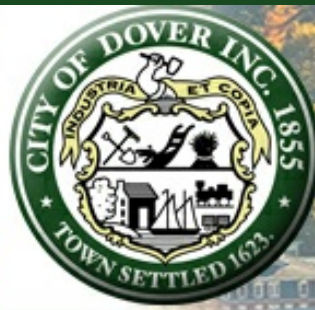


DOVER DOWNLOAD



News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



November 7, 2025



**CITY OF
DOVER, NH**

288 Central
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Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

City Hall hours:

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

Recycling Center hours:

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

DOVER CITY COUNCIL

ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

Council holds public hearings on Capital Improvement Program

The City Council will hold three public hearings on the proposed FY2027-2032 [Capital Improvements Program](#) at its Wednesday, Nov. 12 meeting.

One public hearing is on the six-year planning CIP document itself, which does not authorize or appropriate funding. Another is for authorizing and appropriating \$4,604,492 for proposed FY2027 non-debt finance projects. The third public hearing is for authorizing \$37,093,980 in bonding and appropriating that amount for FY2027 debt-financed projects. The City Council anticipates voting on these resolutions at its Dec. 10 meeting. This week, the City Council [held a workshop](#) to review proposed CIP projects.

The City Council will also hold a public hearing on a pending revision to the city's dog ordinance following a change to state law. The ordinance revision will allow the city to require dogs deemed vicious under state law to be muzzled and/or restrained in public, regardless of whether the dog is leashed.

3:30 p.m.

Sunday:
8:30 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.

The City Council will also consider a resolution to forgive interest and late fees for water and sewer billing and miscellaneous service bills for active military and federal employees not receiving paychecks during the federal government shutdown. The waiver does not apply to invoices determined by state statute, such as property tax bills.

Also on the agenda are resolutions that would authorize:

- The contracting with Wright-Pierce for \$682,600 to investigate and analyze infiltration and inflow (I/I) into the city's sewer system and create a technical report with recommendations to reduce I/I in the system;
- Acceptance of a \$10,000 gift for the Dover Public Library from the Carnegie Corporation of New York;
- The purchase of an "easement machine" to clean difficult-to-access sewer mains for \$76,703;
- Replacing the city's broadcast equipment at the end of its lifecycle with a TelVue system for \$37,057;
- Awarding the bid to install a new HVAC system at Griffen Well for \$67,615, to prepare for the reactivation of the well for backup use.

The complete agenda is [posted online](#). The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on DoverTV and [online](#), where it will be available on demand.

City offices closed Tuesday, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2025, in observance of Veterans Day. Regular hours will resume on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Public Library and Dover Community Senior Center will also be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 11, for Veterans Day. The McConnell Center, Indoor Pool and Dover Arena will be open during regular hours on Nov. 11.

Trash pickup and curbside recycling are not affected by the holiday and will follow a regular schedule.



Veterans Day ceremony is Nov. 11

A Veterans Day ceremony will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2025 at 11 a.m., at Dover Veterans Park.

The ceremony will include an opening prayer, posting of colors, the laying of the wreath, the Dover High School Band, and Dover High School's Navy Junior ROTC. There will also be remarks by various officials, including Mayor Robert Carrier, members of the American Legion, and a guest speaker.

The ceremony is organized by the Dover American Legion, Post 8.



City of Dover to dedicate

Capt. Jack T. Casey Memorial Bridge

The City of Dover will hold a ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 8, to officially dedicate the Washington Street Bridge as the Captain Jack T. Casey Memorial Bridge, in honor of U.S. Marine Corps Capt. Jack T. Casey, a Dover native who lost his life during a training mission in 2024.

The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. at the Rotary Arts Pavilion Courtyard in Henry Law Park. Following remarks, attendees will walk to the Washington Street Bridge, located between the Washington Street Mills and the Children's Museum of New Hampshire, for the unveiling of a memorial plaque.

Capt. Casey, 26, was a CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter pilot assigned to the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar in San Diego, California. He was killed along with four fellow Marines on Feb. 7, 2024, during a training flight in the mountains outside San Diego.

A graduate of St. Mary Academy, St. Thomas Aquinas High School, and the Virginia Military Institute, Casey is remembered for his leadership, kindness, and deep pride in his hometown. In June 2025, the Dover City Council unanimously passed a resolution to rename the Washington Street Bridge in his memory.

Municipal Election results available online

The City Clerk has posted election results and voter turnout for this week's election to the [2025 Municipal Election page](#).

Voters from all wards elected the Mayor, two at-large City Councilors, and one at-large School Board member. In addition, voters in each of the six Dover wards elected a City Councilor and School Board member, as well as election officers, including a Supervisor of the Checklist, Moderator, Selectpersons, and Ward Clerks. All elected positions are for two-year terms that begin in January 2026.

Voter turnout information from City Clerk Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier includes votes cast, absentee ballots cast, turnout percentage, and the number of registered voters. There were a total of 5,487 votes cast at the election, for an overall turnout percentage of 24.8% of registered voters casting a ballot. The highest turnout was in Ward 6, with 29.6% of registered voters voting in the election. Ward 3 had the lowest turnout, with 23.4% of registered voters casting a ballot.

Voter turnout was higher than in the previous two municipal elections. In 2023, there was a 21.8% turnout; in 2021, it was 24.6%. Presidential elections have a considerably higher voter turnout. The turnout of registered voters in the 2024 General Election was 82.5%; in 2020, it was 80.1%.

Election results and voter turnout information for municipal, general and primary elections since 2006 are available on the city's [election website](#).

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

City transitioning to ParkMobile for mobile parking payment

The City of Dover is transitioning its mobile parking payment system to ParkMobile in the coming weeks. Users

are encouraged to download the ParkMobile smartphone app for a seamless transition.

[ParkMobile](#), which is used in Portsmouth, Durham and many other municipalities nationwide, has similar pay-by-phone and pay-by-text options as Dover currently has. ParkMobile is also utilized in some private lots in Dover that operate independently of the city.



ParkMobile®

Dover's municipal metered lots and on-street parking will still utilize the Flowbird pay-by-phone app until the transition is complete.

ParkMobile smartphone app [is available](#) via [Google Play](#) and the [Apple App Store](#).

For more information, contact the Parking Bureau at 603-516-6132.

Upcoming Meetings:

City Council Ordinance Committee, Nov. 10, 8:30 a.m.

The City Council Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 10, 2025, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Conservation Commission, Nov. 10, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2025, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Recreation Advisory Board, Nov. 10, 6 p.m.

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 10, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., at the McConnell Center, Room 224.

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

School Board, Nov. 10, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 10, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall.

Sunday hours at the Recycling Center

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road is open additional hours on Sundays, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., through Sunday, Dec. 7.

The Recycling Center's regular hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the Recycling Center, call 516-6450.

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

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

- [Employee Holiday Luncheon](#)

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

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

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

City Council, Nov. 12, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Planning Board, Planning Technical Review Committee, Nov. 13, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Nov. 13, 6 p.m.

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., at Community Services, 271 Mast Road.

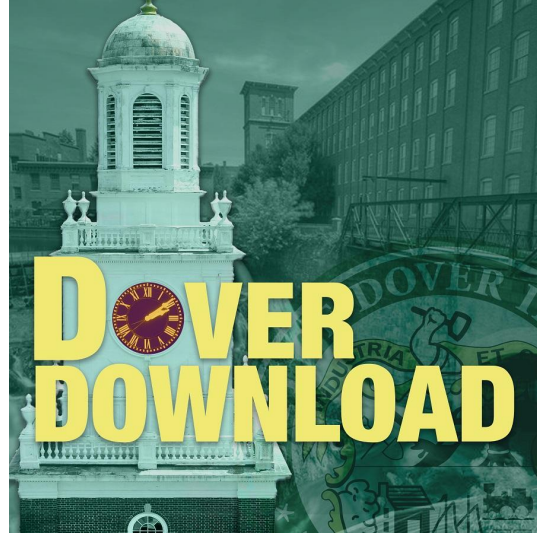
To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

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

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

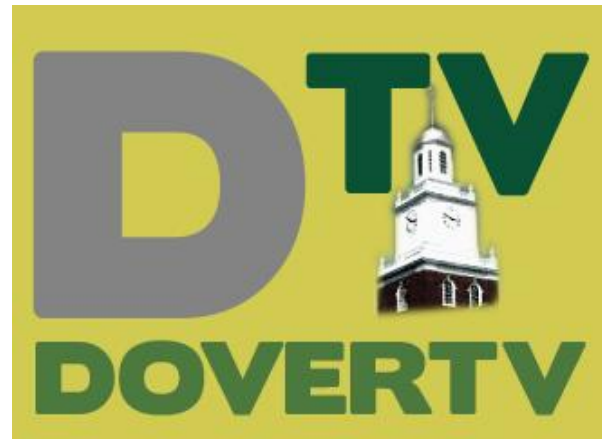
The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking



Never Forget: Planning Dover's Sept. 11 Memorial

In the latest episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Police Chief David Terlemezan and Fire Chief Perry Plummer about plans for a Sept. 11 memorial, and with Brian Early of Media Services and City Planner Erin Bassegio about October Planning Board and City Council activities. Listen wherever you get your podcasts or at <https://bit.ly/4hLENXi>.



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

members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including:

- Recreation Advisory Board
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Conservation Commission
- Downtown Dover TIF
- Open Lands Committee
- Solid Waste Advisory Committee
- Waterfront TIF
- 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 applications.

Residents must empty their bagged leaves, brush at the Recycling Center

Residents bringing bagged leaves and brush to the Recycling Center must dump them on the ground separately at the Recycling Center's leaf and brush sections. They may not be left in their bags. The collected leaf and brush materials go into a composting operation that has no means or mechanism for removing contaminated items.

The change is to ensure bags do not contain household trash, construction debris and hazardous waste, which has occurred in the past.

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

Fall leaf curbside collection continues through Dec. 5

Fall leaf curbside collection, which began last week, will continue, Monday through Friday, through Dec. 5.

Bagged leaves will be picked up by Waste Management on the same scheduled day as curbside trash and recycling. Please note that pickup is delayed by one day on Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Leaves must be placed curbside in biodegradable paper leaf bags. No brush will be accepted. Paper bags can be purchased at local hardware or home improvement stores.

Grass clippings, leaves, brush and yard waste are also accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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

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:

"When you think of Dover's natural environment (open space, rivers, trees, clean air, etc.), what do you appreciate most?"

Let us know here: <https://polco.us/fvb99z>

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, **"Do you volunteer in Dover? If so, where?"**

- Dover Adult Learning Center Board of Directors
- Community Trail Advisory Committee
- Don't Trash Dover
- Solid Waste Advisory Committee
- Woodman Museum
- Rotary projects
- Polls on Election Day
- End 68 Hours of Hunger
- High School Soccer
- Garrison City Futbol Club
- Strafford County Master Gardeners – Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Gardens, Woodman Museum Gardens
- Strong Towns Seacoast
- Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders
- Dover Doers
- Pope Memorial Humane Society
- Dover Friendly Kitchen
- Adopt-a-Spot
- AARP Foundation Tax-Aide at Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (while Dover Public Library is renovated)
- Dover Rotary
- End 68 Hours of Hunger
- Community Trail Committee



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](#).

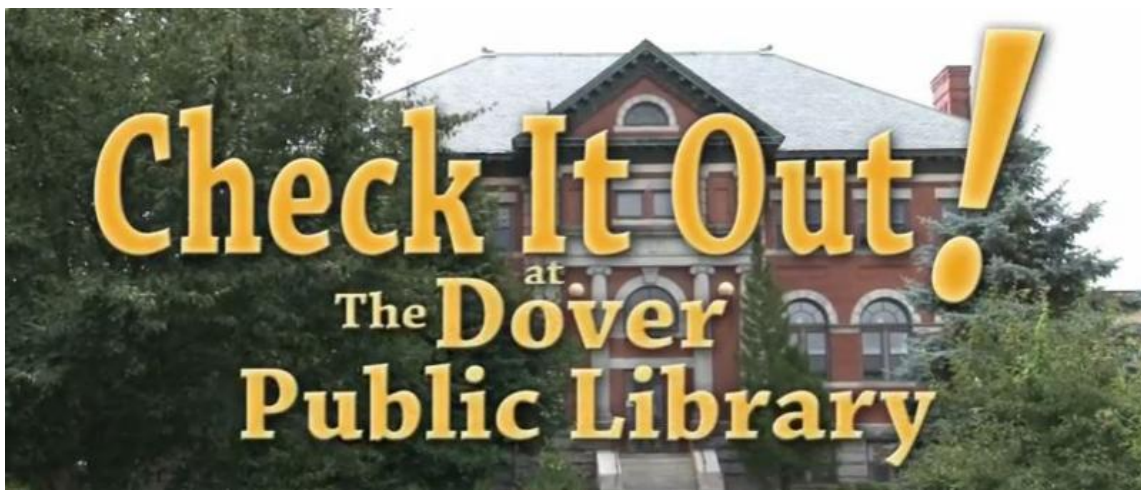
Nov. 14, 1656 — The town ordered residents who were behind on their sawmill rent payments to settle their debts. At the time, sawmills were vital to Dover's early economy. Timber from the surrounding forests was a major export, used locally for building homes and ships and shipped to other colonies and England. The town often leased sawmill rights or land to individuals, with rents paid in money, lumber, or labor.

Nov. 13, 1833 — In the early morning hours between 3 and 4 a.m., residents of Dover, and people across much of North America, witnessed an extraordinary meteor shower that lit up the night sky. Thousands of meteors streaked overhead in what became known as "The Night the Stars Fell." This event was later identified as an especially intense occurrence of the Leonid meteor shower, which appears annually when Earth passes through debris left by the comet Tempel-Tuttle. The 1833 display was so vivid and

widespread that it inspired awe, fear, and fascination across the country. Newspapers reported that many believed it signaled the end of the world, while others viewed it as a divine or celestial sign. The shower's spectacle and the attention it received spurred early scientific interest in meteors as astronomical phenomena rather than atmospheric ones, marking a turning point in how people understood and studied meteor showers.

Nov. 12, 1923 — The opening gun in the campaign against Sunday athletics was fired yesterday when the football game scheduled at Guppy Park was prohibited and about 800 persons were sent away disappointed. The action was taken by the police after an objection to the contest had been entered at the police headquarters by the members of the Men's Bible Class at the Washington Street Baptist Church.

Nov. 14, 2004 — On this day, then Gov. Craig Benson nominated Stephen Morrison as Dover District Court's new judge, replacing Robert Cullinane, who would retire in December of that year. Morrison, then 55, had been the associate justice at the court since 1986, when Gov. John H. Sununu appointed Cullinane to full-time status. A special justice works part-time as a judge, while still maintaining a private law practice. A Dover native, Morrison had also been a former prosecutor with the Strafford County Attorney's Office and served as Dover's city attorney. A graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Dover, as well as Assumption College and Suffolk University Law School, Morrison had been in private practice since 1977. In 1979 Morrison became a partner in Gregoire, Morrison & Indorf. Morrison announced his retirement as Dover District Court judge in 2016, but did remain involved as a senior active judge, meaning he could still hear cases until he turned 70 years old in 2019.



Celebrate 25 Years of Gilmore Girls with Dover Public Library

From music and movies to relationships and books, Gilmore Girls taught us all so much throughout the years. Take a walk down Stars Hollow's memory lane and return to the little town full of coffee, fast talkers, and friendly neighbors.



Join Dover Public Library in celebrating 25 years of the hit show Gilmore Girls on Wednesday, November 19 at 7 p.m. in the virtual presentation "Meet Me at Luke's". The program is in partnership with Ashland Public Library. [Register](#) to receive a link to the live stream.

In this rapid paced Q&A, we'll chat with The Gilmore Book Club blogger Kristine Eckart about her new book "Meet Me at Luke's: Lessons in Life and Love from Gilmore Girls", Rory's reading challenge, three generations of Gilmores, and all things Gilmore Girls!

Relive your favorite moments from all seven seasons and take a deep dive into the show's enduring appeal. Along the way, find a treasure trove of insights, anecdotes, and life lessons drawn from the show's rich tapestry of relationships, small-town charm, and the enduring bond between a mother and daughter.

Eckart is a writer, pop culture aficionado, and diehard bibliophile who is passionate about using literature to change lives. When she's not binge-watching TV or penning her next masterpiece, she shares her bookish passions as the host of the Chronicon Book Club and guest-hosting other book clubs. Always a city girl at heart, Eckart lives in New York City with her fluffy feline reading buddy, Cleo. You can find Kristine on Instagram @gilmorebookclub and online at Gilmorebookclub.com.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information or to sign up, visit the library's [website](#) or call (603) 516-6050.

This Week at the Library

Monday, Nov. 10, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
STEM Storytime

McConnell Center, Room 306

Children aged 3-5 are invited to participate in a science storytime this Fall. Each week, children will discover a Fall theme, utilizing stories, songs, and games, and highlighting a STEM activity.
Registration required.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, All Day
Library closed for Veteran's Day

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 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.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 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, Nov. 12, 2 to 3 p.m.
Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club
McConnell Center, Room 306

This book group is dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book is *The Lady from the Black Lagoon* by Mallory O'Meara.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Impact of Land: Indigenous Views on History and Place
McConnell Center, Room 306

This lecture will share Indigenous values,

Thursday, Nov. 13, 4 to 5 p.m.
Learn to Use Libby: Drop In Session
McConnell Center, Room 306

Discover Free Audiobooks & Ebooks with Libby! This easy-to-use app lets you borrow thousands of audiobooks and ebooks straight to your phone, tablet, or laptop — all with your Dover resident library card. Drop by our casual help session with Nick and Rachel, who'll walk you through getting Libby set up on your device. No registration, no stress — just bring your device, your library card and we'll handle the rest.

Thursday, Nov. 13, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Reading Rainbow Book Group
McConnell Center, Room 306
Join Reading Rainbow, Dover Public Library's Queer book group as we discuss *Vicious* by V.E. Schwab. Copies of the books will be available to borrow from the library and some through Hoopla or Libby. All are welcome at this inclusive book group.

Thursday, Nov. 13, 7 to 8 p.m.
Virtual: She Kills: The Women of True Crime
Register: <https://ow.ly/2bFw50XmOn1>
Join author and journalist, Skip Hollandsworth, as he discusses "She Kills: The Murderous Socialite, the Cross-Dressing Bank Robber, and Other True Crime Tales", a jaw-dropping, addictively readable compendium of women whose often sensational crimes and circumstances put them on the wrong side of the law. This program is in partnership with the Ashland Public Library.

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2 to 3 p.m.

practices, and priorities around nature and ecology. It will explore how the connection to land can inform our environmental stewardship and community interactions, and how local tribes like the Pennacook have nurtured and sustained their relationship to land.

Thursday, Nov. 13, 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.*

Lego Club

McConnell Center, Room 306

Come build at Lego Club! There will be a specific "Challenge-of-the-day" to work on or you can build from your imagination. This is a family event for people age 5-99.

All LEGO creations stay at the library.
CAUTION: Legos are a choking hazard to children under the age of 3.



DOVERCARES

State, NH Food Bank expanding mobile pantries for SNAP recipients

The State of New Hampshire is partnering with the New Hampshire Food Bank to assist Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients affected by the federal government shutdown. The [NH Food Bank](#) will provide food for mobile pantries specifically for SNAP participants. The NH Food Bank will also provide more food options to SNAP participants at traditional food pantries.

Gather will distribute boxes of non-perishable food plus bags of apples and oranges from the NH Food Bank at its mobile markets. These can only be distributed to SNAP recipients, and recipients must bring their EBT card or certificate for verification. They do not have to be Gather members.

November mobile markets:

- Wednesday, Nov. 12, 12:30-2 p.m., Gosling Meadows, Portsmouth
- Thursday, Nov. 13, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Municipal lot, Hampton
- Thursday, Nov. 13, 1-3 p.m. Rec Center, Seabrook
- Friday, Nov. 14, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tucker's Parking Lot, Dover
- Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1-3 p.m., Whittier Falls, Dover
- Wednesday, Nov. 19, 12:30-2 p.m., Gosling Meadows, Portsmouth
- Tuesday, Nov. 25, 12-3 p.m. Grace Community Church, Rochester
- Wednesday, Nov. 26, 12:30-2 p.m., Gosling Meadows, Portsmouth

[Visit Gather](#) for more information.

The [Seacoast Food Providers Network's website](#) provides a list of food pantries and community meals in the region.

NH secures additional funding to sustain WIC benefits, services through November

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) announced this week that the state has received additional federal funding to sustain the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) during the federal government shutdown. By leveraging this new WIC funding and other existing federal funds DHHS will support WIC families in continuing to receive food benefits and services at local agencies through at least the end of November.

In October, DHHS announced estimated pause dates for WIC [food benefits](#) and [services at local agencies](#) due to a lack of federal WIC funding. The new and redirected federal funding will extend those timelines, enabling 13,000 WIC participants in New Hampshire to continue receiving food benefits past the Thanksgiving holiday. DHHS support for WIC services at local agencies, including nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and referrals to community resources, will also continue through at least the end of November.

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service has also informed all states that partial funding for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) will be available for November. DHHS is taking action to ensure SNAP recipients are able to access November funding as quickly as possible. Further updates will be shared as soon as they are available. Additionally, the State's [partnership with the New Hampshire Food Bank](#) is in place, and [food box pickup locations](#) are open for SNAP recipients.

For the latest DHHS updates on WIC and SNAP during the federal shutdown, please visit dhhs.nh.gov/federalshutdown.

Community Action Partnership of Strafford County extending hours

The Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) has extended its regular hours during the federal government shutdown. CAPSC provides a variety of services to help local residents meet their basic needs.

CAPSC food pantry and outreach office at 577 Central Ave., Dover, will be open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and until 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

During these extended hours, the public will have access to:

- The CAPSC Food Pantry for food, toiletries, and other non-perishable essentials.
- Application assistance for additional CAPSC services such as Energy Assistance (Fuel and Electric), Housing Support, and more.

[Visit CAPSC](#) for more information or call 603-435-2500.

Donations welcome

To meet the growing need, CAPSC is seeking donations of:

- \$25 gift cards for food and gas
- Fresh proteins (beef, chicken, pork)
- Non-perishable goods (soups, vegetables, cereals, granola bars, snack items)

Find a full list of requested items at A full list of requested items is available at straaffordcap.org/donate-items.

Dover's Public Welfare Office provides emergency assistance

The City of Dover's Public Welfare Office is available to coordinate services for city residents who need emergency assistance, including shelter, food and medical care. This includes residents who have had their SNAP benefits suspended during the federal shutdown.

The [Public Welfare Office](#) is located at 61 Locust St., in Room 334 on the third floor of the McConnell Center. It is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone: 603-516-6500.

For after-hours emergency needs, call 603-742-4646, visit the Police Department at 46 Chestnut St., or any of the three fire stations, all available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to request assistance.



Rotary volunteer gardeners gather behind the new Rotary marker following their fall garden cleanup day at Henry Law Park. From left are Dover Rotary President Cathy Beaudoin, Cate Rafferty, Harry Cheney, Doug Locy, Noreen Biehl, Kim Hansen, Phil Rinaldi, Gregg Dowty, Malcolm McNeill and Becky Crowley.

Dover Rotary installs sign in Henry Law Park to celebrate community involvement

As part of a campaign to highlight decades of community connections, the Rotary Club of Dover recently installed a photo collage marker in Henry Law Park, adjacent to Rotary Gardens.

Designed by Rotarians and installed by the city, the sign features a list of ongoing Rotary

programs valued at more than \$150,000 per year.

According to Rotary President Cathy Beaudoin (2025–26), the project began with a suggestion from member “Ram” Ramdev, who hoped to raise public awareness of Rotary’s service projects through the years.

“It’s great to see the marker project come to fruition,” Beaudoin said. “It’s a bright, contemporary look at the good works of our Rotary today, emphasizing years of community involvement. We are grateful to Superintendent Mark Colonna and his team of city workers for their assistance installing the marker, and to Sundance Sign for their craftsmanship.”

The display includes photos of Rotarians participating in community activities and images of completed projects around Dover. It also features a summary of the club’s history, adapted from a speech by Rotarian Malcolm McNeill marking the club’s 100th anniversary.

The Dover Rotary has also installed banners at Henry Law Park and at the train station inviting those interested in learning more about its activities and membership to visit doverrotary.com.



Dover Holiday Parade

FUNDRAISER

TUESDAY

NOVEMBER 18, 2025

OTTO Pizza Dover will donate 10% of the day's sales
(dine in or take out)
to Dover Holiday Parade

JOIN NOW



www.cochechofriends.com

**Support the Dover Holiday Parade by enjoying
pizza on Nov. 18**

On Tuesday, Nov. 18, community members can support the Dover Holiday Parade by

dining in or ordering takeout from Otto Pizza on Central Avenue in Dover. Ten percent of all dine-in and takeout sales that day will be donated to the parade fund.

The Dover Holiday Parade is a long-standing community tradition that depends on local support. Residents are encouraged to gather friends, family, or coworkers and enjoy a meal that helps keep the parade going for years to come.



WINTER IS COMING

ARE YOU READY?

Text DoverNH to 99411 to receive parking ban alerts

Sign up for text alerts at bit.ly/dovercodered

Sign up for e-mail alerts at bit.ly/doverdownload

Current ban status: bit.ly/doverban or 516-PARK

City reminds residents to conserve water as drought persists

The city is reminding residents to conserve water as drought conditions continue across the state. Voluntary restrictions remain in place, first issued by the Dover Utilities Commission on Sept. 15.

The U.S. Drought Monitor's [update shows](#) that Dover remains in severe drought, with some areas of northern Strafford County in extreme drought.

Conservation tips

Residents are encouraged to:

- Limit outdoor watering, especially during the hottest parts of the day.
- Use commercial car washes, which are more water-efficient than washing vehicles

- at home.
- Fix leaks, including faucets and toilets, which can waste thousands of gallons annually.
- Reduce indoor use by shortening showers, turning off faucets while brushing teeth and running dishwashers and washing machines only when full.

For more information on water conservation, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450. To see a video with conservation tips, [click here](#).

Community Development Block Grant applications due Nov. 21

The Department of Planning and Community Development is accepting applications for the fiscal year 2027 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21, 2025, and must be emailed to Community Development Planner Dave Carpenter at d.carpenter@dover.nh.gov.

Application materials are [available online](#) and at the Dover Planning and Community Development Department located at City Hall, 288 Central Ave. Eligible public service agencies, individuals, and organizations can apply for funding for projects during the city's 2027 fiscal year, which runs from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

Eligible activities include property acquisition, public facility improvements, public services, and economic development, with the focus on benefiting low- and moderate-income people, addressing slums and blight, or meeting urgent community needs.

The CDBG program, funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, supports projects that revitalize neighborhoods, expands economic opportunities, and provides improved community facilities and services.

For more information or assistance, contact Dave Carpenter at d.carpenter@dover.nh.gov or 603-516-6008, or visit the [Community Development webpage](#).

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:

- **Parking Enforcement Officer, Per Diem or Part-Time**
- **Police Officer**
- **Swim Instructor, Part-Time**
- **Lifeguard I, Part-Time**
- **Fire Fighter/AEMT**
- **Truck Driver - Streets**
- **Laborer - Public Works Streets & Stormwater**
- **Diesel Mechanic**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic**
- **Utilities Laborer**
- **Truck Driver - Utilities**
- **Utilities Technician**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator I-Utilities**
- **Public Works Supervisor-Streets, Drainage, Snow**
- **Seasonal Snow Plow Driver, Part-Time**
- **Engineer**
- **General Legal Counsel**
- **Lab Technician - Water Resources**
- **Utilities Supervisor**

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

Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Childcare Coordinator-Dover Adult Learning Center (DALC)**
- **Clerical Aide**
- **District Float School Nurse**
- **District Special Education Administrative Assistant**
- **Long Term Substitute - Anticipated Speech Language Assistant**
- **Long Term Substitute - Speech Language Pathologist**
- **Long Term Substitute Grade 7 Special Education**
- **Long Term Substitute Social Studies DHS**
- **Noon Aides/Recess Monitor**
- **Paraprofessionals- Special Education**
- **Substitute Nurses**
- **Substitute Teachers**
- **Third Grade Teacher**

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

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