

DOVER DOWNLOAD



News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



October 2, 2026



**CITY OF
DOVER, NH**

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Avenue
Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

City Hall hours:

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

Apple Harvest Day kicks off 42nd year on Saturday

The 42nd annual Apple Harvest Day will return to downtown Dover on Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The free, family-friendly event, underwritten by First Seacoast Bank, is expected to draw tens of thousands of attendees.



Due to ongoing construction at Lower Henry Law Park, some traditional festival locations have been adjusted this year. Organizers have relocated many vendors, including the food court, to other downtown areas. The Cochecho Kid's Club will be held at the play patio just outside the Children's Museum of New Hampshire, while Wildlife Encounters and various yard games will be set up at Upper Henry Law Park.

New attractions for 2026 include All Star Mobile Hoops, featuring regular and smaller basketball hoops, and a free bicycle valet service. The bike valet, offered by Seacoast

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

Recycling Center hours:

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

Area Bicycle Riders, will be located adjacent to the Orchard Street Parking Garage.

The festival will feature nearly 250 vendors offering crafts, food, and local goods. Food trucks and vendors will be more dispersed throughout the festival this year, with locations at Upper Henry Law Park, Cocheco Mill Courtyard, and the traditional Third Street food court.

The day kicks off with the 18th annual Apple Harvest Day 5K Road Race at 8:30 a.m. The USATF-certified course starts on St. Thomas Street and winds through the city. To promote sustainability, runners will use reusable water cups provided by HydraPak.

Live performances will be held throughout the day on the Rotary Arts Pavilion Stage at Henry Law Park and the Cocheco Mill Courtyard Acoustic Stage. The popular apple pie contest, hosted by radio station WOKQ, will take place at 11 a.m. at the Rotary Arts Pavilion.

For attendees seeking a break, a family respite area and calm room hosted by Twenty-One Senses will be located at Fish Ladder Park. The space gives children and adults a place to step away, take a breath, and reset before rejoining the activities.

For more information about the festival or to register for the 5K, visit appleharvestday.com. Apple Harvest Day is also the topic of this week's Dover Download podcast. [Listen here](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.



Apple Harvest street closures and parking restrictions

Dover Police Chief David Terlemezian announces the following street closures and parking restrictions for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's 42nd annual [Apple Harvest Day festival](#) on Saturday, Oct. 3.

On Saturday, Oct. 3, from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the following streets will be closed to all traffic:

- **Central Avenue southbound**, from Fourth Street to Washington Street
- **First, Second and Third streets** between Chestnut Street and Central Avenue
- **Saint Thomas Street**, from Chestnut Street to Atkinson Street.

Southbound traffic on Central Avenue will be diverted through the Third Street Lot to Chestnut Street. Motorists should expect delays in the downtown area.

Parking and free shuttle service

Free parking and shuttle service will be available from the Brady Sullivan Campus (formerly Liberty Mutual) at [100 Liberty Way](#), accessed from the Sixth Street and Indian Brook Drive intersection. The shuttle service runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., dropping off and picking up passengers downtown in front of the New Hampshire Children's Museum at 6 Washington St.

Limited festival parking will be available at:

- Dover Public Library/McConnell Center municipal lot
- Orchard Street parking garage (requires paid parking)
- Dover Transportation Center lot (requires paid parking)

Additional road closures for Apple Harvest 5K Road Race

Additional road closures are in effect for the [Apple Harvest 5K Road Race](#), which begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3. The [race course](#) starts and finishes on Saint Thomas Street in front of the Dover District Court. Post-race activities will occur on the adjacent McConnell Center lawn.

The following roads will be closed for the race:

- **Saint Thomas Street**, from Chestnut Street to Belknap Street (8 to 10 a.m.)
- **Rutland Street**, from Silver Street to Cataract Avenue (8:30 to 9:30 a.m.)
- **Cataract Avenue**, from Bellamy Road to Rutland Street (8:30 to 9:30 a.m.)
- **Silver Street**, between Belknap Street and Elm Street (8:30 to 8:45 a.m.) The closure will be brief to allow participants to cross Silver Street early in the race.
- **Bellamy Road** will be restricted to a single lane of alternating traffic between Cataract Avenue and Sunset Drive when runners are present.

The course utilizes a portion of the Dover Community Trail between Fisher and Folsom streets.

Parking restrictions

On-street parking will be prohibited during the overnight of Friday, Oct. 2, and all day on Saturday, Oct. 3, at the following locations:

- **Central Avenue**, from Third Street to Washington Street
- **Third Street**, from Chestnut Street to Central Avenue
- Posted areas of **First Street** and **Second Street**
- **Saint Thomas Street**, from Chestnut Street to Atkinson Street

For questions about traffic restrictions, contact the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646. For questions about the festival and 5K race, contact the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 603-742-2218

CIP before joint session of City Council, Planning Board on Oct. 7

City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr. will present the proposed FY2028-2033 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) to the City Council and Planning Board at a joint workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 7. The joint session begins at 7 p.m. in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

After the CIP is presented, the Planning Board and City Council will conduct their own review of the proposed CIP, which outlines \$243,018,282 in total overall project funding over six years. The Planning Board reviews the CIP to ensure the proposed projects are based upon priorities established in the Master Plan. The Planning Board will review the CIP on Oct. 13 and Oct. 27. Following the Planning Board's input, the City Council will hold its review and public hearings. The City Council is expected to refer the CIP to a public hearing on Oct. 28. A final vote to adopt the CIP is scheduled for Dec. 9.

The City Council's CIP adoption process includes three resolutions: adopting the six-year document, approving FY28 capital reserve fund appropriations for non-debt-financed projects, and authorizing appropriation and bonding for FY28 debt-financed projects. The CIP's first-year projects and appropriations will become part of the FY28 municipal budget that the city manager will present to the City Council in February. While the City Council will vote to adopt the entire six-year plan, it will approve funding only for the first year of the program: \$30,645,418 for FY2028, as proposed.

The CIP prioritizes all capital spending of \$25,000 or more for items with a useful life of three years or longer. It includes cost estimates, recommended project schedules, and financing methods, including debt financing, the annual operating budget, capital reserve funds, and grant funding. The CIP is the first step in preparing the annual municipal budget. The Capital Improvements Program [webpage](#) will be updated with the proposed FY2028-2033 CIP after the Oct. 7 presentation. Physical copies will also be available at the Planning Department's office in City Hall and the Dover Public Library.



Rollins Road, Highland Avenue water main work begins this month

The City of Dover will replace an aging and undersized water main on Rollins Road and Highland Avenue beginning this month. The City of Dover's water system supplies water for a section of Rollinsford through a franchise agreement.

The new water main will be installed on Rollins Road from the Oak Street intersection to Highland Avenue, and on Highland Avenue. New public water service lines will also be replaced. The City of Dover has contracted with MacKinnon and Sons to perform the work for \$425,000

Workers will mobilize equipment and supplies to the project area on Thursday, Oct. 8, with excavation work on Rollins Road starting on Monday, Oct. 13. The project is estimated to take about 35 work days, conditions permitting. Trenches will be paved for the winter with final pavement slated for 2027.

Rollins Road will be reduced to one lane of alternating traffic during work hours, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., when workers are present. Flaggers will also be at the Oak Street intersection when work occurs there early in the project. Motorists should anticipate delays through the area.

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

Utility work begins on Old Littleworth Road next week

A City of Dover contractor will begin replacing an aging water infrastructure and install new sewer infrastructure on Old Littleworth Road beginning Monday, Oct. 5.

The work is the first phase of the project that will also replace water infrastructure on Littleworth Road from the railroad crossing to Columbus Avenue starting in the Spring of 2027.

Local traffic will be maintained on Old Littleworth Road, but residents should anticipate delays. The Old Littleworth Road utility work is anticipated to be completed before the winter, weather permitting.

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

Oak Street closure remains in effect

Oak Street will remain closed to through traffic from Central Avenue to Broadway to facilitate water utility work on Central Avenue.

The closure will be in effect during construction hours, Monday-Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The intersection will reopen during the evenings, weekends, and any day when work does not occur.

Oak Street will be closed to local traffic only at the Broadway/Rollins Road intersection. Motorists traveling to and from Oak Street to Central Avenue will be detoured via Broadway and Pierce Street.

The Oak Street entrances to 679 Central Ave. (Dollar Tree), and 701 Central Ave. (Wentworth-Douglass Express Care, Kennebunk Savings) remain open for local Oak Street traffic access from the Broadway/Rollins Road intersection. These properties can also be accessed from their Central Avenue driveways.

Reservoir Street is closed at Central Avenue. Access to Reservoir Street will be from Mount Vernon Street.

The work is part of the [Central Avenue Urban Core Water Improvements](#) to replace a critical water transmission line on Central Avenue from Broadway to Abbey Sawyer Memorial Drive, and on Abbey Sawyer Memorial Drive to the water tank. The contractor for the project is S.U.R. Construction, Inc., of Rochester.

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

Daily lane closures on Spaulding Turnpike southbound begin Monday

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation will begin daily lane closures on the southbound Spaulding Turnpike in Dover on Monday, Oct. 5, as work continues to demolish the General Sullivan Bridge.

Weather permitting, lane closures will be in effect from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. between mile markers 4.2 and 3.6. The closures are expected to continue through approximately Monday, Nov. 16. The lane closures will allow crews to remove the center span of the General Sullivan Bridge.

Drivers can also sign up for free, real-time construction and traffic-related alerts by text or email at NewEngland511.org.

The work is part of the ongoing demolition of the General Sullivan Bridge between Dover and Newington. Reed & Reed Inc. of Woolwich, Maine, is the general contractor for the \$28.4 million project, which is scheduled for completion in summer 2027.

Upcoming Meetings:

City Council - Ordinance Committee, Oct. 5, 8:30 a.m.

The City Council Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 5, 2026, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Board of Health, Oct. 5, 6 p.m.

The Board of Health will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 5, 2026, beginning at 6 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

City Council and Planning Board, Oct. 7, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop with the Planning Board on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

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

- [Segregation and Recycling of Construction and Demolition Debris](#)
- [Fire & Rescue Operations Management System](#)
- [On Call Contractors](#)

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](#).

[View a complete list of upcoming meetings.](#)

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

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

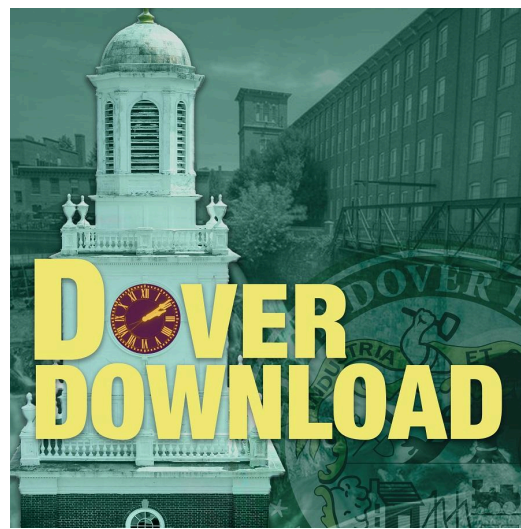
Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including:

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

[View the complete list of city boards and committees.](#)

To apply, [complete an application](#), and return it to the City Clerk's Office, or [email it to](#) City Clerk Jerrica Vanslyvong-Bizier. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

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



Apple Harvest Day: Dover's "Homecoming" Turns 42

In the [latest](#) episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Margaret Joyce and Jed Allen of the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce about the 42nd annual Apple Harvest Day on Saturday, Oct. 3, 2026. What began as a small craft fair on Orchard Street with about a dozen crafters has grown into a signature event often described as Dover's homecoming, with roughly 250 vendors, two food courts, a road race, an apple pie contest and entertainment on two stages.

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



Voter registration event at Library on Oct. 17

The city's Supervisors of the Checklist will host a voter registration event on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Dover Public Library's Community Room, 73 Locust St.

During this session, supervisors will register new voters, record address changes, and

make necessary corrections to the voter checklist.

Residents may also register at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall during regular hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

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

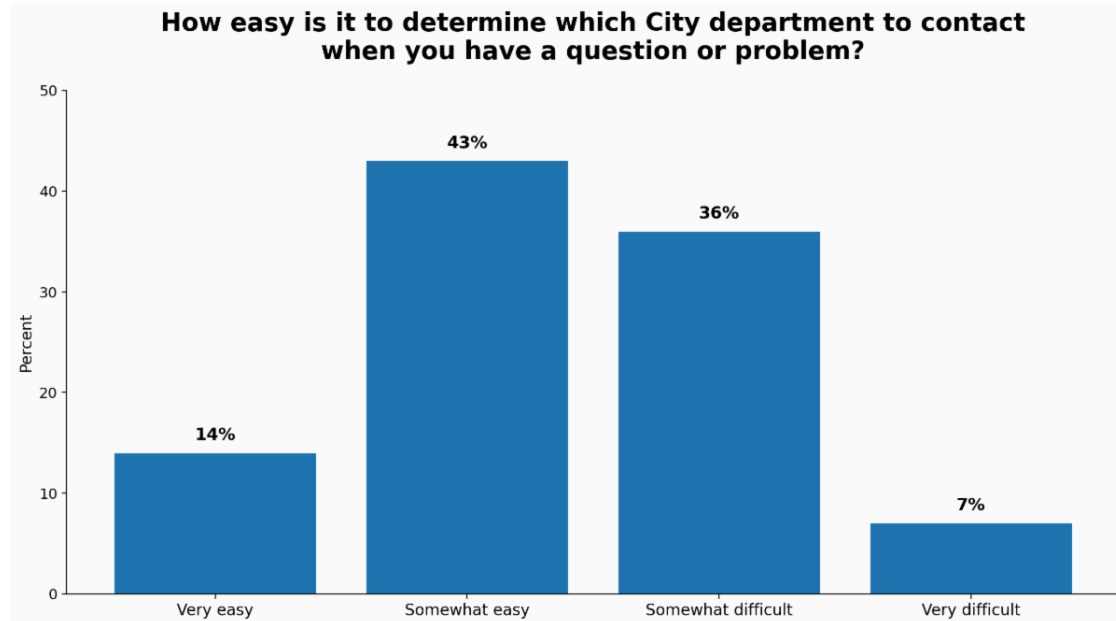
This week's question:

"How often do you use Dover sidewalks for walking or running?"

[Let us know.](#)

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

Here are the results from last week's poll:



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

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

Oct. 4, 1762 — Town officials voted to construct a new bridge over the Bellamy River, deciding to build it at or near the site of a previous, aging structure. The town raised 1,200 pounds to fund the infrastructure project, a significant municipal investment in the colonial era. The Bellamy River served as a vital waterway for Dover's early transportation and subsequent mill development.

Oct. 9, 1804 — A violent and destructive late-season tempest known historically as the Snow Hurricane of 1804 battered the New England coast. The storm caused devastating shipwrecks and loss of life, with Dover feeling the tragic effects along its waterways. The system brought plunging temperatures and a massive, unseasonal blizzard. The bitter cold froze large crops of unharvested potatoes in the ground, dealing a heavy blow to local farmers. Snowdrifts piled so high against fences that some of the snow reportedly lingered until April of the following year.

Oct. 6, 1842 — The cornerstone of Dover's first dedicated Town Hall was laid this day during a ceremony featuring remarks by John Parker Hale, a prominent local lawyer who would later become a U.S. Senator and a leading national abolitionist. The building was located at the corner of Washington Street and Central Avenue. To commemorate the occasion, a time capsule was placed in a box beneath the cornerstone. It contained a sketch of Dover, a village map, a roster of town officers, local newspapers, pamphlets, coins, and other artifacts intended to preserve a snapshot of the town's civic life for future generations. Dover's first Town Hall stood for 24 years before burning down on Nov. 23, 1866. Its successor, Dover's second City Hall (after Dover became a city), was built on the exact same site in 1868 and ultimately met a similar fate when it was destroyed by fire in 1889. Today's City Hall is Dover's fourth. Dover's third City Hall, an imposing structure that included an Opera House and was built on the same site as Dover's current City Hall, was dedicated in 1891 but also burned down on Aug. 3, 1933.

Oct. 5, 1858 — The New Hampshire State Fair was held in Dover for the second time, taking place on Ricker Field. The event drew a massive crowd, setting a new record for receipts with \$6,000 collected. Adjusted for inflation, that sum is roughly equivalent to over \$230,000 today.

Oct. 6, 1925 — Foster's Daily Democrat announced it would provide a live play-by-play account of the World Series between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the defending champion Washington Senators. In an era before widespread radio ownership in homes, the newspaper staff creatively relayed the action to the public by shouting the play-by-play updates through a megaphone directly from their downtown Dover office to the crowds gathered outside.

Rural Community Trail section remains closed for drainage work

A 1.5-mile rural section of the [Dover Community Trail](#) remains closed through the former Liberty Mutual property for drainage work. The closure is anticipated to last 2-4 weeks.

A contractor for the new property owner is replacing a failing culvert that conveys Indian Brook underneath the Community Trail to its nearby confluence with the Cochecho River. Soil erosion from stream flow going around the failing culvert has created safety issues for trail users, including a sinkhole. The project was reviewed and approved by the Conservation Commission and Planning Board and has received necessary state permits to proceed.

The existing 42-inch corrugated metal pipe will be replaced with a 48-inch high-density polyethylene plastic pipe. It is designed to improve hydraulic capacity, reduce erosion,

restore the trail surface, and protect the city's existing sewer crossing, according to the project documents submitted to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board. The property is now owned and being redeveloped by Brady Sullivan through its entity Dover NH Property LLC. The Community Trail runs through the property's conservation area.

For more information about the work, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450. For information about the Community Trail, contact the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.

City urges water conservation amid ongoing drought conditions

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

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

Current aquifer levels were discussed at the City Council's workshop on the city's water utility system on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026. The Dover Utilities Commission discussed groundwater levels and drought conditions at its [meeting](#) on Monday, Sept. 21.

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

Ways to conserve water

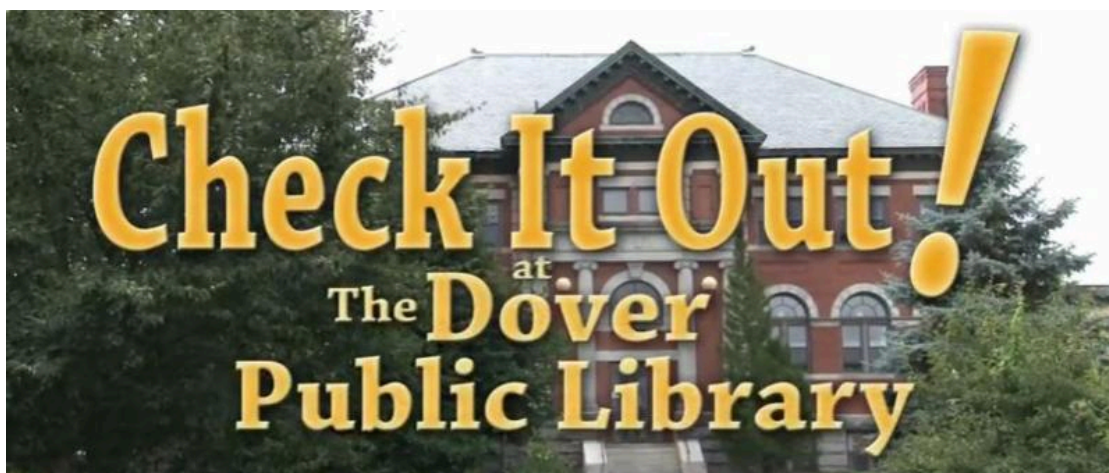
The public can conserve water in many ways:

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

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

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

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



Library closed Saturday for Apple Harvest Day

The Dover Public Library will be closed on Saturday, Oct. 3, 2026, for Apple Harvest Day.

Visit with library staff at their booth during the festival.

For more information, contact the Library at 603-516-6050.

This Week at the Library

Monday, Oct. 5, 3 to 5 p.m.

Adult Crafternoon

Meeting Room 2 (Leach Room)

Join Dover Arts and Makerspace Librarian Rachel for social crafting and light crafty tech help. Bring a project that you're struggling with or just something to work on with fellow crafters.

Monday, Oct. 5, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Grappone Automotive: The Founding Community Room

Author Amanda Osmer discusses her book *Grappone Automotive: The Founding!* This captivating story offers a glimpse into the early days of the Grappone and D'Orlando families, their journey to New Hampshire, and the origins of the Grappone Automotive Group.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adult Knitting Group

Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

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

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Baby Storytime

Community Room

Thursday, Oct. 8, 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Medicare Basics

Trustees Room

Medicare does not need to be confusing or stressful! Come learn from a former educator how Medicare works, what you need to do to get ready, and when.

Thursday, Oct. 8, 6:30 to 8:15 pm

Reading Rainbow Book Group

Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

Join Reading Rainbow, Dover Public Library's Queer book group as we discuss *Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant* by Curtis Chin.

Copies of the book will be available to borrow from the library and some through Hoopla or Libby. All are welcome at this inclusive book group.

Friday, Oct. 9, 10 to 11 a.m.

Family Place Workshop

Community Room

Spend time together, play, make friends and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development during this enjoyable 5-week workshop series. For caregivers and children one to four years old. Topics include early literacy, child development, speech, hearing and language, nutrition, and music, play and health.

Register once for the entire five week series.

For babies 0-24 months and their caregivers. Join for songs, movement, rhymes, and stories.

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

Whether you're new to genealogical research or a seasoned pro, this group is a great way to meet others who share the same passion, can give you advice in your research, and listen to your newly-discovered family histories.

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime
Community Room

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

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
All Abilities Club: Bingo
Community Room

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

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Drop-In Art Lab for Kids
Program Room (Mullen)

Kids of all ages are invited to bring their imagination and creativity to the Drop-In Open Art Lab. A variety of supplies will be available for you to use to create artwork of your own design.

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 5 to 8 pm
Library Pop-Up:
Beat the Librarians Trivia Night
Garrison City Beerworks

Think you have what it takes to defeat the Dover Public Library staff at trivia? Test your knowledge from 6-8pm at Garrison City's weekly trivia night! Join us for general knowledge trivia (along with some literary questions thrown in, of course), food, drinks, and fun!

Friday, Oct. 9, 10:30 to 11:30 am

Virtual Presidential Series:

John Tyler

Register: <https://ow.ly/zPHM50ZSTV6>

A yearlong series with "America's Preeminent Presidential Doodler,"

Heather Rogers, sharing curious facts, surprising tidbits, and lively illustrations of U.S. presidents. This month we're talking John Tyler: One of two presidents to be widowed and remarry while in office, and had more kids than any other president!

Friday, Oct. 9, 1 to 2 p.m.
Lego STEM Challenge
Community Room

Kids in grades K-5 are invited to try out Lego STEM Challenges. There will be a variety of stations to explore, build, test, and rebuild! There will also be a Free Build station where you can build from your imagination. All LEGO creations will stay at the library. *Registration required.*

Friday, Oct. 9, 2 to 3 p.m.
Creepy Clay Crafting for Teens
Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

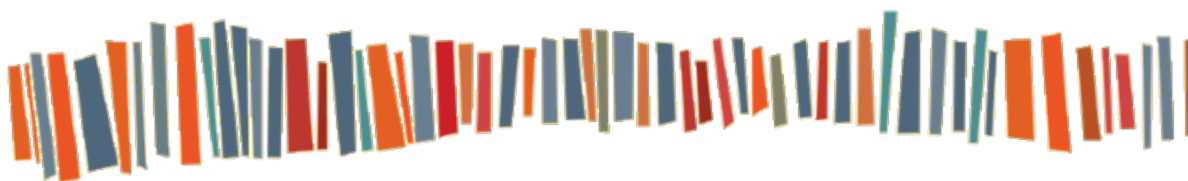
Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to join us as we make creepy creations using air dry clay! Will your clay creation turn out weird or wonderful (or both)?? All supplies will be provided.

Saturday, Oct. 10, 10 to 11 a.m.
French Conversation Group
Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

Want to practice your French language skills with others in a friendly low-stress environment? The Library is lucky to have Parisienne Sarah L. facilitating this new group. Sarah will get the conversation started and will offer some simple worksheets for skill building. This group meets twice a month.

Saturday, Oct. 10, 10:30 to 11 a.m.
Crayon Leaf Rubbing
Children's Room

Join in some good old fashioned leaf rubbing with crayons! This program is for children ages 3 and up with their grownups. All supplies provided.



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

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

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

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

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

Hazardous Waste Collection Day is for residents only. Proof of residency is required. There is no cost to dispose of waste at the event.

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

Sunday hours at the Recycling Center begin Nov. 1

The City of Dover Recycling Center will be open additional hours on Sundays, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., from Sunday, Nov. 1 through Sunday, Dec. 6.

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 603-516-6450.

Fall leaf collection begins Nov. 2

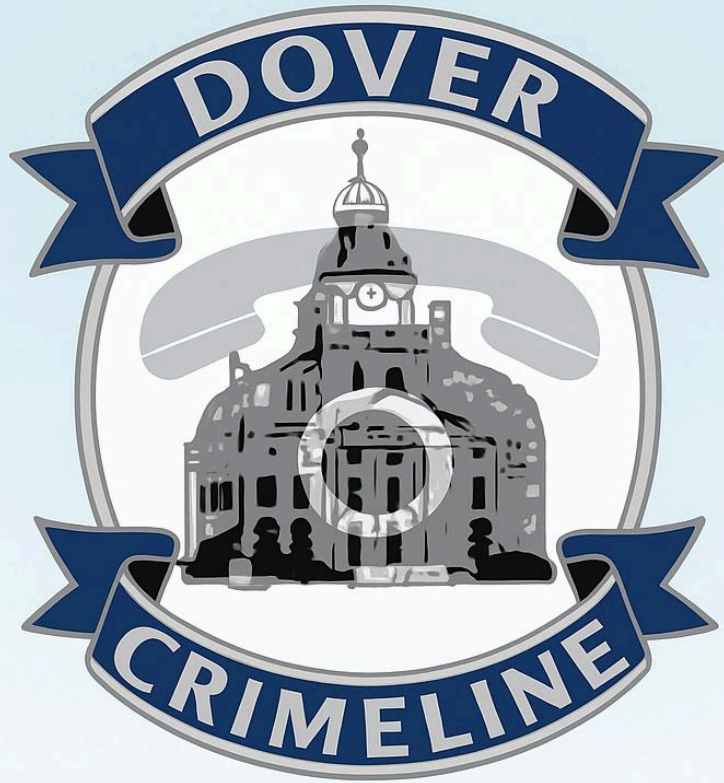
The City of Dover 2026 fall leaf collection will begin Monday, Nov. 2 and continue for six weeks, Monday through Friday, through Dec. 11.

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. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27, 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.



**REPORT A CRIME
ANONYMOUSLY.**



CALL 603-749-6000



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

Report crimes anonymously to Dover CrimeLine

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

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

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

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

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

Red Cross declares emergency blood shortage

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



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

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

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

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

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Dover

- Saturday, Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Bellamy Cove Collaborative](#), 97 Piscataqua Road
 - Tuesday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., [St. Mary Church](#), 25 Chestnut St.
 - Friday, Oct. 9, 1 to 6 p.m., [St. Johns United Methodist Church](#), 28 Cataract Ave.
 - Monday, Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., [Bill Dube Ford/Toyota](#), 40 Dover Point Road
 - Thursday, Oct. 15, 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., [Dover Baptist Church](#), 151 Washington St.
 - Thursday, Oct. 22, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., [Dover Honda](#), 1 Dover Point Road
 - Saturday, Oct. 24, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Wentworth-Douglass Hospital](#), 789 Central Ave.
 - Tuesday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., [Dover Moose Hall](#), 45 Chestnut St.
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DoverTV has a new online home for live streaming and on-demand video, making it easier to watch municipal meetings, school programming and other local content from anywhere.

Visit bit.ly/doverTV to watch DoverTV channels live and browse available programs, meetings, series and playlists on demand. A link to DoverTV live streaming and on-

demand video is also available from the homepage of the City of Dover website at www.dover.nh.gov.

DoverTV also continues to air on local cable:

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

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

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

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:

- **Media Services Technician, Part-Time**
- **Water Treatment Plant Supervisor**
- **Water Treatment Operator**
- **Diesel Mechanic**
- **Account Clerk II - Water & Sewer Billing**
- **Police Officer**
- **Swim Instructor, Part-Time**
- **Lifeguard I, Part-Time**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic**
- **Truck Driver-Laborer**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator 1-Utilities**
- **Arena Maintenance / Ice Resurfacer, SPT**
- **Arena Attendant, SPT**
- **Water Exercise Instructor II, Part-Time**
- **Custodian - McConnell Center, Part-Time**
- **Custodian, Part-Time**
- **Library Page, Part-Time**
- **Laborer - Facilities, Grounds & Cemeteries**

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:

- **ESOL Newcomer Interventionist - One Year Only**
- **Noon Supervisors**
- **Noon Aide**
- **Physical Education/Wellness Teacher - Long Term Substitute**
- **Gymnastics Coach**
- **Paraprofessionals-Special Education**
- **Substitute Teachers**

- **Substitute Nurses**
- **Elementary School Classroom Teacher**
- **Girls Middle School Volleyball Coach**

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

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