



At Your Service

News & Information

Loose Leaf Collection Program Begins November 13

The City's annual Loose Leaf Collection program kicks off November 13. The first round of collection is from November 13 through December 22. The second round is from December 27 through January 25. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/LeafCollection for more information and for a link to an interactive map that will tell you where your neighborhood is on the pick-up schedule.

City Recognizes National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week

In recognition of October 22-26 being National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, the City's Neighborhood Development Department is spreading the word about its efforts to combat lead paint and other home hazards in owner-occupied and rental properties built prior to 1978.



Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/LeadSafe. Also, see if you qualify for lead paint remediation assistance by visiting www.greensboro-nc.gov/ProgramEligibility.

Volunteers Needed for Annual Shoppers' Day

The Greensboro Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities hosts its 33rd annual Shoppers' Day December 6 (inclement weather date is December 11) and is now signing up volunteers and accepting donations. More than 700 shoppers with



moderate to severe disabilities are expected to participate. People are needed to accompany shoppers as they buy holiday gifts at Four Seasons Town Centre. Also needed are refreshments and paper products for the 'Santa Room' and/or monetary donations. To volunteer or donate, call 336-373-2723.

Know the Facts About Flooding

Hurricanes, clogged drainage systems, and rapid accumulation of rainfall can cause flooding, damaging property and putting your family at risk. Preparing before a flood occurs can make all the difference. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Flooding to learn how.

Input Needed on City Growth

PLANIT GSO is a City initiative for updating Greensboro's Comprehensive Plan. Your input in this process will help shape how Greensboro grows and develops in the future. There will be many public engagement opportunities in addition to these to share your feedback with the City: ~ 4-7 pm Monday, November 5, Leonard Recreation Center ~ 4-7 pm Wednesday, November 7, Lindley Recreation Center. More information about events and this process are at www.greensboro-nc.gov/PlanITGSO.



Attend a City Council Meeting

Greensboro City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays beginning at 5:30 pm in Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 W. Washington St., unless otherwise noted. For the full schedule, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/CouncilMeetings.

City Offices Closed Three Days in November

City offices and facilities close on Monday, November 12, in observance of Veterans' Day, and Thursday and Friday, November 22-23, in observance of Thanksgiving.

For related trash/recycling collection schedule changes during those holidays, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/HolidaySchedule. Questions? Call 336-373-CITY (2489).

Holiday Greenery Orders Now Being Accepted



Place your orders now for this year's Greensboro Beautiful's fresh holiday greenery and handcrafted light balls, and support the organization's largest fundraising project.

Then, pick up your order from 12-5 pm Sunday, December 2, at Lewis Recreation Center,

City Services Features

April Tornado Victim Settling into New Home



The good news for Laticia James and her family is that they are settling nicely into their new rental home after losing everything in April's tornado. The bad news: "We all watch the clouds carefully now, worried another storm will hit."

Shortly after the storm, James went to Willow Oaks' Community Center where she made contact with City of Greensboro staffers, Greensboro Housing Coalition, American Red Cross, and others who ultimately helped coordinate the financial aspects of relocating. And the Barnabas Network provided home furnishings.

James keeps a notebook of names of people who have helped her and her family during the past several months so she can thank them personally. Even though the aftermath of the tornado has taken its toll on her physically and emotionally, she says she's grateful no one in her family was injured.

"It's been a roller coaster ride, but everything is falling into its place now, thanks to so many people," she adds.

Learn more about storm recovery at www.greensboro-nc.gov/RecoveryResources.

Teen Receives as Much as he Gives at Recreation Center

During the past four years, Ethan Harper has found a second home at Warnersville Recreation Center.

The young Hampton Homes man, known for his warm smile and open mindedness, says his experiences at the center have taught him to welcome new opportunities and challenges.

At the center, Harper has influenced countless children and become a leader within the community. He plays basketball at the center, talks to the people who work there, goes to events the center hosts, and is always ready to volunteer his time.

"I know someone would do the same for me," he says. "I thank Warnersville for who I am right now."

"It feels like home," he says.



For more information about City recreation centers, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/RecCenters.

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3110 Forest Lawn Dr., during Greensboro Beautiful's annual Holiday Greenery Festival. The event features local artisans, food, music and more. Questions? Visit www.greensborobeautiful.org and click on Events/Classes.

Ghoulash Set for October 27



Looking for alternative Halloween fun this year? Check out the City's Ghoulash! Downtown Fall Festival from 2-6 pm Saturday, October 27, at Center City and LeBauer parks in downtown Greensboro. The event features costume contests, bounce houses, crafts and games, food trucks, and more.

Trick or treating can also be done from 3-5 pm at participating downtown businesses. Learn more about the day's activities at www.greensboro-nc.gov/Ghoulash.

2018-19 OPUS Concert Series Kicks Off in November

From classical to jazz to bluegrass, the City's free OPUS Concert Series offers something for everyone. Check out the talented musical ensembles at these events, which begin in November. Get a full schedule by calling the Music Center at 336-373-2547 or visiting www.greensboro-nc.gov/OPUS.

Santa's Workshop Donations Accepted November 12

Donations for Greensboro Youth Council's annual Santa's Workshop will be accepted from November 12 to December 7. New and gently used toys for children ages newborn to 13 are needed for distribution to families in need within Guilford County during the holiday season. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/SantaWorkshop.



Made in GSO Feature

They are partners in life, business and creativity. And it takes all three things to make their Tiny Greenhouse bloom – with pretty pottery, one-of-a-kind antiques, cute cards, and an abundance of well-loved plants.

Suzanne and Edgar Cabrera first moved to Greensboro so Suzanne could pursue a master's in interior architecture at UNCG. She thought she was going to use her journalism degree and go work for a design magazine.

Read the full story at www.madeingso.com.

