

H&NS e-Newsletter: Training & Engagement Opportunities: 08/26/2022



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Upcoming Events and Engagement Opportunities

City of Charlotte offers \$3,000 matching grants for neighborhood tree care projects – Apply by October 1

Charlotte takes pride in having one of the most expansive tree canopies in the country. We couldn't achieve this without the hard work of Charlotte residents like you! In order to celebrate the rich biodiversity found in our urban forests, educate the public on how to take action to maintain our canopy, and protect our forest for years to come, Landscape Management and Housing & Neighborhoods are proud to present this year's [Tree Care Grant](#). Eligible neighborhood organizations citywide can apply for matching grants of up to \$3,000 for tree care initiatives including canopy assessment, ivy removal, small tree/ sapling pruning, and tree focused education and community events.

To learn more about the ins and outs of the grant and how to apply, please join us for an informational workshop from 6 - 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 1. This workshop will take place via Zoom. To participate, [please register here](#). For more information, contact Jonathan Hill at jonathan.hill@charlottenc.gov.

Apply to join the Mayor's Mentoring Alliance Advisory Board

The Mayor's Mentoring Alliance (MMA) is currently accepting applications for prospective members to join the MMA Advisory Board for fiscal year 2023. The application will remain open until Wednesday, September 14 at 11:59 p.m.

This position is a two-year term and may be appointed to serve a second term at the discretion of the City of Charlotte and the MMA Executive Committee, not to exceed three consecutive terms. Board members must commit at least two to four hours a month to attend the Advisory Board and Committee meetings, and events as needed and abide by the MMA Advisory Board Attendance Policy.

For your application to be considered, please complete the [application form](#), inclusive of a resume and video interview, by the September 14 deadline. The application is powered by Google and may require a Gmail account. If you experience any technical difficulty, please email mentoring@charlottenc.gov for assistance.

Strategies for Increasing Involvement in Your Neighborhood Organization | August 30, 6 p.m.

Increasing neighborhood involvement is an important component of building a strong community. Join us for an interactive workshop to learn how you can help get your neighbors more involved in the community.

We'll discuss how to:

- Boost meeting and event attendance
- Recruit new members and volunteers
- Improve neighborhood communication

This workshop will take place via Zoom. [Registration](#) is required. Online and call-in access instructions will be emailed to registered participants prior to the workshop.

Youth ages 16 - 24 can now apply for Job & Career Readiness Training

Registration for job & career readiness training is now open! This program, open to 16 to 24-year old residents, is a six-week, tuition-free, fully virtual program that covers job readiness, interview preparation and essential skills.

Benefits of JCRT:

- Improve resume

- Enhance interview skills
- Sharpen essential skills
- Personality exploration
- Earn one college credit from Central Piedmont Community College
- Access to the Mayor's Youth Employment Program

Program registration is required. The deadline to apply is October 3. Virtual training will begin October 24 and end December 6. In addition to virtual training, youth will participate in a four-hour live training via Zoom facilitated by city staff that will reinforce the information covered during virtual learning. Live sessions will be offered at various times to accommodate student schedules. JCRT is the first required step an interested student must take to pursue [Mayor's Youth Employment Program](#) (MYEP) eligibility.

Learn more about Job & Career Readiness Training [online](#) or contact Omar Crenshaw at omar.crenshaw@charlottenc.gov.

Charlotte Future 2040 - Implementation Updates

The City of Charlotte Planning, Design & Development Department has released its inaugural Charlotte Future 2040 Annual Report as well as a 2040 Plan Implementation Dashboard.

The report highlights progress and efforts toward implementing the Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan within Fiscal Year 2022, coinciding with the one-year adoption anniversary of the Plan. It includes the vision, status updates on short-term policy recommendations, highlights of key citywide initiatives, and a look ahead to upcoming projects in the next year. For more information, please see the [Annual Report website](#) and the [Annual Report Introduction Video](#).

The 2040 Plan Implementation Dashboard provides a public-facing tracking system of the progress and efficacy of the Charlotte Future 2040 Plan measuring the goals and associated objectives established in the Plan. This dashboard includes 30+ metrics, and data will be added to the dashboard annually as they are created or collected. For more information, please see the [Implementation Dashboard](#) and the [Implementation Dashboard Introduction Video](#).

Training on Demand: 2023 Property Revaluation: What Does It Mean for Me?

Housing & Neighborhood Services hosted a workshop in July 2022 in collaboration with Mecklenburg County to increase awareness of the 2023 property revaluation that will affect property taxes beginning January 1, 2023. In this session, you will learn from the [County Assessor's Office](#) about the property revaluation process, possible impacts on property taxes, and how to appeal your 2023 assessed value if needed.

If you missed the workshop, [view the replay](#). This and other trainings can be found on the Community Engagement [Training on Demand](#) page.

Helping Out Mecklenburg Homeowners with Economic Support (HOMES) - Apply by November 18

The Mecklenburg County HOMES Program is currently accepting applications for property tax assistance. The grant program is designed to assist qualified residential homeowners with low to moderate income within Mecklenburg County to retain their homes by reducing the financial burden resulting from the robust real estate market. Qualified applicants can receive up to \$340 in property tax assistance.

New applicants and previous recipients are encouraged to complete and submit the application by November 18. [View a full list of eligibility requirements and apply online.](#)

For your consideration

[Charlotte City Council Votes To Adopt The Unified Development Ordinance](#)

[City, Local Partners Make It Easier For People Impacted By Domestic Violence And Abuse To Get Help](#)

[Revaluation 101: How Will 2023 Change Taxes on Homes, Property in Mecklenburg County?](#)

[Charlotte's 'Violence Interrupters' Aim To Counter Violence, Promote Outreach](#)



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