

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



May 9, 2025



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.

ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

Council to weigh major infrastructure projects on Court and Union streets, wastewater facility

The City Council will consider two major infrastructure projects at its <u>meeting</u> on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, including a \$9.5 million reconstruction of Court and Union streets and the addition of a third clarifier at the Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The proposed Court and Union Street Reconstruction Project includes full-depth roadway work, new sidewalks and granite curbing, ADA-compliant ramps, and upgrades to water,

Recycling Center hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. sewer, and stormwater infrastructure. The Council will vote on awarding the contract to S.U.R. Construction of Rochester. The project area encompasses Union Street from Central Avenue to Court Street, and Court Street from Central Avenue through Middle Road to just east of Hubbard Road. Construction is anticipated to begin in mid-June 2025 and span two construction seasons, with substantial completion by winter 2026 and final paving and restoration in spring 2027.

Also on the agenda is the construction of a third secondary clarifier at the city's Wastewater Treatment Facility to improve solids treatment during heavy wet weather events and prepare for future capacity needs. The Council will consider awarding a \$7.1 million construction contract to Waterline Industries and an \$805,000 engineering services agreement to Wright-Pierce for construction administration and inspection.

Also on the agenda:

- Review of the FY26-FY30 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Plan and FY26 Action Plan, which outlines how \$338,600 in federal funds will be used to support housing, public services, economic development, and accessibility improvements.
- A resolution to apply for a grant to establish a recovery house on Avon Street.
- Authorization to purchase a Kenworth 10-wheel dump truck for the Community Services Department.
- Authorization to transfer \$1.29 million from the general fund to address deficits in the Tolend Road Landfill and Residential Solid Waste funds.
- Acceptance of a donation from Dover Youth Hockey toward a new scoreboard at the Dover Ice Arena.
- Approval of three public art installations on traffic control boxes painted by Dover High School students.

At the start of the meeting, Mayor Robert Carrier will issue a proclamation recognizing May 18–24 as National Public Works Week, highlighting the critical role of public works professionals in maintaining infrastructure and community services.

The full meeting agenda can be viewed here.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on DNTV and streamed live at https://dovernh.viebit.com, where it will also be available ondemand.

Road closures in effect Sunday for Moms on the Run 5K

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following road closures for the annual Moms on the Run Mother's Day 5K event on Sunday, May 11, one of the 2024 Dover Race Series events.

On Sunday, May 11, the following road closures will be in effect:

- Spaulding Turnpike Exit 7 southbound on and off-ramps, from 9:35 to 10 a.m.
- **Bellamy Road**, in the easterly direction between Durham Road and Alumni Drive, from 9:35 to 10:30 a.m.
- Rutland Street between Cataract Avenue and Central Avenue, from 9:30 to 9:50

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- Cataract Avenue, from 9:30 to 9:45 a.m.

Road closure times have been adjusted a half-hour later than previous years because the 5K race start time has been changed from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to minimize impact to scheduled church services at Saint John's United Methodist Church on Cataract Avenue.

Motorists should expect delays at the Central Avenue/Mill Street/Exit 7 South intersection and a lane shift along Route 108 from Rutland Street to Bellamy Road. Dover police personnel and event volunteers will help manage traffic flow along the race route. The 5K event begins and ends at Dover High School, 25 Alumni Drive.

The event is organized by and will benefit Zebra Crossings, which provides year-round empowerment programs for children with chronic medical conditions. For more information, visit https://www.zebra-crossings.org/run/.

For questions about traffic, contact Dover Police Lt. Marn Speidel at 603-742-4646.

Curbside weed control spraying begins first week of June

Deadline to opt out is May 28

The city's contracted and licensed weed control applicator is expected to begin operations the first week of June, at targeted locations throughout Dover.

The city will utilize organic weed treatments in most locations but will target specific streets with a one-time application of Esplanade, a non-glyphosate pre-emergent weed control.

Property owners who do not want the Esplanade treatment area may opt out of its application by contacting Community Services at 603-516-6450 by Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at 4 p.m.

Click here to view a map of the planned curbside weed control areas.

The City of Dover is utilizing the following weed control strategies for 2025:

- Esplanade: a non-glyphosate pre-emergent weed control that will be applied once in specific areas;
- Finalsan: an organic post-emergent weed control that will be applied multiple times as needed in specific areas;
- Curbside sweeping: Crews will utilize a street sweeper attachment designed specifically for weed removal.

The city continues to seek the most cost-effective, environmentally-friendly pre-emergent herbicides, as weed removal is much more expensive than preventing them from growing. Weed control continues to be monitored and evaluated for how well it works, cost-effectiveness, and adverse environmental impacts.

The city's curbside weed control vendor is Municipal Pest Management Services, Inc., of Newington.



Why is curbside weed control important?

The City of Dover spends thousands of dollars annually building and maintaining streets, sidewalks, and drainage systems. When left unchecked, weeds and other plants can significantly damage this infrastructure. Responsible weed control protects and extends the life of the city's essential investments. Weed control along roads and curbs also maintains the aesthetic appeal of a community.

The goal is to promote safety and still achieve quality results. Typical areas where vegetation management techniques and weed control may be employed include sidewalks, curb/gutter lines, and catch basin perimeters. Other areas that may be included periodically are rights-of-way, roadside shoulders, guardrails, and around signage. Only herbicides approved by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services are used, and any product is applied in targeted areas using the least amount possible.

The city treats along the curb lines where the pavement meets curbing and curbing meets the sidewalks, specifically targeting growing weeds. Spraying is a part of our vegetation maintenance, which also incorporates mowing and trimming.

The City of Dover is committed to eliminating the exposure of our citizens to chemicals that are known or suspected toxins or carcinogens while striving to lead our community by example and by promoting policies, regulations, and practices that eliminate exposure to toxic compounds.

Through resolution R–2018.02.28–015, the City Council adopted its commitment to organic land management practices, making it the city's policy "to utilize sound land management practices, and the use of least toxic compounds only when necessary, in the maintenance and protection of city property."

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

City of Dover, NH **Community Services**

Saturday May 17, 2025 11 am - 2 pm



Attendees Include:

- **Dover Police**
- **Dover Fire**
- **MB Tractor & Equipment Rochester Motorsports**
- Moore's Crane Rental
- Snapology Engineering Presenters



Public Works Week May 18-24, 2025 271 Mast Road Dover, NH



Upcoming Meetings:

Trustees of the Trust Fund, May 12, 9 a.m.

The Trustees of the Trust Fund will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 9 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

Conservation Commission, May 12, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

Recreation Advisory Board, May 12, 6 p.m.

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., in the Room 224 at the McConnell





On the Agenda: Planning Board, 5/13/2025

In this video, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or

https://dovernh.viebit.com/watch? hash=KbMB6Bvk60tCAU4O

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will be broadcast live on DNTV and streamed live online.

Want to keep up on other projects and planning and community development initiatives in the City of Dover? Subscribe to the Planning Department's newsletter, the Dover Planning Review. To sign up, visit

Center.

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

School Board, May 12, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Ethics Commission, May 13, 6:30 p.m.

The Ethics Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Planning Board, May 13, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

City Council, May 14, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

Planning Technical Review Committee, May 15, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

bit.ly/doverdownload and select Dover Planning Review.

City of Dover reminds residents of Pine Hill Cemetery guidelines

As the Memorial Day holiday approaches, the City of Dover would like to remind residents and visitors of the guidelines in place at Pine Hill Cemetery to preserve its beauty, serenity, and safety. By following these guidelines, the community can ensure that the cemetery remains a respectful and peaceful space for all who come to remember and honor their loved ones.

The City of Dover asks residents to adhere to the following guidelines for floral displays and personal items at Pine Hill Cemetery:

- Flowers may be placed on lots starting seven days before May 26 and must be removed no later than seven days after May 26.
- Planting flowers directly into the ground is not permitted.
- To ensure safety, the use of glass or breakable containers on lots is prohibited.
- Flat, ground-level foot markers should be kept free of any items.
- Lots featuring monuments with extended bases on the sides are allowed to hold flowers longer than seven days after May 26.
- Items not in accordance with these guidelines (e.g., solar lights, remembrance lights, wooden signs, shepherd hooks, personal items, etc.) will be removed and disposed of by the Cemetery Department.

The City of Dover appreciates the community's understanding and cooperation in adhering to these guidelines. If residents have any questions or concerns, please contact Facilities and Grounds Superintendent Mark Colonna at 603-516-6480.

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

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

 McConnell Center Boiler Evaluation and Purposed Placement Plan

Zoning Board, May 15, 7 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit https://www.dover.nh.gov/governme nt/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:

- Recreation Advisory Board
- · Planning Board
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Utilities Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

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

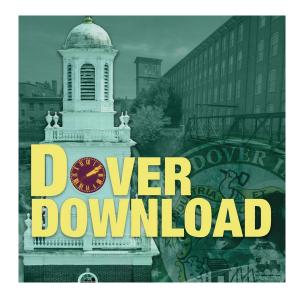
To apply, complete an application, available here and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier at j.bizier@dover.nh.gov. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review

- PFAS Fire Department Uniforms and Clothing
 - Consulting Services Inflow & Infiltration Reduction Project
- Medical Supplies As Needed
- Sale of City-Owned Surplus Vehicles
- Catch Basin Cleaning

Current bid documents can be accessed on the Finance Department's <u>bid page</u>. 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.



The Planning Board through the Decades: A Conversation with Kirt Schuman about the 2010s

In the latest episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Kirt Schuman about his 15-year tenure on the Dover Planning Board. This is the fourth episode in a series looking back at the Planning Board over the years. Listen wherever you get your podcasts or at https://bit.ly/42HBjiy.

applications.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board, Planning Board or Waterfront Committee meetings on DTV, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

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

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.

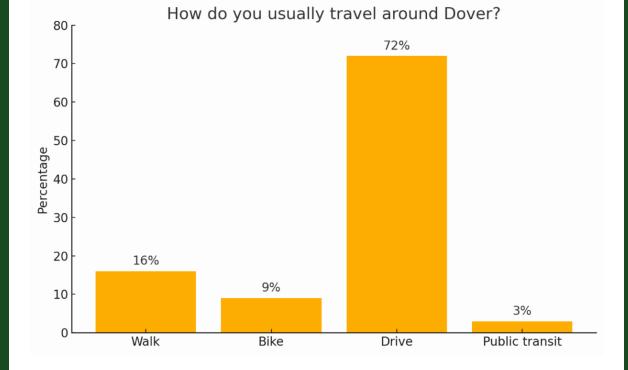
This week's question:

"Have you ever attended a Dover Main Street event?"

Let us know here: https://polco.us/mdy7fh

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, which asked, "How do you usually travel around Dover?"





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 located here.

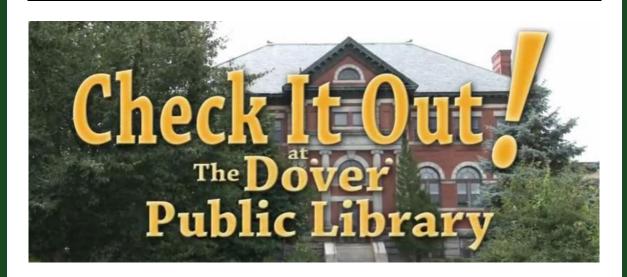
May 13, 1729 — A group of residents from the northeastern part of Dover appeared before the New Hampshire Assembly to request that their area be established as a separate parish. Their legal representative presented their case, and as a result, the Assembly appointed a committee to visit the area, examine the boundaries, and determine the most appropriate location for a dividing line. Until a final decision was made, the petitioners were temporarily exempt from paying taxes to support the minister of the original Dover parish. The Assembly ruled that if a majority of the committee members agreed on the proposed boundaries, their recommendation would be considered valid and presented at the next legislative session for formal approval. As settlements expanded in colonial New England, it became common for distant neighborhoods to seek parish or town status to gain local control over church and civic matters. In this case, residents in what would become Somersworth, then part of Dover, sought to establish their own parish due to the growing population and the distance from Dover's central meetinghouse. This event marked an early step in the long process of Somersworth becoming an independent town, which would officially happen in 1754.

May 15, 1732 — On this day, the New Hampshire colonial legislature officially voted to separate the Oyster River settlement from the town of Dover, creating a new parish named Durham. The legislation was approved by Gov. Jonathan Belcher, making the decision official. Oyster River was one of the earliest English settlements in the Dover area, located along the Oyster River to the west of the main village. By the early 18th century, the population there had grown significantly, and residents sought more autonomy in religious and civic matters. Becoming a parish was the first step toward full town independence, which Durham would later achieve in 1753. The name "Durham" was likely chosen in honor of Durham, England, reflecting a common colonial tradition of naming towns after places in the British Isles.

May 13, 1892 — The total valuation for Dover was reported this day as \$9,093,256, an increase of \$205,279 over the previous year. The citywide valuation for the most current fiscal year (FY2025), 133 years later, is \$6,647,662,770.

May 7, 1976 — Dover Schools Superintendent Bernard Ryder states that class trips to Boston are no longer permitted, in response to reports of growing violence in Boston. Dover was joined by Portsmouth in banning class trips to Boston. According to the Associated Press, Boston at the time was "plagued by racial violence, generally associated with efforts to integrate the city's school system."

May 14, 1997 — In anticipation of the dredging of the Cochecho River by the Army Corps of Engineers, the City Council this day approved \$40,000 in capital funding for the project. The money was intended to pay for a small dredging of a 60-foot channel along River Street, the site of a former boat landing, which was scheduled to be dredged later that fall to coincide with a larger dredging project by the Army Corps of Engineers. The dredging was seen as a key part of preparing for the redevelopment of the historic waterfront. The Cocheco River had last been dredged about 100 years prior, when Dover had a flourishing sea port. The larger dredging project didn't begin until 2003.



Learn tips for visiting National Parks

National Parks are some of the most beautiful and awe-inspiring travel destinations. If you're planning your summer vacation and a National Park is on the list, visit the Dover Public Library on Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m., in McConnell Center Room 306, for some travel tips.

The library will be joined by John Bunker, a retired UNH professor and world traveler, for an informative presentation loaded with advice from his many trips to the National Parks out west.

Within the past two decades, Bunker has visited over 20 National Parks including Badlands, Bryce, Canyonlands, Glacier, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, and Zion. His presentation features over 70 images from his travels to the parks, a video of hiking Angel's Landing in Zion National Park, and a handout of his Ten Lessons Learned. Attendees will walk away with all the information they need when visiting a National Park including lodging and dining, budget considerations, planning activities, and safety.

Bunker is a native of New Hampshire who returned to the Granite State in 1996 with his wife Jennifer Kinsey and their two sons to serve as Vice President of Health Risk at Blue Cross & Blue Shield of New Hampshire. Before retiring, he was the Director of External Relations at the UNH College of Health and Human Services. He enjoys yoga, fly fishing, golf, visiting National Parks, cycling, skiing, and grandparenting.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit the library's website at library.dover.nh.gov or call (603) 516-6050. The library has moved to the McConnell Center for up to a year while the main building is being renovated. You can find the Children's Room in Room 305 while Adult and Teen services are located in the McConnell Center's cafeteria. Library hours are Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sunday 12 p.m.-4 p.m.

This Week at the Library

Monday, May 12, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Preschool STEM Storytime McConnell Center, Room 306

Join us for a new Spring session of STEM storytimes for kids aged 3-5. We will explore the science of mud and wind, and discover some of the furry spring animals who share this Earth with us. Registration required.

Monday, May 12, 6 to 8 p.m. Teen Dungeons & Dragons McConnell Center, Room 306

Do you love the idea of exploring fantastical worlds? Do you have a love of collaborative gameplay and an active imagination? Then Dungeons and Dragons is for you! Join Dungeon Master Michael for this beginner series, where you will create your own character, play in a story campaign, and learn the basics of D&D 5th Edition. This program is for teens entering grades 6-12 only, and all supplies will be provided. Registration required.

Monday, May 12, 7 to 8 p.m. Experience Spring Bird Migrations to the Fullest

Virtual: Sign up for a link at: https://bit.ly/432c1dH

Join Heather Wolf, author of "Find More Birds: 111 Surprising Ways to Spot Birds Wherever You Are" and "Birding at the Bridge: In Search of Every Bird on the Brooklyn Waterfront", as she shares tips for jumping into the nature documentary happening around you, also known as spring bird migration! Learn how to find more migrating birds and witness their fascinating behaviors, as well as cue into birds that will be breeding and raising young in your area.

Tuesday, May 13, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime McConnell Center, Room 306

For babies 0-24 months with caregiver. A joyful, half-hour lap sit story time with books, songs, movement, and rhyme.

Tuesday, May 13, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 14, 11 am to 12 pm All Abilities Club: Art for All Great Bay Services

This inclusive program for adults welcomes those with disabilities as we create art and craft projects. Each session of this hands-on program will feature a different art exploration.

Wednesday, May 14, 2 to 3 p.m. Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club McConnell Center, Room 306

This book group is dedicated to nonfiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book is *Democracy Awakening* by Heather Cox Richardson.

Thursday, May 15, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Arts and Crafts Storytime McConnell Center, Room 306

Arts and Crafts Storytime is for children ages 3-5 who are ready to attend storytime independently, without a caregiver. Each session will focus on a different theme. Books, songs, rhymes, and an art activity will all be part of the fun. *Registration required*.

Thursday, May 15, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Beaded Earring Class McConnell Center. Room 306

This class will involve stringing very small beads onto very small thread, please bring your glasses if you wear them. You'll need your hand eye coordination skills for this class. No experience necessary, all supplies included. Open to students aged 16+.

Saturday, May 17, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Family Dance with The Suite Studio McConnell Center, Room 306

Families are invited to come dance with Jenna from The Suite Studio! You are welcome to wear/hold your babies while you modify the dance moves, or they can nap/watch from their bucket seat while you dance. For kids who are able to walk, and for those kids who are older and have sick dance moves themselves, they can dance beside you! However your

Friends of the Dover Public Library McConnell Center, Room 306

As a member of this group, as an active participant, or as a leader you can support this group which supports our library. Become a member of the Friends for as little as \$20 per year. This organization funds all the museum passes the library offers, a large portion of our summer reading activities, as well as cultural events for the community.

Wednesday, May 14, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime McConnell Center, Room 306

Children of all ages with caregivers are invited to attend this program with stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets.

body moves is the RIGHT way! Come for some fun and some good laughs.

Saturday, May 17, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Beaded Earring Class McConnell Center, Room 306

This class will involve stringing very small beads onto very small thread, please bring your glasses if you wear them. You'll need your hand eye coordination skills for this class. No experience necessary, all supplies included. Open to students aged 16+.



Dover, Community Trail committee celebrate National Bike to Work Day on May 16

The city of Dover invites residents to leave their cars at home and commute on two wheels for National Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 16. The event will take place from 7-9 a.m. at the Dover Community Trailhead located at the Dover Transportation Center.

Hosted by the city of Dover's Community Trail Advisory Committee and Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders, this celebration encourages sustainable transportation while fostering community connections. Participants will enjoy complimentary coffee and light breakfast treats just for cycling in.

The event aims to highlight Dover's growing network of bike-friendly infrastructure, including the Dover Community Trail, while connecting cyclists from across the community.

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









BIKE TO WORK DAY



FRIDAY, MAY 16
7 - 9 A.M.
TRANSPORTATION CENTER TRAILHEAD
DOVER COMMUNITY TRAIL

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF DOVER'S COMMUNITY TRAIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AND SEACOAST AREA BICYCLE RIDERS

Dover art installation honors missing and murdered Indigenous women

An art installation featuring dozens of red dresses hanging from trees is currently on display at Henry Law Park in Dover, raising awareness about missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.

The exhibit, titled "No More Stolen Sisters," was created by local artist Jenny Tibbits and will remain on display through May 31. Each dress represents an Indigenous woman or girl who has been murdered or gone missing.

A reception was held earlier this week on May 5, which is recognized nationally as the Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, also known as Red Dress Day.

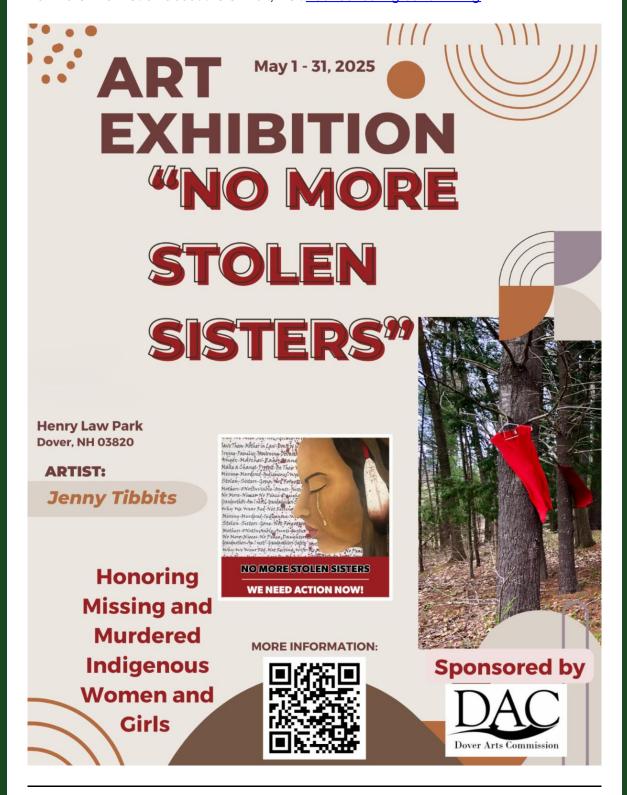
"Each dress represents an Indigenous woman or girl who has gone missing or has been murdered," said Tibbits in a statement about the project. Tibbits has been an artist for over 30 years. "The feedback I have received after each show is phenomenal. People are so moved because of the impact that a simple dress has."

The installation includes approximately 50-100 dresses throughout Upper Henry Law Park, along with informational signs about the significance of the exhibit. The project highlights both the national crisis of violence against Indigenous women and connects to Dover history of Indigenous women and girls who were murdered or went missing in the early 1600s, according to the project organizers.

Tibbits collaborated with the Children's Museum of New Hampshire and Dover Public Library on the project. This marks her third installation of red dresses honoring missing and murdered Indigenous women.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Dover Arts Commission.

For more information about the exhibit, visit nourisehealing.com/mmiwg.



Strafford County Master Gardeners Association annual plant sale is Sunday, May 18

The Strafford County Master Gardeners Association will host its annual plant sale on Sunday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Durham Town Hall.

The sale will feature locally grown native and pollinator plants, herbs, vegetables, ground covers, sun and shade perennials, and houseplants. There is an Ask a Master Gardener Table where individuals can find answers to gardening questions, obtain soil testing information, and learn about upcoming UNH Cooperative Extension Master Gardener classes. There will also be representatives from Plant A Row and Pollinator Pathways NH

Rain or shine, the sale will take place at 8 Newmarket Road in Durham. Cash and checks will be accepted.

Proceeds from the plant sale support School Gardening Grants, Library Book Grants, and Community Gardening Projects, including Bedrock Gardens, Great Bay Services, Hyder Family Hospice House, Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens, Milne Nature Sanctuary, Outside the Lines, Wagon Hill Community Garden, and Woodman Museum Gardens..

Master Gardeners are volunteers trained by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. The Strafford County group promotes environmentally sustainable gardening practices.

THE GREATER DOVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMES:



The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce held ribbon-cutting ceremonies recently to recognize new Chamber members.



ScratchPad CoWorking

ScratchPad CoWorking offers flexible office space for short-term, long-term, or daily rentals. The space features an inspiring blend of open work areas, private offices, meeting rooms and event space, equipped with amenities such as high-speed internet, adjustable motorized sit-stand desks, mail service, complimentary beverages and snacks and a wide range of access times.

ScratchPad is located at 42 Dover Point Road in the Dover Point Office Park. For inquiries, tours, or membership information, please contact Ryan Cochrane at 603-343-2428 or by email at info@scratchpadcoworking.com.

Potter's Green & Gift LLC

Potter's Green & Gift is a boutique retail shop specializing in curated houseplants, decorative plant pots, fine home gifts, personalized gift baskets for all occasions, and design services. The shop will be opening later in 2025.

Potter's Green & Gift will be located at 10 Fourth St., Fourth Street Depot in Dover. To get updates about the shop, follow their Instagram at pottersgreenandgift.

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

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH!



Show your support for mental health awareness month and display a green light in your storefront or window for the month of May.

To join in, scan this QR code



Or go https://tinyurl.com/LightItUpGreen



Fri 5/16/2025 - National DAY of Mental Health Awareness Wear GREEN all day long at home, school or work!

Promoted by



Want to learn about the Dover Mental Health Alliances? Go to:

www.dovermentalhealthalliance.org

Or contact Suzanne Weete at suzanneweete@communitypartnersnh.org



Inviting ALL knitters, crocheters, and fiber artist in our community to volunteer & participate in creating fiber art pieces for 2026 Install!

~Volunteer Form



DOVER ART COMMISION

ARTSCommission-All@dover.nh.gov @DoverNHArtsCommission

Registration open for the Dover Community Trail ChalkFest on June 8

Get ready to let your creativity shine at the Dover Community Trail ChalkFest, a fun-filled event for all ages hosted on Sunday, June 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Coordinated by the Dover Community Trail Advisory Committee in partnership with the Dover Arts Commission, this event invites you to join us on the trail and turn the pavement into a masterpiece. Whether you're a seasoned artist, a doodler, or just looking for a great time outdoors, come make your mark.

Each participant will get a five-foot-by-five-foot square to create their chalk art between the Fisher Street Trailhead and Central Avenue/Route 108. Chalk will be provided, or feel free to bring your favorite colors. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per entry, which will cover event costs, with any excess going toward the Community Trail fund.

Prizes will be awarded in different age categories, and snacks and water will be provided.

Registration is encouraged via Google Forms, and we can't wait to see what you'll create.

Additional details will be sent to registrants before the event date, and questions about the event can be shared via the Google Form above or directed to City Planner Erin Bassegio at <u>E.Bassegio@dover.nh.gov</u>.

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:

- Police Officer
- Water Exercise Instructor II, Part-Time
- Swim Instructor, Part-Time
- Lifeguard I, Part-Time
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Diesel Mechanic
- City Attorney
- Water Treatment Operator
- Fire/Life Safety Inspector, Part-Time
- Maintenance Specialist-Meters & Backflow
- Truck Driver Street
- Laborer Public Works Streets & Stormwater
- Account Clerk II City Clerk Tax Collection
- Arena Maintenance Specialist
- Firefighter / AEMT
- · Building Inspector
- Maintenance Specialist-Recycling

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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:

- Elementary Special Education Administrative Assistant
- Social Studies Teacher
- Special Education Teacher/Case Manager
- Parking Lot Supervisor
- Color and Winter Guard Coach
- Elementary School Classroom Teacher
- Substitute Teachers
- 5th Grade Teacher
- Cleaner (2nd Shift) for C&W Services
- Grounds Crew for C&W Services
- Maintenance Technician
- Third Grade Teacher
- EMT Instructor
- Title I ESOL Interventionist
- Paraprofessionals
- Girls JV Field Hockey Coach
- JV Girls Lacrosse Coach
- Mathematics Teacher

- Noon Supervisor
- DHS Ski Team

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