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Legislative Update

Action at the legislature is picking up steam as legislators begin filing bills and the governor prepares to present his budget. Once the governor's budget is presented, the House will develop the next State budget proposal. Both the House and Senate have announced plans to aid with school capital funding needs.

Senate leaders unveiled SB 5, which provides more than \$2 billion for K-12 school construction and repair over the next nine years. The plan also provides \$2 billion for community college and university construction and repair over the same period. The total amount of funding received under the plan assumes a three-percent annual growth in state revenue and is in addition to lottery money already earmarked for school construction.

The House plan provides for placing a statewide school bond on the ballot for voter approval later this year or next. While that legislation is not yet filed, statements from leadership indicate the bond would provide \$1.9 billion for school construction and repair, with \$1.5 billion directed to K-12 schools, and community colleges and universities each receiving \$200 million. Legislation we are monitoring includes the following bills:

- SB 3 – Closing Medicaid Gap Coverage
- SB 11 – ABC Regulations and Reform – This bill provides updates to the current ABC statute. It does not deal with privatization.
- SB 60 – Restore Educational Sales Tax Holiday
- SB 72 – School Calendar Flexibility/Charlotte-Mecklenburg

For more information, contact Legislative Affairs Liaison Starla Tanner at 980-314-2884 or Starla.Tanner@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Child Support Enforcement Hosts 2nd Chance Amnesty Week

Today marks the start of [Mecklenburg County Child Support Enforcement Department's \(MCCSE\) 2nd Chance Amnesty Week](#). This event offers an opportunity for non-custodial parents to talk with their caseworker, make payment arrangements and get back on track with child support payments without the fear of being arrested.

The event runs through Feb. 23 and is free and open to the public. Attendees should be prepared to make at least one month of the child support payment amount due, and one payment of \$25 or

more toward the past due amount.

MCCSE has seen great success during past events. Starting in fall 2016 and as recently as spring 2018, more than \$30,000 in child support has been collected for children in the County.

2nd Chance Amnesty Week is being held at the MCCSE offices at 5800 Executive Center Drive, Suite 200, Charlotte. The dates and times are listed below:

- Monday, Feb. 18 – Friday, Feb. 22, 2019, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

More information is available [here](#). Contact MCCSE directly at 704-432-9300, Option 7.

If you have questions, contact Community Resource Director Rodney Adams at 980-314-6475 or Rodney.Adams@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Public Information Session for Northern Regional Rec Center Set for Feb. 26

Mecklenburg County is planning a new regional recreation center in north Mecklenburg and wants to share updates on the project with residents.

On Feb. 26, the County's Park and Recreation Department, along with the parks departments from the towns of Cornelius, Davidson and Huntersville, will host a public information session to share information about the Northern Regional Recreation Center, including the latest design renderings and the current site plan. The meeting will take place from 6:30-8 p.m. at Bailey Middle School, 11900 Bailey Road in Cornelius.

Residents are invited to attend the meeting to view the renderings and ask questions about the project.

The Northern Regional Recreation Center, which will be located at 18121 Old Statesville Road in Cornelius, is the second of four proposed regional recreation centers throughout the County. Last year, Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation broke ground on the [Eastway Regional Recreation Center](#) at Eastway Park.

For more information about the Northern Regional Recreation Center, visit northmeckrec.com. You can also contact Park and Recreation Director Lee Jones at 980-314-1017 or Lee.Jones@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Monday, Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m. – County Assessor's Office staff will speak about the 2019 Revaluation during the Huntersville Town Board Meeting.
- Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. – BOCC Economic Development Committee Meeting, CMGC 11th Floor Large Conference Room
- Tuesday, Feb. 19, 3:30 – 5 p.m. - BOCC Health and Human Services Committee Meeting, Location TBA
- Tuesday, Feb. 19, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH-14
- Tuesday, Feb. 19, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Wednesday, Feb. 20, 7:30 a.m. – County Assessor's Office staff will speak about the 2019 Revaluation during the Newsmakers Breakfast.
- Thursday, Feb. 21, 6-8 p.m. - District 4 Revaluation Workshop featuring Commissioner Mark Jerrell and City of Charlotte Council Member Braxton Winston, At Large, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center Meeting Chamber

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