



CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

CITY CONNECTER

Spring 2019



CITY ELECTION IS NOVEMBER 5, 2019

DID YOU KNOW... the minimum voting age for the City Election has changed to 16 years old? The last day to register to vote in this election is Monday, October 7, 2019. All the information you need to register to vote is available at www.greenbeltmd.gov/elections.

ARE YOU THINKING OF RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL?

Any qualified voter who is at least 18 years of age may be nominated for the office of member of Council upon filing at the office of the City Clerk a nominating petition signed by not fewer than fifty (50) registered voters, a written acceptance of the nomination, and such other statements as may be required by charter or by

law. Upon the finding by the City Clerk that the nomination petition, the written acceptance, and such other statements as may be required are in order, the name of such nominee shall be authorized to be placed upon the ballot. Monday, August 19 is the first day to obtain papers and file a nomination petition. Monday, September 23 by 5:00 p.m. is the last day to file a nomination petition.

Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/elections or contact the city clerk at banderson@greenbeltmd.gov, 301-474-8000.

FISHING AT GREENBELT LAKE

Fishing at Greenbelt Lake is a fun activity for individuals and families, but there are a few rules and suggestions you should follow.

If you are 16 or older, you need to get a fishing license. You can get one online at <https://compass.dnr.maryland.gov>. The money you pay for your fishing license goes towards conservation efforts and protects you from getting fined.



As you may know, Greenbelt Lake is mostly filled by storm water, so don't eat the fish! When you release the fish back into the lake, please don't throw it back in, as this would probably kill them. Gently release the hook and place the fish back in to the lake. You can see a demonstration on how to release a fish on the City's YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/YeybN0HWV1s>.

Clean up all your fishing materials including lines, hooks, etc. These materials can be dangerous to other wildlife at the lake. "Leave no Trace" and let others enjoy the lake as you did.

Get social with the City of Greenbelt!

cityofgreenbelt on Facebook

@cityofgreenbelt on Twitter and Instagram

City of Greenbelt on YouTube

cgreenbelt on Pinterest.

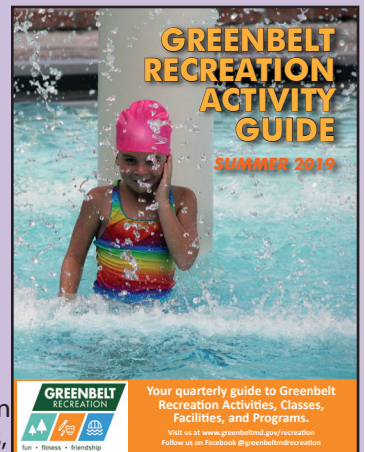
Check out the City's new LinkedIn pages

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/city-of-greenbelt/about>

CHECK IT OUT!

DON'T MISS ANOTHER SPECIAL EVENT OR CLASS YOU WANTED TO TAKE!

Published quarterly, this guide includes information on recreation facilities and parks, special events, and recreation class programs.



www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation
Or, pick one up at any city recreation facility.
Please call 301-397-2200 for more information.



GREENBELT CITY ROUNDUP RETURNS!

Want to stay up to date with some of what the City Government is doing? Follow our blog at www.greenbeltcityroundup.blogspot.com

Sign up to get notifications of new blog posts and other City services and events through "Stay Connected" notification list serve available on through

the City's website at www.greenbeltmd.gov

The lighter side of government!

AGING IN PLACE

The GAIL program, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland, will offer Aging in Place services for income qualified individuals in Greenbelt! This includes Habitat for Humanity's CAPABLE program which serves older adults who are experiencing challenges with activities of daily living by providing a more holistic approach to the idea of Aging In Place.

With the CAPABLE program, income qualified older adults have access to an Occupational Therapist and Registered Nurse, both of whom will conduct a series of visits in order to assist in the identification of challenges, setting of goals, and outlining of action plans for those goals. Within the parameters of the program, Habitat for Humanity is able to provide minor home modifications per the recommendation of the occupational therapist, which are geared toward improving independence.



To find out more about the services offered and the eligibility requirements please contact the GAIL Program office at 301-345-6660 ext. 2029 or 2012. Eligibility is based on income and not assets.



NALOXONE (NARCAN) TRAINING AND AVAILABILITY

Naloxone is a life-saving medication that can quickly restore the breathing of a person experiencing an opioid overdose. Opioids are a group of drugs that include heroin and prescription medications like oxycodone, hydrocodone, morphine, fentanyl and methadone. Naloxone is available as a generic drug or under the brand names NARCAN® and EVZIO®

IT IS AVAILABLE FREE AND WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION!

Call (301)583-5920 to register for free training and a free intranasal naloxone kit, which reverses an opioid overdose and helps prevent death. Now anyone can get naloxone at Maryland pharmacies without a prescription

THE LIFE OF A LOVED ONE MAY DEPEND ON IT!

CLOTHES DRYER SAFETY

Did you know?

You are at higher risk of having a clothes dryer fire if you don't clean your lint filter and dryer vents.



Follow these simple safety tips to prevent a clothes dryer fire in your home.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter. Clean the lint filter before and after each cycle.
- Do not forget to clean the back of the dryer where lint can build up.
- Check the venting system behind the dryer to make sure that it is not damaged, crushed or restricted.
- Make sure that the outdoor vent covering opens when the dryer is operating

For more information and free fire-safety resources, visit www.usfa.fema.gov.

FREE MULCH

Did you know there is free "dirty mulch" at the end of Northway Rd. next to Northway Fields? "Dirty mulch" is partially broken down organic matter that makes a great soil amendment and dressing for flower beds and gardens. This organic matter is made up of yard waste. Take as much as you want.



For more information contact the City's Environmental Coordinator Jason Martin at jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov.

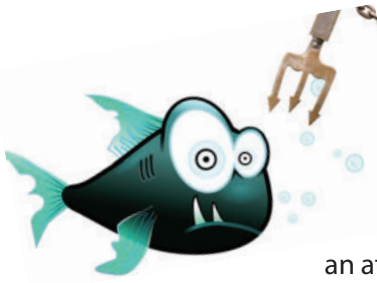
JOIN THE PROUD MEN AND WOMEN OF THE GREENBELT POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Greenbelt Police Department is widely reaching out to people of all backgrounds who want to make a difference in their community. Find out exactly how rewarding it can be to serve as a guardian of your community. Greenbelt Police officers work every day to help those in need, dealing with issues from the most mundane to life altering.

Join the Greenbelt Police Department and make a difference.

If you know someone who is ready to start a new, rewarding career, have them contact one of our recruiters at 240-542-2143 to learn more about how they can serve their community.



DON'T BE A SPEAR PHISHING VICTIM!

Spear phishing is the practice of using personal information to gain a person's confidence to make an attack more targeted. Phishing scams work by tricking you into clicking on a link or attachment that either infects your machine with malware or takes you to a page that looks real but is designed to steal your private information.

You can protect yourself by creating strong, complex passwords. Passwords should be between 8 and 12 characters with a combination of upper and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols. Never use the same password for different accounts. Also, be careful what links you click on. Only click web links within e-mail you know to be authentic. If an organization, such as your bank, asks you to perform any activity that involves clicking links and entering credentials, either launch your browser and go directly to the bank's site or call them to double check on it. It's best to always assume the worst when it comes to following links. And lastly, be cautious when sharing data on social networks and limit what types of personal information you post on the internet. If there is anything that you do not want a potential scammer to see, do not post it – you should also consider reviewing your privacy settings on social media sites.



Prince George's County

Rain Check Rebate Program

The Rain Check Rebate Program provides eligible County residents and businesses the opportunity to receive a reimbursement check for installing approved stormwater management practices that may help alleviate property flooding issues, lower water bills, and much more.

Stormwater runoff occurs when rain (or snowmelt) flows over the land picking up pollutants such as oil, grease, sediment, and nutrients that make their way into local streams and rivers.

This program is coordinated by the Chesapeake Bay Trust to offer incentives to homeowners, businesses, and others to install practices that will improve stormwater runoff quality, reduce runoff quantity, and improve local streams and rivers. Homeowners, businesses, and not-for-profit entities (including condominium and civic associations and churches) can recoup some of the costs of installing practices covered by the program. Up to \$4,000 is awarded for residential property owners and up to \$20,000 for commercial properties, multi-family dwellings, not-for-profit, and others.

<https://cbtrust.org/grants/prince-georges-county-rain-check-rebate/>

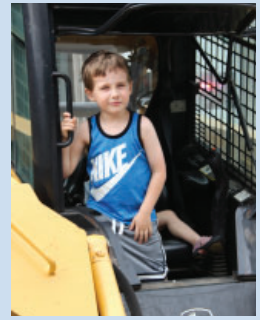
UPCOMING FAMILY FUN!

MAY 18, 2019

PUBLIC WORKS OPEN HOUSE

Greenbelt Public Works Building
555 Crescent Road
Saturday, May 18
10:30am-1:30pm, FREE

A family favorite! Enjoy demonstrations, information tables, tours, and refreshments! Children can enjoy climbing on equipment and vehicles while learning about what Public Works does for the City! For more information contact Luisa Robles, 240-542-2153.



CELEBRATION OF SPRING

Springhill Lake Recreation Center 6101 Cherrywood Lane
Saturday, May 18
2pm-6pm, FREE

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. Please call the weather information hotline, 301-474-0646, the morning of the event for updated event status.



CONTROLLING THE ASIAN TIGER MOSQUITOS

Spring is finally here! The combination of warmer and wetter weather also means mosquitos. Mosquitos aren't just a nuisance with their annoying buzzing and itchy bites, but they are also possible carriers of diseases such as West Nile virus and Zika.



The main culprit in urban and suburban areas such as Greenbelt is the Asian Tiger mosquito. These mosquitos have a flight range of only 100-200 yards and can breed in a body of water as small as a soda bottle lid. This makes them perfectly adapted to live in neighborhood yards where most other mosquito species cannot.

There are a few simple measures that you can take to rid their yards and neighborhoods of this pest.

The best way to keep the Asian Tiger mosquito at bay is to limit its breeding grounds. This means not having standing water in your yard. Reduce the number of items in you yard that can hold water, such as buckets, tarps, children's toys, plant pot trays, bird baths, wheelbarrows, etc. Dump the water daily from the ones that your do have.

An often over looked item is corrugated black piping that many people attach to their downspouts. The grooves in this piping hold water that can be used by the Asian Tiger mosquito to lay eggs. Place a fine screen over the opening of any corrugated black piping.

For more info visit https://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/avoid_asian_tiger_mosquitoes.aspx.

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CITY OF GREENBELT UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING SKATE

**Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane
Friday, May 17, 5pm-7pm, Ages 6-12**

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

BIKE TO WORK DAY 2019

**Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center parking lot
Friday, May 17, 6:30am-8:30am, FREE**

Commuter Connections and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association invites you to join over 18,000 area commuters for a celebration of bicycling as a clean, fun and healthy way to get to work. Refreshments will be provided to registered participants arriving by bike. Register at biketoworkmetrodc.org; Pit Stop Manager: Di Quynn Reno, 240-542-2053.

LADIES SUMMER NIGHT RIDE SERIES – FREE

357501-1- Various Greenbelt Locations

Every Other Wednesday June 19-August 28, 6:30pm

Join us for casual tours in and around Greenbelt! This series focuses on building a community for women who ride bikes. Come with questions, bike, water, helmet, and a lock. Rides will begin at various locations and end at same location. We will meet at 6:15pm, wheels up at 6:30pm. Each ride will be a friendly pace and distance. Riders of all levels welcomed! Routes will be emailed to registrants one week prior to each ride. For more information email Alison Longworth, alongworth@greenbeltmd.gov

GREENBELT DAY WEEKEND

Celebrate the occasion with special activities and by enjoying the many amenities that Greenbelt has to offer!

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

3RD ANNUAL BIKE RODEO 337601-1

Beltway Plaza (North Parking Lot), 10am-12pm, Ages 4-10

Bike safety check, helmet instruction, and safe riding tips followed by a kids' obstacle riding course. This is a FREE event, but you need to reserve a time slot. Bring your own bike and wear a helmet. Some bikes will be available for use. We will have lots of FUN, GIVEAWAYS and a BIKE RAFFLE!

GREENBELT PET EXPO BLOCK PARTY

10am-2pm, Greenbelt Dog Park, Hanover Parkway

This is a favorite for pets as they get to bring their owners for a fun day of demonstrations, rabies and microchip clinics, informational tables, giveaways, refreshments and more.

NOT FOR SENIORS ONLY: ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., Rm 202, 1pm-3pm

Greenbelt's Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee hosts this annual workshop, open to all. If you are looking for alternative therapies, join us as we welcome local consultants.

GREENBELT CONCERT BAND

Greenbelt Community Center Gym, 15 Crescent Road, 3pm

Come celebrate Greenbelt's birthday with live music provided by the members of your community band!

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

GREENBELT MUSEUM TOURS

10B Crescent Rd, 11am-1pm

Come by the Greenbelt Museum's historic house for a family-friendly program about Greenbelt history and embracing new citizens. Make a small Greenbelt flag and try your hand at some of the questions on the Citizenship Test! **Tours, 1-5pm** For more information, visit www.greenbeltmuseum.org.

NATURALIZATION CEREMONY

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd. 12pm

Come out and help celebrate our new citizens as they take their Oath of Allegiance and become naturalized citizens. It is always a feel good ceremony!

ARTFUL ARTNOON

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road

1pm-4pm, FREE

All ages are invited to enjoy a craft workshop, family-friendly performance, Artist in Residence studio open and sale, plus art gallery and Greenbelt history programs. Times vary for individual activities. Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts See www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation for additional event information.