

Mecklenburg County Manager's "Board Bulletin"



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COVID-19 Update

As of 8:30 a.m., there were 90,105 cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) with 805 deaths due to COVID-19 reported among Mecklenburg County residents.

Click [here](#) for the latest data report.

Food and Nutrition Services Recipients to Receive Temporary Benefits Increase

[Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services](#) Food and Nutrition Services recipients will see a temporary increase in the amount of benefits they receive. The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services announced that this increase is part of the federal Emergency Coronavirus Relief Act of 2020.

The maximum benefit amount for FNS recipients will increase by 15% until June 30, 2021. After June 30, 2021, benefit amounts will return to the previous levels. Recipients can find out the amount of their benefits by using one of the following methods:

- Visit www.ebtedge.com. Click "More Information" under "EBT Cardholder." You will be prompted to login and/or register your account.
- Download the ebtEDGE mobile app. The app is available as a free download on the [Apple Store](#) and [Google Play](#).
- Call 1-888-622-7328 on the day you normally receive benefits.

Mecklenburg County residents can apply for FNS in English or Spanish online at AllAccess.MeckNC.gov

(or [ePASS](#)). Paper applications can be mailed to:

Wallace H. Kuralt Centre 301 Billingsley Road Charlotte, NC 28211 Community Resource Center 3205 Freedom Drive Charlotte, NC 28208.

Food and Nutrition Services is a food assistance program that helps low-income families with purchasing food. Benefits are issued via Electronic Benefit Transfer cards (EBT cards). Since the pandemic began, the County has seen an increase in FNS applications as well as expedite requests. Staff will continue to align resources to meet the increase in demand for this service. For more information about Mecklenburg County FNS, visit <https://www.mecknc.gov/dss/esd/Pages/FoodandNutrition.aspx>.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Request for Proposal Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Two pre-bid information sessions will be held this week for individuals interested in receiving funding for programs that serve at risk and delinquent youth in Mecklenburg County.

The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) is now accepting applications for individuals seeking funding for their programs.

Approximately \$2,051,713 million will be allocated for fiscal year 2021-2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022). Click [here](#) to learn more about requirements or to apply.

Potential applicants are required to attend at least one of the pre-bid Information sessions.

For more information on the sessions or applications, contact Criminal Justice Services Director, Sonya L. Harper.

JCPC RFP Pre-Bid Information Sessions:

February 10, 2021

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

[WebEx Meeting Link](#)

February 16, 2021

2:00-4:00 p.m.

[WebEx Meeting Link](#)

Mecklenburg County's Virtual Community Budget Workshop Series Begin February 13

The first of five virtual Community Budget Workshops for FY2022 will be held on Saturday, February 13.

The Community Budget Workshops are designed to allow Mecklenburg County residents to share their

budget priorities with County leadership before the budget is finalized for fiscal year 2022.

The workshops will be featured on Webex due to the pandemic. The events are free and open to anyone interested in giving their input on the budget. Residents may register for the event by visiting <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/138268584057>.

The workshops will be held weekly throughout the month of February. See below for the workshop schedule.

Information gathered during the event will be considered during planning for the FY2022 budget.

Event Details:

- Saturday, Feb. 13 – 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 18 – 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 20 – 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 24 – 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 27 – 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.

For more information on the virtual Community Budget Workshops, contact Management & Budget Director [Adrian Cox](#).

News Releases:

- [Mecklenburg County COVID-19 Data for Feb. 7](#)
- [Mecklenburg Minute](#)
- [Mecklenburg County Celebrates Black History Month](#)
- [PH and Partners Launch Change for Life Tobacco-Free Recovery](#)

Click [here](#) to view a full list of news releases.

COVID-19 Symptoms:

As the pandemic continues to have an impact on the community, click [here](#) to view a list of COVID-19 symptoms.

COVID-19 Testing and Medical Advice:

Residents who believe they may have been exposed to the virus can contact the County's Public Health Hotline at 980-314-9400 to speak with a medical professional or for guidance on testing.

Testing locations can be found [here](#).

What to Do If You're Feeling Sick:

Click [here](#) for more information on what to do if you think you may have been exposed to the virus.

Frequently Asked Questions - Residents:

Click [here](#) to view a list of the most frequently asked questions related to COVID-19.

Resources for County Employees:

Employee Rights Under Families First Coronavirus Act

On April 1, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act was signed to help provide additional paid leave for government employees affected by COVID-19.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the act.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Feb. 9 – Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners Budget/Policy Meeting – Virtual, 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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