



HARNETT CONNECT

Employee Newsletter | Keeping You Connected

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

REAL PROPERTY LISTING DEADLINE: JANUARY 31, 2023

All residents and non-residents owning taxable property that is located in Harnett County as of January 1, 2023.

ITEMS INCLUDE:

- **Business /Income Producing Property:** Copiers, computers, signs, machinery, furniture, fixtures, leasehold improvements, household rental property, etc.
- **Agri-Business/Farm Income Producing Property:** Feeders, bins, fans, conveyors, tractors, motors, balers, harvesters, plows, planters, etc.
- **Personal Property:** Mobile homes, watercraft, aircraft, unlicensed motor vehicles, permanently tagged vehicles, IRP (International Registration Plan) plates, etc.
- **Improvements to Real Property:** Additions, remodels, in-ground pools, decks, porches, patios, storage, buildings, etc.

The deadline to list these items is January 31st. A 10% late listing penalty will be charged if property is not listed within this listing period. Not receiving a listing form is not a valid reason not to be penalized for late listing. Active duty, non-resident military may be exempt from taxation on personal property only. Remit a current, end of month LES with your listing.

For more information on listing your personal and/or business property, contact the Harnett County Tax Department at 910-893-7520 or visit harnett.org/tax.

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CLICK THE LEARN MORE BOX FOR MORE
INFORMATION OR VISIT:

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LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Applications accepted through **March 31, 2023**

Harnett County Department of Social Services has announced the application process for this year's Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP).

Eligible households will not receive a LIEAP check, as the payments will be made directly to the heating provider such as your Electric, Gas, or Fuel Oil Company. Interested individuals can apply by:

- Calling 910-814-6823
- Applying online at <https://epass.nc.gov/>
- Applying in person at Harnett County Department of Social Services office, located at 311 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd. in Lillington or dropping the application in the Drop Box outside of the office
- Mailing an application to Harnett County Department of Social Services c/o LIEAP program at PO Box 2169 Lillington, NC, 27546
- Faxing an application to 910-814-8242

HARNETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICE HOURS ARE 8:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, CALL HARNETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AT 910-814-6823 OR VISIT WWW.HARNETT.ORG/SS.



COMMISSIONER'S JANUARY MEETING SCHEDULE

Harnett County Board of Commissioners

JANUARY SCHEDULE



WORK SESSION
JANUARY 10 9:00 AM

BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 17 6:00 PM

PLANNING RETREAT
JANUARY 24 9:00 AM

WORK SESSION
JANUARY 31 9:00 AM



The Harnett County Board of Commissioners hold regular meetings on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 AM and the third Monday of each month at 6:00 PM. Meetings are held in the Commissioner Meeting Room on the second floor of the Harnett County Resource Center and Library, located at 455 McKinney Parkway in Lillington. Unable to attend the meetings in person? Watch the live stream at www.harnett.org/boc.

Missed a recent Commissioners Meeting or Work Session? Watch meetings on our Youtube Channel by clicking the red button below!



NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!

Welcome, 2023! We wish you and your family a Happy New Year! We encourage you to create a new years resolution. Whether that be staying active, changing old habits, or getting involved with your community. Visit the links below to see how Harnett County can help you stick to your New Years Resolutions!

STAY ACTIVE:

harnett.org/parkrec/parks-and-facilities.asp

VOLUNTEER:

harnett.org/publicinfo/volunteer-opportunities.asp

HEALTH:

harnett.org/health/default.asp

**EMAIL YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION TO
PUBLICINFO@HARNETT.ORG FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE!**

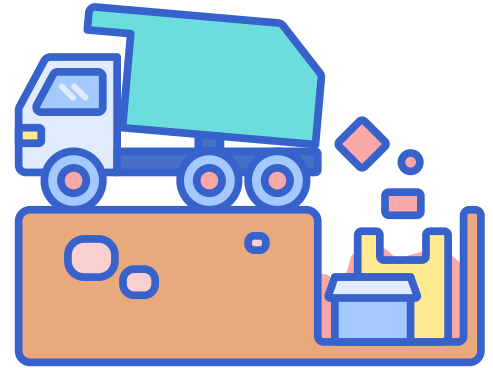


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SOLID WASTE

NEW HOURS OF OPERATION FOR SATURDAYS!

Anderson Creek and Dunn-Erwin landfill will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. starting January 28th .



Clothes Closet



Interviewing Clothes Available NCWorks Career Center Harnett County

900 S. 9th Lillington, NC 27546

Please contact Charlotte Leach for available sizes (910) 893-2191.



An Equal Opportunity Employer Program. Auxiliary aid and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



For more information, contact:

Anitra Hart

Senior Workforce Development
Specialist & NC Works
Career Center Supervisor

ahart@harnett.org
(910)-893-2191

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SMALL BUSINESS CENTER

REGISTER TODAY

FREE ONLINE Small Business Seminars

Sponsored by: Harnett County Small Business Center and Angier, Coats, Dunn, Erwin, and Lillington Chambers of Commerce

Choosing the Right Social Media for Your Business: What do you Need?

Narrow your social media selection and get the pros/cons of the most popular options based on your business type and niche. Learn best practices, posting times, and more!

Start - End Date: 1/24/23 - 1/24/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE **Location:** ONLINE



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Starting a Side Hustle

Learn about setting expectations, time commitments, pricing and financials, and ideas about different types of side hustles.

Start - End Date: 2/01/23 - 2/01/23
Day: Wednesday **Time:** 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE **Location:** ONLINE

How to Start a Childcare Business - Part 1

This webinar is ideal for aspiring childcare entrepreneurs. Discussion will include regulations, best practices for hiring staff, and resources to get your business started.

Start - End Date: 2/07/23 - 2/07/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: ONLINE

To pre-register or for more information, scan the QR code.



Developing a Winning Business Plan for Your Childcare Business

Learn how to turn your ideas into a solid plan for financing and long-term success. This seminar is designed for new and established childcare business owners.

Start - End Date: 2/09/23 - 2/09/23
Day: Thursday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE **Location:** ONLINE

Understanding and Managing the Numbers for a Childcare Business

Managing your cash flow, understanding the art of pricing, and controlling expenses are the keys to building a successful child care business.

Start - End Date: 2/15/23 - 2/15/23
Day: Wednesday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE **Location:** ONLINE

How to Use Instagram Reels for Small Business

Reels is the new flagship of the Instagram platform and they help to increase engagement and gain followers. Create a Reel from scratch!

Start - End Date: 4/04/23 - 4/04/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Cost: FREE **Location:** ONLINE



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Dynamite Marketing on a Firecracker Budget

Discover 30+ low-cost, successful ways to market your business and easily reach customers. You'll also get a FREE list of 100 low-cost marketing tactics.

Start - End Date: 1/12/23 - 1/12/23
Day: Thursday **Time:** 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: Brick & Mortar Grill, Angier, NC
8 N Broad St. E., Angier, NC
Presenter: Mike Collins



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Selling Made Simple

Learn how customers perceive products and services, learn their expectations, and see how your product can improve their quality of life.

Start - End Date: 2/21/23 - 2/21/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: The Garden State Grill, Lillington, NC
410 Pine State St., Lillington, NC
Presenter: Dr. Michael Barbera

Finding Your Customer & Creating a Marketing Plan

Learn the four ways to describe your customer and sources to find out how many there are in your market area.

Start - End Date: 3/07/23 - 3/07/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: The Currington, Dunn, NC
105 E. Broad St., Dunn, NC
Presenter: Mike Collins

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Quickbooks for Business: Comparing Desktop to Online Versions

Learn the differences between Quickbooks desktop vs. online and determine the best option for your needs.

Start - End Date: 3/14/23 - 3/14/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Harnett Main Campus, Miriello Bldg., Rm. 105
1075 E. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Lillington, NC



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Quickbooks for Business: Desktop Version

Learn the basics of the desktop version of Quickbooks and how to use it to successfully track your small business finances during this in-person workshop.

Start - End Date: 3/21/23 - 3/21/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Harnett Main Campus, Miriello Bldg., Rm. 105
1075 E. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Lillington, NC

Quickbooks for Business: Online Version

Learn the basics of the online version of Quickbooks and to use it to successfully track your small business finances.

Start - End Date: 3/28/23 - 3/28/23
Day: Tuesday **Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Harnett Main Campus, Miriello Bldg., Rm. 105
1075 E. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Lillington, NC

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UPCOMING
SEMINARS!



For more information on Small Business Center - Harnett County, NC & Triangle South Enterprise Center, visit <http://www.harnettsbc.com/>

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES



Computers for Beginners

Mon, Jan 30 at 6:00 pm
Tues, Jan 31 at 10:00 am

Registration Required



Technology Training

Passport Program



The Technology Training Passport Program at the Harnett County Public Library challenges new and not-so-new technology users to learn about a variety of computer topics by earning rewards for attending free classes at the library.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING FREE CLASSES

Computers for Beginners Learn the basics of what a computer is and how to use it, including practice using a mouse and keyboard. No computer experience required.
Dates offered: Jan 30 at 6:00 PM and Jan 31 at 10:00 AM

Microsoft Word for Beginners Learn how to create and edit a word processing document with Microsoft Word. You'll learn basic editing options including how to change text size and format, adjust line spacing, and align text.
Dates offered: Feb 20 at 6:00 PM and Feb 21 at 10:00 AM

Intermediate Microsoft Word Take your knowledge of Word to the next level. Learn how to insert and format headers and footers, page numbers, pictures, tables and graphs.
Dates offered: Mar 20 at 6:00 PM and Mar 21 at 10:00 AM

eBooks, eAudiobooks and eNewsletters Learn how to access the library's collection of electronic books, audiobooks and newspapers. Bring your own smartphone, tablet, ereader or laptop.
Date offered: Apr 10 at 6:00 PM and April 11 at 10:00 AM

Getting Started with Canva Learn how to make quick and stylish newsletters, flyers, invitations and more using the free-to-use design tools on Canva.com.
Date offered: May 1 at 6:00 PM and May 2 at 10:00 AM

3D Printing for Newbies Learn the basics of additive manufacturing and Computer Aided Design (CAD) using Tinkercad and the library's PRUSA 3D printer.
Date offered: May 22 at 6:00 PM and May 23 at 10:00 AM

Registration is recommended for all classes.

Registration opens up 3 weeks before the scheduled event date. You can register online or by phone.

PRESCHOOL YOGA

with Ms. Dollie

AGES 3-5

EVERY 1ST FRIDAY
@ 10 AM



REGISTRATION REQUIRED



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A program of Literacy Minnesota

Build your computer skills and your confidence!

FREE. CONVENIENT. VALUABLE.

Harnett County Public Libraries offer free access to Northstar Digital Literacy tools and convenient, on-site assessment proctoring.



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Essential Computer Skills

- Basic Computer Skills
- Internet Basics
- Using Email
- Windows
- Mac OS



Essential Software Skills

- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- Microsoft PowerPoint
- Google Docs



Using Technology in Daily Life

- Social Media
- Information Literacy
- Career Search Skills
- Accessing Telehealth Appointments
- Your Digital Footprint
- Supporting K-12 Distance Learning



Ask a librarian for help getting started, or visit www.tinyurl.com/HCPLnorthstar

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For more information on Library programs and events, visit harnett.libguides.com/hcpl or call 910-893-3446.

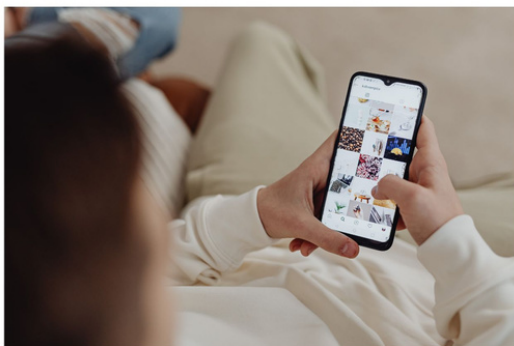
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MUNICIPAL LIBRARY EVENTS

ANDERSON CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY



ANGIER PUBLIC LIBRARY



HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR CELLPHONE?

Are you tired of fighting with your phone?
Come discover tips and techniques to
better operate your device!

Monday, January 23, 5:00-6:30 pm

Sign up now and start learning what's
been in your hand

Please call to register at
(919)-639-4413
angierpubliclibrary@gmail.com

ANGIER PUBLIC LIBRARY



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ON ALL MUNICIPAL LIBRARY
EVENTS, VISIT:

HARNETT.LIBGUIDES.COM/HCPL

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WIC MAKES A HEALTHY DIFFERENCE:

WIC, the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children, provides nutritious foods at no cost to pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women and their infants and children to age five. Applicants must meet nutritional risk criteria, be income eligible and be a NC Resident. WIC provides foods that are high in protein, iron, vitamin D, vitamin A, and vitamin C via an electronic benefit card. Participants can use the eWIC card at approved grocery stores. In addition, the WIC staff teach you good nutrition practices to help you and your children know more about the foods you should eat. Staff will provide Breastfeeding support and Nutrition education for women, their infants and children. They will also refer you for other services. Good nutrition and good health are keys to your children growing strong and healthy.

Call the Harnett County WIC Program for more information at 910-893-7570. The WIC office main site is located inside the Harnett County Dept. of Health at 307 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd. in Lillington, NC. This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT SURVEY:

The Harnett County Health Department is continually evaluating our public health programs and seeking ongoing improvements. As part of our quality improvement efforts, we invite you to complete our annual satisfaction survey. We are seeking feedback from consumers/patients and the community in an effort to assess satisfaction with health department services of all types. This information will be used as a guide for future program planning. To complete the survey harnett.org/health



**CLICK THE PICTURE
TO TAKE SURVEY!**

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COVID-19 POSITIVE- TELEMEDICINE APPOINTMENT

Get COVID-19 treatment quickly with a free telemedicine appointment without leaving home. You have to start taking treatment within 5 days after your symptoms begin – seek treatment early. People who test positive for COVID-19 with an at-home test or other method can set up an appointment online at <https://starmed.care/nc/> or call 704-941-6000, seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is no cost to the patient.

LEARN MORE



RAPID ANTIGEN COVID-19 TESTING

Rapid Antigen COVID-19 testing is available in Lillington each Friday from 9:00am-11:00am at the Governmental Complex-Commons. As we approach the holidays, appointments are becoming limited. An appointment is recommended, to schedule an appointment please call 910-814-6582. The Health Department is located within the Governmental Complex at 309 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd in Lillington.



You can prevent or delay Type 2 Diabetes with the **PREVENT T2 PROGRAM**

If you have prediabetes or other risk factors for type 2 diabetes, you can make changes now to improve your health and prevent or delay type 2 diabetes. Join the [Harnett County Health Department's Prevent T2 Lifestyle Change Program!](#)

Every Thursday beginning,
January 19, 2023

5:30pm-6:30pm

Governmental Complex-Commons Area
309 W Cornelius Harnett Blvd Lillington, NC

The [Prevent T2](#) lifestyle change program can help you lose weight, become more physically active, and reduce stress. With Prevent T2, you get:

- A year-long program with weekly meetings for the first 4 months, every other week for 2 months, then once a month for the second 6 months to maintain healthy lifestyle changes.
- A proven program to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes
- Support from others like you as you learn new skills



**For more information on
Health Department
programs and events,
visit harnett.org/health
or call (910) 893-7550**

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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

A MESSAGE FROM ANITRA HART DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

"We held a Raffle for a Christmas Dinner with Ham and all the trimmings to a well-deserved family in Harnett County and the winner was Davette Poston. We also gave a Christmas Dinner Box to Tiara Simmons, an Adult Participant in Sampson County who was displaced due to a house fire, where they lost everything before Christmas. Mr. Eric West the owner of Hair Masterz Barbering School in Sampson County provided clothes and Christmas Cheer for her as well as the daughter. NCWorks Career Center-Harnett County provided 50 coats to children in the Angier community on December 19, 2022 at the Angier Public Library."



For more information on Department of Workforce Development, programs and events, visit harnett.org/ss/ or call 910-893-7500

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SOCIAL SERVICES

CHECK OUT ALL THE "GOOD THINGS" THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES DID DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER!

- **Adult Services** provided Christmas to 38 elderly adults. All the money used for gifts was raised by DSS staff. No county dollars.
- **Foster Care** has 240 children in our custody. All of those children received gifts from the Dept. of Aging, local churches, and the YMCA on Hwy 87.
- **Child Protective Services** is working with 70 children. These children are not in our care at this time. They received gifts from Dept. of Aging, local churches, and the YMCA.



For more information on Department of Social Services, programs and events, visit <https://www.harnett.org/joblink/> or call 910 893-2191



HUMAN RESOURCES CORNER

BENEFITS WITH BLUE CROSS NC



We know that finding the best price for your medicine can be hard.

To help you get the best price available at your local pharmacy, use MedsYourWay® – a discount program that’s now integrated with your Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) health benefits.¹

•Only one card needed! Simply show your Blue Cross NC member ID card the next time you fill your prescription – no need to use other discount cards

No more price shopping! MedsYourWay compares medicine prices across many discount drug cards¹ and your insurance copay, then selects the lowest available price for you

•Maximize your plan benefits! MedsYourWay drug purchases that are also covered by your health plan will count toward your deductible and out-of-pocket limit^{2,3}

Start saving today! To see which of your medicines are available for a discount, visit your local pharmacy or log in to [BlueCrossNC.com](https://www.BlueCrossNC.com) and click on Find a Drug⁴

We hope you enjoy this new and easy way to save on your prescriptions.

JOB REFERRAL PROGRAM

Don't forget that you can receive 4 hours of admin leave if you refer an individual to apply for a vacant position and that individual is successfully hired! Help us spread the word that Harnett County is **HIRING** and is a **GREAT** place to work!

WELCOME NEW HARNETT COUNTY EMPLOYEES!



**LET'S GET CONNECTED IN THE NEW YEAR!
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[Harnett County Government](https://www.harnett.org)



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