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CALVERT COUNTY GOVERNMENT COVID-19 CITIZEN UPDATE

Thursday, July 2, 2020



This Independence Day, the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) encourages everyone to reflect on the founding principles of our great nation. We owe our gratitude to our nation's founders, whose vision, fortitude, faith and perseverance endure in the spirit of all Americans today. We thank all service members who have made tremendous sacrifices so that our country may continue to exist in freedom and abundance. Thank you to our first responders and their families who also make great sacrifices in service to the citizens of our community. Our thanks also go to the essential workers of our community. In true American fashion, they rose to the call in the midst of a global crisis.

As you enjoy your holiday celebrations, remember that the coronavirus is still out there. Please continue to follow public health precautions: celebrate in smaller groups, spend time together outdoors, stay physically distanced from others, and wear masks when in public spaces. We wish everyone a safe and happy Independence Day.

Please see below for the latest updates from your Board.

No BOCC meeting next week

The BOCC will not meet Tuesday, July 7.
The next scheduled meeting of the board is Tuesday, July 14.

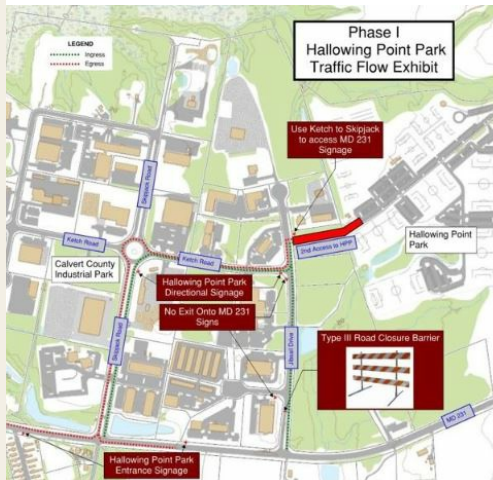
Additional state funding

This week, Governor Hogan announced [additional funding for small businesses](#) affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The bulk of funding will be used to expand the Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund. This program, which awards grants of up to \$10,000 to businesses of 50 or fewer employees, has already provided more than \$40 million in funds to 4,073 applicants.

The additional funding will become available on **July 20** and will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis based on the applications already received by the Maryland Department of Commerce. No new applications will be accepted. Additional funding is also being provided to reimburse state-supported universities as well as to provide funding for the Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative.

Minor reorganization within Calvert County Government (CCG)

The BOCC [announces a minor reorganization plan](#) designed to improve overall government operations and services to the public. First, the CCG departmental reporting structure will be realigned, and all departments will report to Calvert County Administrator Julian M. Willis. Second, two departments will merge: the Department of General Services and Department of Public Works will be encompassed under the Department of Public Works. The minor reorganization provides operational and cost efficiencies; its implementation will have long-term benefits to our community.



Hallowing Point Park to gain a second entrance

A second entrance to Hallowing Point Park will be open for use beginning Monday, July 6.

The new roadway extends from the back of Hallowing Point Park to Jibsail Drive, on the east side of the Calvert County Industrial Park. Motorists are advised to follow directional signs as traffic patterns are adjusted.

Everyone counts in Calvert County

It is not too late to complete the 2020 Census! Household representatives have until Oct. 31 to self-respond to the 2020 Census.

Be an active citizen and [participate in this once-in-a-decade count now](#).

It only takes a few minutes to complete online or over the phone.



2020 business filings due July 15

Annual Reports and/or Personal Property Tax Returns for 2020 must be filed for all domestic and foreign business entities with the [Maryland Department of Assessments and](#)

Taxation (SDAT) by Wednesday, July 15.

The original deadline was extended by Gov. Hogan in response to the pandemic but SDAT will not be granting any further deadline extensions for annual business filings this year. Entities that fail to meet this deadline will forfeit their "good standing" status.

Get certified

Maryland Department of Transportation's Office of Small and Minority Business Policy (OSMBP) conducts a free monthly workshop for firms interested in applying for certification as a Minority Business Enterprise, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and/or Small Business Enterprise.

The July session will be conducted via webinar at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. To register, contact OSMBP at 410-865-1298 or [click here](#).



July is Parks and Recreation Month

The Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation (CCPR) is celebrating Parks and Recreation month by highlighting all of the staff and volunteers, parks and facilities we have in Calvert County.

CCPR works hard to keep our community a wonderful place to live, work and play! Follow [CCPR on Facebook](#) to find out about field closures, activity sign ups and more.

Calvert County Government continues to share the latest updates surrounding our county's response to COVID-19 including any precautionary measures, guidance and closures through a [virtual resource center](#). You can also receive updates on the [county's Facebook page](#) and Comcast Channel 6.

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