

HARNETT CONNECT

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Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Recommended Budget

At the May 16 Harnett County Board of Commissioners meeting, County Manager Brent Trout presented the budget message and Recommended Budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

Harnett County prepares the annual budget in accordance with the statutory requirements with consideration of enhancing the quality of life for our residents," stated County Manager Brent Trout. "The budget has been prepared with the purpose of supporting the strategic goals and priorities of the County Commissioners. You will see this specifically in the items we are recommending for consideration in the expansion budget."

The County's Annual Budget estimates the total value of resources required to perform County operations and support citizen needs. It also sets tax rates and fee schedules for the Fiscal Year.

The main funding sources that support our County budget come from local-generated revenues, such as property and sales tax. As part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, the County's recent property reappraisal provided data on the anticipated revenue we would receive based on the new property assessments.

Harnett County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 6 at 9:00 AM at the Harnett County Resource Center & Library, located at 455 McKinney Parkway in Lillington.

Commissioners are scheduled to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 budget at their June 20 regular meeting.



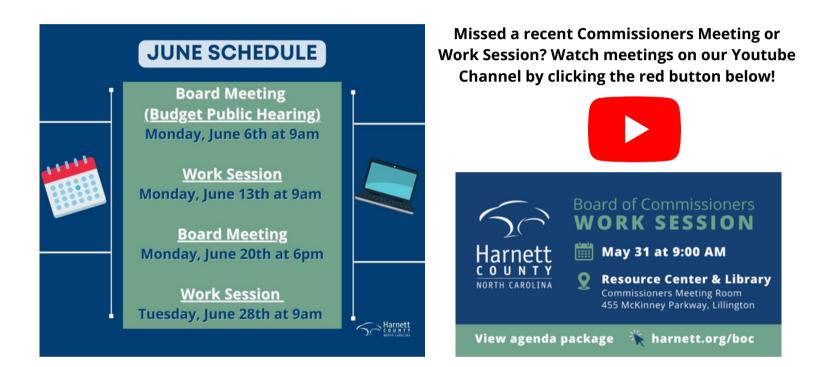
Interested individuals can view a highlight video of the Fiscal Year 2023 Recommended Budget by visiting the <u>Harnett County Government Youtube Channel</u> OR By clicking the laptop pictured to the left!

A full version of the recommended budget can also be viewed at <u>harnett.org/budget</u>.

For more information on Harnett County's budget process, contact the County Manager's Office at 910-893-7555.

COMMISSIONER'S JUNE MEETING SCHEDULE

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<u>www.harnett.org/boc.</u>





CELEBRATE PROFESSIONAL WELLNESS MONTH

THE SUN IS SHINING AND THE WEATHER IS SWEET!

During the month of June let's explore the outdoors! Snap a picture of you working out at one of our local parks to be entered in a drawing. Contest ends June 22nd at 5pm!

To find a park near you, visit the Park App Locator

OR visit the Parks & Recreation website



🝃 Storytime at the Park! 🌾

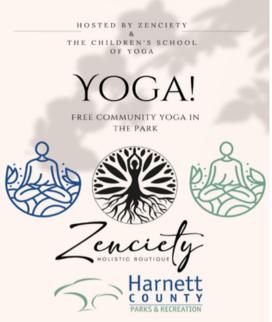
Join us for an outdoor storytime experience full of books, songs, and lots of fun! Children of all ages are

welcome!









LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH HELD AT CAPE FEAR SHINER PARK IN LILLINGTON. ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME! PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MAT OR BLANKET

Dates

March 27: 2:00 PM- 3:00 PM April 24th 9:00 AM- 10:00 AM May 29th 2:00 PM- 3:00 PM June 26th 9:00 AM- 10:00 AM

Parks and Recreation is looking for any current County employees that may have interest in umpiring for our upcoming Harnett County Men's Church Softball League.

Please contact Drew Bryant at <u>wbryant@harnett.org</u> or (910) 814-6392 if you have any interest or want more information.



For more information on Parks & Recreation programs and events, visit <u>harnett.org/parkrec</u> or call 910-893-7518.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

JUNE 11TH - JULY 23RD

OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES! Summer Reading Program 2022!

ADULTS

Adults, we have programs for you, too! (everyone ages 18 and up)

ADULT LUAU KICK-OFF PARTY **TUESDAY. JUNE 14TH FROM 5-7PM**

Join us for food and fun, starting at 5pm. We'll have amazing door prizes to win, music bingo, and lots of luau snacks including mocktails.

Fintastic Canvas Paintings*

Monday, June 13th @ 2 pm Wednesday, June 15 @ 10 am Thursday, June 16th @ 4 pm

Dead Sea Salt Scrub*

Tuesday, June 21st @ 12pm Wednesday, June 22nd @ 10am & 2pm

> **Book Club - Beach Read** Thursday, June 23rd @ 12 pm



Red, White, & Deep Blue Sea Earrings*

Monday, June 27th - Wednesday, June 29th (Various times avaliable)

Chronicles of Yarnia

Wednesday, July 6th 10am-12pm Wednesday, July 20th 5pm-7pm

Sand and SUNcatchers*



Wednesday, July 13th @ 12pm Saturday, July 16th @ 10am



Ocean Resin COASTers*

Monday, July 18th @ 10am Tuesday, July 19th @ 12pm Wednesday, July 20th @ 5:30





READING LOGS

This summer we will have paper reading logs for all age groups - early literacy, elementary, teens, and adults!

Early Literacy

Complete 5 tasks each week and bring in for a prize. Complete all tasks this summer and turn in sheet to be entered into a grand prize drawing

Elementary

Complete 1 bingo sheet each week and turn in for a prize. Complete all 6 weeks for entry into grand prize drawing.

Teens and Adults

Pick up your Oceans of Possibilities Teen or Adult Reading Log! Choose your path by completing each task along the way. Mark out or color your block once completed. Once finished, turn in your log for an awesome prize! You will also be entered into a grand prize drawing.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Eummer Reading is oceans of Fun?

EARLY LITERACY

(AGES 0-5) Weekly Storytimes starting June 13th* Toddlers - Wednesday @ 10 am Preschool - Thursdays @ 11 am Yoga with Ms. Dollie* Friday, June 3rd @ 10 am Friday, July 1st @ 10 am Zumbini with Ms. Dollie* Tuesday, June 7th @ 10 am Monday, June 13th @ 10 am Tuesday, July 5th @ 10 am Monday, July 5th @ 10 am

> Literacy in Motion* Monday, June 27th @ 10 am Monday, July 18th @ 10 am

Special Events Hermit Crab & Friends Storytime with NC Aquarium* Thursday, July 7th @ 11 am

Sensory Playtime* Friday, July 8th @ 11 am Baby Shark Party* Wednesday, July 20th @ 10 am

***REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Register Here REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR MANY PROGRAMS INCLUDING STORYTIMES

ELEMENTARY (AGES 5-12)

Fintastic Canvas Paintings* Monday, June 13th @ 10 am (K-2) Monday, June 13th @ 2 pm (Tween) Wednesday, June 15th @ 10 am (Tween) Wednesday, June 15th @ 2 pm (K-2) Friday, June 17th @ 10 am (K-2) Friday, June 17th @ 2 pm (Tween)

Pirates Taking - Shell Excavating* Tuesday, June 21st @ 1 pm and 4 pm Splish-Splash 'Sandsational' Slime* Tuesday, June 28th @ 1 pm & 4 pm

Squid Squish with NC Aquarium (Tweens)* Thursday, July 7th @ 1:30 pm 'Sand-Crafted' Beach Baubles* Tuesday, July 12th @ 1 pm & 4 pm

BOOM 'Sharkalaka' Ceramic Painting* Tuesday, July 19th @ 1 pm & 4 pm

TEENS (AGES 13-18)

Fintastic Canvas Paintings* Monday, June 13th @ 10 am Wednesday, June 15 @ 2 pm Thursday, June 16th @ 4 pm

Dead Sea Salt Scrub* Thursday, June 23rd @ 11 am & 4 pr Shark Pottery*

Thursday, June 30th @ 11 am & 4 pr

Squid Squish with NC Aquarium[•] Thursday, July 7th @ 3 pm Ocean Suncatchers*

Thursday, July 14th @ 11 am & 4 pn Resin Oyster Shells* Thursday, July 21st @ 11 am & 4 pn

FAMILY PROGRAMS

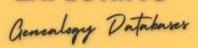
Talewise: Pirates Lost at Sea Thursday, June 23rd @ 2pm

NC Aquarium at Fort Fisher -If I Were a Sea Creature Thursday, June 30th @ 1 pm Movie Day: Finding Nemo Wednesday, July 6th @ 2 pm

Mason Jar Aquariums* Thursday, July 14th @ 2pm

Moana: Interactive Movie Saturday, July 16th @ 10am Didgeridoo Down Under Thursday, July 21st @ 2 pm

EXPLORING



LET'S LEARN ABOUT:

- Databases available at the Library
- Beginner search tips
- Saving online resources
- And more!

Friday, June 3rd, from 11AM - 12PM

Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop.



Registration encouraged.

In-person at the Libra 455 McConey Piwy Lillington, NC 2754a



For more information on Library programs and events, visit <u>harnett.libguides.co</u> <u>m/hcpl</u> or call 910-893-3446.



OOPERATIVE EXTENSION



HARNETT COUNTY 4-H SUMMER FUN **CLOVERBUD COOKING** CLOVERBUD PHOTOGRAPHY CLOVERBUD CRAFTS COOKING IN THE KITCHEN ate: June 13th-16th on limit: 12 PHOTOGRAPHY es: 8-18 te: June 21st-22nd GOLF **AEROSPACE & ROCKETRY** SPORTFISHING OUTDOOR COOKERY KIDS IN CONSERVATIONS! gust 3rd

RACING STEM CAMP

Location: Cooperative Extension Training Room Cost: \$40 Workshop limit: 12	Date: October 29 Martinaville Speedway, Martinaville Time: JOam: JOpm Will need money for lunch and draw No cost for admission.
4-H Racing STEM Camp will explore the se This workshop includes hands on STEM ac trip to one or more NASCAR race shops v We are working on some extra special gr mentioned one shops attend or MSCAR	tivities related to racing and with a behind the scenes tour uests for this workshop. Each
Speedway with us on October 29 with n will discuss this in more detail	o admission fee to get in. We
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ELECTRIC PROJECT

4-H Summer Fun is now OPEN!

Registration this year is different than in the past and will require two steps. The first step to participating in our 4-H Summer Fun program is to create a 4-H Online profile. You will need to create or update your 4-H Online Family Profile at 4-H Online. You must be registered and approved in 4-H Online before in order to register for 4-H Summer Fun. **REGISTER NOW!**

Step two, you will need to login to your 4-H Online Family profile associated with your account for your child/children and click 'Events' on the left-hand side of your screen. You will see all of our Harnett County 4-H Summer Fun programs listed under events that your child can participate in based on their age. If you have different aged children, then the events they can participate will be different. For a quick tutorial on how to register your child/children, click our button below to see a video.



Applications for 2022 Master Gardener Initial Training Class

Do you love gardening? Do you love sharing what you've learned with others? Then consider becoming a Master Gardener[™] Volunteer!

After completing a 16-week course, a final exam, and a 40-hour internship, Extension Master Gardeners[™] give 20 hours of volunteer service back to Harnett County each year. This volunteer service can take the shape of working in our Demonstration Gardens, developing presentations with our Education and Outreach team, answering questions in the Plant Clinic, and much, much more!

Those interested in applying but still not sure what's involved can attend a preview and interest session on June 30 at the Harnett County Commons (309 W Cornelius Harnett Blvd) before applications are due on July 14.







For more information on Cooperative Extension and events, visit https://harnett.ces.ncsu.edu/ or call (910) 893-7530

DEPARTMENT ON AGING



World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, commemorated on June 15th every year! It is an opportunity to take action to protect older people by raising awareness about elder abuse, why it occurs, and what we can do to stop it. Help us educate our communities about the role everyone can play in preventing elder abuse. Join us on June 15, 2022 from 10:00am- 2:00pm at the Harnett County Division on Aging located at 309 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd. Lillington, 27546 Harnett County Elder Abuse Awareness Vendor Fair

Harnett County Division on Aging 309 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd, Lillington, NC, 27546

When: June 15, 2022 at 10am -2pm

Join Us For:

Fun, Fellowship, and Education!!

Healthy Refreshments Will Be Available. Courtesy of Mid-Carolina Area Agency on Aging -- Ombudsman Program

> For More Information, Contact: LeAnn Blackmon 910-893-7578

Event Sponsored By: Mid-Carolina Regional Council – Ombudsman Program, Harnett County Division on Aging.



Vendors Please RSVP with LeAnn Blackmon: 910-893-7578

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mid-Carolina Area Agency on Aging

The Mid-Carolina Area Agency on Aging is looking for an individual volunteer to represent Harnett County on their Regional Aging Advisory Council (AAC). The individual must be age 16 or better and have an interest and concern for the aging population. The purpose of the regional AAC is to assist the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff to provide direction for programming and services for the population aged 60+ in Region M (Cumberland, Harnett & Sampson Counties). They will be expected to attend quarterly meetings, advise AAA on matters relating to our area plan, to review and comment on community policies, programs and actions which affect older persons. Meetings are generally held the first Tuesday of March, June, September and December at 2 PM.

Any interested individuals can contact Tracy Honeycutt at thoneycutt@mccog.org or by phone at 910-323-4191 ext. 27.

Elderly Nutrition Program

The Harnett County Division on Aging offers an opportunity for individuals to deliver meals to our elderly homebound citizens. For more information on this program, visit: <u>harnett.org/aging/elderly-nutrition-program.asp.</u>

To sign up as a volunteer, contact Debby Vaughn at 910-814-6072 or

dvaughn@harnett.org.

BLOOD DRIVE INFORMATION

A MESSAGE FROM LEEANN BLACKMON:

The Blood Drive on May 18th, 2022 held at the Harnett County Resource Center/Library yielded 38 units of blood which has the capacity to save 114 lives. There were 11 deferrals this time, many for low iron. We had seven walk-ins and did not have to turn any of them away.

It's great to work and live in a county that truly appreciates and takes into consideration what is needed and wanted in our communities. As always, thank you for your support of the services and programs offered through the Harnett County Division on Aging.

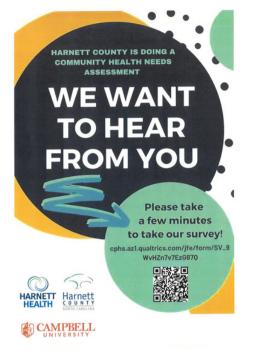
A huge thanks to our awesome volunteers for keeping registration moving smoothly, preparing and serving snacks in the canteen and for assisting with making appointments for our July 14 Blood Drive where we will be back in the Commons Area and serving HOMEMADE ICE CREAM in the Canteen.





For more information on Division on Aging and events, visit <u>harnett.org/aging/</u> or call 910-893-7578

HEALTH DEPARTMENT



COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

This survey is being conducted to learn more about the health and quality of life in Harnett County and the results of the survey will be used to help address the major health and community issues in our county. This survey is completely voluntary, please take a few minutes to complete. Your answers are completely anonymous and the information you give us will not be linked to you in any way.



FREE AT-HOME TEST KITS



Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order a third round of free at-home COVID-19 tests. The tests are completely free. The tests will be rapid antigen at-home tests, and you will receive results within 30 minutes (no lab drop-off required). Order your tests at <u>www.covidtests.gov</u>.

VACCINE & BOOSTER SHOTS



The Health Department is providing the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for ages 5 and older. The COVID-19 vaccines are free of charge to all individuals, regardless of immigration or health insurance status. If you would like to make an appointment, complete the <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Inquiry Form</u> or call the Health Department at 910-814-6582. All vaccinations will be administered by appointment. The Health Department is located within the Governmental Complex at 307 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd in Lillington.

Needing your booster shot? COVID-19 vaccine boosters can further enhance or restore protection that might have decreased over time after your primary series vaccination. Staying up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines will provide you with the best protection against the COVID-19 virus. Anyone ages 5 and older should receive a single COVID-19 booster. Certain individuals may receive two COVID-19 boosters. Adults may receive any brand of the COVID-19 vaccine for their booster, while children 5 to 17 can only receive Pfizer. NCDHHS encourages individuals to speak with a doctor, nurse or pharmacist if they have questions about what booster is right for them. Timing of your first booster is dependent on your primary series and your medical history. Please call to inquire about scheduling your booster dose at the correct interval. For more information on who can receive a booster, **click here.** To make an appointment, call our office at 910-814-6582 or complete the **COVID-19 Vaccine Inquiry Form.**



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

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act ADULT PROGRAM is here to help identify and support your employment and career goals through services such as:

Career Counseling	Childcare Assistance
Tuition Assistance	On The Job Training
Uniform Assistance	Work Expereince

Occupational Skills Training Transportation Assistance

Visit our NCWORKS Career Center for more information on services related to:

EDUCATION | TRAINING | EMPLOYMENT



Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm & Friday 8am-3:30pm 1137 East Cornelius Harnett Blvd Lillington, NC 27546 (910) 893-2191 Equal Opportunity Employer/ Program Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities!



Providing Services for Employers and Job Seekers!



For more information, contact:

Anitra Hart

Senior Workforce Development Specialist & NC Works Career Center Supervisor **ahart@harnett.org** (910)-893-2191

NC Works Career Center-Harnett County 1137 E Cornelius Harnett Blvd Lillington NC 27546 (910)893-2191

Serving NEXTGEN Between the Ages of 14-24

Need assistance with obtaining a High School Diploma/Equivalency, Two-Year Associates Degree, Short Term Continuing Education



Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is for YOU:



(OST) Tuition Assistance Career Counseling/Assessment Labor Market Information On The Job Training (OJT) Work Experience Alternative Education Financial Literacy Tutoring Leadership Development Study Skills Training Resume Preparation Child Care Assistance Mileage Assistance Uniform Assistance Summer Employment

> *MUST BE A HARNETT COUNTY RESIDENT* Equal Opportunity Employer/Program Auxiliary Aids and Services Available to Individuals with Disabilities







JUNE 2 Emily Fowler Jeffery Hayes Kevin Jackson Kimberly Rogers Nakia Benjamin

JUNE 6

Bradley Abate

John I. Davis

Matthew Healv Sean Stewart

JUNE 10

Alexander Belanovich

Hope White

Tammy B. Smith

Tracy Williams

JUNE 3 David Dowdy Michael Evan Weaver

JUNE 7

Helen Phillips

JUNE 11

Rebecca J. Parker

JUNE 4 Kane Williamson Shalonda Blue Terry Edwards

JUNE 8 Leslie Jackson Melissa Turner

JUNE 12

Donna Wigglesworth

Gregory Walker

JUNE 14

Gary Burton

Tracy Messenger

JUNE 18

Amber Coats

Dwayne Rich

Monica Haithcock

JUNE 23

Jacob Baird

JUNE 9 Eleanora Everitte Frances Matthews Shaneka Duckworth

JUNE 5

Dina Byrd

Donald Tschida

JUNE 13 John Colvin

JUNE 15 Anthony Dickens Shannon Eason Staci Parker Susan Connolly William Moss

JUNE 19

Amy Ramsey Daniel Thomas Lori Craven Nichole Martinez Sarah Arbour

> **JUNE 25** Amanda Griffis

> > Jamie Zamora

John Davis

Water)

Randall Eiler

Amanda Dunn Hyon Hwang Richard Jarman Shareedah (Harnett Regional Speights-Maynard Timothy Stewart Tracie Champlin Stephanie Artis Victoria Hall

JUNE 24

JUNE 17 Anne Barbee Yvonne McArthur

Corey Taylor Kelly Gazlay Lawrence Smith III Animal Services) Meaghan Harvey Michael Carroll

JUNE 26

JUNE 28 Christian Watkins Christopher Knox



JUNE 16

Christopher Collins

James Manhart

JUNE 21

Annette Johnson

Dillon Sizemore

West Barefoot

JUNE 27

Brittany Barham Larry Thomas

JUNE 22

Employees!

Join us in

celebrating

our Harnett

County

HUMAN RESOURCES CORNER

PROTECT YOUR SKIN & RAISE AWARENESS FOR SUN SAFETY

Most skin cancers are a result of exposure to the UV rays in sunlight. Without protection, the sun's UV rays can damage your skin in as little as 15 minutes. Reducing your exposure can help keep your skin healthy and lower your risk of getting skin cancer.

It's a fact: Skin cancer affects people of all colors. Melanoma does occur across all races. Sunburn is a type of skin damage caused by the sun. Any color change is a sign of skin damage in any skin type.

Protection from UV rays is important all year, not just during the summer. There are small steps that you can take to practice sun safety. Tips to help make sure you and your family stay sun-safe:

- Limiting your time in the sun, especially between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun's rays are most intense. Stay in the shade especially during late morning through mid-afternoon. Wearing clothing to cover skin exposed to the sun, such as long-sleeve shirts, pants, sunglasses, and broad-brim hats.
- Using broad spectrum sunscreens with a SPF value of 15 or higher regularly. Sunscreen wears off. Reapply sunscreen at least every 2 hours and after swimming, sweating, or toweling off.
- Avoid getting a sun burn or tan. A suntan is a sign that the skin has been harmed.

Early detection and recognition of skin cancer are very important. Skin cancer can happen to anyone, at any age, on any part of the body. See your physician and report any unusual moles or changes in your skin. When caught early, skin cancer is highly treatable.









For more information, contact: Harnett County Public Information 455 McKinney Parkway Lillington, NC 27546 910-893-7555

www.harnett.org/publicinfo