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October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and a reminder about the importance of regular screenings. Look for the county office building in Bel Air to be lit up in pink to support survivors and remember those we've lost.

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HARFORD COUNTY

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021 • 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Harford County Department of Community Services
OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY

410.638.3333 • odcp@harfordcountymd.gov

Clean out your medicine cabinet for Drug Take Back Day Oct. 23

Help us prevent drug abuse and keep drugs from entering the Chesapeake Bay. Drop off your unused prescription and over-the-counter medications, vitamins, and even pet medicines for safe disposal from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23 at any of the following locations: Harford County government building at 220 S. Main Street in Bel Air; Bel Air Police Department, 39 N. Hickory Avenue; Havre de Grace Police Department, 715 Pennington Avenue; UM Urgent Care at Aberdeen, 744 S. Philadelphia Blvd., and Wegmans, 21 Wegmans Boulevard in Abingdon.

Harvest Festival
at The Grove

[HARFORDCOUNTYMD.GOV/THEGROVE](http://harfordcountymd.gov/thegrove)
[@THEGROVEATHARFORD](https://www.facebook.com/thegroveatharford)
 BARRY GLASSMAN
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23
11 A.M. - 6 P.M.
3519 CONOWINGO RD STREET, MD 21154

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
Holiday Shopping at the Grove, Cotton Candy, Harvest Crafts, Bounce House, Kids & Pets Costume Contest & Parade, Sack Races, Egg Races, Crabby Awe Throwing, and more!

<p>CRAFT BEVERAGES</p> <p>FERRE WHISKY HARFORD VINEYARD ALECRAFT BREWING SLATE FARM BREWERY</p>	<p>FOOD</p> <p>TRIPLE J BOONER SLANDERS CONRAD'S SLICED EDGEWOOD CREAMERY</p>
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Entertainment
CONLEY & WATSON 11:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.
BLIND OWL 2:30 - 5:30 P.M.

Harvest Festival at The Grove Oct. 23

Bring the family for a fall celebration at The Grove, our agribusiness incubator in Street. We'll have activities all day for kids and adults, a pet costume parade, food & beverage trucks, and live entertainment. While you're there, get started on your holiday shopping by visiting The Grove's vendors. You'll find one-of-a-kind gifts, sweet treats, wood crafted items, warm socks made from alpaca yarn and more, all sourced from Harford County farms. Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 23 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 3519 Conowingo Road, and remember to buy local!



ROUND 2

COVID-Relief Grants
for businesses and nonprofits
Teleworking & Online Sales

FUNDED BY THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Submit online by **FRIDAY**
OCTOBER 29
2021

Nonprofit/business COVID-relief grants - apply by Oct. 29

Our latest round of COVID-relief grants is available to help local businesses and nonprofits expand their telework and/or online sales operations. Funds can be used for website development, expansion to an e-commerce platform, telework equipment purchases such as laptops, or other remote work capabilities. Grants can also be used as reimbursement for expenses incurred after March 2020 to establish or expand online sales and telework during COVID-19. [Click here](#) for details. Applications are due by Friday, Oct. 29.



New kayak launch

Our newest canoe/kayak launch is open at 1202 Walters Mill Road in Forest Hill as part of our long-term plan for a Deer Creek water trail. Open dawn to dusk, the new launch has a loading area and 14 parking spots for easy access. It sits about six miles upstream from Benjamin's Bridge in Street, perfect for a leisurely outing. Paddling on Deer Creek is one of the best ways I know of to unwind, and the Walters Mill launch makes it easy to enjoy one of Harford's most beautiful waterways.



County Council term limits on the ballot

I have always supported term limits for Harford County Council members and even tried to enact them when I was on the council many years ago. As county executive, I have heard from many constituents requesting that we place term limits for council members on the November 2022 ballot. In response I proposed legislation last month that will let voters decide the issue, and if approved, it would begin with council members elected in 2022. I have also requested co-sponsors and look forward to working with the council to give this option to our citizens.



October "SOCKtober" donation drive to benefit the homeless & veterans

Warm socks, mittens, and hats are greatly needed items at homeless shelters, yet they are less likely to be donated. That's why my administration is partnering again with Harford County Public Library to collect these items for local veterans and citizens in need. [Collection boxes](#) for our "SOCKtober" donation drive will be available throughout October at library branches, county government buildings, including senior centers and parks & recreation facilities.



Smart lockers improve customer service

My administration has installed a system of smart lockers as an alternative to person-to-person document exchanges at our office in Bel Air. The smart lockers accept documents of all sizes, ranging from large plats to permit applications to deed payments. An electronic screen provides easy-to-follow instructions and county staff are notified by email when a deposit is made. Smart lockers are more secure than open drop-off boxes and safer than in-person contacts in the wake of COVID-19. Best of all they're making it easier to do business with Harford County government. [Click here to learn more.](#)



Fire pit safety

As you gather around the fire pit this fall, our Department of Emergency Services offers these safety tips. Fire pits should be in an open area away from any structure and should never be left unattended. Don't burn plastic, trash, or treated wood that could emit toxic fumes, avoid windy days, and keep chairs a safe distance away. Wear fitted clothing and tie back any loose hair. Have water nearby to douse a fire or a shovel to smother the flames with dirt. Lastly, never put hot ashes in with your trash and extinguish fires completely. Thanks & be safe!

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RUNNING FOR RECOVERY

HARFORD UNITED CHARITIES
Early Intervention, County Executive



**Saturday
October 16 • 8:00 A.M.**
Harford Community College - Susquehanna Center

- ▶ Running Shirt
- ▶ Cash Prizes
for the overall top three females & males
- ▶ Hot Breakfast
following the race
- ▶ Medals
for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class

\$25 early registration
\$30 race day

REGISTER NOW! CharmCityRun.com

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT HOMELESSNESS & HEALING
Harford Family House • Mason Dixon Community Services
Addiction Connections Resource • Homecoming Project

SPONSORSHIPS & DONATIONS Please make checks payable to:
Harford United Charities • 25 W. Courtland Street • Bel Air, MD 21014



Register today! BG5K Oct. 16

[Click here to sign up](#) - I hope to see you there!

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