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A Quarterly Newsletter from the Town of Upper Marlboro

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Upper Marlboro Memorial Day Wreath Laying



The Town of Upper Marlboro was honored to assist the Curtis family in placing

a wreath in memory of Private First-Class Bernard E. Curtis, an Upper Marlboro resident who lost his life fighting for his nation during the Vietnam War on July 2, 1966. The wreath was placed at the School House Pond where the family had a bench installed in Bernard's honor last year.

The Town also placed a wreath at the World War 2 memorial at Town Hall which honors the Town residents killed in WW2.

Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning the members of our military who have



died in the performance of their military duties. The holiday is observed on the last Monday of

May. The holiday was observed on May 30 from 1868 through 1970.

Upper Marlboro Keeps Getting Greener!

The Board of Town Commissioners for the Town of Upper Marlboro has been committed to making Upper Marlboro a sustainable community by going green, saving taxpayer money, and responding to climate change by providing resources, partnerships, and a platform to take climate action. Over the past few months, the Town has reached several of its milestones to becoming greener and sustainable. In March 2021, the Town was recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation as a "Tree City USA". Here are some other recent milestones the Town has achieved:

Electric Vehicle Purchase:

The Town of Upper Marlboro has purchased its first fully electric vehicle that will be assigned to the Town's code compliance officer who handles property standards issues and assists the Town police with parking enforcement. This newly purchased 2020 Chevy Bolt will replace a 2009 Chevy Impala that has reached the end of its lifespan.

The Town is also working with Pepco and the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) to install charging stations around downtown Upper Marlboro for residents and visitors to use. There are currently four electric vehicle charging stations at the Show Place Arena; the Town is working to bring additional stations into the downtown area, as well as at the Town Hall.

"The purchase of this electric vehicle is another example of our commitment to protecting and preserving the environment," said Upper Marlboro Mayor Linda Pennoyer. "This will be the Town's first 'green' vehicle, and another great step for the Town's sustainability initiatives."



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Public Hearing Annexation Phase 2 & 3



The Board of Town Commissioners for the Town of Upper Marlboro will hold a public hearing virtually on Tuesday August 27th, 2021, at 6:30pm, regarding Annexation Resolution No. 01-2021. Please visit the Town website at www.UpperMarlboroMD.gov or contact the Town Clerk at 301-627-6905 ex1102 for more information.

The Town of Upper Marlboro is Hiring!

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

The Town of Upper Marlboro is currently hiring for positions in our Police Department and Public Works Department. Be sure to visit the Town website for additional details at www.UpperMarlboroMD.gov

Experienced Police Officer

The Town of Upper Marlboro is always seeking motivated and experienced and Maryland-certified Police Officers to join our team. Please submit your letter of interest and resume to UpperMarlboroPD@UpperMarlboroMD.gov

Public Works Crewmember

The Town of Upper Marlboro is always seeking motivated individuals to join our Public Works team. Please submit your letter of interest and resume to Recruitment@UpperMarlboroMD.gov

Town Hosts Pop-Up COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

The Town of Upper Marlboro partnered with the Prince George's County Health Department, Office of Community Relations, and Office of Emergency Management to host two pop-up COVID-19 vaccination events at Town Hall.



The pop-up clinics were held on Monday May 10th, 2021, and Tuesday June 1st, 2021.

These pop-up clinics helped dozens of area residents get vaccinated.

Upper Marlboro Says Goodbye to Longtime Town Clerk

The Town of Upper Marlboro's M. David Williams retired on June 30th, 2021, after serving with distinction for over 14 years as Town Clerk. Initially hired in 2007, Dave served under six Town Presidents/ Mayors and many Commissioners. He was recognized as the State of Maryland's "Clerk of the Year" in 2013 by the Maryland Municipal League and the Maryland Municipal Clerk's Association, of which he was an active member.



Mayor Pennoyer and Chief Burse presenting Dave with awards at his retirement party.

Congratulations on your retirement, Dave!!

In-Person Classes Are Back at Upper Marlboro Community Center!



5400 Marlboro Race Track Rd,
Upper Marlboro 20772

Mon to Fri 9 am-1:30 pm, 4:30-9pm
Sat 9 am-5:30 pm

BioFitness: Monday through Thursday evenings, and Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Volleyball Skills for teens: Saturdays at noon.

Basketball Skills for kids: Saturday mornings.

Soccer Skills for kids: Sunday mornings.

Zumba In the Park: Thursdays at 5:30PM

Zumba indoors: Saturday mornings

Visit www.pg parks.com to register today or call 301.627.2828

Town Seeking Residents to be Election Judges



The Town of Upper Marlboro is seeking qualified Town residents to sign up to serve as elections judges on the Town's Board of Supervisors of Elections for the 2021/2022 term.

Election judges work with the Town Clerk to administer the Town's municipal elections to select Town Commissioners every two years. Judges are compensated for their time.

Election judges must be registered voters and cannot run for Town Office during their term.

Any residents interested in becoming an election judge can contact the Town offices at 301-627-6905 or by email at Info@UpperMarlboroMD.gov

Upper Marlboro Recognizes Juneteenth



At the June Town Meeting, the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Upper Marlboro unanimously approved a proclamation recognizing the Juneteenth holiday and urged all residents to become more aware of the significance of this celebration in African American history and in the heritage of our nation and Town.

Juneteenth is now a federal holiday in the United States,

commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans and for celebrating African American culture. Starting in Galveston, Texas, it has been celebrated since 1966 on June 19 in various parts of the country.

The Town recognized that this symbolic gesture is only a step towards freedom and equality, and there is still more work to be done in our Town and our nation. Be sure to visit the Town website at www.UpperMarlboroMD.gov to read an article prepared by Town Historical Committee members to learn more about the freedom of slaves in the State of Maryland and Prince George's County.

Town Partners with County Executive to Host Downtown Clean-Up Event

On Saturday May 1st, 2021, the Town of Upper Marlboro held a downtown Upper Marlboro and School House Pond clean-up event as apart of County Executive Angela Alsobrooks's Grown Green with Pride Initiative. Countywide on that day, a total of 1,372 Prince Georgians volunteered their time and effort for Growing Green with Pride Day and removed 49.7 tons of litter. A huge THANK YOU to the dozens of Upper Marlboro residents, businesses, and Town staff who came out to help clean up our Town!



Upper Marlboro Keeps Getting Greener!

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"Over the next few years, we plan to buy additional electric vehicles for our Police and Public Works departments and the Town Administration fleet," she added. "We will add those energy-efficient vehicles as soon as we are fiscally able to do so."

Mayor Pennoyer said the price tag of the new electric vehicle is being offset by grant from the MEA's Maryland Smart Energies Community Grant program.

Town Hall Solar Panels



In June 2021, the Town completed another green infrastructure project: the installation

of solar panels on the roof of the Town Hall on School Lane. These panels generate electricity to help offset the building's energy consumption. The panels were purchased through a grant partnership with the Maryland Energy Administration's Smart Energies Community Program.

Be sure to stay tuned for more green initiatives coming out of Upper Marlboro!

Join the Upper Marlboro Green Team!

Do you want to help Upper Marlboro get greener and promote & sustainable initiatives?

The Town of Upper Marlboro invites all Town and greater Upper Marlboro residents to join the Upper Marlboro

Green Team. Green Teams are groups that come together to educate, inspire, and empower their communities around sustainability.

Interested? Email Info@UpperMarlboroMD.gov or call 301-627-6905



Seeking Resident Input! Town Charter Amendment

The Board of Town Commissioners for the Town of Upper Marlboro have begun the process to amend the elections section of the Town Charter in order to optimize voter turnout & participation, and to expand the number of elected officials to better represent the Town.

Primary Proposed Changes Include:

- Increasing the number of elected officials from 3 to 5
- Moving the Town Election Date from January to November
- Increasing minimum required polling hours from 4hrs to 12hrs (*planned*)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO
CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO 02-2021**

Scheduled Public Hearing Dates	
<u>Saturday, August 7, 2021</u> at 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. In Person Outside Upper Marlboro Town Hall: 14211 School Lane, Upper Marlboro, Maryland	<u>Tuesday, August 10, 2021</u> at 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Virtual, Prior To Town Meeting

All interested persons are invited to attend said public hearing and present their views

NOTICE is hereby given by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland propose Charter Amendment Resolution 02-2021: Amending the Charter of the Town of Upper Marlboro by increasing the membership of the board of commissioners from three to five; by changing the general election from the first Monday in January in even numbered years to the first Tuesday in November in odd numbered years; by authorizing up to five supervisors of elections to be appointed in September prior to a general election; by removing language mandating the purging of voters who have failed to vote in three successive general elections from the list of qualified voters; by clarifying the requirement to file both a statement of candidacy and a nominating petition to run for municipal office; by striking as antiquated or surplusage a provision regarding women's suffrage; and making certain stylistic, grammatical and non-substantive changes thereto.

A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland adopted pursuant to the authority of Article XI-E, § 4 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland and Title 4, Subtitle 3 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to amend the Charter of the Town of Upper Marlboro, to amend Sections 82-3 (Number, Selection, Term), 82-6 (Meetings of the Board), 82-20 (Board of Supervisors of Elections), 82-24 (Registration), 82-26 (Candidates), 82-27 (Election of Board of Commissioners), 82-28 (Conduct of Elections), 82-30 (Vote Count), 82-33 (Women), and to make other stylistic, grammatical and non-substantive changes thereto.

Charter Amendment Resolution 02-2021 shall take effect and shall become and be considered the Charter of the Town of Upper Marlboro, upon the fiftieth day after being so ordained or passed unless on or before the fortieth day after being so adopted and passed a referendum petition meeting the requirements of State law shall be presented to the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro, Maryland or mailed to it by certified mail, return receipt requested, bearing a postmark from the United States Postal Service.

Charter Amendment Resolution 02-2021 is available for inspection by contacting the Town Clerk at clerk@uppermarlboromd.gov.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Community service, public involvement and family have always been the main tenets of the Marlboro Boys and Girls Club (MBGC). Since the club's inception, MBGC has always attempted to make a positive impact on the youth who reside within the Upper Marlboro region and surrounding communities through sports, mentoring, and community involvement.

Throughout this past year while dealing with the COVID-19 global pandemic, the club understood the difficult burden placed on our families and children. While MBGC (like other sport associations) closed down due to the government-directed restrictions, the club continued providing certain community out-reach services to our constituents.

Through our "Make a Difference" campaign, the club provided assistance to our constituents and the community at large. At the beginning of the pandemic, the club provided KN-95 facemasks to our front-line workers. In addition, the club provided Visa cash gift cards to families who needed financial support. Currently the club is conducting an eight-week campaign to provide gift cards to Wegman's grocery Store. Through a weekly drawing, a name is randomly selected and the recipient receives the gift card. Other areas of support include educational/scholastic support, and youth athletic program sponsorship.

As COVID-19 restrictions are now lifting, we are proud to announce the reinstitution of our sports programs. The following flyers provide information on those programs that are currently accepting participants:



MARLBORO MUSTANGS FOOTBALL
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN..
Tackle Football
 6u - 13u
Mini-Camp begins July 6th
Competitive Gameplay
Family Fun Atmosphere
High-Level Coaching
REGISTER ONLINE NOW..



 301-679-8598 Mbgc.org



Marlboro Mustang Flag Football
 Ages: 3/4 - 5/6 yrs old
Registration is Now open..
Action-packed
Family Fun
Fundamentals "The Mustang Way"


Early Registration :
\$95.00 (until 7/16/21)
\$125.00 (After 7/16/21)
Uniform fee: \$75.00

Mbgc.org
Contact: Coach Dave
Dave_Simmons24@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendars!

The Town of Upper Marlboro and the Upper Marlboro Events Committee are proud to announce the return of in-person events in downtown Upper Marlboro! Below are some of the events we have planned through the rest of the summer.

Outdoor Movie Nights at the Schoolhouse Pond

14100 Governor Oden Bowie Drive
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

- Saturday, August 14th
- Saturday, September 11th
- Saturday, October 9th

All movie times are
7:30pm – 10:30pm

Be sure to visit the
Town website and our
social media outlets
for details!



Cruzin' Main Street Car Show

Saturday August 28th, 5pm-9pm.

Join Ledo's Pizza and the Marlboro Vol. Fire Department at their annual downtown Upper Marlboro car show! Cars will be lined up along Main Street in downtown Upper Marlboro. This event will benefit the Marlboro Vol. Fire Dept and the Marlboro Lions Club.

Show your vehicle registration: If you are interested in having your car, truck, bike, or antique fire truck participate at the show, complete the online registration form: <https://marlborocarshow.vpweb.com/>

Happy Leaf Arts Festival

Sunday, September 26th, 10am-4pm

Join the Upper Marlboro Arts Council with their first Arts Festival along Main Street in downtown Upper Marlboro! of sip and paint, food and art vendors



and live entertainment. Interested in participating?
Email UMartsCouncil@UpperMarlboroMD.gov

Upper Marlboro Blood Drive

Friday October 30th, 2021, 1pm-6pm



Help save a life.



The Town of Upper Marlboro has partnered with the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission, and area neighborhoods, to schedule an Upper Marlboro Area Blood Drive at the Upper Marlboro Community Center 5400 Marlboro Race Track Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772, on

Friday October 29th, 2021, from 1:00 PM - 06:00 PM.

SIGN-UP TO DONATE TODAY! Slots are filling up fast! The need for blood is greater than ever as the COVID-19 Pandemic has canceled many blood drives, causing blood banks to run critically low. Sign Up today: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> or call 1-800-733-2767

Trunk or Treat on Main Street

Saturday October 30th, 6pm-830pm

Join your community for the 3rd Annual "Trunk or Treat" along Main Street in downtown Upper Marlboro in front of the Courthouse. There will be candy, games, a costume parade, a DJ, and plenty of family fun! We need residents, organizations, and businesses to decorate cars. If you are interested in decorating a vehicle, please visit our website or email the Town at Info@UpperMarlboroMD.gov



Upper Marlboro Scoop the Poop Initiative

Dog waste is more than a nightmare for our shoes. Just like human sewage, untreated pet fecal matter is harmful to waterways. Rain washes dog waste and the associated disease-causing organisms -- such as giardia and salmonella -- into rivers, beaches, and bays via storm drains. Enough bacteria make water unsafe for drinking and swimming, and also contribute to shellfish bed closures. Pet waste left anywhere is a potential public health risk. Pet waste on playing fields, sidewalks, or parks can be unhealthy and messy. Even at home, responsible pet owners should throw pet waste in the trash or flush it down the toilet to prevent water pollution associated with bacteria-laden waste. Less dog waste in the watershed means a happier and healthier community for all.



The management of pet waste is an important issue for the people and environment

of Prince George's County and the Town of Upper Marlboro.

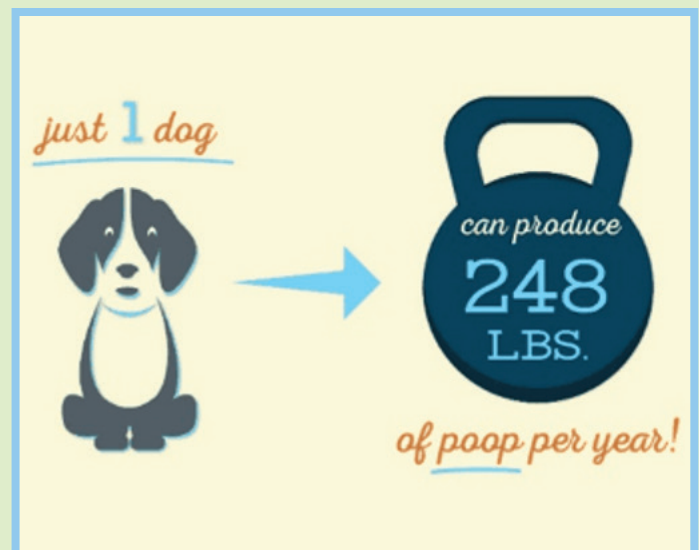
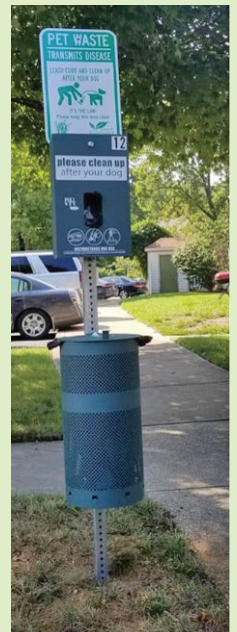
Human Health: Pet waste contains disease-causing organisms that can be transmitted to people, pets, and wildlife. Fecal coliform, bacteria, salmonella, roundworms, and giardia can remain in your yard for weeks and months if not cleaned up.

Quality of life and civic pride- Areas left messy with pet waste are unattractive and degrade the quality of life for residents. Pet waste discourages people from coming to local shopping districts and visitors from enjoying local parks and can contribute to lowering property values.

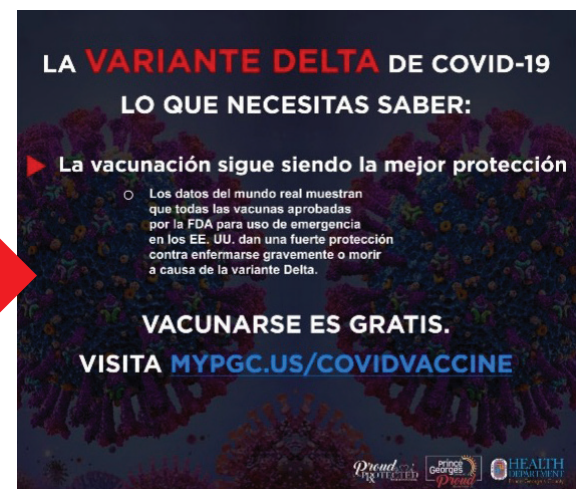
Water Quality: Pet waste left on the ground also mixes with stormwater runoff and the contaminants are carried to nearby waterways, like the Western Branch or Patuxent River, where we swim, fish, and play.

The Town of Upper Marlboro has 16 dog-waste stations strategically installed around Town, with five provided through a partnership with the Prince George's County. These stations have disposable pet waste bags and trash cans that are maintained by the Town's Public Works crews.

Be sure to contact Town Offices at 301-627-6905 or Info@UpperMarlboroMD.gov with any issues regarding the Town's pet waste stations (bags need restocked, overflowing trash can, ect).



Interested? Visit <https://www.marlborofire.com/join/>



Memories and Morsels on Main Street



Main Street in Upper Marlboro

September 12, 2021

11am-3pm

Come tour Main Street in Historic Upper Marlboro with our historian.

Learn about the town and its buildings, both present and past.

Enjoy great conversation, memories and a “taste” of history.

Free to the public

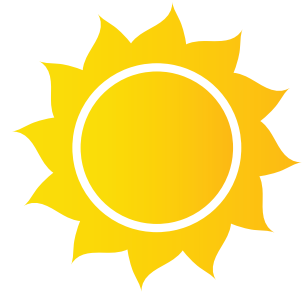
For more information, contact Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee

301-627-6905

Town of Upper Marlboro Police Department



SUMMER SAFETY TIPS



Vehicle Safety

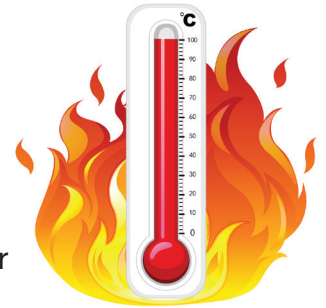
Car thieves often drive through parking lots and try door handles to see if the car is unlocked. Always lock your doors and roll up the windows when you leave your vehicle. Thieves are looking for easy access and to take items left inside. You should always store your belongings in the trunk and out of clear view to avoid tempting criminals.

Home Security

Do not forget to lock doors and windows. When outside doing yardwork, close the garage door to prevent thieves from stealing items. In general, the garage is regularly used by criminals to gain access to a home quickly and run off without ever being noticed.

Heat Warnings

Drink plenty of water and stay out of the heat during peak temperature hours. Elderly individuals are especially susceptible to high heat and humidity, make it a point to check on your neighbors during the summer months.



Hot Car Warnings

DO NOT leave children or pets inside of a vehicle alone. During the summer months, temperatures inside of a car can rise into the triple digits in just a matter of minutes.



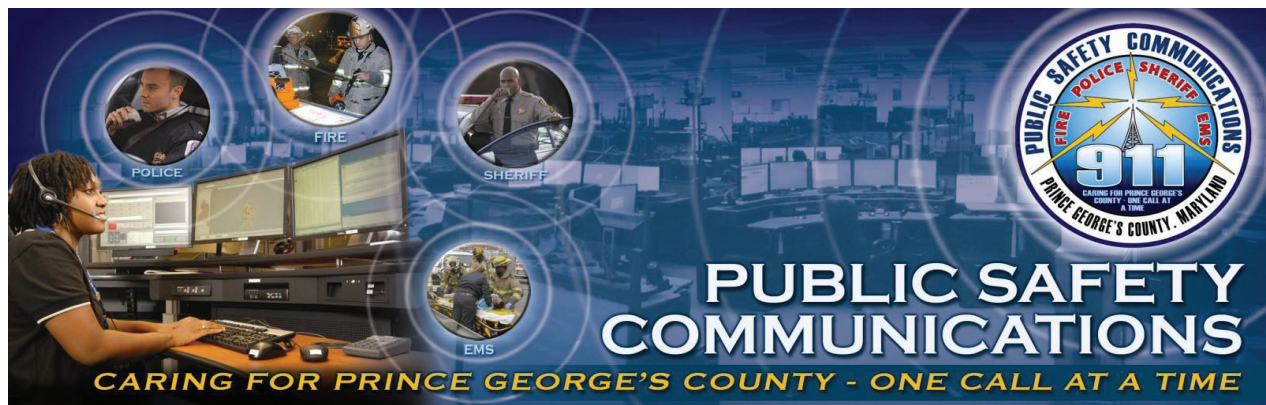
Phone Scams

DO NOT give out any personal information about yourself or your family when you receive a call from a strange or unlisted number. If you receive a call from a credit card company about potential fraud on your account, hang up and call the number printed on the back of your card. The Internal Revenue Service and Social Security Administration do not call and ask for personal information over the phone.

Car security: How to stop car break-ins before they happen

1. Keep your car doors locked and windows closed.
2. Secure your car keys.
3. Park your car in secure areas.
4. Remove valuables from the car.
5. Protect your car's wheels.
6. Activate your car alarm.
7. Install safety devices.
8. Properly insure your vehicle.





MAKE THE RIGHT CALL

CALL OR TEXT 9-1-1

- To report emergency situations
- To report a fire or emergency medical situation
- To report a serious crime in progress
- To report an immediate threat causing fear for your personal safety or the safety of others
- Text 9-1-1 when telephone calls are not safe or not possible



Call when you can,
text
when you can't.

NON-EMERGENCY PROGRAM - [HTTP://911.MYPGC.US](http://911.MYPGC.US)

- An on-line non-emergency dispatch report may be submitted to request the response of Prince George's County Police, Fire/EMS, or Sheriff personnel to the scene of an actively or recently occurring public safety incident that does not immediately threaten life, safety, or property. On-line requests may be submitted for the following limited situations. Non-urgent situations may also be reported by calling the non-emergency dispatch phone number, 301-352-1200.
 - ▶ To report disturbances to include loud parties or noise complaints
 - ▶ To report a theft or attempted theft of property or a vehicle
 - ▶ To report non-threatening suspicious person or vehicle or situation
 - ▶ To report vandalism or property damage
 - ▶ To report other non-urgent situations requiring the dispatch of Police, Fire/EMS or Sheriff personnel, call the non-emergency dispatch phone number, 301-352-1200

CALL THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY - 301-516-9777

- To obtain information on vehicles which have been impounded or towed
- To report activities that do not require police dispatch
- To file a complaint regarding Police Department services or officers
- To request a copy of a police report
- To determine the appropriate area of the Police Department to provide the required assistance



CALL 311

- To receive information about Prince George's County Government services
- To determine the appropriate agency to address a concern
- To obtain information about trash pick-up schedules or snow removal processes

IMPORTANT NOTE: THE NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCH NUMBER IS NOT EQUIPPED TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES

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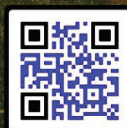
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Town Commissioner

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