



Lindsay, Don't miss out on the fun!

The year is coming to an end but we have so much to look forward to in 2023!

Be sure to scroll to the end for information to get you excited for 2023 - and check out the two open community surveys at the end! We'd love to have your input on our new Ceramics Center and improvements to our park!

Katherine Ramirez
Community Outreach Coordinator

Wishing You a Happy Holiday Season



The TrueCare Pharmacy 94th Annual Concord Christmas Parade was a blast! The Neighborhood Float was a festive and joyful time that allowed neighbors to connect. I hope you have enjoyed some of the many events happening this season.

Wishing you the best as you host your year-end meetings and holiday parties for your

Use Your Recognized Neighborhood Benefits

Free CPR Trainings Offered to Recognized Neighborhoods



Registration is open to receive free CPR training from the City of Concord Fire Department. You set the time, date, and location that works best for your community and the Fire Department will come to you!

Additionally, for those interested, CPR certification cards will be available to those who complete the 2 hour course for the cost of \$19.

If you have not already reached out to coordinate a CPR training session for your neighborhood, please respond to the survey question below.

Would you like me to get in touch with you concerning CPR training for your neighborhood?

Yes

No

Win up to \$200 for your neighborhood this January



Recognized Neighborhoods can win up to \$200 for their participation in the City of Concord's litter sweeps. The first litter sweep of 2023 will take place from January 21 to February 4.

Register canvassing teams with Katherine Ramirez via [EMAIL](#) or phone 704-920-5298.

Groups can be as small as two people or as large as 25, the important thing is to make an impact in our community. The top three neighborhoods will be awarded \$100, \$150, or \$200 for their efforts and participation.

Announcements

Apply to Join the Citizen Public Safety Academy

Applications are now open for the 18th Citizen Public Safety Academy. The eight-week program provides a unique opportunity for citizens to gain a behind-scenes-look and deeper understanding of the many roles and responsibilities of the city's public safety professionals.



During the Citizen Public Safety Academy, students will spend three classes with the Concord Police Department, taking an in-depth look at the department's evidence-based community policing strategies and will even get to meet the police K-9s. The class will also spend three sessions with the Concord Fire Department where there will be demonstrations to show participants how the department responds to various incidents, such as fire, hazmat, rescue and aircraft rescue and firefighting (ARFF). Students will also have an opportunity to meet with Emergency

Management and learn about the city's Mobile Command Center. Finally, the class will visit Concord's emergency communications center where students will get a behind-the-scenes look at what happens when they call 911 for assistance.

Residents are encouraged to apply early as space is limited. **Applications are due February 1, 2023.**

Apply to the Citizen Public Safety Academy



Need a Unique Gift? Purchase a Memorial Tree!

Is there someone on your gift list you're having a hard time buying for? Want to give them a meaningful gift that will last a lifetime? Gift them a memorial tree!

Our memorial tree program allows residents to donate a tree in honor of a friend, family member, or commemorative event. For a minimum donation of \$150, residents can select the type of tree they'd like

and an available location for planting. Trees are planted November through February.

Purchase a Memorial Tree

Only Rain Down the Drain!

*Protect Our Water
Quality - Keep Leaves
Out of Storm Drains*

It's leaf season across Concord. Many of you may be taking advantage of the city's loose leaf collection, but don't forget, if you choose to rake and bag

your leaves they need to be in paper bags or reusable containers. The city is continuing to hold a free paper yard waste bag giveaway event at the beginning of each month. The scheduled is available to download [HERE](#).



With all the leaves falling this time of year, especially during and after rainfall, did you know that they can actually be harmful to homeowners, our stormwater system, and water quality?

That's because the rain washes leaves that have collected from our sidewalks and streets into the storm drain. When large amounts of leaves collect in our storm drains it can clog the drains and cause street flooding in neighborhoods. Leaves in our storm drain can also negatively impact the water quality of the streams and rivers into which they discharge,

harming fish and wildlife. As leaves decompose they release a nutrient called phosphorus, leading to higher levels of algae. Algae uses up the oxygen that fish and plants need to survive and decreases water quality.

Good News - You Can Help!

You can help by removing leaves that collect at the storm drains near your home, and never rake fallen leaves into the street. Remember – only rain down the drain!

[Learn More About Stormwater Pollution](#)

Community Surveys



What amenities and features would you like to see at W. W. Flowe Park? Let us know by taking a short survey!

[Learn more about the W.W. Flowe Master Plan & Take the Survey](#)

 **W.W. FLOWE PARK**
MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY INPUT



publicinput.com/wwflowe

As we prepare to open the new ClearWater Ceramics Center, we are asking for community input to guide our programs and classes. Take the survey!

WHAT'S YOUR VISION FOR FUTURE CERAMICS CLASSES AND PROGRAMS?

TAKE OUR SURVEY:
PUBLICINPUT.COM/CERAMICS



[Take the Ceramics Center Survey](#)

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