HARFORD OUTLOOK eNewsletter

County Executive Bob Cassilly eNewsletter	January 2023

Happy New Year! As your new County Executive, I am honored to welcome you to the first edition of my monthly newsletter.

This is where you will find news about my administration's actions, county services and events, and opportunities to enjoy living here.

Our goal each month is to stay connected so that we can serve you better. Please also feel free to contact my office whenever you have questions or if we may be of assistance.

Harford County is a wonderful place. Together, we will make it even better.

Sincerely,

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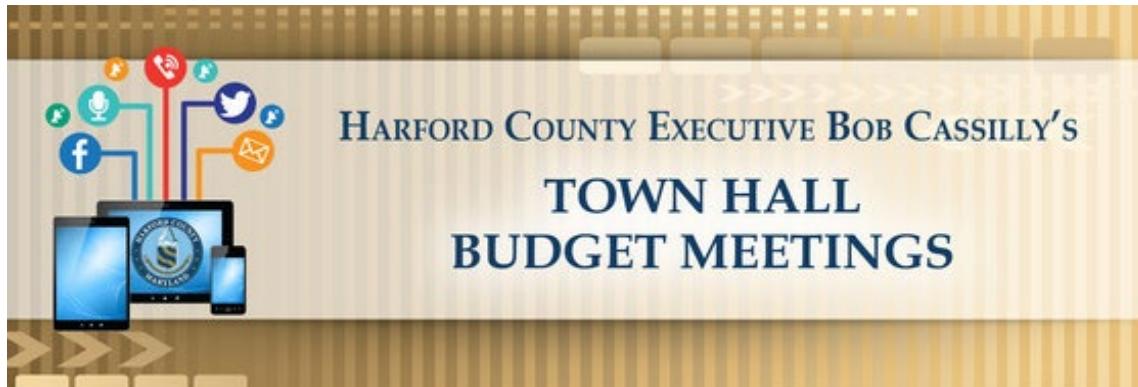- [Winter Safety](#)
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Harford School Board Applications Open Until January 13

The essential work of educating Harford County children is overseen locally by the school board. Thanks to state legislation approved last year, school board membership is now completely under local control. Previously, three of Harford County's school board members were appointed by the governor, but from now on they will be appointed by the County Executive, approved by the County Council, and serve alongside the six elected members. More information about the school board and applications for an appointment are posted **here on the county website**. The deadline to apply is Friday, January 13, 2023.

Tell Us Your Priorities for the Next County Budget

The Harford County budget funds public safety, roads, parks & recreation, public education, libraries and so much more. What are your priorities for the fiscal year 2024 budget? Let us know by attending one of our upcoming budget hearings listed below. You can also send us an email to igovharford@harfordcountymd.gov anytime this month. Your input is valuable for crafting budget priorities.

- Thursday, January 26 at 6 p.m. - Edgewood Recreation & Community Center, 1980 Brookside Drive, Edgewood, MD 21040

- Monday, January 30 at 6 p.m. - Jarrettsville Volunteer Fire Company, 3825 Federal Hill Road, Jarrettsville, MD 21084

TAX CREDIT
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Tax Credit for Qualifying Seniors & Veterans

Harford County's senior tax credit allows eligible seniors and qualified veterans to receive a 20% credit on their county property taxes for a total of 20 years. Homeowners who are military veterans with service-related disabilities and their surviving spouses are eligible at any age. All other recipients must be 65 or older and have lived in the same house for 35 years, or have retired from the U.S. uniformed services, or be the surviving spouse of a qualifying retired veteran. The assessed home value for all applicants must be $600,000 or less. Details and **applications will be posted online this month** and are due by April 1, 2023.

Volunteers Needed for Harford County Boards & Commissions

Public input is vital to good government, and an important pathway for public input is through volunteer service on a local advisory board or commission. My administration has many opportunities for citizens to participate based on their subject-matter expertise, related experience, or simply a desire to serve. To learn about what each Harford County board and commission does and to fill out an application, please **click here.** Make your ideas matter.

Free Recycling for Christmas Trees & Lights

Recycle your live Christmas tree for free at our Harford Waste Disposal Center locations: 3135 Scarboro Road in Street, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and at the Tollgate Drop Off site at 703 N. Tollgate Road in Bel Air on Saturdays only from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can also recycle Christmas lights and other electronics, clothing, textiles, and more for free in Harford County. To learn more, visit our **recycling webpage**.

Harford County Restaurant Week Jan. 20 - 29

Harford County is known for its great and diverse restaurants and Restaurant Week is an opportunity to show your support for these local businesses at a time when they need it most. Make plans to enjoy delicious dishes at your favorite places and try something new starting Friday, January 20 through Sunday, January 29 at participating restaurants. **Visit Harford's website** has all the details, including specials in some locations and plans for a digital passport so you can earn points toward prizes by dining out.

Winter Safety

The cold snap we had over the holidays is good reminder to review winter safety tips: When using a kerosene heater, be sure to maintain proper ventilation to avoid a build-up of toxic fumes. Never run a generator inside your home and take breaks to avoid overexertion when shoveling snow. For more safety tips, see our **online Emergency Preparedness Guide**.

When it snows ...

Please remember to park on the odd side of the street in odd years and the even side in even years to help our DPW crews to clear county roads. If our snowplows cannot fit between parked cars, the street does not get plowed. During major snowstorms of six inches or more, you can track county snowplows online with our Harford County Snowplow Tracker. Visit the **Snow Events page on the county website** for what else you need to know when it snows.

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