



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

FOREST HEIGHTS SPOKESMAN

Happy Holidays

TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

Forest Heights Senior Gala

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 14, 2019

4 PM – 8 PM

Forest Heights Community Center

5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745 -1903
Please RSVP to the Senior Gala by Tuesday, December 10, 2019 by calling 301-839-1030 or emailing kvia@forestheightsmd.gov.

TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS presents

2019 CHILDRENS HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 21, 2019

Forest Heights Municipal Building

5508 Arapahoe Drive

Forest Heights, MD 20745-1903

2PM– 5PM

Children under 13 welcome. Call 301-839-1030 to RSVP.



The Town Hall Building will be CLOSED for construction Monday, December 16, Tuesday, December 17, and Wednesday, December 18.

The Mayor/ Council Town Meeting will take place on December 18th as scheduled.

Community News

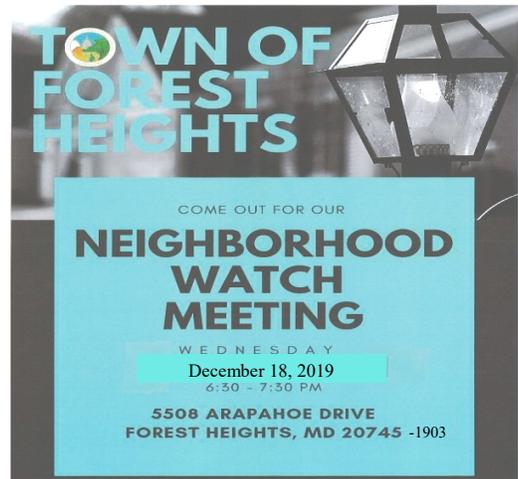
MAYOR AND COUNCIL THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS ORDINANCE NO. 05-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND REVISING ARTICLE 13 (NUISANCES, MORALS AND CONDUCT) OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE, BY CHANGING, ADOPTING, AMENDING, OR RE-ADOPTING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SAID ARTICLE INCLUDING ADOPTING REVISED SECTION 13.10 HAVING A NEW CATCH PHRASE (PRE-AUTHORIZATION OF POLICE AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO ENFORCE TRESPASS STATUTES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY) TO AUTHORIZE THE SAME; AND BY AMENDING AND READOPTING THE PRIOR SECTION 13.10 AS NEW SECTION 13.11 (VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES) TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE ENFORCEMENT OF SAME AS A MUNICIPAL INFRACTION, AND GENERALLY RELATING TO NUISANCES, MORALS AND CONDUCT OF PERSONS LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS.

Introduced By: Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad

TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS WELCOMES NEW EMPLOYEES

The Town of Forest Heights welcomes Mr. Donnie Thole (Crewman) and Mr. Carlos Dunkley (Custodian) to the Department of Public Works. We also welcome Ms. Marnishia Moore as the Healthy Heights Program Coordinator. We know they will do a great job helping the Town to provide the services that's needed to excel.



FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS FOR SERVICE NOVEMBER 2019

911 DISCONNECT	14	SCHOOL ALARM	1
ACCIDENT	12	SUBJECT STOP	9
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	1	SUSPICIOUS PERSON (s)	3
ARMED PERSON	1	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	3
ASSIST	1	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE (occupied)	11
ASSIST FIRE EMS	2	THEFT FROM AUTO	1
CHECK WELFARE	5	THEFT JO	2
CHECK WELFARE COMBINED	8	THEFT REPORT	2
DEPT ACCIDENT PD COMB.	1	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	4
DISORDERLY	11	TRAFFIC HAZARD	1
DOMESTIC	5	UNKNOWN TROUBLE	9
DWI DRIVER	1	VANDALISM	2
FAMILY DISPUTE	2	VEHICLE ACCIDENT COMBINED	1
FIGHT	1	Total Calls Handled:	192
FOUND	1		
FRAUD	1		
HIT AND RUN	2		
LOUD MUSIC COMPLAINT	2		
MISC POLICE INCIDENTS	8		
MISSING PERSON	1		
NOISE COMPLAINT	1		
OPEN DOOR/WINDOW	1		
PREMISE CHECK	57		
RESIDENTIAL ALARM	3		
RESIDENTIAL PANIC ALARM	1		

POLICE STATION

5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE

This Station is Open to the Public

Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

301-839-4040

(Emergency) 911 (Non-Emergency)

(301) 352-1200



Community News Continued

MARYLAND LAWMAKERS PLEDGE \$2.2 BILLION FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

On Wednesday, November 6, 2019, Democratic lawmakers in the Maryland General Assembly held a press conference at Forest Heights Elementary School and announced plans to increase state school construction funding by about \$2.2 billion over a period of two decades. Lawmakers intend to use casino lockbox money to fund the \$125 million yearly increase of the proposal. This is especially important for the Town, as Forest Heights Elementary School is being rebuilt and the students are currently relocated at

John Hanson Montessori.

Mayor Muhammad and Councilwoman Hines represented the Town of Forest Heights for this important event. With over half of the schools in Prince George's County 50 years or older, it is vital that our schools and students get the funding that is needed.



Town of Forest Heights Census Thanksgiving Giveaway

On Thursday, November 21, 2019, the Town of Forest Heights assembled Thanksgiving baskets for those in need. We gave to citizens of the community, as well as students from Forest Heights Elementary School, Flintstone Elementary School, John Hanson Montessori School, and Oxon Hill High School. In addition to food for a Thanksgiving dinner, the baskets contained literature encouraging recipients to get involved and learn more about the 2020 Census. Thanks to

Ms. Sharon Turner with the Alexandria Walmart on 6303 Richmond Highway and her team for their support. Thanks to the Forest Heights Police Department for delivering the baskets. We hope that everyone had a peaceful holiday as a result of our Town's Thanksgiving Giveaway. Census materials will be passed out at the Senior Gala and the Children's Holiday Party. We encourage everyone to



participate in the 2020 Census, because an accurate count ensures that our county is represented and that our public institutions get the funds needed to serve our community.

FHPD CHRISTMAS BASKET GIVEAWAY

The Town of Forest Heights will be giving Christmas Baskets to residents on Friday, December 20, 2019. If you know someone in Town that needs help for the holidays, please let us know by calling 301-839-1030 or emailing kvia@forestheightsmd.gov. Please call soon, as the number of baskets is limited. The Christmas Basket Giveaway is sponsored by the Forest Heights Police Department.



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING



FRIDAY at 6 PM
DECEMBER 6, 2019

COMMUNITY
GATHERING
PLACE

Located Next to
Henry's Soul Café
5431 Indian Head Highway
Forest Heights, MD 20745



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

Requesting new or gently
used coats and toys for
children ages 3 to 12.



TOY & COAT DRIVE

NOV 1- DEC 20, 2019



FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT "SHOP WITH A COP"

The Forest Heights Police Department will be participating in the annual County-wide "Shop with a Cop" program on Friday, December 13, 2019, where elementary age students in Town will have the opportunity to pick out holiday gifts with the help of our officers. If you have any questions, call the Forest Heights Police Department at 301-839-4040.



FOREST HEIGHTS SANTA RUN

The Forest Heights Police Department will be having a Santa Run on Tuesday, December 24, 2019 at 7PM.

Parents, have your kids come out, Santa will be giving out treats!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN FOREST HEIGHTS

Do you need service hours for school? Do you want to help serve your community? The Town of Forest Heights needs volunteers to help with the Children's Holiday Party. We can sign off on service hours. Please call 301-839-1030 or email kvia@forestheightsmd.gov. Stay tuned for more volunteer opportunities and outreach events.

Community News Continued

TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

HEALTHY HEIGHTS SEMINAR

MONDAY
DECEMBER 9, 2019
1-2 PM

FOREST HEIGHTS
COMMUNITY CENTER
5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE
FOREST HEIGHTS, MD 20745



Pepco urges customers to be aware of scams during the Holiday Season

During the holiday season, Pepco is reminding customers to always be on alert for potential payment scams targeting customers. Some red flags may include:

- The scammer becomes angry and tells a customer his or her account is past due and service will be shut off if a large payment isn't made-usually within less than an hour
- The scammer instructs the customer to purchase a prepaid debit or credit card-widely available at most retail stores-then call him or her back to make a payment
- The scammer ask the customer for the prepaid card's receipt number and PIN number, which grants instant access to the funds located in the card.

If you believe you have been the target of a scam, Pepco urges you to contact your local police and call Pepco at 202-833-7500 to report the situation.



NOVEMBER SEMINAR: DIABETES

On Monday, November 18, 2019, the Town of Forest Heights held its Healthy Heights Seminar on Diabetes, with our guest lecturer Ms. Teymi Herring, the Program Coordinator at Doctors Community Hospital's Diabetes Center. We had a great turnout and will continue to give these informative series to the community.

If you want to RSVP for the Healthy Heights Seminar, please call 301-839-1030 and talk to Ms. Moore. Please continue to provide feedback, we want to know what issues are the most important and the most pressing for our Town.



Need a computer?

The nonprofit RecycleMyComputer offers \$10 desktops and \$25 laptops for low income individuals. Applications are available for pickup at Town Hall. This program is not sponsored by the Town of Forest Heights. Applications must be sent to:

Oasis
c/o Macys
7125 Democracy Blvd.
Bethesda, MD 20817.
Questions? Call 301-469-6800
(press 1 and X211)



SCAM ALERT: FAKE COSTCO COUPONS



Please be alert. Costco has reported that fake \$75 off coupons are being circulated on Facebook. The fake coupons take users to a link that asks for personal information, which is then used by the scammers. Do not click on these links. Do not share

or re-post the fake coupons. Costco shares all deals on its website, and does not accept any coupons it does not issue. If it seems too good to be true, it is.

Community News Continued

**Are you doing all you can for your health?
Senior Exercise Class meets Mondays and Wednesdays.
Class Begins at 12:00 Noon.**



MDOT MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

DISTRICT 3 RESOURCE GUIDE

**Proudly Serving
Prince George's & Montgomery Counties**

**9300 Kenilworth Avenue • Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-513-7405 • 1-800-749-0737**

**District Engineer,
301-513-7311**

The District Engineer is the senior manager responsible for overseeing all areas of operation within the District. The District Engineer works with the Administrator and state and local elected officials to determine transportation priorities in the District.

**Deputy District Engineer,
301-513-7346**

The Deputy District Engineer shares leadership of the District Office with the District Engineer and is directly responsible for the efficiency of the District's internal operations.

**District Community Liaisons,
301-513-7405, 301-513-7376**

The District Community Liaisons (DCLs) are the link between the District Office, MDOT SHA, elected officials, the community. They respond to inquiries from elected officials and the community about District 3 projects.

**Construction Office,
301-513-7339**

The Construction Office is responsible for supervising the inspection of all work and material used in construction projects in the District. They also monitor every detail of construction from start to finish.

**Project Development Office,
301-513-7337**

The Project Development Office is responsible for system preservation projects for the District. These projects include safety, resurfacing, sidewalk retrofit, and intersection improvements. They also attend meetings to provide information about upcoming projects.

**Utilities Office,
301-513-7350**

The Utilities Office coordinates and reviews utility design and relocation, inspects engineering access permits and issues/tracks utility and lane closure permits. Utilities Office representatives serve as liaisons between utility companies and their contractors.

**Traffic Office,
301-513-7409**

The Traffic Office monitors daily operations on state roads with a goal of providing for traffic safety and efficiency in District 3. The Office identifies and researches traffic problems and creates ways to enhance safety on state roadways.

**Maintenance Office,
301-513-7305**

The Maintenance Office is responsible for coordinating upkeep of state roads in District 3 including pavement resurfacing, traffic control, noise barrier repairs, lighting repairs, installation of traffic barriers, and pavement markings.

**Office of Real Estate/Right of Way,
301-513-7470**

The Office of Real Estate and District 3 Right of Way are responsible for acquiring real estate and providing real estate services for MDOT SHA and MDOT Transportation Business Units (TBU's) projects in the Montgomery and Prince George's County areas. The services provided by this section includes appraising, negotiating, cost estimating, relocation assistance and preliminary research requests, with more detailed research requests directed to our Records and Research department. The Office of Real Estate and District 3 Right of Way also provides support to MDOT SHA's District 3 engineering offices.

Maintenance shops in District 3

Prince George's County

Laurel Shop, 301-776-7619

Maintains the upper portion of the county including US 50 (John Hanson Highway) and all points north.

Marlboro Shop, 301-952-0555

Maintains the lower half of the county south of US 50 (John Hanson Highway).

Montgomery County

Fairland Shop, 301-572-5166

Maintains the lower half of the county east of MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) and inside the beltway.

Gaithersburg Shop, 301-948-2477

Maintains the upper half of the county west of MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) and outside the beltway, including I-270.

Community Calendars

DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	2 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION 7:30 pm	3	4 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	5	6 Tree Lighting Community Gathering Space 6PM (next to Henry's)	7	
8	9 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Seminar 1-2PM CPR Senior Exercise 12-1PM	10	11 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	12	12 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	13 Shop with a Cop	14 Senior Gala 4pm-8pm
15	16 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION	17	18 TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION Neighborhood Watch 6:30pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm	19	19 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	20 Christmas Basket Giveaway	21 Youth Holiday Party 2-6PM
22	23 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm	24	24 Santa Run 7pm	25	25 CHRISTMAS DAY. TOWN HALL CLOSED	26	26 Bulk Trash 3 items or less
29	30 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm	31				4	

January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1. New Years Day. Town Hall Closed	2. Bulk Trash 3 items or less	3	4	
5	6. Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION 7:30 pm	7	8 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	9	9 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	10	11
12	13 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Seminar 1-2pm Senior Exercise 12-1pm	14	15 Senior Exercise 12-1pm Neighborhood Watch 6:30pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm	16	16 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	17	18
19	20. MLK Day. Town Hall Closed. Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	21	22 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	23	23 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	24	25
26	27 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm	28	29 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	30	30 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	31	

*****EWCWSS****

Local Forest Heights
Post Customer

PRSWRT STD
ECRWSS
U.S. POSTAGE
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Community News (continued)

NOT RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER?

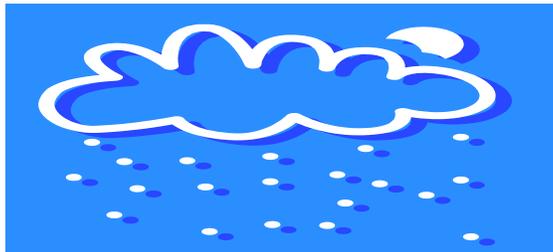


If you or someone you know is not receiving the Newsletter, call 301-839-1030 or email kvia@forestheightsmd.gov. You can also view the newsletters online at forestheightsmd.gov.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THE PARKING POLICY FOR SNOW EMERGENCIES

As stated in the Town Ordinance Section 15.3.2: Except as necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or a traffic control device, no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle or operate a truck or commercial vehicle as stated below in any of the following places within the Town:

On the side of any street opposite the streetlight poles during a snow created state of emergency as declared by Prince George's County pursuant to effective snow emergency plans. Vehicles so parked may be impounded pursuant to Section 15.7.



Trash/Recycle Collection is to be placed at the curb the night before collection.



PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.

MONDAY—Trash, Yard Waste & Recycling

Forest Heights Residents:

Yard Waste must be placed in paper bags or trash cans marked Yard Waste.

Tree limbs must be tied together in small bundles

Not to exceed 4 feet in length.

THURSDAY—Bulk (Three Items or Less)

METAL PICK-UP : Metal placed on the curb will be picked up by Public Works for a minimum of \$35.00 (paid in advance)

Propane Tank Pick-ups are \$30 each: Tires \$15.00 each.

Mayor *Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad*—ext. 1223

Hmuhammad@forestheightsmd.gov

TOWN COUNCIL

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Cynthia Mann

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Paula Noble

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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lrobinson@forestheightsmd.gov

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk—ext. 1233

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Kathleen Via, Administrative Assistant—ext. 1229

kvia@forestheightsmd.gov

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lvaughn@forestheightsmd.gov

Larry Vaughn, Public Works Director—ext 1231

ldvaughn@forestheightsmd.gov

POLICE DEPARTMENT

(301) 839-4040

Chief of Police, Col. Anthony Rease—ext. 1224

chief@forestheightsmd.gov

Tessie Hoffmann, Police Clerk—ext. 1225

Lisa White, Director of Communications

FHPD_Media@forestheightsmd.gov

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

Joseph Hawkins—ext.1228

codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov

HEALTHY HEIGHTS COORDINATION

Marnishia Moore, Healthy Heights Coordinator

mmoore@forestheightsmd.gov

Information Line (240) 493-6998

Non-Emergency (301) 352-1200

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

www.forestheightsmd.gov

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Phone (301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236
8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Forest Heights Notary (by appointment)

9 am -12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-4:30 pm Monday - Friday