



Neighborhood Matching Grant



REMINDER! Neighborhood Matching Grant [applications](#) are open for the 2024-2025 fiscal year!

The [Neighborhood Matching Grant](#) awards up to \$3,000 in matching grant funds to eligible recognized neighborhood organizations. The goal of the program is to facilitate neighborhood self-improvement. All projects are initiated, planned, and implemented by neighborhood members. Please read the [program policy](#) to see if your neighborhood's project is eligible for submission.

The application deadline is Monday, May 27th at 5 p.m.

Congratulations to the Winners of the 2024 Spring Litter Sweep!



Join us in celebrating the winners of the 2024 Spring Litter Sweep! This spring, five neighborhoods participated in the annual litter sweep: Hallstead HOA, Residents of Historic Concord, Courtyards on Poplar Tent HOA, Woodbridge HOA, and Overbrook Manor HOA. Together, they removed 17 bags of trash from our neighborhood streets!

Congratulations to the following neighborhoods for collecting the most bags of trash:

1st Place - Overbrook Manor Homeowners Association Inc.

2nd Place - Courtyards on Poplar Tent

3rd Place - Residents of Historic Concord

Our next Litter Sweep will be in the fall. All neighborhoods are encouraged to join us as we work together to keep our city clean and litter free. As a reminder, the top three neighborhoods who collect the most bags of trash win prizes!

Thank you to everyone who participated!

Cabarrus Ave & Union St Intersection Closing Monday for Construction



The intersection of Cabarrus Ave and Union St is scheduled to close on Monday, May 20th as part of the Downtown Concord Streetscape Project. The closure is expected to last two months, weather-dependent, while contractors work on the streetscape and update existing utilities.

During the closure, the Municipal Parking Deck will remain accessible from both the Cabarrus Ave and the Union St entrances and drivers may still use Market St to visit downtown businesses or access the city's payment drop box.

[Click here](#) for a map and additional information.

Join Us in Building a Greener Concord: Host a Sustainability Workshop!

SUSTAINABILITY SERIES

3 PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT HEALTHY AND RESILIENT NEIGHBORHOODS



Rain Gardens and Barrels

Be Water Smart. Learn more about our local water system, including easy and practical ways you can help prevent stormwater pollution in your neighborhood. Also learn how rain gardens and rain barrels can support a healthy yard and backyard garden!



Recycling and Composting

Be Cart Smart. Think you know which items belong in the recycling cart and what's trash? Through interactive games and exercises we'll test your knowledge so you can recycle right and support a cleaner, healthier Concord.

Interested in composting? We'll also share ways you can reduce waste through backyard or community composting.



Native Plants and Pollinators

Be Pollinator Friendly. Did you know Concord is a Mayors' Monarch Pledge city? Discover ways you can add pollinator plants to your yard and become a certified wildlife habitat through the North Carolina Wildlife Federation.

**TO SCHEDULE A PROGRAM
CALL: 704-920-5379**

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Are you passionate about making a positive impact on our environment? Do you want to learn more about how you can contribute to a greener, more sustainable future right here in Concord? Well, look no further!

We offer workshops hosted by the City of Concord's Sustainability Coordinator!

To reserve your spot or inquire about workshop availability, contact **Juliann Chavez** at **704-920-5379**. Let's come together to build a greener, healthier, and more resilient Concord for generations to come!

Concord Named One of the Best Cities in NC!

#2 BEST PLACE TO MOVE IN NC

According to USA Today



Photo Credit: Fly Over Drone Co.

In Case You Missed It: A recent study by USA Today named Concord one of the best cities to move to in North Carolina!

The report ranked 22 cities across the state using 17 metrics. Concord came in at #2 and received high praise for our low crime rates, abundant entertainment options, and great schools!

[Read more about our latest ranking.](#)

Vote for Your Favorite T-Shirt Design!

**VOTE
NOW!**



T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE DESIGN!

Join us for our Winner Announcement Party on May 24, 5-7 p.m.
All designs will be on display in the main gallery through May 31

ClearWater Arts Center & Studios
223 Crowell Drive NW, Concord, NC 28025

VOTING ENDS MAY 23: [CONCORDNC.GOV/CONTEST](https://concordnc.gov/contest)

The submissions are in, and now it's time to vote on your favorite design! The design with the most votes will win the "Popular Choice" award and the artist will receive \$1,000 to support their creative works. **Voting is open through May 23rd at 11:59 P.M.**

The T-Shirt designs are also on display in the Main Gallery at ClearWater Arts Center & Studios. Stop by anytime before May 31st to check out the designs in person.

Join Us at the Winner Announcement Party!
May 24th, 5-7 p.m.

Clear Water Arts Center & Studios
223 Crowell Dr, NW, Concord, NC 28025

The ClearWater Arts T-Shirt Design contest is a collaborative project between ClearWater Arts Center & Studios and Studio Print Shop and is funded by a Cabarrus Arts Council Grassroots Grant. Participants were encouraged to design a new T-shirt for ClearWater Arts Center & Studios that conveys a message of creative and cultural inclusion for a chance to win \$1,000 towards supporting their creative works.

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE T-SHIRT

Upcoming Events!

CALDWELL PARK



BOND UPDATE MEETINGS

May 20th at 6:00 p.m.

Logan Multi-Purpose Center
184 Booker Dr SW

May 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

Logan Optimist Shelter
362 Georgia Avenue SW

Our Parks & Recreation Department is hosting two Caldwell Park bond update meetings. These meetings will allow the community to learn more about the upcoming park closure, the construction project timeline, and much more.

Meeting Details:

- Monday, May 20 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Logan Multipurpose Center, 184 Booker Dr. SW
- Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Logan Optimist Shelter, 362 Georgia Avenue SW

We look forward to your participation!

Join Us for a Movie in the Park!

Friday Night Flicks

W.W. Flowe Park

TALLADEGA NIGHTS

Free entry. Bring your own chairs and blankets.

Concessions available for purchase.

FRIDAY, MAY 31

**ACTIVITIES & FUN
START AT 6:45PM**

MOVIE STARTS AT 8:15 PM



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PARKS & RECREATION

Gather your family and friends and join us at W.W. Flowe Park for a complimentary outdoor movie night!

Enjoy a bounce house and activities before the movie. **The event kicks off at 6:45 p.m. and the movie starts at 8:15 p.m.** Concession snacks will be available for purchase during the screening.

Please note that a parent or guardian must accompany children throughout the event. Don't forget your blanket and chairs!

Check out more upcoming family-friendly events and programs by following the Parks & Recreation Department on [Facebook](#).

**Save The Date for the 4th Annual
Concord International Festival!**

The poster for the Concord International Festival features a vibrant design with a large, colorful sunburst logo at the top center. The logo contains the text "Concord International Festival". Below the logo, the text "PRESENTED BY:" is followed by the logos for "Concord NORTH CAROLINA High Performance Living" and "EL PUENTE HISPANO CONECTATE". The central text reads "Save the Date! October 5, 2024 12 - 6 PM • Downtown Concord". At the bottom, the contact information is provided: "INFO: (980) 255-1434 • FESTIVAL@ELPUENTEHISPANONC.ORG" and the website "• CONCORDINTERNATIONALFESTIVAL.COM •". The poster also includes images of performers in traditional Mexican attire, including a woman in a purple and pink dress, a man in a red and white dress, and a man in a blue suit playing a trumpet.

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Join us on **Saturday, October 5, 2024, from 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.** for a day of food, music, and family fun.

To join the celebration of culture and community as a sponsor, vendor, or volunteer, apply online or contact El Puente Hispano at 980-255-1434 or by email at festival@elpuentehispanonc.org. Applications are due September 1, 2024.

[Click here for festival details!](#)

Monthly Tips



Grass Clippings Are An Overlooked Polluter!

When it rains, grass clippings left in the street after mowing are washed into storm drains that lead directly into the closest waterway. Grass clippings can increase nutrients in water and cause algae blooms that can make the water unhealthy for people and wildlife.

Remember, only rain down the storm drain!



KNOW YOUR NO'S

Don't tangle or contaminate. Recycle right for our state!



NO

PAPER TOWELS OR TISSUE

Paper towels and napkins are often soiled and too thin to recycle.

Reminder - not all paper products can be recycled!

Keep paper towels, tissues, and napkins out of the recycling cart. They're often dirty, but even when clean, they are too thin to be recycled into paper.

Know your no's and toss paper towels, tissues, and napkins in the trash!

Connect with us!



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