



CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

CITY CONNECTER

SPRING 2018

SATURDAY, MAY 19 IS FAMILY FUN DAY!

ENJOY THESE FREE, FAMILY ORIENTED EVENTS!



Public Works Open House

10:30am-1:30pm

Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road

Enjoy demonstrations, tours and refreshments.

See what Public Works is all about! This event is a family favorite. Ride the bucket truck, climb on the work trucks, see the beautiful plants in the greenhouse, squirt the big water sprayer and more! There will be a guided tree tour of Greenbelt's Significant Trees led by the Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT) starting at 1:00pm. For more information contact Luisa Robles, 240-542-2153, lrobles@greenbeltmd.gov.



Celebration of Spring

2:00pm-6:00pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

Come enjoy arts & crafts, activities, performances, food, and music with Greenbelt Recreation and your neighbors and friends. Children and parents alike will be delighted on this fun-filled day. This will be the perfect family event to help shake off the cold days of Winter as we spring into action during our Celebration of Spring. Please call the weather information hotline, 301-474-0646, the morning of the event for updated event status.



COMING SOON: NEW GREENBELT RECREATION LOGO

Promoting Fun, Fitness, and Friendship

After an extensive survey and marketing study, Greenbelt Recreation is ready to present a brand new look that will emphasize the department's commitment to the needs of the Greenbelt Community!

Join us for a...

LAUNCH PARTY

March 31st at Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Road
10am-12pm (During the Easter Egg Hunt)

Get new program discounts • Receive giveaways • Provide feedback on our new logo.

Along with the departments' new tagline, Fun, Fitness, and Friendship, the new logo depicts commitment to provide diverse programming and facilities to the Greenbelt community.

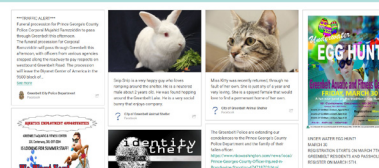


AMERICAN RED CROSS LIFEGUARD CLASS

Why not train to be a lifeguard? The Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center is always looking for qualified lifeguards.

Training is provided at the facility. Mandatory Lifeguarding Pre-Test will be held on Saturday, March 17 or March 24. Lifeguarding Class will be held from April 2-April 6, M-F, from 9am-4:30pm. For more information on how to register, please call 301-397-2208 or download the Greenbelt Recreation Spring Activity Guide at www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation.

Greenbelt Info Wall



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THERE'S NOW MORE TO RECYCLE AT THE BUDDY ATTICK PARK RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTER, 555 CRESCENT ROAD



Buddy Attick Park Drop-Off Center has those familiar 95 gallon blue rolling carts where you can put all your co-mingled recycling, but, there is so much more that you can recycle at the center!



Recycle automotive oil, oil filters, and antifreeze in the larger shed. Pour the oil and antifreeze carefully to avoid spills and close the lids on the receptacles. Put the empty containers in the trash to the right of the shed.



Green and yellow dumpsters are for paper, newspaper, office paper, glossy inserts, magazines, etc. Flattened cardboard boxes can go in some containers.

The small shed is for all used clothing no matter what state it is in, as well as shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys. All donations have to be in plastic bags properly tied. No cutup pieces of fabric, fabric scraps rags, toys or household goods.



A TerraCycle station (www.terracecycle.com) is now available. Currently, the bins are inside Public Works, but they will soon be out in the station. Non-recyclable pre-consumer and post-consumer waste is turned into a raw material to be used in new products. Greenbelt is participating in 6 campaigns or brigades and may collect the following materials:

Brita® Brand: dispensers, bottles, bottle filters, standard filters, stream filters, longlast filters, filter packaging, faucet filtration systems and pitchers.

PUR® Brand: pitchers, filters, faucet mounts and adapters, packaging film, and dispensers.

Clif Bar: foil-lined energy bar wrappers, granola bar wrappers; meal replacement bar wrappers; protein bar wrappers; and diet bar wrappers; Clif Bar & Co. wrappers from Clif Bars, Luna Bars, MOJO, Builders, Crunch, Clif Kid Z-Bar, Kits Organic, Clif Kid Z-Fruit, Shot Bloks, Shot Gels, and Shot Drinks; pouches from Clif Organic Energy Food.



GoGo Squeeze: Healthy snack plastic pouches and caps.

Snack Bags: Family-size snack bags, individual snack bags, and multipack snack bags.

Oral Recycling: Toothpaste tubes and caps, toothbrushes, toothpaste cartons, toothbrush outer packaging, and floss containers. *Please note: Electric toothbrushes, battery toothbrushes, and/or their parts are not recyclable through the program.*

Please help us by putting the proper recyclables in the appropriate receptacles and closing those receptacles when done. Remember that items should be loose, not in plastic bags, and other materials are not accepted. Please call the Sustainability Coordinator, Luisa Robles, at 240-542-2153 or email at lrobles@greenbeltnmd.gov if you have any questions.

Thank you for recycling!

MARYLAND RENTER'S TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

The Maryland Renter's Tax Credit Program provides financial assistance to help low-income tenants with their rent.

Qualified renters may receive up to \$1,000 yearly or \$83.33 per month toward rent. Tax credit amounts vary due to a renter's income. The credit is paid as a direct check from the State of Maryland. A renter's total assets may not exceed \$200,000

People that may apply include: Seniors over 60; Permanently disabled renters; Some families with dependents under 18 years old; Others who meet the low-income requirements; and Surviving spouse of a renter who met the requirements.



For more information, call the Maryland Tax Credit Hotline at 443-961-6220 or visit www.MarylandTaxCredit.com.
Need help filing? Make an appointment to sit down with a specialist who can help you fill out the correct form at 443-961-6220.



NEW SERVICES, NEW WEBSITE, NEW WAYS TO CONNECT! We are in the process of making it all much easier to connect to the City of Greenbelt. Pardon our dust at www.greenbeltnmd.gov as we make these changes over the next several months. Questions? Contact bpalau@greenbeltnmd.gov.



CRITICALLY MISSING PERSON PROJECT

The Greenbelt Police Department in partnership with the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL) have developed a project to address critically missing Greenbelt residents with Autism, Intellectual, Developmental Disabilities, Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of cognitive impairment. The ability to provide information in a clear and concise manner is essential to bringing a person home safely. The Alzheimer's Association states that 6 out of 10 people with Alzheimer's/Dementia will wander in their lifetime. The goal of the project is to provide residents with potential tools to prevent wandering as well as an efficient protocol to follow if a person wanders away from their home.

1. Register for the Greenbelt Alert System: Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/alerts and click on **Critically Missing Person Project** to register to receive text alerts, emails or calls notifying you if a Greenbelt resident is missing. Alerts will include physical details about the missing person, a picture and specific information that would be useful in bringing that person home to their family and friends. There is also a free mobile app for iPhone and Android -"Everbridge Mobile Member."

2. Enroll in the Program: Please enroll your high-risk loved one in the program. It is free. Just complete a registration form about your at risk loved one, which includes basic information about them and a photo. The Greenbelt Police will add your loved one to a data base and will have this information on file to share quickly with all local sources that could help locate them.

An online form is available at www.greenbeltmd.gov/CMSform or you may download the pdf from www.greenbeltmd.gov/CMP, fill it out and mail to: Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program Attention CMP Project 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 You may also just come in to either the City Office, 25 Crescent Road or the Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road and pick up a hard copy of the form.



GREENBELT CARES PRESENTS NEW COUNSELING PROGRAMS

Helping individuals and families thrive!

Greenbelt CARES is now offering new counseling programs.

Parent Child Interaction Therapy is designed to meet the needs of parents of children ages 2 – 7. Parents are taught skills in communicating and connecting with their pre-school age child through play. Parents progress to learning age appropriate strategies for discipline and behavior management.

Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach or A-CRA provides outpatient substance abuse counseling for adolescents. Adolescents and their caregivers learn skills in effective communication, problem solving, stress management, and relapse prevention. The A-CRA counselor works with the family to develop positive peer relationships and participation in recreational activity in the community.

Appointments are available Monday late afternoon and evenings until 8:30pm, and daytime hours between 8:30am and 5:00pm, Tuesday through Friday. Call CARES at 301 345-6660.

NEW ARTS OFFERINGS!



We're happy to announce that Greenbelt Recreation's Arts Program is adding three new classes to our regular course offerings. We're excited to offer new classes to meet the demands of our artistic Greenbelt teens and pre-teens ages 10-15! **Drawing and Design**, taught by Amanda Larsen, will focus on all sorts of drawing styles and how to refine sketches and doodles into masterful compositions. The culminating project will be silk-screening t-shirts with student designs! **Geometry and Art for Homeschoolers**, taught by Leah Cohen, will make a variety of two-dimensional and three-dimensional art works, inspired by geometry!

Our third new art class, **Exploring Color**, is for ages 16 and up and will be taught by Racquel Keller. This class is an excellent "add-on" for artists working in any medium. Whether glazing ceramics, painting in oil, building mixed media collages or making any sort of visual art; this class will help the artist fine tune and be more aware of the use of color.

Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts



PHOTO CONTEST!

The City of Greenbelt is redesigning its website at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Be a part of your community website by submitting your picturesque photos of Greenbelt! Our web team will pick their favorites to use on the new site and provide you with a credit!

We are proud of Greenbelt. Show us what you love about YOUR Greenbelt!

Email your photos to bpalau@greenbeltmd.gov with the subject "webphotos."

Include your full name and phone number.

We will feature all photos on the City's Facebook Page. Deadline is April 27th!



Postal Customer

CITY OF GREENBELT UPCOMING EVENTS



UNDERWATER EGG HUNT

Friday, March 30, various times

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Centerway

A fun new twist on the traditional Egg Hunt! This is always a very popular event; registration is limited to 30 children per section.

For more information call 301-397-2204.

ANNUAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 31, begins promptly at 10:00am

18 months-4th grade, FREE Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Rd.

Celebrate spring and this egg-citing event! Bring your baskets to collect all the eggs; one golden egg hidden for each age group. We will also have a special visit from Mr. Bunny. Immediately following the hunt, join us in welcoming Mandy the Clown's Crazy Fun Juggling Show. Don't forget to bring your cameras! In case of inclement weather, please call the weather hotline, 301-474-0646.

SPRING SKATE SERIES

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Ln.

Fridays: March 30, April 20, and May 18, 5:00pm-7:00pm,

Bring the family and join your friends at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center gymnasium. Roller-skates provided free of charge or bring your own. Info: 301-397-2212.

COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN DAYS

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd.

Select Sundays, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Enjoy free hands-on workshops. All materials are provided and reservations are not required. In addition, enjoy art gallery and Greenbelt Museum exhibits at your leisure.

Sunday, April 8, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Make your own stamps in a workshop led by Karen Arrington, Artist in Residence. Great for creating cards, scrapbooks and artwork.

Sunday, May 6, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Learn to draw the natural world from observation and take field notes with Greenbelt Biota.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrwood Lane

Saturday, April 7, 10:00am-12:00pm

The City of Greenbelt will be celebrating Arbor Day with a tree restoration planting volunteer opportunity. We will be planting native trees and shrubs at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. For more information contact Jason Martin, 240-542-2168, jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Road

Saturday, April 28, 10:00am-12:00pm

Join the City of Greenbelt, CHEARS, Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES), and the Alice Ferguson Foundation for a food forest planting, trail maintenance and bench installation at Buddy Attick Park. For more information contact Jason Martin, 240-542-2168, jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov.

WOMEN'S SOCIAL RIDE

Roosevelt Center/Board and Brew

Saturday, May 12, 11:00am-1:00pm

Join us for a casual ride! The social ride focuses on building a community for women who ride bikes. Come with questions, bike, water, helmet, and a lock. The ride will start and end at Roosevelt Center. We'll ride to the Board and Brew in College Park for lunch then back to Greenbelt. We will meet at 11:00am. The ride will be about 11 miles, round trip. Friendly pace, social ride around town. Riders of all levels welcomed! For more information call Alison Longworth, 240-542-2198. Free to join, lunch on your own.

BIKE TO WORK DAY 2018

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center parking lot, 101 Centerway

Friday, May 18, 6:30am-8:30am

Commuter Connections and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association invites you to join over 17,000 area commuters for a celebration of bicycling as a clean, fun and healthy way to get to work. The Greenbelt Pit Stop will be one of 85+ Pit Stops in the regional area. Refreshments will be provided to registered participants arriving by bike. Register at biketoworkmetrodc.org; Info: Di Quynn-Reno, 240-542-2053.

STAINED GLASS WORKSHOP

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road

June 9, 11:00am-3:00pm, Ages 16+

Make a stained glass window hanging with glass artist Maureen Stone. Learn to cut, foil, position, and solder stained glass around a geode cross-section. No experience is necessary! Costs \$36 for residents and \$47 for non-residents. Info: www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

