Sununu will review the state's fiscal year 2021 accomplishments and outline his goals and priorities for fiscal year 2022, which commences July 1, 2021.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, the Falls Chamber of Commerce, and the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce are each organized as not-for-profit associations of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working to advance the economic well-being of their members and their communities.

Dover High School graduation scheduled for June 15

Dover High School is scheduled to hold DHS' Class of 2021 graduation ceremony at Dunaway Field on Tuesday, June 15 at 7 p.m., with a rain date of Wednesday, June 16 at 7 p.m.

Gates to Dunaway Field open at 6 p.m. Those who attend graduation must have a ticket and wear a mask. Each graduating student will be provided four tickets. Dunaway Field is located adjacent to DHS at 25 Alumni Drive in Dover.

Graduation will be broadcast live on Channel 22.

For more information, contact Dover High School at 516-6900.

City of Dover offers local business assistance program for coronavirus impacts

The City of Dover announces a new round of "Dover CARES" grant funding targeted to microenterprise and small businesses. The grants are made possible by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief,



and Economic Security (CARES) Act and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grants are intended to provide working capital to assist small local businesses in avoiding job loss caused by the coronavirus. The program offers up to \$3,000 in assistance to qualifying businesses operating within Dover.

Funds from Dover CARES may either be used in two ways:

- To reimburse incurred business expenses to plan, prepare and respond to the coronavirus; or
- Offset a business disruption that occurred because of the coronavirus.

There are two types of Dover CARES available: **Microenterprise Business Assistance Grant** and **Small Business Assistance Grant**.

The **Microenterprise Business Assistance Grant** is available to sole proprietorships and small for-profit-businesses with five or fewer employees, including the owner(s) of the company. To be eligible, businesses must:

- Comply with certain HUD requirements, including household income thresholds for the owner(s) of the business and retaining the same number of positions for 90 days, beginning with the formal notice of approval.
- Have been in existence and continually operated in Dover since Nov. 1, 2020.
- Generate a minimum of \$60,000 in annual gross sales and is the primary source of income for the principal owner(s).
- Be current on federal, state and local taxes, and applicable health, safety and occupancy permits.
- Comply with all other grant eligibility requirements.

The **Small Business Assistance Grant** is open to small for-profit businesses with 2-15 employees, including any owner(s) of the company. To be eligible for this grant, businesses must:

- Comply with certain HUD requirements, including retaining the same number of positions for 90 days, beginning with the formal notice of approval.
- Have been in existence and continually operated in Dover since Nov. 1, 2020.
- Generate a minimum of \$60,000 in annual gross sales and is the primary source of income for the principal owner(s).
- Be current on federal, state and local taxes, and applicable health, safety and occupancy

- permits.
- Demonstrate that wages/benefits meet specific HUD income guidelines for either one full-time position of at least 40 hours a week or two part-time positions of at least 20 hours a week each.
- Comply with all other grant eligibility requirements.

Grants are open on a first-come, first-serve basis for completed applications. Incomplete applications will not be considered nor be used as a placeholder for a completed application. Once an application is determined to be complete, the Dover CARES Loan Committee will review the application. The Loan Committee is comprised of City of Dover officials, including City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., Assistant City Manager Christopher G. Parker, and Finance Director Daniel Lynch.

The review consists of:

- Analysis of application and supporting material.
- Verification that the proposal meets all eligibility requirements.

Applications for the Microenterprise Business Assistance Grant are available online here.

Applications for the Small Business Assistance Grant are available online here.

Both applications are also available at the Office of Economic Development located within Dover City Hall. Mail completed applications to the Office of Economic Development, 288 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820 or email them to Deputy Director of Economic Development Reid Amy at r.amy@dover.nh.gov. The Office of Economic Development is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for holidays.

For more information, contact Deputy Director of Economic Development Reid Amy at 516-1560 or r.amy@dover.nh.gov.



Planning Department offers numerous resources

Whether you own or rent your home, have lived in Dover your whole life or recently moved here, there are resources available to you via the Planning Department. Site plans, subdivisions, Master Plan chapters and other Planning Board items are not the only responsibilities of the Planning and Community Development Department.

From wanting a new business sign to large special projects, the award-winning Planning Department comprises seven employees available to help with transportation, mapping, changing your property, visioning Dover's future, trails, architecture, land use exceptions, changing regulations, conservation lands, waterfront development, CDBG funds, and more.

The Planning Department also hosts many documents and files for properties either in City Hall or online. Interested in seeing what zoning district you are in, flood maps, satellite images, or the nearest recreation lands? Check out Dover's GIS online at maps.dover.nh.gov and play

around with the different layers.

Their website also has many documents including Master Plan chapters, survey results, development agreements and past studies completed.

The Planning Department looks forward to helping you. Simply stop by the office on the first floor of City Hall, call 603-516-6008 or visit www.dover.nh.gov for more information. You can also find Dover Planning on Facebook and Twitter.



Dover High School science teacher Amy Poirier received a \$6,098 SEED grant to purchase biotech tools for her "Bringing Biotechnology Tools to ALL Biology Classrooms" application.

SEED announces 2021 grant winners

Seacoast Educational Endowment for Dover ("SEED"), a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting academic excellence in Dover, New Hampshire public schools, recently awarded just more than \$16,000 for tools and curriculum for Dover public schools not otherwise available through traditional school budgets.

At Dover High School, Amy Poirier was granted \$6,098 to purchase biotech tools for her "Bringing Biotechnology Tools to ALL Biology Classrooms" application, a proposal for equity in science education which will benefit more than 400 students. Honors and AP Biology classes already have these instruments, this proposal requests more tools to equip all sciences classes allowing students to gain valuable experience with lab skills and important genetic technology.

Dover Middle School teacher, Anna Puertas was awarded \$1,000 to develop a Community Garden. The garden will teach students about the life cycles of the fruit and vegetables, be therapeutic experiential learning, and will also serve as a touching memorial for DMS Guidance Counselor, Stacey McDonough, who passed away October 22, 2020, after a long battle with cancer.

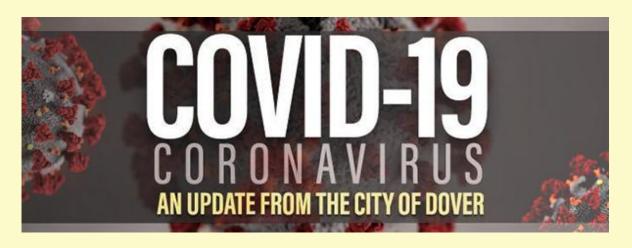
Also at Dover Middle School, Life Skills Instructor, Julie Davis was awarded \$2,400 for equipment and supplies for related arts classes such as Working in the Kitchen, Food & Nutrition, and Personal Finance. The grant award will provide opportunities for all Dover Middle School students to gain practical experience in the various labs to demonstrate what they have learned in lessons during class time.

At Woodman Park School, Katie Gorski was granted \$1,500 to purchase hallway decals, tools for students with sensory needs. The decals are part of the Zones of Regulations, a curriculum to help students gain skills in consciously regulating their actions, which in turn leads to increased control and problem solving ability. Using the curriculum and tools, staff will teach strategies to the students to be better listeners, learners and active participants in the learning environment.

Terese Nicolella was granted \$3,500 for her Best Maker Station Ever-proposal. The application requests funds to purchase a fold away craft room with 85,000 cubic inches of storage space, 80 storage totes, and a large table which offers sit or stand options to create a traveling maker station at Horne Street School.

Seacoast Charter School music teacher, Mary Dellea was granted \$1,870 to create an Edible Garden, a program to offer classroom alternatives, encourage environmental stewardship and teach sustainability to preschool through eighth grade students. The garden will be managed by a team of parent volunteers and staff and will develop fine motor skills while learning about science and math. Added bonus, students will engage all five senses and learn about healthy eating.

Through philanthropic giving, business support, and its annual fundraiser, SEED has donated more than \$200,000 to Dover public schools while simultaneously building an endowment fund to perpetuate giving for years to come.



Types of masks

If you're unvaccinated, there are many types of masks you can use to protect yourself and others from getting and spreading COVID-19. When choosing a

mask, choose one that fits snugly. A cloth or disposable mask should be worn anytime you are indoors or outdoors with people who don't live with you.

Some masks are designed and tested to ensure they perform at a consistent level to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These masks are labeled to tell you what standard they meet.

For more information, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention here:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/types-of-masks.html.





Everything you need to know about the COVID-19 vaccines

In a video released recently, local and regional health officials and community leaders discuss the vaccinations available for the COVID-19 coronavirus.

In addition to explaining how the vaccines work, the vaccination effort so far, and how vaccines help everyone, many common myths are also addressed.

The video can be viewed here: bit.ly/dovervaccine.

The video includes an index of topics for easy access.

When you've been fully vaccinated

If you are fully vaccinated, you can resume activities that you did before the pandemic without wearing a mask or physically distancing, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations. That includes local business and workplace guidance. You will still be required to wear a mask on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within, or out of the United States, and in U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations.

You should still watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if you've been around someone who is sick. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should get tested and stay home and away from others.

For more information, visit the <u>Centers for Disease</u>
Control and Prevention here.

Guidance for unvaccinated people

Walk-In Covid19 Vaccines for 12+

NO APPOINTMENT OR PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED



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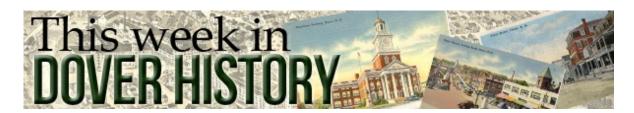
C&J Bus Stop, Dover, NH Sears - Fox Run Mall, Newington, NH If you haven't been vaccinated yet, wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others. Masks should be worn in addition to staying at least 6 feet apart, especially around people who don't live with you. Get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as you can. Being in crowds makes you more likely to get or spread COVID-19, so avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces. And wash your hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

COVID-19 updates

Want to receive the latest information about the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic and how it affects your community? Sign up for the City of Dover's email updates and you'll receive helpful information from local and state health officials about the pandemic, including how you can protect yourself and others, how to safely enjoy the holidays, what to consider before traveling, and much more.

To start receiving the email updates, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select COVID-19 updates from the list of city newsletters.

For more information, visit the City's COVID-19 <u>online</u> resource here.



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 European 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, <u>located here</u>.

June 6, 1798 — The Rev. Mr. Gray of Dover delivered before the Legislature, which sat at Hopkinton, "an ingenious and patriotic Discourse, which discovered at once the true Patriot and able Divine." The House voted that 500 copies be printed and 50 presented to Mr. Gray.

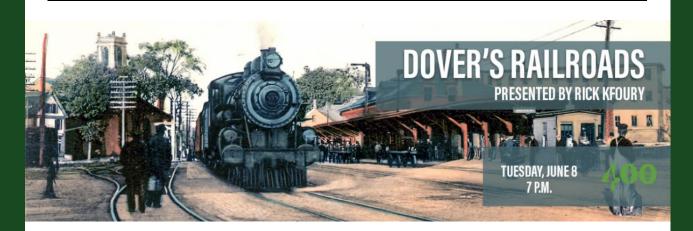
June 4, 1814 — In consequence of frequent alarms from Portsmouth that British ships of war,

hovering on the coast, designed to attack that place, the militia of Dover with others, was ordered by Gov. Oilman to assist in repelling the enemy. The Dover company was commanded by Capt. Andrew Peirce, and consisted of 66 men, rank and file, who continued on duty from May 24 to July 3. The only fighting recorded is reported by the Sun of June 4: "Skirmish at Rye — Reports are circulating of a skirmish at Rye, between an English barge and a party of the militia. We know not what foundation there is for the report, but thus it stands: A coasting vessel was chased into Rye on Monday last by a barge from one of the British frigates, manned with from 40 to 50 men. A small party of militia (15) lay concealed behind a stone wall with their muskets well charged with ball and buckshot. They awaited the appearance of the British to within good ducking distance, when they poured a most deadly fire into the barge, which compelled her instantly to pull for the frigate, the militia firing upon them with sportsmanlike aim until out of reach. A Mr. Haley was afterwards on board the frigate, who states that he was informed by one of the officers that the barge lost 16 men in her rencontre with the militia. If true, this engagement must inspire our foe with a due respect for stone walls and Yankee marksmen."

June 9, 1826 — Died, Nicholas St. John Durrell, aged 21 years, the oldest son of Hon. D. M. Durrell. A young man of much promise and a member of the West Point Military Academy, from which he was on the point of graduating with high honors.

June 8, 1828 — A party of seven men and boys sailing down the river on a pleasure excursion, on Sunday, the boat when near Dover Point was upset and Henry Demeritt aged 25, and Ebenezer Paul, 14, were drowned. Demeritt was a good swimmer and lost his life by endeavoring to save Paul, who could not swim.

June 6, 1927 - A crew of 30 men is completing work on the high school annex (now the McConnell Center). It will contain modern classrooms, a gymnasium and auditorium, and in the basement, facilities for woodworking, a machine shop, and electrical departments of the manual arts.



Dover400 lecture series continues Tuesday with a look at Dover's railroads

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th Anniversary, continues its virtual lecture series on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7 p.m. with an online presentation about the history of railroads in Dover.

This educational and entertaining webinar will include a general analysis of the railroad's history in the Dover area, including a look at the lines and facilities which helped accelerate Dover's importance as a manufacturing and residential center on the seacoast. A look at the people, machines, and processes will help outline the historical role the railroads played in this area and the ongoing vitality of the railroad to this region. Rare photos from private collections, as well as the Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society's archives will help illustrate this exceptional history.

The lecturer for this event is Rick Kfoury, an author, railroad historian, and director for the Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society. A recent graduate of the Keene State College history program, he has authored three books on New Hampshire's railroad history, with a

fourth in pre-publication.

Each Dover400 presentation is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required. To sign up for the June 8, 2021 lecture, please RSVP on www.Dover400.org or register directly by clicking here.

All earlier lectures in the series can be viewed online if you missed them. They cover early Dover history from the 17th to 19th centuries and can be found here: https://dovernh.viebit.com/index.php?folder=Dover400.



What is Citizen Science?

What is Citizen Science? Join the Dover Public Library for an all ages virtual event and celebration with Malin Clyde, on Wednesday, June 9 at 4 p.m., to discover citizen science in New Hampshire. Malin works with the UNH Cooperative Extension and its citizen science project Nature Groupie, to help connect regular people across the nation with ongoing opportunities to make a difference in real scientific studies. Many projects are family friendly, and are a great way to get outside and become scientists in our own backyards. In addition to answering the question "What is Citizen Science?" there will be a discussion about ways to get involved, available resources like recommended apps, and librarians will unveil new family-friendly citizen science kits available for borrowing in the Children's room of the Dover Public Library.

Registration is required to receive a link to this free program.

Please visit the Library's website at http://library.dover.nh.gov to register.

"I Choose Life: A Trans Woman's Journey" at Dover Public Library on June 7

The library is honored to have guest Erica Allen, president of PFLAG New Hampshire and a transgender woman, speak virtually on Monday, June 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Allen's presentation will focus on her experience transitioning as well as providing education on key terms and resources for those in the LGBTQ+ community or supporting a loved one. The presentation is geared towards all ages and attendees are encouraged to ask questions.

Throughout her life, Ms. Allen had buried her identity due to the fear of sacrificing connections with family, friends and community, and of losing power in the workplace. She became involved with PFLAG-NH in March of 2018 when she began participating in monthly support sessions.

She had started her transition a few years earlier and was encouraged to find a supportive and caring organization. She joined the PFLAG-NH State board in October of that year and currently serves as the president. She uses her life experiences to lead, educate, advocate, and give voice to those in the LGBTQ+ community who are struggling to find their own. She

travels throughout the state sharing the PFLAG message and her personal story of life as a trans woman

PFLAG was founded in 1973 and is the nation's largest family and ally organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people, their parents and families, and allies. They currently have over 400 chapters and 200,000 members and supporters across America. PFLAG-NH is New Hampshire's local chapter which educates and advocates for full equality for the LGBTQ+ community and their families, while also providing support to parents, children, and friends who are coming to terms with their gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and questioning loved ones.

Ms. Allen was born and raised in New Jersey before moving to Concord with her wife in 1997. They have two children and a grandson. She currently works as an Information Technology Manager at the State of New Hampshire. After her transition, she remains married, is welcomed by family and friends and continues to be successful in her position at the State.

This program will be held live online through Ring Central and registration is required to access the login information. This program is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register, visit <u>library.dover.nh.gov/events</u> or call the Library at 603-516-6050.

The Week at the Library

June VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Dinner Illustrated* by America's Test Kitchen. Throughout the month of May, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the books and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the books. We will share your creations on our social media pages throughout the month.

Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, June 7, 6 to 8 p.m. VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: Teen B Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Roll20 with Dungeon Master Aidan! This group will meet every other

Sunday and there is no commitment to attend all sessions. Registration required.

Monday, June 7, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. VIRTUAL I Choose Life: A Trans Woman's Journey

Celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month with guest speaker Erica Allen, president of PFLAG New Hampshire and a transgender woman. Ms. Allen's presentation will focus on her experience transitioning as well as providing education on key terms and resources for those in the LGBTQ+ community or supporting a loved one. The presentation is geared towards all ages and attendees are encouraged to ask questions. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 8, 6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8, 7 to 8 p.m. VIRTUAL Dover 400th Series: Dover's Railroad History

Dover400 continues its historical lecture series chronicling Dover's significant past with an online presentation about the history of railroads in Dover. Presented by Rick Kfoury, learn how the lines and facilities helped accelerate Dover's importance as a manufacturing and residential center on the seacoast. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 9, 10 to 11 a.m. Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club in Lecture Hall

Hello history buffs and lifelong learners! This month we are reading Factfulness by Hans and Ola Rosling Ronnland! Pick up a copy at the front desk or listen to it as an audiobook through Hoopla.

Wednesday, June 9, 4 to 5 p.m. VIRTUAL What is Citizen Science? With Malin Clyde

Find out how you and your family can become scientists in your own neighborhood! Science is not just done in labs, and not just done by scientists. Citizen science happens when members of the public contribute to scientific research. You and your family can make a difference is scientific discovery, all while learning and having fun. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 9, 6 to 7 p.m. Teen Advisory Board on Front Lawn The Teen Advisory Board is a group of 7

The Teen Advisory Board is a group of 7 - 12 graders who are interested in shaping

Dungeons & Dragons: 18+ Lecture Hall
Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with
Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group
is for new and veteran role-playing gamers
to join us in the library for two hours of
adventure, imagination, and strategy. The
group will meet every Tuesday night, though
you do not need to have attended previous
sessions to enjoy your first game. No
experience or materials are required and all
skill levels are welcome to play. Please
ensure at least six feet of space between
yourself and other attendees and that you
wear a mask while in the library.

the library's programs and services aimed at middle and high-school students. Members attend monthly meetings in order to share their ideas, help to plan future events/ services for teens and work toward making the library a teen-friendly space in our community.

Saturday, June 12, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. World Wide Knit in Public Day

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us on the Library's front lawn with their projects for an in-person crafting circle in honor of World Wide Knit in Public Day! Please bring your own chair or blanket to sit on. All levels are welcome!





A guide to solid waste and curbside recycling

Don't let your recycling be rejected

Is your trash or recycling not getting picked up? It may be because it does not conform to the City of Dover's recycling and solid waste rules.

Dover's Community Services Director John Storer requests that curbside customers ensure the items placed in recycling containers are recyclable consistent



with local guidelines and that bulky items are correctly tagged.

What's acceptable for curbside recycling in Dover?

- **Plastic**: #1, #2 and #5, provided the items are bottles, tubs and jugs. Rinse and dry. Bottle caps can be recycled if removed, washed, and placed back on the bottle. Loose caps, which fall through processing screens, cannot be recycled.
- Glass: only bottles and jars. Rinse and dry.
- Cardboard, cartons and paper: Newspaper, magazines, office paper and junk mail only. Flatten all boxes, then place them into recycling bins, paper bags, or bundle and tie. When flattened, cardboard dimensions must not exceed two feet by two feet. Pizza boxes with grease must be thrown away as the oil contaminates the other recyclables.
- No styrofoam is accepted, even with a recycling symbol on the packing.
- No plastic bags are accepted.

Plastics that are not accepted include plastic bags, plastic utensils, straws, plastic wrap, tarps and colored cups. Recycling bins that contain non-recyclable items may not be picked up or flagged with a warning sticker. See full details of <u>Waste Management's curbside pickup here</u>.

Nationwide, Waste Management estimates that 25 percent of items placed in recycling bins are actually trash. This 25 percent of trash can contaminate the good recycling commingled with it.

"Recycling contamination happens when trash ruins otherwise good recyclables," says Waste Management in their Recycling 101 webpage.

For example, food or liquid placed recycling that saturates paper and cardboard can contaminate it. "Once contaminated, these recyclables can no longer be recycled. They become trash."

Bulky trash items

For large, non-metal trash items, such as beds, couches, toilets, sinks, carpets, and furniture, residents must purchase a "Bulky Item Tag" for each bulky trash item to be picked up. A bulky item tag costs \$10 and is available at most places where Dover trash bags can be purchased. See the Community Services' Bag and Tag webpage for a list of locations.

Please note, televisions, computer monitors, microwaves and other metal objects are not accepted for bulky item pickup.

Items left on the curb without a tag may be turned over to the City's health officer to see whether the items can be traced to a property.

All recycling and trash, including bulky tag items, should still be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on the designated collection day or as early as 4 p.m. the day before.

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

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment. The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- Police Officer
- Public Safety Dispatcher
- Assistant City Engineer
- Clerk Typist I
- Summer day camp counselor
- Truck drivers
- Children's Room Circulation Desk Assistant
- Adult/Children Circulation Desk Assistant

- Senior Center desk attendant
- Arena maintenance / resurfacer

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

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