

Traveling Exhibit on American Democracy Here Until March

What happens when people decide to govern themselves? Democracy. America's national treasures come to life in the Smithsonian traveling exhibition "American Democracy: A Great Leap of Faith" at the Greensboro History Museum, located at 130 Summit Ave., December 7 through March 27, 2020.



The exhibit explores the history of citizen participation, debate, and compromise from the nation's formation to today.

Loose Leaf Collection Program Ends January 25

The City's annual Loose Leaf Collection program continues December and January. As in the past, there are two collection periods. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/Leaves.

Leaves curbside by:

- ~ November 12 will be picked up by December 23.
- ~ December 27 will be picked up by January 25, 2020.

Stay Up-to-date on These Issues

Trash and Recycling Schedule

Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/TrashSchedule to stay posted on when the City collects trash and recycling during holiday weeks and follow these rules of thumb:

- ~ When a holiday falls on Monday, both Monday and Tuesday collections occur one day later.
- ~ When a holiday falls on Tuesday, Tuesday's collection occurs one day later.
- ~ When a holiday falls on Wednesday, there is no change in collection services.

~ When a holiday falls on Thursday, Thursday's collection occurs one day earlier.

~ When a holiday falls on Friday, both Thursday and Friday collections occur one day earlier.

Winter Weather-related Government Service Changes

Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/WinterClosings to learn about changes to City government services and operations during harsh winter weather.

On this page, you will find a link to an interactive map that shows where snow plows are throughout Greensboro, links to the City's official Facebook and Twitter pages and local television stations City staff call to report City government closings and delayed openings.

Piedmont Winterfest Underway

Now through January 26, 2020, WFMY News 2 Piedmont Winterfest offers public ice skating and special events at LaBauer Park, 208 N. Davie St., in downtown. For information on skating times, rental opportunities and special events, visit www.piedmontwinter.com.



Keep City Sewers Fat-Free

The City reminds you to never dump cooking oil and grease down your sink, drain or toilet. Over time these substances can harden in pipes causing back-ups in your home and sewage collection system. Check out alternate ways to dispose of grease at www.greensboro-nc.gov/FatFree.



Attend a City Council Meeting

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

City Offices Closed Four Days in December

City offices and facilities close Tuesday through Thursday, December 24-26, and Wednesday, January 1, 2020, in observance of the winter holiday and New Year's Day. Questions? Call the City's Contact Center at 336-373-CITY (2489).

There are no trash/recycling collections on Wednesday, December 25. Collections remain the same on Tuesday and Thursday, December 24 and 26.

There are no trash/recycling collections on Wednesday, January 1. Collections remain the same on Tuesday, December 31, and Thursday, January 2.

Baseball, Softball, Kickball Registration Starts in January



Parks and Recreation's youth baseball, adult softball, and adult co-ed kickball registration begins in early January.

Baseball is for children of all genders ages 5-14. Softball has men's and women's slow-pitch leagues. Sign up at www.greensboro-nc.gov/athletics.

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Every BODY Counts!!!

US CENSUS BEGINS
MARCH 2020

Top Five Reasons Why Responding to US Census 2020 is the Best Thing You will do in the New Year

Responding to the US Census 2020 will help our community:

Reason #5 - Identify how many college/university students live on- and off-campus in our community. Students, as well as babies and young children who should also be counted, need and use our community's educational opportunities and services.

Reason #4 - Plan new housing developments and improve neighborhoods. Developers need to know market strength and financial standing to invest in various types of housing. Housing needs also take into account how many people live in our emergency and transitional shelters.

Reason #3 - Determine how many NC representatives we will have in congress and if any district boundaries need to be redrawn. Losing a congressional representative affects an area's voice on important social, legal and economic issues.

Reason #2 - Understand the needs of our diverse community, regardless of citizenship status, race, ethnic or religious background, sexual orientation, or physical/mental abilities, in order to provide everyone with equal opportunities to live, work and play in Greensboro.

And the #1 reason - Update our water and sewer infrastructure, roadways, public transportation system, and green spaces, which are vital for our community's health, safety, economic development, and active lifestyles.

The US Census is a national survey conducted every 10 years, as mandated by the US Constitution, to count every resident in the country. Federal law protects the confidentiality of everyone who fills out a census questionnaire. All Greensboro residents should participate, regardless of age, race or citizenship status.

"The US Census is vital to our city's growth," says David Parrish, city manager. "It's important you get counted and spread the word because this census count affects how much federal funding Greensboro gets for various programs for the next 10 years."

According to Carolina Demography, NC could lose as much as \$2,000 in federal funding for each NC resident each year who is not counted in the 2020 Census. If 100,000 NC residents are not counted in the census, that is a loss of \$200 million each year for the next 10 years - or \$2 billion.

Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/Census to learn more. On this page you will find commonly asked questions and answers about the decennial census, videos about the census and why it is important, and links to printable 2020 Census information sheets.

Share the information at home and work, and in your neighborhoods, local businesses, schools, places of worship, etc. Also, "like" and share the City's "Census Sunday" Facebook posts at www.facebook.com/cityofgreensboro. Each week the City lists ways decennial census data is used.

Sign up to receive City e-mails whenever new census information is posted on the City's Census Web page. Fill out your contact information at www.greensboro-nc.gov/e-notify and select "Census" in both the Calendar and News sections.

New Year, New You

Griffin Recreation Center hosts a free community health and wellness expo from 1-4 pm Saturday, January 11, at 5301 Hilltop Rd. There will be free fitness classes, vendors, and a chance to learn about the wellness opportunities offered by Parks and Recreation.

MLK Memorial Breakfast is January 20



The City's Human Relations Commission hosts the 33rd annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast at 7:30 am Monday, January 20, at the Koury Convention Center. For more information about the event or how to become a sponsor, call Marion Davis at 336-373-2038.

Bridge Building Competition Begins February 1

Parks and Recreation hosts Bridging the Triad, a Triad-wide contest where children and adults compete to create the most efficient popsicle stick bridge. Pick up your free supplies at local recreation centers in January. The first round of competition is 10 am to 1 pm Saturday, February 1, at Griffin Recreation Center, 5301 Hilltop Rd.

Senior Games and SilverArts Registration Begins February 3



Registration for 2020 Greater Greensboro Senior Games and SilverArts begins Monday, February 3 and is open to residents 55 and over. Competition includes sporting events as well as the performing, literary, heritage and visual arts. Registration packets are available at Smith Active Adult Center, 2401 Fairview St., or by calling 336-373-7571.



Recycling in Greensboro is as easy as 1-2-3

- 1 Paper & cardboard.
- 2 Metal food & drink cans.
- 3 Plastic bottles, tubs & jugs.