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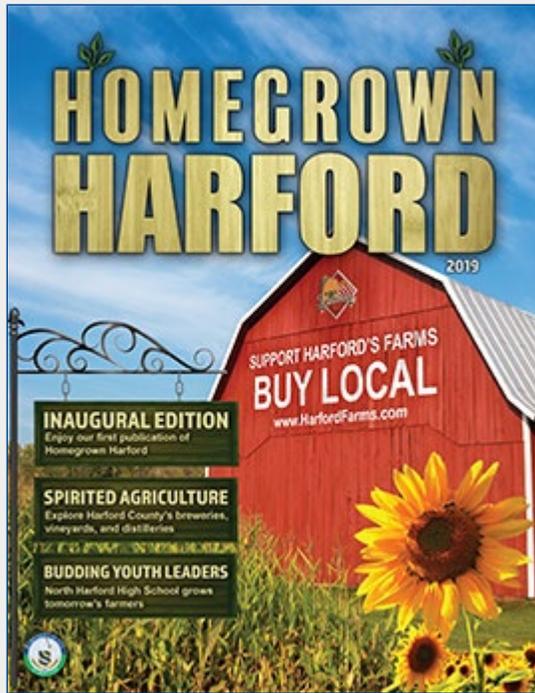
Labor Day has always honored workers who strengthen our economy and quality of life. As we enjoy these last few weeks of summer I hope you can take a break from your labors and enjoy some time with family and friends.

When we celebrate Labor Day 2019, please join me in thanking our emergency service professionals and volunteers, county employees, and all those who will be on the job to ensure a safe and happy holiday for all.

Barry Glassman
County Executive

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New: Homegrown Harford magazine

Harford County is home to nearly 600 farms covering approximately one-fifth of the county's land area. These farms have raised award-winning agricultural products and inspired stories that make our county a special place to be. Even lifelong residents may be surprised at the vast array of goods grown in our own backyard. To celebrate our farm community, my administration is proud to present the inaugural edition of Homegrown Harford, your guide to local farms, farm fresh products, breweries, wineries and more. Pick up a copy at any library branch and remember to buy local!

Volunteers needed to make wheelchair costumes for Halloween

Joining in the fun of wearing costumes and trick-or-treating can be a challenge for children who use wheelchairs. To make these kids' dreams come true, volunteers and sponsors are needed to build costumes for an inclusive Halloween event at Ripken Stadium this October, sponsored by my administration, Aberdeen IronBirds and the Harford Center. Children who use a wheelchair as their main form of mobility are welcome to participate for free, but space is limited and applications must be received by Monday, September 9.

[Apply and learn more here.](#)





New Perryman roundabout

The Perryman peninsula in Aberdeen is home to thousands of jobs and nearly 3,000 residents, but a "T" stop intersection at Maryland Routes 7 & 159 had impeded access to the area's manufacturing, warehousing and e-commerce centers. To improve the safety of this intersection and keep traffic moving, my administration funded a roundabout that is now open to all vehicles. Specially designed to handle the tractor-trailers that serve the peninsula, the roundabout allows for the free flow of more than 5,000 vehicles that use the intersection daily. This road improvement will benefit residents and better position Harford County and its Perryman work center for additional job growth and capital investment.



Help us

STUFF THE BUS

Please help students receive needed school supplies by dropping off your donated items between **July 29- September 13**

All donations support students in Harford County

Items Needed:

- Pencils • Markers • Crayons • Glue Sticks
- Pocket Folders • Protractors • Highlighters
- Compasses • Dry Erase Markers
- Colored Pencils • USB Drives • Loose Leaf Paper
- Tissues • Ziploc Bags • Erasers
- Graphing Calculators • Composition Notebooks
- 3 Hole Binders (1.5") (3") • Scissors
- Pencil Cases • Binder Pencil Pouches
- Backpacks • White Glue • Index Cards

www.harfordeducation.org

"Stuff the Bus" school supply collection drive

To help local children in need, my administration will be participating in the "Stuff the Bus" collection of school supplies, organized by the nonprofit Harford County Education Foundation. In years past, Harford County government employees and local citizens have generously donated to this annual countywide effort giving at-risk students the tools they need to be successful. For your convenience, collection boxes will again be located in county government office buildings, senior centers, and parks and recreation facilities. Please see the flier for a list of needed items.

HARFORD COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS SEMINARS



Free seminars for small businesses August 13 & 21

Our Office of Community & Economic Development offers seminars on a variety of topics to help small business owners manage their companies and grow the bottom line. On Tuesday, Aug. 13, we will present a sales expert on ways to attract potential customers and influence their buying decisions. On Wednesday, Aug. 21, an industry professional will discuss accounting and bookkeeping for small businesses. All seminars are free, evening events held at The GroundFloor, co-located with our offices at 2021D Pulaski Highway in Havre de Grace. [Click here for details.](#)



Harford gem: Flying Point Park

Make time this summer to visit one of our Harford gems: Flying Point Park is a beautiful waterfront park located at 511 Kennard Avenue in Edgewood. Situated on 17 green acres, this Harford County Parks & Recreation facility has two pavilions, available by reservation, picnic areas, a sand volleyball court, horseshoe pits, two playgrounds, and a boat launch for hours of fun and relaxation. With fall around the corner, now is also a good time to register for our fall programs at facilities countywide. Find [activities for all ages and convenient online registration](#) on the county website.

Hurricane season safety continued ...

September is the most active month for hurricanes in Harford County. That's why you should prepare now and have a plan in case you need to shelter in place or evacuate quickly in the event of heavy rain, strong winds, and flooding. Just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles, including SUVs and pickups. Remember the adage, "Turn Around, Don't Drown"; do not walk, swim, or drive through floodwaters. For more information about hurricane safety, visit [Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov).



ICYMI: Honoring Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton

Every one of us should know the name Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton. A Harford County native, Sgt. Hilton fought for the Union during the Civil War and he is Harford County's only Medal of Honor recipient. In 2016, the Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton Memorial Fund Committee was formed to help recognize and honor his legacy. My administration is proud to support this worthy cause.

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