



January 2019



While many of us celebrated the holidays with family and friends, I wanted to take a moment to thank our first responders and other employees who worked throughout the season to help keep us safe.

Looking ahead, I will be updating you on Harford County's progress and opportunities on the horizon in my fifth annual State of the County Address. I will present the speech in the Council Chambers, and it will stream live on the [county website](#) on Tuesday, February 5 at 7 p.m.

With best wishes for a safe and prosperous new year,

**Barry Glassman**  
County Executive

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### **Free recycling for your Christmas tree & lights**

Recycle your live Christmas tree for free at our Harford Waste Disposal Center locations: 3135 Scarboro Road in Street, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and the Tollgate Drop Off site at 703 N. Tollgate Road in Bel Air on Saturdays only from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. We also accept Christmas lights, clothing, textiles, electronics and more at no charge. Visit our [recycling webpage](#) for more information or call 410-638-3417.

### **2019 HOPE AGAINST ADDICTION CALENDAR**



### **Hope Against Addiction 2019 Calendars**

In partnership with the Harford County Sheriff's Office, our award-winning "Hope Against Addiction" art contest invites students and adults to create images focused on the hopeful theme of prevention and recovery from addiction. Winning art from each age group was made into a 2019 calendar that is raising funds this year for [CharHope](#), a local recovery program for women. Calendars are \$10 each. For more information, email [pastor@churchvillepc.org](mailto:pastor@churchvillepc.org).

## Got BUDGET Priorities?

Harford County Executive Barry Glassman's

### VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

Thursday, January 24, 2019

6:00 p.m.

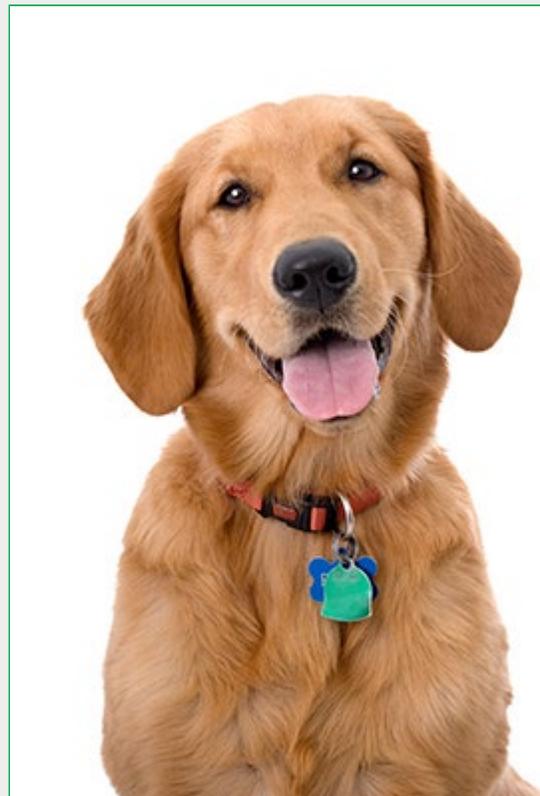


## Virtual Town Hall budget meeting January 24

In the four years of my administration, we dedicated an average of 96% of the county's new, ongoing revenue to public safety and education. What matters most to you as we plan the next county budget? Send us your priorities by joining our Virtual Town Hall meeting on the FY20 budget. This award-winning format makes it easy send us your comments through social media, email, U.S. Mail, and by testifying at the live event starting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, January 24 in Darlington Hall at Harford Community College. For more information, [visit our Web page](#) where you can also watch and call in during the live meeting.

## Dog license renewals - now online!

For your convenience, my administration continues to bring more county services online, including a new option to renew your dog's license through our e-Permit Center. A license helps to document your pet ownership and helps ensure that dogs in our community are vaccinated against rabies. Renewals can now be registered and paid for online by setting up an account. [Click here](#) for instructions. We also continue to accept renewals in person and by mail at our Permit Center at 220 S. Main St. in Bel Air.



**HARFORD COUNTY THERAPEUTIC RECREATION PROGRAMS**



**What is Therapeutic Recreation?**  
 Therapeutic Recreation (TR) programs are designed to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities and facilitate the development of leisure and recreation skills, socialization, independence, and overall quality of life. Harford County TR programs are available to individuals of all ages with any type of disability. Our programs are highly structured utilizing trained staff, adapted equipment and activities with a high staff-to-participant ratio. Programs are held countywide at a variety of locations such as recreation centers and schools.

**Existing Harford County Programs:**

- Bowling - all ages, Aberdeen Proving Ground
- Bingo - ages 12+, twice a month at McFaul Activities Center
- Camp 1 Can - ages 3.5 to 21, John Archer School
- iCan Bike program - ages 8+, Churchill Recreation Center - Level 800g
- Fun Fitness News - ages 17+, Churchill Recreation Center - Level 800g
- Music and Movement - ages 11+, Churchill Recreation Center - Level 800g
- Monthly adult social dances - ages 21+, McFaul & Chenoweth activity centers
- Karaoke - ages 14+, Churchill Recreation Center - Level 800g
- Staccato chorus/performing arts group - ages 12+, TBA
- Musical Fitness - ages 3 to 5, Churchill Rec Center - Level 800g
- Wheelchair Basketball open gym - ages 15+, Churchill Rec - Level 800g
- Walking Club - ages 18+, Churchill Recreation Center - Level 800g
- Nature Explorers - ages 3-17, Eden Mill Nature Center

**Planned Programs:** (Locations to be determined)

- Art Club - ages 14+
- Insured Soldiers Social Club - ages 18+
- Book Building - ages 8 to 13
- Sports Variety - ages 3-18
- Yoga - all ages



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## Recreation for all ages and abilities

Harford County offers individuals with disabilities a variety of opportunities to be independent in their leisure activities and to engage in fun, social, and meaningful interaction with their peers. Our Department of Parks and Recreation has expanded its therapeutic recreation programs, which include art, sports, chair yoga, karaoke, bowling, bingo, social dances and more. New online registration and payment options make it easier to participate than ever before. [Click here](#) for more information and to register; stay connected on Facebook at [@HarfordCountyTR](#) or call 410-638-4899.

## Avoid frozen pipes this winter

Our Department of Public Works reminds you to protect your pipes from freezing this winter to avoid costly repairs and leaks. Remember to turn off the water supply to your outside faucets, disconnect hoses, and drain water from the pipes. Use caulk or foam to seal openings where pipes enter your home and insulate exposed pipes to prevent freezing. On extremely cold nights, allow a very slow drip from faucets to keep water moving, which makes it less likely to freeze. [More information here.](#)





## Bus Passes On Your Phone

Get the Token Transit App



### Token Transit

Harford Transit LINK is making commutes easier with Token Transit, a free smartphone app that eliminates the need for bus riders to carry exact fare or a bus pass. After downloading the app, users can buy single or 12-ride passes on their smartphones and then activate the online passes to show the driver before boarding the bus. Discounts for seniors and those with disabilities still apply and the app can also be used for on-demand mobility services. [Click here for more.](#)



### ICYMI: Harford County Inauguration

Thanks again to everyone who participated in Harford County's 13th inauguration ceremony. Photos of the event and performances by local students and musicians are available [here](#) and [here](#). Video of the event courtesy of [Harford Cable Network](#) is also available [here](#).

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