



March 2022



I would like to thank everyone who sent me their priorities as I prepare my budget recommendation for next year. I plan to continue our support for education, law enforcement and county employees, and will release my budget to the public and the County Council next month.

The budget affects everybody, so we made [this video](#) to help explain the process.

All my best,

**Barry Glassman**  
County Executive

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4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FCPHC SYMPOSIUM

# ANYONE CAN GARDEN

**Saturday, March 26**

**8:30 AM-12 PM** (RAIN DATE: APRIL 16)

**Celebrate spring and join  
us for this FREE event!**



## **Anyone Can Garden - Ag symposium Saturday, March 26**

Anyone can grow healthy food indoors and out. Learn how to sprout microgreens indoors and cultivate a vegetable garden at our fourth annual Farmers & Community Partnership Agricultural Seminar. This year's seminar will be held in person from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Harford Community College. A free breakfast and gardening marketplace featuring local vendors will kick off the event, which will include guest speakers and a Q & A. The event is free, but [registration is required](#). Hurry, tickets are limited and going fast.



## **Cellphone 9-1-1 service warning**

Older cellphones may stop operating this year as the major wireless carriers retire 3G networks. Other devices that use 3G connectivity, such as some medical alert devices, tablets, smart watches, and home security systems may also be affected. Wireless carriers have informed customers about their switch to 4G and 5G. But some users, including victims of domestic violence, may have old phones without active service that can still be used to reach 9-1-1 in an emergency. [Click here for more information](#) and options from the Maryland 9-1-1 Board.



### Sports equipment donation drive

Every child should have a chance to play sports, but some families can't afford all the gear. So, we've partnered with the nonprofit Leveling the Playing Field to collect sports equipment during March. If you'd like to help, drop off your new or gently used equipment, like baseball gloves, cleats, and lacrosse sticks, at any of our Parks and Recreation activity centers and buildings. Leveling the Playing Field will bring the equipment to their warehouse in Baltimore where any Harford County team, rec council, school or other organization serving low-income children can apply to come and pick out what they need. For more information and a list of accepted items, [click here](#).



## **FREE** WORKFORCE TECHNICAL TRAINING GRANT WEBINAR

### Attention employers: Learn how to apply for workforce technical training grants March 8

Our Office of Community & Economic Development offers matching fund reimbursements to Harford County employers who train their employees to improve their technical skills. Grants of up to \$1,000 per employee and up to \$5,000 in total grant funds per company are available in two rounds, in May and October of each year. To help local businesses apply successfully and navigate our online application grant portal, we are hosting a webinar via Microsoft Teams from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 8. [Click here to register](#).



## Youth & Family Resource Festival April 9

The Harford County Youth and Family Resource Festival connects families with resources for children and young adults of all abilities. This year's festival will be held on Saturday, April 9, and feature 80 exhibits, workshops, and activities. Kids and their parents will be able to take a dance lesson or touch a firetruck, and find out about athletic programs, saving money, housing support and computer and technology safety. Information will be available on summer camps, pre-school programs, college prep and more. [Registration is encouraged and free transportation](#) to the APGFCU Arena at Harford Community College will be available.



## Volunteers of all ages needed to plant trees Friday, April 15

We are excited to bring back our annual Arbor Day tree planting Friday, April 15 starting at 10 a.m. at the Harford Waste Disposal Center in Street. We'll have displays and demonstrations in addition to the tree planting and every attendee will receive a free native tree. Civic organizations, school groups, Scout troops, families and individuals are all welcome to this fun community event to improve our natural environment. Please bring a hammer, shovel, and work gloves if you have them. For more information, please call 410-638-3103 x1359.

# HARFORD COUNTY

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*Women's  
History*  
MONTH



## Women's History Month - Wink Jonas

This year for Women's History Month we're honoring Wink Jonas, who helped bring modern technology into the world through her work at Aberdeen Proving Ground and helped save the Gravel Hill community she loved.

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