



First Group of Infrastructure Projects Completed!



Seneca Drive before (left) and after (right)



Ottawa Street before (left) and after (right)



Fox Way before (left) and after (right)

The Town of Forest Heights is currently undertaking a number of projects meant to improve and beautify our local infrastructure. Portions of Ottawa Street, Seneca Drive and Fox Way have recently been repaved. The Ottawa Street project also included the installation of new curbs.

The source of these funds in an Infrastructure Bond received from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Local Government Infrastructure Program for \$1,000,000.00. Many cities and towns use such funding to finance large projects because these programs offer a cost-effective way to finance extensive public purpose projects like street construction, resurfacing and water and sewer projects. Other projects within the town are forthcoming.

If you have any questions about these projects, please contact Mr. Larry Vaughn, Public Works Director at 301-839-1030.

Community News

NEW POLICE DOG



New Police Dog “Kuno” and Corporal Grooms stopping by after a long day of training in Charles County Sheriff’s K9 School. We look forward to Kuno fully joining the Forest Heights Police Department and serving the community.

COME OUT FOR OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING
 WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 16, 2019
 6:30 - 7:30 PM
5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE
FOREST HEIGHTS, MD 20745

WELCOME NEW FOREST HEIGHTS EMPLOYEES

The Town of Forest Heights welcomes new employees **Ms. Tessie Hoffman** as our new Police Clerk, and officers **Antoine Williams**, **Ofc. Paris Van Buren**, **Cpl. Frank Campbell** and Reserve Officer **Bernard Jones** to the Forest Heights Police Department. Congratulations to the new members of the Forest Heights family. We know that they will serve the Town with integrity.

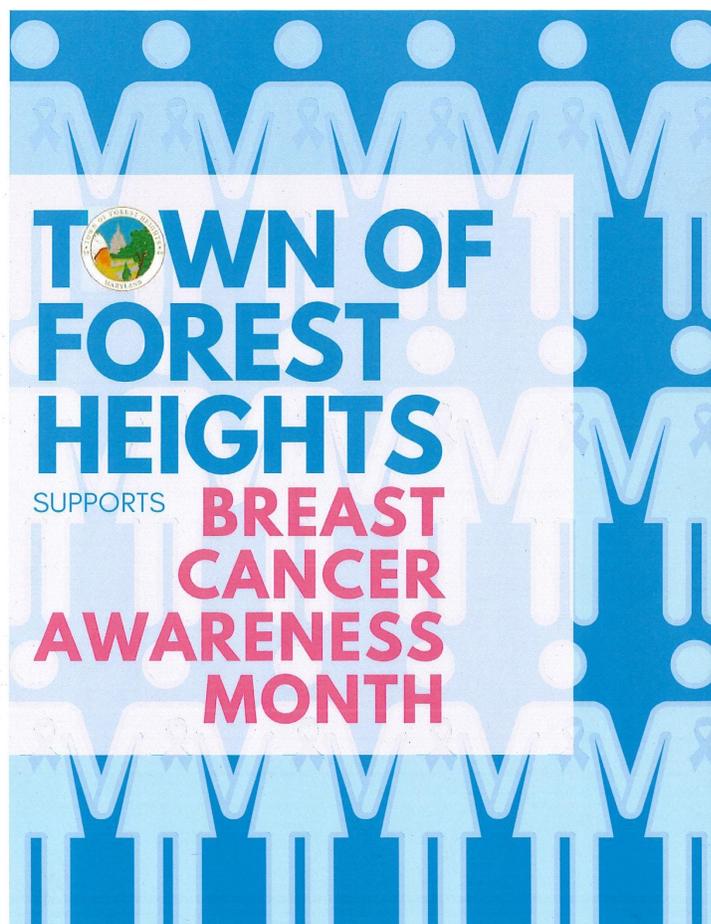
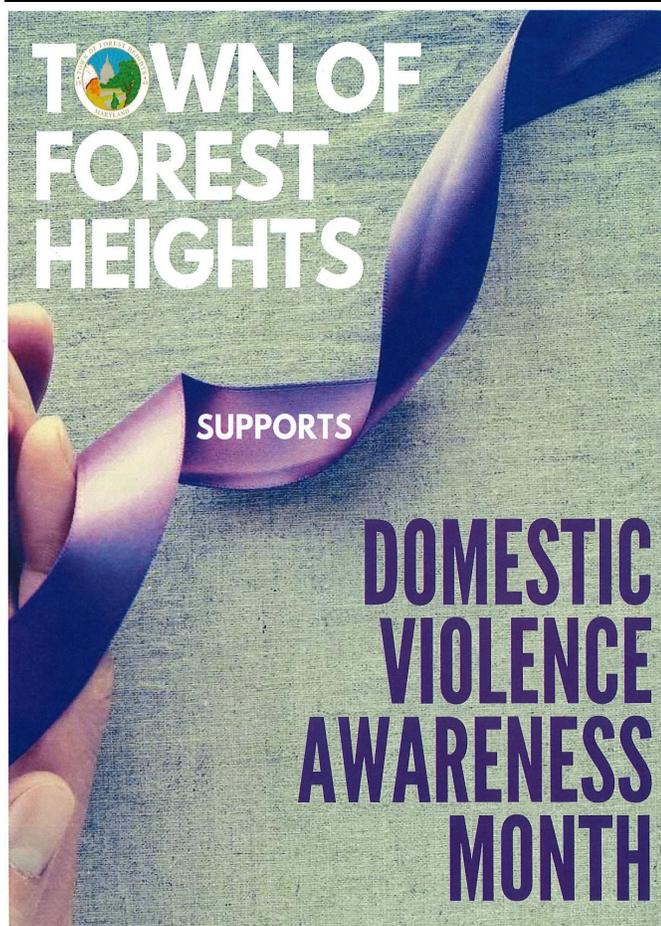
The Neighborhood Watch will now meet every **3rd Wednesday at 6:30 PM** in the Municipal Building before the Town Meetings. Thanks to Dr. Kimble, Councilman Robert Barnes, Officer Adams, and all our volunteers for their hard work.

FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS FOR SERVICE SEPTEMBER 2019

911 DISCONNECT	43	PROPERTY DAMAGE	1
ACCIDENT	9	RESIDENTIAL ALARM	5
ADDED INFORMATION	1	ROBBERY COMBINED	1
ALS COMBINED	2	SCHOOL ALARM	1
ASSAULT COMBINEED	4	STOLEN VEHICLE	3
ASSIST	1	SUBJECT STOP	10
ASSIST FIRE EMS	2	SUSPICIOUS PERSON (s)	2
BREAK IN IN PROGRESS	1	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	5
CHECK WELFARE	2	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE (occupied)	5
CHECK WELFARE COMBINED	4	THEFT FROM AUTO	1
DEPT ACCIDENT PD	3	THEFT JO	1
DEPT ACCIDENT PD COMB.	3	THEFT REPORT	2
DISORDERLY	22	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	10
DOMESTIC	2	TRAFFIC HAZARD	1
FAMILY DISPUTE	4	TRESSPASSING COMPLAINT	2
FIGHT	1	UNKNOWN TROUBLE	9
FOUND	1	VANDALISM	2
FRAUD	1	VEHICLE ACCIDENT COMBINED	2
GUNSHOTS	1	WARRANT SERVICE	1
HIGHWAY ACCIDENT COMB.	1	Total Calls Handled:	244
HIT AND RUN	1		
LOST PROPERTY	1		
MISC POLICE INCIDENTS	11		
MISSING PERSON	4		
NOISE COMPLAINT	2		
OVERDOSE ALS COMBINED .	1		
PREMISE CHECK	50		
PROP. ALARM COMMERCIAL	2		

POLICE STATION
5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE
This Station is Open to the Public
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
301-839-4040
(Emergency) 911 (Non-Emergency)
(301) 352-1200





OCTOBER AWARENESS MONTH: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND BREAST CANCER

The Town of Forest Heights would like to bring attention and awareness this month to breast cancer and domestic violence. Your health is important, and knowing how to prevent and recognize symptoms early can make a big difference. Ask your doctors and nurses about the importance of getting screened for breast cancer. Women ages 40-49 should talk to their doctor about when to get mammograms, and women ages 50 to 74 should be getting mammograms every two years.



Domestic violence affects millions, both women and men, of every race, religion, culture and status. It's not just punches and black eyes -- it's yelling, humiliation, stalking, manipulation, coercion, threats and isolation. It's stealing a paycheck, keeping tabs online, non-stop texting, constant use of the silent treatment, or calling someone stupid so often they believe it. Learn how to recognize the signs of abuse. For more information, visit the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence at <https://ncadv.org/>

For anonymous, confidential help, 24/7, please call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE) or 1-800-787-3224 (TTY).



KEEP THE SIDEWALKS CLEAR: As we enter fall, please take the time to rake up any Yard Waste and keep it from spilling on the sidewalk. Grass clippings can be a tripping hazard, especially after wet weather. Failure to sweep up Yard Waste is subject to a fine under Article 19.1 of the Town Ordinance.



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS *FALL CLEAN UP/GREEN UP*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

STUDENT SERVICE HOURS AVAILABLE

Town of Forest Heights
5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745
Saturday, October 19 2019 | 9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.
Call 301-839-1030 for more information

Host: Ms. Kathleen Via

Cleanup Happens RAIN OR SHINE!

Bring sturdy boots and gloves, and dress in layers.
Community Service Hours will be given to students.

Light Refreshments will be provided.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

ALL ARE WELCOME! Our Goal is to reach 100 volunteers.

Come out and help us make a difference.



TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS
TWO EVENTS - ONE WEEKEND

HALLOWEEN HAUNTED HOUSE
FRIDAY
10.18.19 | 6-9 PM

SAFE HARVEST PARTY
SATURDAY
10.19.19 | 6-9 PM

EVENT LOCATION:
Forest Heights Community Center
5508 Arapahoe Drive
Forest Heights, MD 20745

The poster features a dark orange background with white and black silhouettes of spiders, a bat, and a ghost. The text is in white and black, with the town name in large white letters at the top. The event details are in black and white, and the location is in white at the bottom.

Community News



Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15-October 15 is National Hispanic Heritage Month., celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402. We invite residents to attend celebrations and demonstrations of Hispanic culture, which will be held at the Smithsonian Museum of American History on Saturday, October 12, 2019. By learning from each other, we can grow stronger together as a community, and embody the many cultures and one voice that makes Forest Heights unique.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT



In September, the Maryland Department of Agriculture reported that 3 mosquitos trapped in Forest Heights have tested positive for the West Nile Virus. Experts advise to protect yourself by dumping standing water from such places as flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, discarded tires, pet water dishes and birdbaths on a regular basis. Wearing loose fitting long sleeved clothing is also advised. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Code Enforcement at 301-839-4040 or email codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov

TOWN CLOSINGS AND SCHEDULE

The Town will be closed **Monday, October 14, 2019** for Columbus Day. We will re-open on **Tuesday, October 15, 2019**.

There will be no Senior Exercise on October 14.

The Town of Forest Heights will be closed

Monday, November 11, 2019 for Veterans Day.

We will re-open **Tuesday, November 12, 2019** at 8:30 am.

The Town of Forest Heights will be closed

Thursday, November 28 for Thanksgiving. Bulk

Trash will be picked up **Friday, November 29, 2019**.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Town of Forest Heights – Police Lieutenant Posted 9/30/19 – Closes 10/11/19

The Town of Forest Heights Police Department is recruiting to fill a current vacancy for the position of full-time Police Lieutenant. An associate degree from an accredited college or university is desired. Advanced or supervisory certificates are highly desirable. The selection process includes a background investigation, truth verification, psychological screening, drug testing and a physical. The salary starts at \$47,271.37 and is commensurate with experience.

The Town offers an excellent benefits package, to include:

- Paid Vacation and Sick and Safe Leave
- Take Home Patrol Vehicle program
- Health, Vision, Dental, and Life Insurance

Interested applicants sent to chief@forestheightsmd.gov. All applications will be accepted until Friday, October 11, 2019 at 11:59pm. For more details visit our forestsheightsmd.gov website.

Health and Community News



**Are you doing all you can for your health?
Senior Exercise Class meets Mondays and Wednesdays.
Class Begins at 12:00 Noon.**

HEALTHY HEIGHTS SEMINAR NEWS



On Monday, September 9, 2019, the Town of Forest Heights hosted a seminar on utilities, which included how to save money, how to protect yourself from potential scams, and additional resources offered by your electric company. Thanks to **Mr. Gerald Hinton** from the Pepco Office of the Consumer

Advocate for your time. We encourage residents to visit their website and see what they have to offer.

The next Forest Heights seminar will be **Monday, October 21, 2019** at 1PM on Medicare and Medicaid. You must call 301-839-1030 to RSVP.

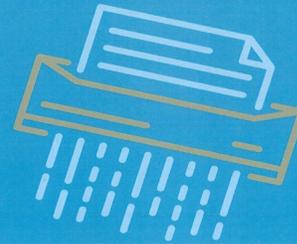


TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS COMMUNITY SHREDDING

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 9, 2019

9 AM - 12 PM

FOREST HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER
5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COOKOUT

On Saturday, July 20th, the Neighborhood Watch made its debut to the Town of Forest Heights with a neighborhood cookout. Despite the hot weather, we had a great turnout. Thanks to the Forest Heights Police Department and Dr. David Kimble for making this possible.



Community Calendars

October 2019

Cleanup week October 14-19 8:30AM-5PM. Free dumping for residents ONLY. Must show proof of residency inside Municipal Building to use the dumpster.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Free Bus Trip to the Smithsonian 11AM-3PM
13	14 Columbus Day. Town Hall Closed Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	15	16 Senior Exercise 12-1pm Neighborhood Watch 6:30pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm	17 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	18 Haunted House 6-9PM	19 Forest Heights Clean Up Green Up 9AM-12pm Safe Harvest and Haunted House 6-9PM
20	21 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm Healthy Heights Seminar 1-2pm	22	23 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	24 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	25	26 Census Kick off 12-4PM
27	28 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm	29	30 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	31 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Halloween		

November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION 7:30 pm	5	6 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	7 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	8	9 Community Shredding 9AM-12PM
10	11 Veterans Day. Town Hall Closed Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	12	13 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	14 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	15	16
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24	25 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Senior Exercise 12-1pm	26	27 Senior Exercise 12-1pm	28 Thanksgiving. Town Hall Closed NO BULK PICKUP	29 Bulk Trash 3 items or less	30

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Local Forest Heights
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Town Community News (continued)

NOT RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER?



If you or someone you know is not receiving the Newsletter, call 301-839-1030 or email kvia@forestheightsmd.gov. You can also view the newsletters online at forestheightsmd.gov.

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE STILL AVAILABLE

The Town of Forest Heights, as part of the Prince George's County Municipal Collaboration, is offering free weatherization upgrades to qualifying homeowners. Qualification is based on income level. Veterans/Retired homeowners will be given preference. To find out more about the program and how to apply, visit the Municipal Building to pickup a brochure during normal business hours of Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM-5:00PM.



Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad—ext. 1223

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chief@forestheightsmd.gov

Tessie Hoffmann, Police Clerk—ext. 1225

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

Joseph Hawkins—ext.1228

codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov

Information Line (240) 493-6998

Non-Emergency (301) 352-1200

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

www.forestheightsmd.gov

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Phone (301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236

8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Forest Heights Notary (by appointment)

9 am -12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-4:30 pm Monday - Friday

Trash/Recycle Collection is to be placed at the curb the night before collection.



PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.

MONDAY—Trash, Yard Waste & Recycling

Forest Heights Residents:

Yard Waste must be placed in paper bags or trash cans marked Yard Waste.

Tree limbs must be tied together in small bundles

Not to exceed 4 feet in length.

THURSDAY—Bulk (Three Items or Less)

METAL PICK-UP : Metal placed on the curb will be picked up by Public Works for a minimum of \$35.00 (paid in advance)

Propane Tank Pick-ups are \$30 each: Tires \$15.00 each.