



HARNETT CONNECT

Employee Newsletter | Keeping You Connected

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TAX DEPARTMENT INFORMATION



Now Accepting
Applications for Exclusion &
Exemption Programs

Harnett County Tax Department is accepting applications for individuals that qualify for a tax exclusion on their real property tax bills. Tax exemptions or exclusions are available for senior citizens and/or disabled individuals or disabled veterans. The deadline to apply is June 1, 2022.

To view all tax exemption and exclusion programs eligibility and applications, visit harnett.org/tax. For more information on tax exemption programs available for County residents, contact the Harnett County Tax Department at 910-893-7520.

STAFF GRADUATE FROM MINI MEDICAL SCHOOL

Congratulations to County Manager Brent Trout, Assistant County Manager Coley Price, Budget Officer Lisa McFadden, and Executive Assistant Shannon Eason (pictured Left to Right) for completing Campbell University's Mini Medical School.

Campbell's Mini Medical School is an opportunity for members of the community to experience medical school at Campbell University. For six weeks, participants attended two hour sessions highlighting specific aspects of medical school! Congratulations to our newest honorary doctors!



COMMISSIONER'S APRIL 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 www.harnett.org/boc.

MAY SCHEDULE

WORK SESSION:

Tuesday, May 10th at 9am

MEETING:

Monday, May 16th at 6pm

WORK SESSION:

Tuesday, May 31st at 9am

2022

PRIMARY ELECTION

MAY 17, 2022 PRIMARY EARLY VOTING

Hours for all One-Stop Voting Locations

- Weekdays, April 28 – May 13
- 8:00 am – 7:30 pm
- Saturdays, April 30 and May 7
- 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Sundays, May 1 and 8
- 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Saturday, May 14
- 8:00 am–3:00 pm LAST DAY

One-Stop Early Voting Locations

- Harnett County Commons Area, 309 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Lillington (in lieu of the Board of Elections Office)
- Western Harnett High School Gym, 10637 NC 27 W., Lillington
- Erwin Parks and Recreation Gym, 810 S. 16th St., Erwin
- Angier Elementary School, 130 E. McIver St., Angier



**Missed the May
2nd Meeting?
Watch our Recap
video!**



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HARNETT COUNTY GOVERNMENT

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

May 30th at 9am
at the Veterans Park:

299 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd.
Lillington, NC 27546

Enjoy our speaker from Fort
Bragg and Light Refreshments
after the ceremony.



HARNETT COUNTY SOLID WASTE

FREE PAPER SHRED EVENT

Saturday, May 14 | 9am-12pm

Harnett County Health Department Parking Lot
307 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Lillington

Looking to do a little spring cleaning? Bring your personal documents to be shredded safely and securely for FREE by a certified mobile shred truck.



FREE event for Harnett County Residents

- Residential shredding ONLY (no commercial shredding)
- Limit of 10 boxes or bags
- Only shredded paper will be recycled. Participants must take bags and boxes
- No cardboard, binder clips, 3-ring binders, or electronic media will be accepted



Harnett County Solid Waste | 910-814-6156 | www.harnett.org/waste



HARTS is a paratransit service and a ridesharing public transportation system that enables routes and schedules to be structured to transport County citizens to various destinations.



The goal of HARTS is to provide the citizens of Harnett County transportation services that are efficient, safe, and effective. HARTS wants to make transportation work for all of our citizens; therefore we welcome suggestions as to ways to improve our service.



PLEASE TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO
COMPLETE OUR ONLINE
CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE SURVEY!

SCAN ME



Scan the qr code above to
complete the survey online. For
a hard copy survey, please
contact HARTS at 910-814-4019.

HARNETT AREA RURAL TRANSIT SYSTEM (HARTS) | 910-814-4019 | HARNETT.ORG/HARTS

**LINK TO
SURVEY**



JOB CORPS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Job Corps Scholars Program

serves youth from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds to improve their quality of lives through academic and career technical training.

CCCC provides participants with over 100 twelve-month or less diploma or certificate programs from which to choose.

The program provides intensive academic, employment, and career counseling services to support and facilitate each student's success.
(Funded by US DOL-ETA)



Benefits

- Financial assistance to cover tuition, fees, and required course materials
- Earn in-demand, industry-recognized credentials in less than a year
- Individualized job placement assistance
- Academic, employment, and career counseling services to support and facilitate each student's success
- Case management, stipends, and support with child care and transportation



Requirements

- Between the ages of 16 – 24 at time of enrollment
- Registered with Selective Service (males 18 and older)
- Reside in Chatham, Harnett, or Lee Counties
- Member of a low-income family



JOB CORPS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

For more information, email jobcorps@cccc.edu
or call or text (919) 718-7299.

CCCC in Partnership With Job Corps Scholars Program

www.cccc.edu/jobcorps

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Harnett County Parks & Recreation is still seeking candidates to help us run their upcoming Church Softball League this summer!

MORE INFO

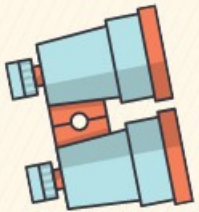


CONTACT:

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wbryant@harnett.org
(910) 893-7518.

SPRING BIRD SURVEY HIKE



**SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022
7:00 AM**

**ANDERSON CREEK COUNTY PARK
1492 NURSERY RD
LILLINGTON, NC 27546**

The beginning of May coincides with the peak of spring migration for birds in our area. Join our Natural Resource Manager for a walk on the North Prong Trail to record the birds seen or heard. A limited number of binoculars are available to use for those without them.



Storytime in the Park

at Anderson Creek Park

1491 Nursery Road, Lillington, NC



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

Children of all ages are welcome!



Fridays @ 10 am

Running
May 6th -
June 10th
and
September 2nd -
October 14th



Brought to you by the Harnett County Public Library
in partnership with the
Parks and Recreation Department



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The Town of Lillington and
Harnett County Parks & Recreation
Present:
The first
MOVIE IN THE PARK
of 2022!
ENCANTO
Friday, May 13th
8:30 p.m.
Town of Lillington River Park
151 East Duncan Street

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs.
Free Admission
Snacks & drinks will be available for
purchase.



HOSTED BY ZENCIETY
&
THE CHILDREN'S SCHOOL
OF YOGA

YOGA!

FREE COMMUNITY YOGA IN
THE PARK



Zencity
HOLISTIC BOUTIQUE



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



CAMPBELL BASEBALL
JUNIOR CAMELS
CAMP

JUNE 13TH-16TH SESSION 1
JULY 11TH-14TH SESSION 2

OPEN TO ANY/ALL ENTRANTS AGES 7-13
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
CAMELSBASEBALLCAMPS.COM

\$150
ONE CAMP

\$275
BOTH



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

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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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HEALTH DEPARTMENT



National Women's Health Week is May 8-14!

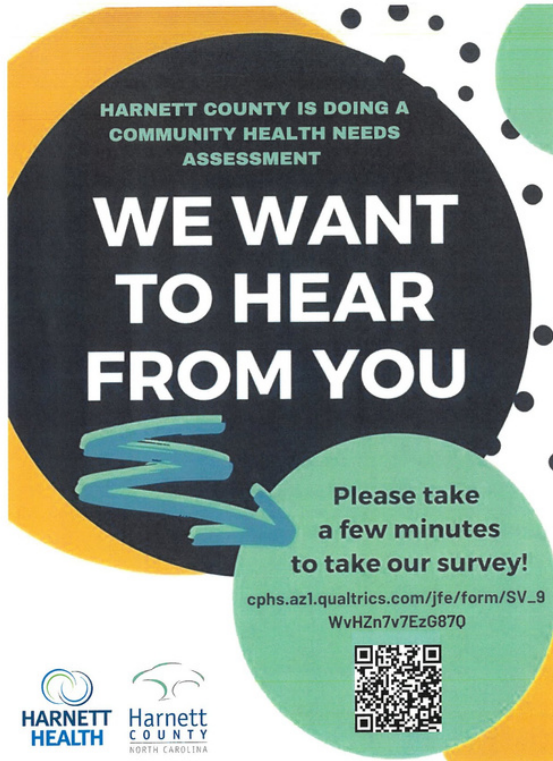
Join women across the country who are making their health a priority. The Health Department encourages women of all ages to reflect on their health journey and take steps towards improving their health. In recognition of NWHW, the Health Department will be providing resource bags for women, teens and girls on various health topics.

Come by the Health Department to pick up bags Monday, May 9th through Friday, May 13th from 8:30 - 4:30. For more information, please call 910-814-6225 or 910-893-7550.

The "Mosquito Dunks" is a type of insecticide used to control mosquitoes outdoors around your home. They work by killing mosquito larvae before they can grow into adults. Dunks are best used from April - September, when mosquitoes are active.

Harnett county residents can pick up a four month supply of the insecticide at the Health Department which is located at 307 W. Cornelius Harnett Blvd., in Lillington between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30p.m. in the Environmental Health Division, while supplies last.





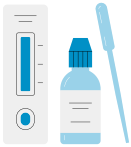
COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

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.

Take Survey



FREE AT-HOME TEST KITS



Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests. The tests are completely free. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days. The tests available for order are rapid antigen at-home tests and can be taken anywhere. You will receive results within 30 minutes (no lab drop-off required). Order your tests at www.covidtests.gov. **The first person to take a selfie and email it to tmckenrick@harnett.org will receive a prize.**

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 [COVID-19 Vaccine Inquiry Form](#) 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? Anyone ages 12 and older should receive a COVID-19 booster. Adults may receive any brand of the COVID-19 vaccine for their booster, while children 12 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. People who received a 3 dose mRNA COVID-19 vaccination series should receive their booster dose 3 months after the primary series. People who initiated vaccination with Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine should receive a total of 3 doses now: 1 Johnson & Johnson's Janssen dose, followed by 1 additional mRNA dose at least 28 days later, then 1 booster dose at least 2 months after the 2nd (additional) dose. mRNA vaccines are preferred for the booster. Getting vaccinated is safe, easy, and free. 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 hharnett.org/health or call (910) 893-7550

SPRING LITTER SWEEP EMPLOYEE CHALLENGE



SPRING LITTER SWEEP EMPLOYEE IMPACT REPORT

March 28, 2022 - April 23, 2022

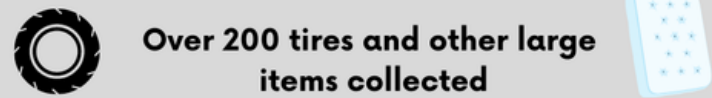
EMPLOYEE IMPACT



LITTER CLEANUPS



OTHER



Volunteer for Keep Harnett Beautiful by contacting Morgan

mhallenbeck@harnett.org 910-893-7584

[@KeepHarnettBeautiful](https://www.facebook.com/KeepHarnettBeautiful)



THANK YOU to all of our Harnett County Employees who participated in the Keep Harnett Beautiful Spring Litter Sweep Employee Challenge!

We are so proud of your hard-work and dedication to keeping Harnett beautiful!

We also enjoyed seeing all of our teams have fun and make an impact. This year's winning teams included:

- **First Place: Trashtastic Five** with 81 Bags (*Multi Department - Solid Waste, Fleet, Facilities, Construction*)
- **Second Place: Sweeping Beauties** with 71 bags (*Social Services Adult Medicaid*)
- **Third Place: Trashy Queens** with 66 bags (*Social Services Child Protective Services*)
- **Most unique Item: TalkinTrash** with a set of K9 teeth (*Social Services Adult Medicaid*)
- **Best team name: Oscar the Grouchettes** (*Social Services Adult Medicaid*)



HUMAN RESOURCES CORNER

OPEN ENROLLMENT WILL BE MAY 2-13

MARK III EMPLOYEE BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT OPT-IN

STEP 1:

Scan the QR code **OR** visit
<https://markiiiieb.com/opt-in> to
complete the communication
preference form. We are excited to
connect with you!



STEP 2:

Confirm Your Subscription!

For Text Message: Reply 'Y' to confirm.

For Email: Click the 'Confirm my
subscription!' button to confirm.

CONFIRM MY SUBSCRIPTION

CONNECT
WITH
US!



*If you do not receive the confirmation email within a few minutes of signing up, please check your 'Junk E-mail' folder. Select the confirmation email and click 'Not Junk', which will allow future messages to get through.

STEP 3:

Celebrate! You're Opted-In!

You can also stay connected with
us on our social media!



QUESTIONS?



CALL US AT 1-(800) 532-1044

**We are excited to be
working with a new
benefits partner this year,
Mark III!**

To the left you will see the Open Enrollment Opt-In form that will give you the option to receive benefits updates via text on your phone! This is an exciting option that we did not have in the past and will allow for more consistent and seamless communication regarding Open Enrollment and your benefits. Please note that if you opt-in to this option, you will not receive any spam and will be able to opt-out at any time should you decide you no longer want updates.

Open Enrollment will be a little different this year and there will be more information coming soon. Please be sure to read my emails (or opt-in to receive text messages) so that you do not miss any important information.

**Click to view
Benefits Guide**

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Benefits & Wellness Specialist
PO Box 778 (Mail)
455 McKinney Parkway (Physical)
Lillington NC 27546
910-814-6403 (office)
910-814-0350 (fax)

**Questions?
Contact
Missy King!**

HUMAN RESOURCES CORNER



HAPPY Birthday TO YOU!

MAY 1

Andrew Currin
Christian Lockamy
Jeanann Dawson
Mary Harper
Mayra Franco

MAY 2

James Verdream
Jeffrey Smith

MAY 3

Brett Weissinger
Elizabeth Pineiro
Johnny Allen

MAY 5

Maria Nawotniak

MAY 6

Alexander Verrill
Brian Just
Charlotte Leach
Jerry Massey

MAY 7

Benjamin Thomas
Franklin Sudia
Petrina Smith
Shalanta Ratliff

MAY 8

Jason Overby
Pamela Goodman
Amerson

MAY 9

Crystal Hernandez
Robert McGee
Sheley Eldridge
William Surles

MAY 10

Timothy Adamaszek

MAY 11

Brent Trout
Michael McCoy

MAY 13

Kathleen Collins
Sherry Herring
Stephanie Weidner

MAY 14

Brandie Horton-Mosley
Carolyn Brown

MAY 12

Tracy Hamby



MAY 15

Roy Gibbs

MAY 16

Eric Truesdale
Leif Reedstrom
William Cozine

MAY 17

Kimberly Lee
Mary Smith
(Sheriff's Dept)

MAY 18

James Hooper
Jerelene McLean
Shannon Autry

MAY 19

Crystal Autry
Shermaquae Ambrose

MAY 20

Amanda Duntz
Christopher Brooks
Richard Kennedy

MAY 21

Christopher Zimmerman
Karen Hamilton
Robert Jones
Sharon Booker

MAY 22

Zayra Demesa
Vadillo

MAY 23

Jamie McNeill
Nathan Sills
Yolanda Crocker

MAY 24

Bria Farmer
Matthew Meredith
Toby Guy

MAY 25

Isaiah Higgins
Kaitlyn
Connelly

MAY 26

Katrina Bethea
Kelly Vaughan
Lasharal Blue-Hart
Sasha Godwin

MAY 27

Tammy Ward

MAY 28

Christian Watkins
Christopher Knox

MAY 30

James Blackwelder
Jessica Hodge

MAY 31

Darci Weaver

Join us in celebrating
our Harnett County
Employees!

HUMAN RESOURCES CORNER

Strawberries are in Season!

Not only do they taste delicious, they offer nutritional benefits for you and your family.

STRAWBERRY-SHALLOT SALSA

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons minced shallot
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon red wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh mint
- 1 1/2 cups finely chopped strawberries

How to Make It

Combine minced shallot, fresh lime juice, honey, olive oil, and red wine vinegar in a medium bowl.

Let stand 10 minutes. Stir in ground coriander, kosher salt, and chopped fresh mint. Add finely chopped strawberries; gently toss to combine.

Nutritional Information

Calories 31 Fat 1g Saturated Fat 0g Unsaturated Fat 1g
Protein 0g Carbohydrate 6g Fiber 1g Sugars
4g Added sugars 2g Sodium 81mg Calcium 1%
DV Potassium 2% DV



Upcoming Office Closures

HARNETT COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICES
Memorial Day Holiday
May 30th

HARNETT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
May 28th & May 30th

SOLID WASTE
May 30th



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