

## **National Night Out Is Back!**







## Submission Deadline: Monday, July 14, 2025

It's that time of year again to celebrate National Night Out! This year, National Night Out is celebrated on Tuesday, August 5th.

Is your community hosting a National Night Out event? If so, we would like to celebrate with you!

Register your event, and we will invite the City Council Members, Concord Police, and Concord Fire departments to attend. We'll also help coordinate CPR demonstrations in partnership with Cabarrus County EMS.

National Night Out is an annual community-building event that enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement

**Click Here To Register** 

# NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM BENEFIT SPOTLIGHT

### **Traffic Calming**

The City has a Neighborhood Traffic Safety Advisory Committee with representatives from the Fire, Police, and Transportation departments. This committee meets monthly to address concerns from neighborhoods about issues such as speeding, sidewalks and crosswalks, traffic circulation, pedestrian safety, on-street parking, street connections, and more.

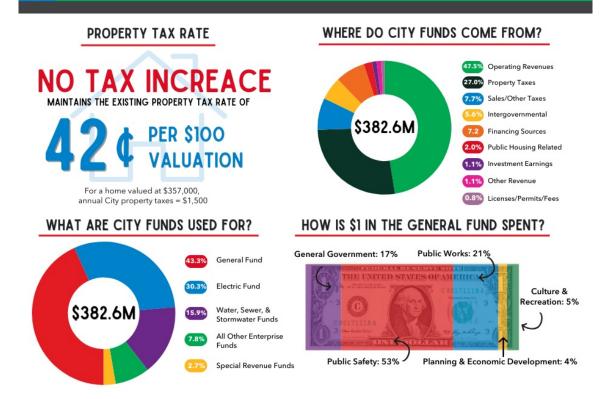
If you have a traffic concern in your neighborhood, please share it so I can bring it to the committee on your behalf.

Email your concerns to Community Outreach Coordinator, Raeshawn Palmer.

#### **NEWS & ANNOUCEMENTS**

Concord's Recommended Budget for FY 2026





#### **Learn Where Your Tax Dollars Are Going!**

The City Manager Lloyd Payne presented the recommended Fiscal Year 2026 budget to Mayor Dusch and the City Council. The next step is a public hearing and a vote at tomorrow's City Council meeting (June 12).

The proposed budget reflects the City's continued commitment to maintaining a high quality of life by prioritizing essential services and funding key Council priorities such as transportation, parks and recreation, affordable housing, and the goals outlined in the City's Strategic Plan.

**Click Here To Learn More About The Budget** 

**Bond Update Meeting** 

# June 25 from 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Hartsell Recreation Center - 60 Hartsell School Rd.



# BOND UPDATE MEETINGS

#### concordbonds.com

In November 2022, City of Concord voters approved a \$60 million Parks and Recreation General Obligation (GO) Bond.

The bond includes funding for 9 total park projects – 4 brand new parks and renovations to 5 existing parks. It also includes the addition of 8 miles of new greenways within the park projects.

Join us on June 25 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Hartsell Recreation Center to hear an update on the bond projects.

**Bond Website** 

**Eco Explorers Program At The Afton Library** 



## **EXPLORE YOUR ENVIRONMENT FROM INSIDE THE LIBRARY!**

Join Afton Library staff and the City of Concord's Sustainability Coordinator for eco-friendly themed stories & activities throughout the summer!

#### **Open to Ages 5-11**



#### **Pollinators**

Monday, June 16 @ 4:00pm



#### Recycling

Monday, July 14 @ 400pm



#### Water

Monday, August 4 @ 4:00pm

Presented by:





Looking to learn more about the environment? Join us for our Eco Explorers series. In collaboration with our partners at Cabarrus County! There are two more workshops left! This educational opportunity is for youth aged 5-11 years old.

Friday Night Flicks in the Park



Grab your blankets, lawn chairs, and the whole family, Friday Night Flicks are returning this summer with a lineup of Disney favorites! Join us for a fun and relaxing evening under the stars at parks across the city.

#### Movie Schedule:

- ☐ June 20 The Secret Life of Pets at Les Myers Park
- ☐ July 18 Finding Nemo at McGee Park
- ☐ August 8 Lilo & Stitch at Hartsell Recreation Center
- ☐ August 22 Encanto at Dorton Park
- ☐ Movies begin at 7:00 p.m.

Don't forget your snacks, and get ready for a magical movie night in the park!

#### **Sounds of Summer Concert Series**



If you loved our Union Street Live concerts back in the early 2010s, you're in for a treat! We're excited to bring that same energy and community spirit back with the Sounds of Summer Concert Series. This summer, enjoy a dynamic lineup of talented artists and bands performing across different locations throughout the City of Concord.

From pop and jazz to country, each concert offers a unique and memorable experience for all ages!

#### Kicking off the series:

Join us in Downtown Concord on Friday, June 28, at 6:00 p.m. for a performance by The Hitmen. The stage will be set on Union Street, between Corban Avenue and Barbrick Avenue.

Don't miss out on this summer celebration of music, community, and fun!

Concord International Festival Saturday, September 27, 2025



The Concord International Festival is returning for its fifth year on Saturday, September 27, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Downtown Concord.

This vibrant event will once again bring the community together to celebrate the diverse cultures that enrich our city. Attendees can look forward to a day filled with international shopping, live music, dance performances, and a variety of culinary delights from around the world. It's an opportunity to experience the global flavors, sounds, and traditions that make Concord a unique place to live.

The Concord International Festival is presented by the City of Concord and El Puente Hispano. To join us as a vendor or for sponsorship opportunities, visit <a href="https://www.concordinternationalfestival.com">www.concordinternationalfestival.com</a>.

#### **MONTHLY TIPS**

#### **Stormwater Pollution**



Did you know that during and after rainfall, debris and litter left on streets and sidewalks can clog storm drains? When debris collects in storm drains, it can cause problems like street flooding and negatively impact the water quality of our local streams and rivers, harming fish and wildlife.

You can help by removing litter, leaves, sticks, and other debris that collect at the storm drains near your home, and always remember – only rain down the drain!

**Learn More About Stormwater Pollution** 

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