



HELP US, HELP YOU DURING A SNOWSTORM



When a major winter storm is predicted, there are several things that you can do to make the clean-up easier and help us all return to our regular schedules sooner.

**Be Prepared:** Make arrangements to have adequate food supplies on hand.

Keep flashlights, a battery-powered radio, spare batteries, and a windup clock on hand in case of a power failure. If you use candles when the lights go out, get the long-lasting kind and have sturdy holders for them. Be extremely careful about open flames and fire hazards and do not use power generators indoors.

**Snow Removal:** Clearing streets is a critical first responder duty that the Department of Public Works proudly executes. Without this service, police, firefighters, EMS, and residents would not be able to get to where they need to go. Snow removal is vital to the functioning of our City and you can do your part to make it safer and more efficient.

Plowing around and between vehicles creates problems for everyone. If you live in a single family home and there is the possibility of a snow event, please park your vehicle in the driveway or on the side of the street with even numbered addresses. This will allow the City crews to quickly and safely salt and plow your street. These small actions will result in less vehicle damage, easier access to your vehicle, and clearer roads. Help us help you and take a few minutes to move your vehicle.

**Refuse and Recycling Collection:** The Public Works crew makes every attempt to collect refuse and recycling after a storm. Please make sure the walkways to your refuse container and recycling bin are kept clear of snow and ice in order for the collectors to service to your home. During significant snow or ice storms and the days immediately following, containers must be placed at the curb (single family homes) or adjacent to a cleared parking lot (GHI homes). If you are not serviced by the city, please contact your provider for collection status.

**Recreational Facilities and Programs:** The City makes great effort to open and operate recreational facilities after a snowstorm, but for your safety and the safety of staff, some facilities may have to adjust their schedule. Also, some programs may have to be cancelled. It is important for you to call the Greenbelt Recreation Weather Hotline at 301-474-0646 to check on the status of Recreation facilities and programs.

**Sidewalks:** It is each property owner's responsibility to clear snow and ice from his/her own sidewalk for the safety and convenience of pedestrians. You should do this within 24 hours after the snowfall stops. If you feel you are not able to shovel the snow yourself, please seek out someone to do it. You can contact GIVES at 301-507-6580, M-F, 10am-12pm to see if they have someone that can help. The Greenbelt Time Bank is another volunteer exchange program that could assist you. Visit <https://hourworld.org/bank/?hw=1099> for more information. Neighbors let's help!

**Stay Informed:** City departments coordinate with each other to keep residents informed during a snowstorm. Updated information is regularly posted on the City's website at [greenbeltmd.gov](http://greenbeltmd.gov) and the City's Facebook and Twitter pages. If you don't have social media, see the posts at [greenbeltmd.gov/infowall](http://greenbeltmd.gov/infowall). Sign up for Greenbelt Alerts at [greenbeltmd.gov/alerts](http://greenbeltmd.gov/alerts) for emergency info.

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See all our posts at

[www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall)



HELLO FROM GREENBELT'S NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Hi there! My name is Charise Liggins and I am the new Economic Development Coordinator here in Greenbelt! I am really excited to get to know you and highlight the many ways that already make Greenbelt a great place to live. Over the coming months, I will be out and about gathering insights that support the creation of our economic development goals – those that celebrate the rich history of Greenbelt and lays the path to a thriving, sustainable future. I especially look forward to hearing your ideas for fostering stronger community connections through social, cultural and civic engagement. If you'd like to share your ideas feel free to complete our questionnaire at [greenbeltmd.gov/government](http://greenbeltmd.gov/government) and select the link to "Economic Development" from the menu options.

**CHECK IT OUT!**

## GREENBELT RECREATION ACTIVITY GUIDE



**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](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation)  
Or, pick one up at any city recreation facility.**

**Please call 301-397-2200 for more information.**

## NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!

### Volunteer at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter!

Meet Jen Cockerham, one of our Animal Shelter volunteers! She comes to walk the more active dogs that often get overlooked by adopters and other volunteers. Even in the winter months, when dog walkers are hard to find, Jen is out there.

Jen has been volunteering for several years and has helped animals get adopted through social media and awesome videos that she creates. She is also a member of the shelter's "bottle brigade". She has taken and raised more than a dozen kittens that were unable to eat on their own and that needed to be fed every couple of hours with a small bottle.

The front of the Animal Shelter is one of the most colorful city buildings. This art was done by Jen! She was also instrumental in the revamping the open colony cat rooms by helping to fabricate custom boxes for the cats to sleep and climb on.

Jen is just one of many volunteers at the Shelter. They all do amazing things to improve the lives of animals that come through the doors. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for Greenbelt Animal Shelter, check out the City's website at [greenbeltmd.gov](http://greenbeltmd.gov) or stop by the shelter during open adoption hours, 9am-noon on Saturdays and 4pm-7pm on Wednesdays.



## CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Old Greenbelt Theatre, Roosevelt Center

Sunday, February 24, 1:00pm, FREE

Transportation from Springhill Lake Recreation Center will be provided; both before and after the film.

Call 301-397-2200 for more information.



Greenbelt Recreation partners with the Old Greenbelt Theatre to celebrate Black History Month. Come enjoy Hidden Figures (PG), based on the inspiring true story of three African-American women who worked for NASA in the 1950s and '60s. They served as "human computers," doing complex mathematics and engineering tasks to help launch the manned spaceflight program -- particularly, sending astronaut John Glenn into orbit.

## Parent Child Interaction Therapy

A Greenbelt CARES Service

**FREE to Prince George's County Residents!**

Parent Child Interaction Therapy teaches parents how to:

- Manage negative behaviors such as tantrums and non-compliance
- Communicate with their child through play
- Build a positive parent-child relationship
- Increase pro social behaviors

**For information, please call Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660 x2018**



## ADOLESCENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING

Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach (A-CRA)

Greenbelt CARES

Weekly outpatient appointments for ages 12-22

Research based, provided by licensed counselors

A-CRA promotes:

- *abstinence along with positive peer & family relationships*
- *skills in effective communication, problem solving, stress management and relapse prevention*

Call 301-345-6660 to schedule an intake appointment.

Counseling services are free for Prince George's County residents

## WEATHER & INFORMATION HOTLINE:

**301-474-0646**

Call the weather and information hotline for updates on activities, classes, facilities, and programs when there is inclement weather or another emergency.



## ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

The State of Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) provides bill assistance to low-income households in the State of Maryland to make their energy costs more affordable and to help with the prevention of loss and

the restoration of home energy service.

Energy assistance will not reduce the amount of any other public assistance benefits you receive, such as TCA or Food Stamps. Nor will it reduce Social Security benefits.

### **OHEP provides four separate grants:**

**The Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP)** provides financial assistance with home heating bills. Payments are made to the fuel supplier and utility company on the customer's behalf.

**The Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP)** provides financial assistance with electric bills. Eligible customers receive help that pays a portion of their current electric bills. Customers who receive EUSP are placed on a budget billing plan with their utility company. Budget billing is a tool that utility companies provide to help spread out annual utility bills into even monthly payments to avoid spikes in your bill caused by seasonal fluctuations in energy use. Please check

with your utility company on eligibility requirements and budget billing policy.

**Arrearage Retirement Assistance** helps customers with large, past due electric and gas bills. If eligible, customers may receive forgiveness of up to \$2,000 towards their past due bill. Customers must have a past due bill of \$300 or greater to be considered eligible. Customers may only receive an arrearage grant once every seven years, with certain exceptions.

### **Other OHEP services:**

The Utility Service Protection Program (USPP) is designed to protect low-income families from utility turn-offs during the heating season. All MEAP eligible customers may participate in USPP. Participation also requires a year-round even monthly budget billing. Failure to make consecutive payments may result in removal from USPP.

Contact the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for programs that can provide improvements and repairs to homes at no cost. These improvements can help lower utility bills and make the home more comfortable. DHCD's energy efficiency and weatherization programs support the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act. For more information, call 1-855-583-8976 or visit [dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/EnergyEfficiency](http://dhcd.maryland.gov/Pages/EnergyEfficiency)

## TUTORING GRADES 1-12

Saturdays, 10am-12pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center Clubhouse  
6101 Cherrywood Lane

## AFTER SCHOOL HOMEWORK HELP

ALL students welcome! Bring your homework!  
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2pm-5pm  
Springhill Lake Recreation Center Clubhouse  
6101 Cherrywood Lane

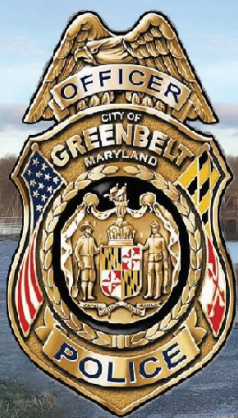


For more information contact Judye Hering at 301-345-6660/jhering@greenbeltmd.gov.

## WINTER HEATING SAFETY TIPS

Did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

- *Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.*
- *Portable space heaters should be plugged directly into an outlet (not an extension cord).*
- *Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room or go to bed.*
- *Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.*
- *Test smoke alarms monthly.*



# NOW HIRING!

- **SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY**
- **GREAT BENEFITS**
- **\$250/MONTH RESIDENCY BONUS**



VISIT [WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV/POLICE](http://WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV/POLICE) TO LEARN MORE!

**WATER MAIN BREAKS:** WSSC experiences an average of 1,200 water main breaks between November and February. To report a break: Call WSSC's Emergency Call Center 24/7 at 301-206-4002, email [emergencycallcenter@wsscwater.com](mailto:emergencycallcenter@wsscwater.com), or use WSSC's Mobile App at [www.wsscwater.com/mobile](http://www.wsscwater.com/mobile)

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## CITY OF GREENBELT UPCOMING EVENTS

### FREE PRODUCE

Springhill Lake Elementary School, 6060 Springhill Drive  
Thursday, February 7, 2:30pm-3:30pm  
Thursday, March 7, 2:30pm-3:30pm

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living program partners with the DC Capital Area Food Bank and the University of Maryland Extension to provide FREE PRODUCE to local families. PLEASE bring your own bags and rolling carts.

### LIFEGUARDING REVIEW

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, 101 Centerway  
Ages 15+, PH: \$100, RNPH: \$110, NRNPH: \$125

Those who are currently certified (or those that have certifications expired by no more than 12 months) as a Lifeguard may take this review class for recertification. Participants are expected to bring their own breathing barrier. Participants will review topics before given an opportunity to complete all requirements for the Lifeguarding class. Pre-Test will be conducted during first class.

157182-3 Sundays, 9:00am-5:00pm/GAFC-Class  
2 mtgs: 2/17 and 2/24

## GREENBELT AQUATIC & FITNESS

101 CENTERWAY, 301-397-2204

# IS NOW HIRING!



APPLY AT [WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV/JOBS](http://WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV/JOBS)

### VOLUNTEER EVENT

February 18, 10:00am-1:00pm, Buddy Attick Park

Volunteers are needed for a volunteer event on President's Day of Service to protect trees from beavers in Buddy Attick Park. Meet at the Public Works Building, 555 Crescent Road.

**Reminders: Wear weather appropriate clothes and closed-toed shoes, bring your reusable water bottle, and high school students please remember to bring your service-learning forms.**

### COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road  
Sunday, March 3, 1:00pm-3:00pm, All Ages Welcome; FREE

Telling a story with creative collage with Artist in Residence Racquel Keller.

### GREENBELT YOUTH MUSICAL — HOMEWARD BOUND

Greenbelt Community Center Auditorium, 15 Crescent Road  
Saturday, March 2, 7:00pm, Sunday, March 3, 3:00pm

Saturday March 9, 2:00pm and 7:00pm  
Tickets: \$5 minimum donation

Homeward Bound is a rollicking musical based on The Odyssey by Homer. Join us and help tell the tale that has enthralled human beings for 2800 years: An epic adventure, a domestic comedy, and an enduring love story. For tickets, call 301-397-2208 or visit the Community Center business office. For more information visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov/youthmusical](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/youthmusical)

### ESTATE PLANNING CLINIC

Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road  
Ages 60+ and income eligible

Thursday, March 21, 10:00am-3:00pm

Space is limited and reservations are required. Reservations must be made by Thursday, March 14th. Please call the Pro Bono Resource Center at 443-703-3052 to reserve a time spot! Attorneys will be available to prepare FREE wills, advance directives, and power of attorney documents.

### SENIOR ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road  
Friday, March 22, 1:00pm; FREE

Featuring: The Retro Rockets. Make your own ice cream sundae following the entertainment.

### ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrwood Lane  
Saturday, April 6, 10:00am-1:00pm

Celebrate Arbor Day by helping Public Works staff plant trees to beautify the landscape and provide habitat for local wildlife. The event will be held on City property located on Crescent Road across the street from the SUNOCO gas station. For more information contact Jason Martin, 240-542-2168, [jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov).

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