

## Mecklenburg County Manager's "Board Bulletin"

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# MECKLENBURG COUNTY GOVERNMENT



An update to the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners  
from the County Manager

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### County Staff Helps During State of Emergency

Multiple Mecklenburg County agencies continue to support the City of Charlotte and the Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department during the State of Emergency.

MEDIC, the Sheriff's Office, Park and Recreation, LUESA and Public Information continue providing manpower, expertise and other resources during the crisis.

Support Includes:

- MEDIC EMT's have been embedded with law enforcement to provide rapid response emergency medical services
- The Sheriff's Office secured the courthouse, jail, and other law enforcement offices, as well as provided buses and vans for transportation
- Park and Recreation ensured park availability for public gatherings
- LUESA enacted its Code Enforcement emergency plan to help uptown businesses fixing damage to be inspected more quickly
- Public Information provided manpower in the Joint Information Center (JIC) to provide a seamless, direct flow of information between the JIC, the County Manager and the County Commission

These agencies and possibly others will continue providing support as long as needed.

### Special BOCC Meeting Set for Tomorrow

During tomorrow's special budget and public policy meeting, I will provide an update on issues impacting the County and ask the Board to adopt a resolution regarding a Statement of Commitment that calls for individuals, organizations and congregations to work together to build a community of justice and opportunity for all.

The meeting will begin at 3 p.m. in CH-14 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center.

### Improvements Coming to County Vending

As we anticipate the County's transition to new and updated facilities, we are also planning

changes to vending options for our staff and clients. Mecklenburg County Procurement Division, along with Public Health and Asset and Facility Management, have partnered to find the best vending solution for our growing, diverse population.

Based on market research coupled with a competitive request for proposal process, the County intends to partner with Canteen Vending to offer an enhanced consumer experience through innovative technology, improved service and increased selection of healthy options. The County's new vending machines will offer a variety of all the favorite healthy snacks along with fresh fruits, salads, sandwiches, wraps, cold-pressed juices, and so much more.

Present-day vending service models include components such as remote monitoring and diagnostics, alternate and multiple payment methods, energy-efficient machines, micro markets, and utilization reporting, just to name a few. These enhanced services will allow Mecklenburg County to tailor vending options and stand by its commitment in improving the workplace environment through vending and food service guidelines designed to drive healthier eating habits.

These guidelines will also provide strong nutritional standards for vending machines located in Mecklenburg County facilities, thus giving County employees and residents access to healthier options.

Our employees want this, too. Through the Public Health Department survey, it was determined that employees favor healthier vending options. There was a 75 percent positive response rate, in agreement, that Mecklenburg County needed to improve the overall vending services offered.

For more information, contact Marcy Mars, Financial Services Procurement division director, at 980-314-2401 or [Marcy.Mars@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Marcy.Mars@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov).

### Million Hearts Challenge

This year, the Mecklenburg County Public Health's Village HeartBEAT program is a lead partner in recruiting 100 faith-based organizations to the national 100 Congregations for Million Hearts initiative by the end of 2016.

To encourage the local faith-based community to join the campaign, Village HeartBEAT has entered into a friendly competition with the State of Mississippi to see who can reach the goal first. Participation in the program helps guide congregations toward a heart-healthy lifestyle aimed at preventing cardiovascular disease and controlling hypertension.

For more information, contact Dr. Marcus Plescia, Public Health director, at 980-314-9020 or [Marcus.Plescia@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Marcus.Plescia@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov).

### CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Sept. 27, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Brooklyn Village Community Meeting, LUESA Building, 2145 Suttle Ave., Charlotte
- Tuesday, Sept. 27, 3 p.m. – Special BOCC Budget/Public Policy Meeting, CMGC CH-14

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