

Board Bulletin for December 15, 2025



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Holiday Message From The Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners





New Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority Set to Hold Inaugural Meeting Dec.18

On Thursday, Dec. 18, the Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority (MPTA) is scheduled to meet at the [Valerie C. Woodard Conference Center](#), at 6 p.m. As part of the meeting, the new board is scheduled to elect officers and adopt the P.A.V.E. Studies Report. This meeting will be streamed on [Watch.MeckNC.gov](#)

The MPTA will finance, provide, operate and maintain a safe, clean, reliable, adequate, convenient, energy-efficient, economically and environmentally sound public transportation system for its service area. Members will accomplish these goals through the leasing of terminals, buses, and other transportation facilities and equipment; and the exercise of other granted powers and duties to enhance mobility in the region and encourage sound growth patterns.

For presentation materials, special accommodations or additional information, please contact the County Clerk's Office at 980-314-2939 or Clerk@MeckNC.gov.



Nominations Open for 2026 Crowns of Enterprise Awards Honoring Small Businesses and Owners

The annual [Crowns of Enterprise Awards](#) recognize and honor small businesses in Mecklenburg County that demonstrate exemplary leadership and sound business strategies. The awards voting committee strives to acknowledge the hard work and resilient efforts of local small businesses, illustrating the positive footprint and economic impact they have on our community.

Now in its 15th year, the Crowns of Enterprise Awards program is hosted annually by Mecklenburg County and the City of Charlotte. The awards committee encourages the community to nominate a person or small business for recognition. Self-nominations are welcomed. Additional information about the certifications, qualifications, and award categories is available in the [nomination form](#).

Learn more about the awards and other efforts to support small businesses by visiting the [Mecklenburg County's Business Diversity and Inclusion](#) and the [Charlotte Business INclusion](#) websites.



Department of Community Resources Accepting Applications for Low-Income Energy Assistance Program

The Mecklenburg County Department of Community Resources ([DCR](#)), through its Low-Income Energy Assistance Program ([LIEAP](#)), is currently accepting applications from residents having trouble paying their heating bills. LIEAP is one of several programs administered by DCR to help low-income households with their energy needs, so they do not need to choose between heating their homes and other basic needs.

LIEAP applicants do not have to be at risk of disconnection or delinquent to take advantage of this one-time, direct vendor payment in the amount of \$300, \$400, or \$500 based on their primary heating source.

December is application priority month for residents age 60 or older, or who are disabled and receiving services through the Division of Aging and Adult Services. All other households can apply beginning Jan. 1, 2026. Assistance is available for all eligible applicants until March 31, 2026, or until funds run out. For more information on LIEAP, including eligibility requirements, please visit MeckNC.gov/Energy.



Volunteers and Donations Needed for County's Point-in-Time Count

Preparations are underway for the [2026 Point-in-Time \(PIT\) Count](#), scheduled to take place in the early morning hours of Jan. 22, 2026. Mecklenburg County is seeking volunteers to help ensure everybody counts.

The PIT Count, coordinated nationally by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, is conducted each year across the United States to gather data on homelessness. It takes place on a single night in January each year and provides a snapshot of homelessness. The key objectives of the PIT Count are to estimate the number of people experiencing homelessness and to understand their demographic characteristics and living situations. Another goal of finding unsheltered homeless individuals and families is to connect them to available resources.

The [Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care](#) coordinates these efforts locally. Mecklenburg County Community Support Services' [Housing Innovation and Stabilization Services Division](#) and the [Hearts for the Invisible Coalition Charlotte](#) have partnered to lead the 2026 Point-in-Time Count. Residents can help by [offering time](#), [donating items](#), [financial contributions](#), and raising awareness.

To learn more about the state of housing in Charlotte-Mecklenburg, visit the [Housing and Homelessness Dashboard](#).

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News Releases

- [Park and Recreation Reopens Albemarle Park, Invites Residents To Enjoy Renovations and New Amenities](#)
- [Coalition of Cross-Sector Community Leaders Unite Around Quality-of-Life Indicators](#)
- [Final Day to Pay Property Taxes Without Interest Is Jan. 5, 2026](#)
- [Nominate An Outstanding Small Business for The Crowns of Enterprise Awards](#)
- [Energy Assistance Applications Open for Priority Households](#)
- [Everybody Counts Charlotte: Volunteers and Donations Needed For 'Point-in-Time' Count](#)
- [JGA Space & Defense to Expand in Huntersville, Creating Approximately 40 New Jobs](#)
- [Economic Services Transitioning Out of Catherine M. Wilson Center](#)

Calendar Reminders

- Tuesday, Dec. 16,**
[Health and Human Services Committee](#)
1 - 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 16**
[BOCC Regular Board Meeting,](#)
6 - 9 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 18,**
[MPTA Meeting,](#)
6 – 8 p.m.

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