



Neighborhood Matching Grant Applications Due



Submission Deadline: Monday, May 26, 2025

This grant program offers financial support for neighborhood-led initiatives, such as beautification projects, safety improvements, and community-building activities. If you have a project idea that will benefit your neighborhood, now is the time to apply!

Pictured above are residents of the Woodbridge neighborhood who used

the Neighborhood Matching Grant for their Irrigation/Landscaping project.

[Click Here To Apply](#)

[Learn More About The Grant](#)

SPRING LITTER SWEEP



Spring Litter Sweep Winners Announced!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Spring Litter Sweep! Your efforts helped keep our community clean and beautiful, and we're excited to recognize the neighborhoods that collected the most trash!

□ Congratulations to our winning neighborhoods!

1st Place (\$200): Logan

2nd Place (\$150): Mountain Laurel

3rd Place (\$100): Carriage Downs

Each of these neighborhoods organized amazing cleanup efforts, showing true community spirit and dedication to our city. Your work made a visible impact and earned extra points towards your Neighborhood Matching Grant applications!

A huge thank-you to all participating groups—whether big or small—for helping to make a difference. Let's continue working together to keep Concord clean, safe, and beautiful for all.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM BENEFIT SPOTLIGHT

National Night Out, Tuesday, August 5



National Night Out is celebrated internationally every year on the first Tuesday of August. Neighborhoods are encouraged to host events in their communities. As a program benefit, the City of Concord's Police and Fire Departments, along with City Council members and City leadership, will plan a visit to your neighborhood.

If you have any questions about planning an event, call Raeshawn Palmer at 704-920-5298.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST CALL: Couch to 5K Run Program

COUCH TO 5K

SUMMER SESSION

TUES & THURS @ 6:30PM

STARTS MAY 6TH

BACK @ DORTON PARK

It's not too late to sign up for the Couch to 5K program at Dorton Park! **But hurry! Registration closes tomorrow (May 8) at 10 am!**

This group training program is perfect for beginners and seasoned walkers or runners. Whether you're just starting or looking to stay active, we'll help you build up to completing the Streetlight 5K this July.

No running experience needed—just a positive attitude and a willingness to move!

Cost: \$15 (includes a program T-shirt)

[Sign Up Here!](#)

Paper Shredding Event

A poster for a paper shredding event. The background is a dense field of blue and white shredded paper. At the top left, a green banner with white text reads "RE-SCHEDULED". Below it, in large white letters, is "SPRING 2025". Underneath that, in even larger white letters, is "SAFE DISPOSAL EVENT". Below this, in white text, is "Saturday, June 7 | 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M." and "280 Concord Parkway S". To the left of the text "Paper Shredding ONLY" is a red circular icon containing a white recycling symbol. Below the icon, in white text, is "Shredding is limited to 5 trash bags or bankers boxes per person". At the bottom of the poster are three logos: "Concord NORTH CAROLINA" in red script, "CABARRUS COUNTY America Thrives Here" with a blue 'C' logo, and "Goodwill Industries of the Southern Piedmont" with a blue and white logo.

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If you came to our Safe Disposal Event last month you know that unfortunately, the paper shredding truck didn't make it.

We have rescheduled the paper shredding portion of our safe disposal event for Saturday, June 7 from 9 -11 a.m. Residents can bring up to 5 garbage bags or bankers boxes to be shredded.

This is a paper only event. We will not be able to take electronics or

unused medications during this event, but as always, we will plan another safe disposal event for the fall!

Now Accepting Applications: Summer Youth Police Academy

A dark blue poster for the Summer 2025 Youth Police Academy. At the top left, a white banner with black text reads "AGES 11-16". The main title "Summer 2025 Youth Police Academy" is in large, bold, white letters. Below it, "CONCORD POLICE DEPARTMENT" is written in bold, white, all-caps. Two dates and age ranges are listed: "JUNE 2-5 AGES 11-13" and "JUNE 23-26 AGES 14-16". A paragraph describes the program as a four-day academy where youth gain firsthand information about police operations through practical exercises, games, lectures, and demonstrations. At the bottom left is a QR code with a Concord Police Department badge in the center. To the right of the QR code, the text "SCAN QR CODE FOR APPLICATION" is written in bold, white, all-caps. The background features a faint, large police badge graphic.

AGES 11-16

Summer 2025 Youth Police Academy

CONCORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

JUNE 2-5 JUNE 23-26
AGES 11-13 AGES 14-16

Youth participating in the four-day academy program will gain firsthand information about the function and operations of the Concord Police Department through practical exercises, games, lectures and demonstrations.



SCAN QR CODE FOR APPLICATION

Calling all future leaders! The Concord Police Department is now accepting applications for the Youth Summer Police Academy—a fun and interactive 4-day camp designed for residents ages 11 to 16.

Participants will get a behind-the-scenes look at law enforcement, take

part in hands-on exercises, games, and exciting demonstrations, all while building leadership skills and learning more about public safety.

Camp Dates:

- Ages 11–13: June 2–5 | 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Ages 14–16: June 23–26 | 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Spaces are limited—don't miss this unique opportunity to learn, lead, and grow with the Concord Police Department!

[Apply Here](#)

Friday Night Flicks Are Back!

FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS

SUMMER 2025



Dorton Park 7:00PM
5/30 ENCANTO



Les Myers Park 7:00PM
**6/20 SECRET LIFE
OF PETS**



McGee Park 7:00PM
**7/18 FINDING
NEMO**



Hartsell Rec. Center 7:00PM
8/8 LILO & STITCH

Concord
NORTH CAROLINA
Parks & Recreation

Grab your blankets, lawn chairs, and the whole family—Friday Night Flicks in the Park returns with a lineup of Disney favorites you won't want to miss!

Join us for a magical movie night under the stars at parks across Concord. Movies start at 7:00 p.m. and are free for all ages!

Movie Schedule:

- May 30 – Encanto at Dorton Park
- June 20 – The Secret Life of Pets at Les Myers Park
- July 18 – Finding Nemo at McGee Park
- August 8 – Lilo & Stitch at Hartsell Rec Center

Pack some snacks and enjoy a fun, family-friendly evening with your

Calling All Minecraft Lovers!

A Minecraft-themed poster for the 'Nether Explorers' event. The background is dark red with a pixelated, blocky texture. At the top, the words 'NETHER EXPLORERS' are written in large, bold, orange-yellow block letters. Below the title, there are two pixelated orange mobs with four legs and a square head, resembling the 'Blaze' or 'Ghast' mobs from the game. In the center, the text 'DAVID PHILLIPS ACTIVITY CENTER' is written in the same orange-yellow block letters. Below that, 'MAY 23 • 5-8PM' is displayed. Further down, the pricing 'CITY RESIDENTS \$15 • NON-CITY RESIDENTS \$20' is shown. Below the pricing, 'REGISTER BY MAY 16' and 'AGES 6-10' are written. In the bottom left corner, there is a logo for 'Concord NORTH CAROLINA Parks & Recreation' with 'Concord' in a script font and 'NORTH CAROLINA Parks & Recreation' in a smaller, sans-serif font.

Need a night out? Drop the kids off for an evening packed with Minecraft-themed fun at our Nether Explorers program! From hands-on activities to creative adventures, this event is perfect for young Minecraft fans ages 6–10.

When: Thursday, May 23 | 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Where: David Phillips Activity Center, 946 Burrage Rd NE

Includes: Fun, games, and snacks!

Let your kids explore a world of imagination while you enjoy some well-deserved free time!

[Sign Up Here!](#)

Saturday, September 27, 2025



Save the Date! 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 www.concordinternationalfestival.com.

[Learn More](#)

MONTHLY TIPS

Keep Plastic Bags Out of Your Curbside Bin



Did you know plastic bags and plastic film can't be recycled in your curbside bin? They can jam sorting machines at recycling centers, causing costly delays and equipment damage.

Instead, please drop them off at participating grocery stores with dedicated recycling bins, or reuse them when you can.

Reducing plastic waste helps keep our recycling system efficient and running smoothly — thank you for doing your part!

[Learn More About Recycling](#)

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