



September 2019



As summer winds down and students head back to school, I am proud that my administration has provided funding to raise teacher salaries for the fifth consecutive year, while maintaining a fiscally responsible budget.

To all Harford County families, teachers and staff, I wish you continued success in the new school year.

Barry Glassman
County Executive

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National Recovery Month

National Recovery Month in September raises awareness about substance use disorders and recognizes those who have overcome addiction. This September, Harford County is coming together to create our biggest recovery celebration yet. On September 4, our Office of Drug Control Policy released a [YouTube music video](#) featuring national celebrities, based on recording artist Andy Grammer's inspirational hit song, "Don't Give Up on Me." Other efforts include purple lights symbolizing recovery on major buildings, purple glow sticks at school sporting events, purple "Recovery Rocks!," a host of empowering events, and a social media storm. [Click here](#) to join the effort, learn more and share your ideas.

HARFORD COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES

OPEN HOUSE | JOIN US FOR A FREE INFORMATIVE, FUN-FILLED DAY FOR ALL AGES

Saturday, September 7
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
2220 Ady Road, Forest Hill

Learn how to build an emergency kit, Stop the Bleed, perform CPR and more!

Maryland Emergency Management Agency | MD Insurance Administration
Special Operations Team demonstration | Sheriff's Office Child ID station
HOPE House | **911 CENTER TOURS** | MD Relay
"Touch-A-Truck" event | FREE blood pressure checks | Pets on Wheels
Chesapeake the Squirrel | Sparky the Fire Dog
Fire-EMS Cadet Program information | MD Relay information

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Edward Hopkins, Director | 410-638-4966 | info@harfordpublicsafety.org

Department of Emergency Services Open House Sept. 7

Harford County's Department of Emergency Services will hold an open house for citizens to learn about local emergency operations, emergency preparedness and lifesaving skills. Everyone is welcome to this family-friendly event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 7, at 2220 Ady Road in Forest Hill. Emergency vehicles will be on display, and tours of the county's emergency operations and 911 dispatch centers will be available. Exhibits will include the Harford County Sheriff's Office with the HOPE House, and a therapy dog from Pets on Wheels. [Click here for details.](#)

Understanding the effects of social media on children

Dr. Leonard Sax is a best-selling author and expert on how social media and video games affect our youth. What is an appropriate amount of time for kids to be online? Is there a link between social media and depression? When should a child have a smartphone? Dr. Sax will discuss these topics and more, from 6 – 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 19 at Bel Air HS. My administration's Department of Community Services is pleased to offer this [free event](#) for parents and students, in partnership with the HCPS Parent Academy.

**Instagram...
...Ate my daughter**

My son won't stop playing

FORTNITE

What can I do? **Free Event!**

Learn from Dr. Leonard Sax about the addictive characteristics of social media and video games

Topics include:

- How much is too much time spent playing video games, and what are the warning signs?
- Which video games are ok for kids, and which are not?
- Time spent on Instagram increases the likelihood of depression. Why is this effect stronger for girls?
- What is the right age for a child to have a smartphone?

Free childcare available! (Ages 4-12 only; pre-registration required)

Thursday, September 19, 2019
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. • Bel Air High School
100 Haight Street, Bel Air, MD 21034

QUESTIONS? Call 410.638.3333
REGISTER: www.harfordcountymd.gov/ODCP

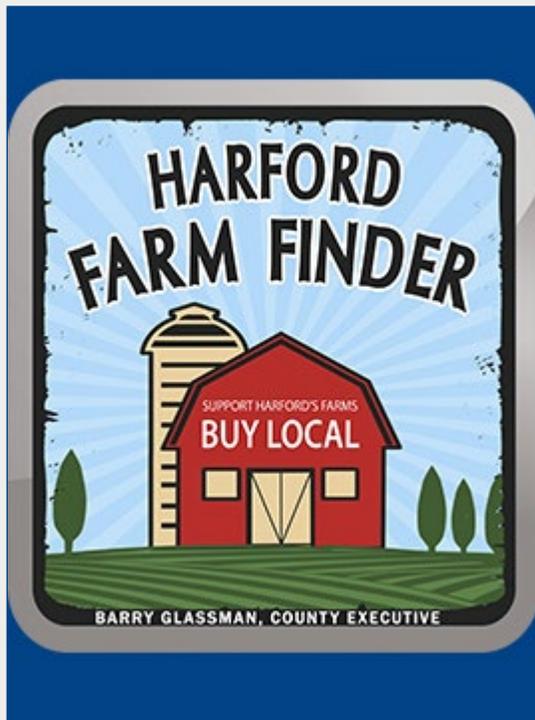
LEONARD SAX MD PhD draws upon his 26 years of clinical experience, as well as his status as more than 400 schools over the past 17 years, to share his recommendations for his fellow parents. Dr. Sax has published four books, including the New York Times bestseller *The Collapse of Parenting*.

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OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY
Harford County Department of Community Services

HARFORD COUNTY
PRIDE IN PROGRESS

PARENT ACADEMY

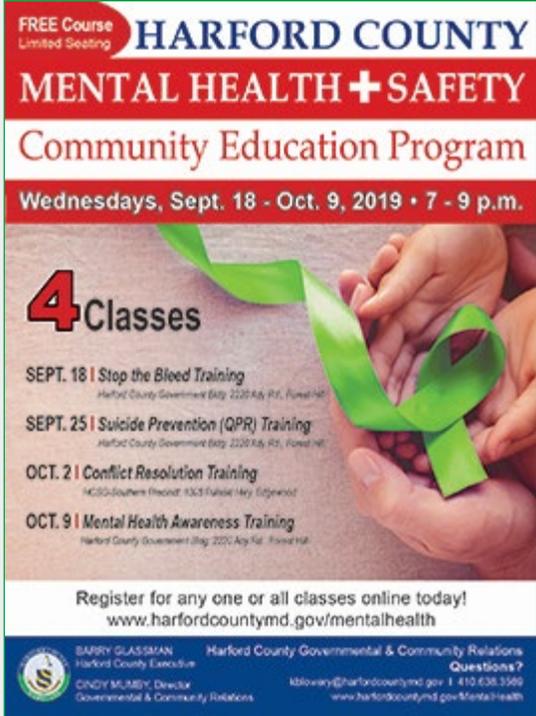


New app! Harford Farm Finder

Harford County is known for our beautiful farms and award-winning agricultural products, but even lifelong residents may be surprised at the vast array of goods raised in our own backyard. The [Harford Farm Finder](#) makes it easy to buy local, with an online map of agri-businesses selling healthy produce, meats, dairy products, delicious ice cream, craft beer, wine and more. The map shows each farm's location, available products and links to their website, when available. [Find the app here](#) on the county website.

Free Mental Health + Safety classes start Sept. 18

My administration will once again offer a series of free classes on mental health and safety to help citizens prevent tragedies and assist others in crisis. Registration is now open for the weekly training classes starting Wednesday, September 18 on Stop the Bleed techniques, conflict resolution, suicide prevention, and mental health awareness. This award-winning series empowers community members with lifesaving skills when they may be needed most. All citizens age 16 and up are welcome to participate. [Click here to register.](#)



FREE Course
Limited Seating

HARFORD COUNTY

MENTAL HEALTH + SAFETY

Community Education Program

Wednesdays, Sept. 18 - Oct. 9, 2019 • 7 - 9 p.m.

4 Classes

- SEPT. 18 | Stop the Bleed Training
Harford County Government Bldg. 2220 Aly Rd., Forest Hill
- SEPT. 25 | Suicide Prevention (QPR) Training
Harford County Government Bldg. 2220 Aly Rd., Forest Hill
- OCT. 2 | Conflict Resolution Training
MCO-Southern Precinct, 1363 Falside Hwy, Edgewater
- OCT. 9 | Mental Health Awareness Training
Harford County Government Bldg. 2220 Aly Rd., Forest Hill

Register for any one or all classes online today!
www.harfordcountymd.gov/mentalhealth

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New Harford County park coming soon

You may have noticed activity on undeveloped property just south of The Festival in Bel Air that will soon become a Harford County park for everyone to enjoy. Construction began in July on the 69 acres bounded by MD Routes 924 and 24 that will include a loop trail system throughout the property, a pavilion, and a 75-car parking lot. This passive park will be named after the donor of the land, Emily Bayliss Graham. Look for a grand opening in the spring!

Second Chance Job Fair Sept. 26

Harford County's Second Chance Job Fair connects ex-offenders with employers who want to strengthen our community by giving a second chance to citizens who have made mistakes in the past. Participating employers may also be eligible for tax credits. More than 3,000 local children have a parent under criminal supervision, so employers who give their parents an opportunity to rebuild their lives can have a tremendous impact. This year's fair will be held on Thursday, September 26 at the EPICENTER in Edgewood.



Second Annual Harford County
SECOND CHANCE
Job & Resource Fair

More than 20 employers expected!

Offering employment opportunities and resources for expungement, job training, bonding, transportation and housing for those who have had past criminal charges or experienced incarceration.

Thursday, Sept. 26, 2019
9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
EPICENTER
1918 Pulaski Hwy, Edgewood

FREE Services Planned:

- Legal Assistance & Equipment Services
- Resume, Interviewing and Job Search Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Birth Certificate Retrieval Services
- Utility Assistance
- Mediation
- Treatment and Recovery Support
- Family Assistance and Youth Programs
- GED, Continuing Education and Certificate Information
- Credit Repair and Financial Consulting
- Bonding Information

ATTENDEES REGISTER TODAY!
harfordcountymd.gov/SecondChance
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Visit the Second Chance webpage for information about expungements, bonding and links to important resources
harfordcountymd.gov/SecondChance

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ICYMI: Harford County Recovery Month music video

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Maryland's New Center of Opportunity!