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Check Out Upcoming 2022 Equity Calendar Observations

These events are from the City's Equity Calendar online at www.greensboro-nc.gov/EquityCalendar:

- ~ March is National Women's History Month.
- ~ March 8 is International Women's Day.
- ~ April 28 is National Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.

Water Reclamation Report Available for Review March 1

The City's 2021 Sewage Collection and Water Reclamation report will be available online March 1 at www.greensboro-nc.gov/WastewaterReport. The report provides information about how Greensboro's wastewater system operates, how well it performed during the 2021 calendar year, and what violations occurred.

City Offices Closed April 15

City offices and facilities close Friday, April 15, in observance of Good Friday/Spring Break. Trash and recycling collections on that day take place on Thursday, April 14, and Thursday's collections take place Wednesday, April 13.

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New City Manager Now Onboard

Taiwo (Tai) Jaiyeoba's first day as Greensboro's new city manager was February 1. Jaiyeoba succeeds David Parrish who resigned from the position on June 30, 2021 and Chris Wilson who served as interim city manager.

Jaiyeoba comes to Greensboro from the City of Charlotte where he served in a dual capacity as assistant city manager and director of the Planning, Design and Development Department.



Jaiyeoba

Prior to Charlotte, Jaiyeoba served as director of the Sacramento Regional Transit District in California and director of Planning and Development in Grand Rapids, MI. Read more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/NewCityManager.

What Streets are Scheduled for Paving?

The City has developed a list of roads that will be paved in 2022; work is expected to begin in the spring. Some roads will be redesigned to include new bike lanes and safety improvements. See if your road is on the list at www.GSOstreets.com.

Recycling Questions Answered

Want to learn more about the City's recycling program or how to reduce your waste?

The City's waste reduction and recycling team holds free recycling programs, tours of the White Street Landfill/Transfer Station, and youth and adult programs for classrooms, workplaces, camps, clubs, etc.

Request a program or tour at www.greensboro-nc.gov/RecycleEdu or by emailing gogreen@greensboro-nc.gov.

FREE RECYCLING WORKSHOPS



Calling All Greensboro Women

The City wants your feedback on what it's like to be a woman in Greensboro. Responses will help advise City Council on future outcomes for women. This anonymous survey, provided by the City's Commission on the Status of Women, is open until March 31 to women over 18 who have lived in Greensboro for more than a year. Access it at www.SurveyMonkey.com/r/GSOWomen. Questions? Call the City's Human Rights Department at 336-373-2038.

Do You Live in a Flood Zone?



Find out if your property is located in a flood zone by calling the City's Water Resources Department at 336-373-2055 or visiting www.greensboro-nc.gov/Flooding. On that Web page is information about the City's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), elevation certificates, flood depth data, flood insurance, special rules for building in a floodplain, and ways to protect your property from flood damage.

Online Portal Available for Lead Paint Grant Applications

The City's Neighborhood Development Department's Lead-Safe Greensboro program has streamlined its grant application process with an online portal located at www.greensboro-nc.gov/LeadSafe. This program provides grant funding for lead-based paint hazard reduction services.

You may qualify for assistance if there are children under six living in or frequently visiting your home

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Upcoming P&R News and Events

The City's Parks and Recreation Department is hiring a wide range of summer staff, including pool staff and camp leaders. Pay starts at \$15 per hour. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/jobs to apply.

Summer Camp registration begins March 1 for kids ages 5-12 and teens. Specialty camps are available. Visit www.gsoparksandrec.org to learn more.

Register to attend the events below by visiting www.greensboro-nc.gov/PRCalendar.



Chalk Walk

March 26 & 27, Greensboro Arboretum

Kids, teens, adults and groups are invited to design chalk art illustrations for this juried art show March 26. Reserve your spot for \$10. Residents are invited to view the art and vote for their favorite from 11 am to 1 pm March 27.

Fetch Dog Egg Hunt

April 9, 9 am to 12 noon, Griffin Dog Park

Free dog egg hunt, costume contest, and pet crafts. Dogs must arrive leashed and be up-to-date on vaccinations.

What's Growing On

April 18-22, 4-6 pm, Brown Recreation Center

Free, hands-on learning for kids 6-14 that focuses on gardening, aeroponics, and cooking healthy.

City Council News

City Council meetings begin at 5:30 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/CouncilMeetings for schedules, agendas, minutes, and videos. Also, visit City Council's Facebook page at bit.ly/3bclxR7.

or rental unit or if your dwelling was built before 1978. Funding is available for lead paint-related construction work such as replacing windows and doors and wrapping exterior trim at these dwellings.

Are You Contributing to Sanitary Sewer Overflows?

Sanitary sewer overflows in Greensboro are becoming more frequent, but you can help reverse this trend. To keep sewer lines free from clogs and the waterways clean, City



Water Resources Department staff ask you to flush only toilet paper and human waste down toilets. Even if a product's packaging claims the item is flushable, do not do it. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/Overflows.

Water Quality Preventative Maintenance Program Underway

The City has temporarily switched its drinking water's standard chloramines disinfectant to free chlorination. The process will be in effect until mid-April. Other area cities are going through the same temporary switch.

During this maintenance program, some users may notice temporary taste or odor differences in their water. This is a normal part of the transition and does not adversely impact water quality. Both chlorinated and chloraminated water are safe for drinking, cooking, and other general uses.

Read more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/MaintenanceProgram.

New Uses in Place for Former Motel

After being purchased by nonprofit Partnership Homes Inc., the former Regency Inn and Suites motel at 2701 N. O'Henry Blvd. has been turned into an emergency location for housing individuals facing this winter's freezing outdoor temperatures.

But according to Mike Cooke, president of Partnership Homes, the property will then be fully

renovated this year as the City's first permanent supportive housing (PSH) facility targeting chronically homeless and disabled populations.

PSH incorporates supportive services, such as medical and mental health services, case management, assistance with disability applications as well as support for daily living activities and job training.

Studies show that serving those experiencing chronic homelessness in PSH settings helps reduce overall costs of supportive services care. Learn more at www.greensboro-nc.gov/PSH.

New Glass Recycling Drop-off Locations Now Open

The City has opened seven additional glass recycling locations for residents. Take empty, clean and dry glass bottles and jars to the blue recycling carts at any of the 19 different drop-off sites.

Greensboro does not collect glass in its residential recycling program. But glass brought



to the drop-off sites is combined with glass collected from local bars and restaurants and then recycled.

Check out the full list of 19 glass recycling drop-off sites and other information about residential recycling at www.greensboro-nc.gov/RecycleReset.

City Gets Perfect Score in 2021 Municipal Equality Index

The City scored a perfect 100 points in the latest listing of the Human Rights Campaign's Municipal Equality Index (MEI). Greensboro tied for first place with Chapel Hill and Durham. This is the first time Greensboro has recorded a perfect score and the seventh consecutive year it ranked first or second in NC.

Among the index categories where Greensboro scored highest were municipal services, law enforcement, and the City's relationship with the LGBT community.