

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



City Newsletter Wednesday, June 30, 2021

WEATHER ALERT: There's a possibility of gusty winds this evening with a line of thunderstorms. Please secure outdoor umbrellas, etc.

Want to know more about what's happening in the City, including individual DPW construction projects?

Click on the link below to signup for the City Newsletter and/or individual email lists for projects. Each of these projects or programs has its own page with recent updates and background information.
<https://tinyurl.com/y2p67par>



HEAT RELIEF!

OUTDOOR POOL -- There are no capacity restrictions or hour limits. Portsmouth residents will continue to be admitted Free. Non-resident guests are welcome at the previous fee of Adults (18 and over) \$4; Child (under 18) \$2. Pool hours are: 11 am - 6 pm.

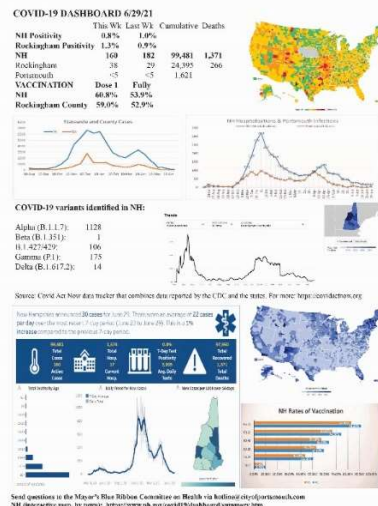
PROJECT COOLAIR FOR SENIORS – The hot, humid weather forecast for this weekend is a reminder for those 60+ and anyone whose health is adversely affected by the heat to be prepared before

an emergency develops. Often, those in need of air conditioning “do without” because they do not have the funds or know where to seek assistance. Through Project CoolAir, Area HomeCare makes air conditioners available to low income, medically-challenged and 60+ residents in Rockingham County. Make arrangements now rather than waiting for a critical need to develop. For more information, contact Ellen Tully at City Hall: 610-7267 or WFDept@cityofportsmouth.com

SENIOR CENTER OPEN AS A COOLING STATION. CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS AND MAKE SURE PETS HAVE WATER AND SHADE. For more advice on coping with hot weather, [click here](#).



TONIGHT! CREATING A RACIALLY JUST COMMUNITY – PORTSMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY SERIES at 7 pm via Zoom. For panelists and registration, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/pp9hpihm>



REGIONAL COVID-19 DASHBOARD – For a larger PDF, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/7aa8nypv>

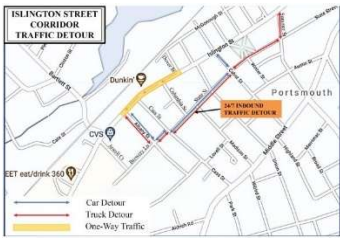
DPW CONSTRUCTION THIS WEEK

For more information on construction projects in the city, visit the DPW page on the City website, then click on the Projects tab for a dropdown menu that links to an individual page for each project with updates, project background and an opt-in email list.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks>

BANFIELD ROAD CONSTRUCTION – Single lane traffic for pipe installation under the road.

MAPLEWOOD AVE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT –Continued loaming and seeding. For the weekly update and to subscribe to the weekly eblast, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/urzenpm>



ISLINGTON STREET CORRIDOR DETOUR NOW IN PLACE 24/7 – For the weekly update and to subscribe to the weekly eblast, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/hb4wn9s>



INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY HOURS
City Hall and other City buildings will be closed for the Independence Day holiday on Monday, July 5. Reopening at 8 am on Tues Jul 6.

PORTSMOUTH FIREWORKS SAT JUL 3!
The Independence Day holiday tradition returns with a fireworks display over South Mill Pond starting at 9:15 pm. No food or music are being offered this year. Starting at 5 pm, special event parking \$3 fee at Foundry Place Garage or pre-pay \$6 at Hanover Garage. Rain date is Mon Jul 5.

CLOSED as of 9 am July 3 (for fireworks set-up crew):

- South Playground
- Dog Park
- Tennis & Basketball courts

NO PARKING starting at 12 noon July 3:

- Richards Ave. From Middle St. to South St. (both sides)
- Junkins Ave. from Pleasant St. to South St. (both sides)
- South St. from Miller Ave. to Marcy St. (both sides)
- Edwards St. from Junkins Ave. to Pleasant St. (both sides)
- Pleasant St. from Court St to Marcy St. (both sides)
- Lincoln St. from Kent to Junkins (one side)
- Kent St. from Rockland to Richards (one side)

CLOSED starting at 7 pm July 3:

- Parrott Ave
- Junkins from City Hall to Pleasant Street



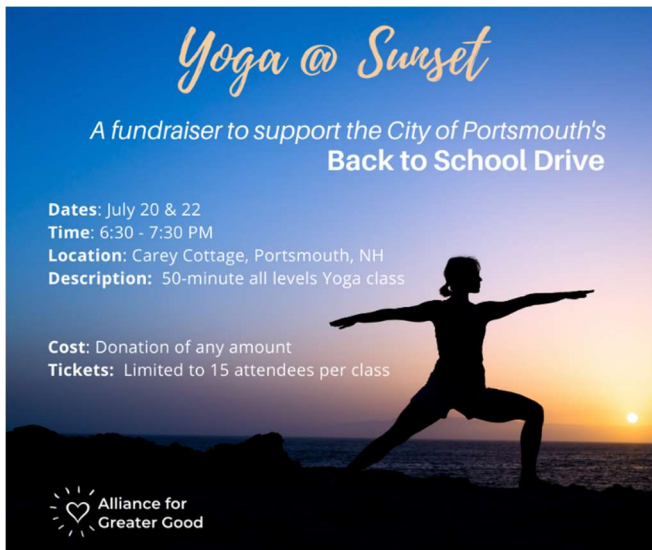
WANT TO PROTECT THE GREAT BAY? BECOME A TIDE TURNER!

Everyone who lives in the Great Bay region has the power to make our water cleaner and our communities healthier places to live. Thanks to the City's "Think Blue" program and residents' efforts, <https://tinyurl.com/334wvr7k> many are already be doing what it takes to be a Tide Turner. If not, it's free and easy to get started. Sign up now and you'll receive a beautiful yard flag, welcome packet, and information on special events and opportunities. All you have to do is agree to do at least five of these seven simple things:

- Get outside! Enjoy the rivers, beaches, and bay that making living here so amazing.
- Cut back on lawn and garden fertilizer
- Scoop the Poop
- Plant a Rain Garden

- Volunteer: Go on a beach cleanup, help plant dunes or buffers, or even become a bird or fish monitor!
- Service your septic system.
- Garden with native plants, pollinator-friendly and
- To become a Tide Turner, click here.

<https://greatbaystewards.org/programs/tide-turners/>



VOTER RE-REGISTRATION FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT VOTED SINCE 2017 -- Per New Hampshire State law, all municipalities in the state must certify their lists of registered voters every ten years. The last time this was done in Portsmouth was 2010. **The Portsmouth City Clerk has announced that any resident who was registered as a voter in the City of Portsmouth but who has not voted in the past four years (since April 1, 2017) must re-register before August 1, 2021 to remain on the voter rolls.**

The City Clerk's office can process voter re-registrations and new registrations during regular office hours at City Hall (Mon 8 am - 6 pm, Tues, Wed, Thurs 8 am - 4:30 pm, Fri 8 am - 1 pm).

In addition, the Portsmouth Board of Registrars is hosting two special sessions at City Hall for these registrations:

- **Tues, July 13, 4:30-6 pm**
- **Tues, July 20, 9-10:30 am**

Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship and domicile (Portsmouth home address) should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may still register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship and domicile. **Eligible residents of Portsmouth**

are always able to register to vote on election day.

BOARD AND COMMISSION VACANCIES – The following positions are open. If you are interested in applying for a Board or Commission, please complete this application and submit it to the City Clerk's Office. <https://tinyurl.com/2unv4wax>

- 1 Regular Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals (Pending submission of renewal application)
- 1 Alternate Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals –electrical engineer or master electrician
- 2 Alternate Members to the Conservation Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Historic District Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Planning Board
- 1 Regular Member to the Trees and Public Greenery Committee (pending submission of renewal applications)
- The Sustainable Practices Blue Ribbon Committee is also welcoming new members



TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME®

CITYWIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE WILL HOST NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUG 3. REGISTRATIONS WELCOME -- Portsmouth joins more than 17,000 communities nationwide to celebrate the 38th Annual National Night Out to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for the Police, Fire and Public Works employees who serve the City, and strengthen neighborhood spirit and community partnership. The Citywide Neighborhood Committee, is now accepting applications to participate from neighborhood representatives. Contact Larry Cataldo, CNC chair, at cncportsmouth@gmail.com for a registration form.

SPECIAL CITYWIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE MEETING ON NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: JUL 7 at 7 pm.



NH DHHS VACCINATION SITES CLOSE TODAY. FOR A LIST OF WALK-IN VACCINATION OPTIONS at hospitals and local pharmacy same-day sites, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/cb7s2kx5>

For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/tkvaksnw>

PORTSMOUTH VACCINE FAQs from the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Health and City Health Department, click here. <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-manager/vaccination-fa>

For Kids & COVID FAQs, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/49anabp9>

For COVID-19 Treatment FAQs, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/5bhmksy2> Ask your health-care provider about avoiding hospitalization once infected with COVID-19, by receiving the monoclonal antibody treatment described in these FAQs.

FAQs: "I Had COVID-19, Now What?" <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/after-covid-19-faqs>

For Testing FAQs click here. <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testing-faqs>

For Ventilation FAQs click here. <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilation-faqs>

For Daily Life During the Pandemic FAQs, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/5h55s48k>

For "I've Had COVID-19, Now What?" FAQs, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/2755pf8f>

For more information, visit City's page on COVID-19: <https://tinyurl.com/2ywcu6ab>