

City Scoop



Did you know the City of Charlottesville has a monthly public affairs television program? Check out Inside Charlottesville on Comcast Channel 10 in Charlottesville and surrounding counties on Fridays and Sundays at 7:00 PM and Saturdays and Mondays at 9:00 AM.

You can also find episodes on our website and Charlottesville TV10 on Vimeo. Link below!

Charlottesville Granting 100 E-Bike Vouchers Worth \$1,000 Each in 2025



The City of Charlottesville is proud to announce the launch of the C'ville E-Bike Voucher Grant Program, a new initiative designed to make electric bicycles more accessible to City residents. This grant-funded pilot program began January 1, 2025, offering \$1,000 vouchers to help offset the cost of qualifying e-bikes purchased from participating local retailers.

The program will award 25 vouchers per quarter to eligible Charlottesville residents, supporting the City's commitment to sustainable transportation and improved mobility options. Recipients can redeem their vouchers at the following local bicycle shops: Endeavor Cycles, Blue Ridge Cyclery, and Blue Wheel Bicycles.

The pilot program is open to all City of Charlottesville residents aged 18 and older, with some exceptions for City employees and their immediate relatives. Households are limited to one entry per quarterly drawing, though those not selected may apply again in subsequent quarters if they haven't previously been awarded a voucher.

Quarterly entry periods align with the first month of each quarter (January, April, July, and October) with voucher recipients being notified on the first Wednesday of the following month. For the current quarter, interested residents must submit their entries by 5:00 PM EST on January 31, 2025. For more information and to enter the quarterly voucher drawing, visit cvilleebike.com at the link below.

Want to discuss mobility options and biking in depth with City and community representatives? Join the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) for the first neighborhood walk of 2025!

Meet us at Johnson Elementary School (1645 Cherry Avenue) on Sunday, January 12th at 1 PM for a walk through Fry's Spring. The BPAC will scout the best and safest route in the event of snow.

- January 14th
 - Sister Cities Commission in CitySpace at 4:30 PM
- January 15th
 - Housing Advisory Committee in CitySpace at 12 PM
- January 16th
 - Minority Business Commission at 3 PM
- January 20th
 - City Hall closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 21st
 - City Council in Council Chambers at 4 PM
- January 22nd
 - Board of Architectural Review at 5:30 PM



What's Happening:

- City offices will be closed on Monday, January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- Not sure what to do with your holiday tree? Let us recycle it for you! All you need to do is remove all decorations, stands, and nails, and place it on the curb by 7 AM on Monday, January 13th. See the link below for more information.
- Want to get more involved with your community? Apply to be on a board or commission! Applications are due by 5 PM February 1st unless otherwise noted. See the link below for the full list of vacancies and applications.
- With the recent snowstorm, the City of Charlottesville would like to remind residents Charlottesville City Code requires property owners to remove snow from sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of snowfall. Link below for more information.

Johnson Elementary School Earns EPA ENERGY STAR Certification

Johnson Elementary School has reached a significant milestone in sustainability by earning the Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR certification. ENERGY STAR-certified buildings are verified to perform in the top 25% of buildings nationwide, based on weather-normalized source energy use that considers occupancy, hours of operation, and other key metrics.

On average, ENERGY STAR-certified buildings and plants use 35% less energy, cause 35% fewer greenhouse gas emissions, and are less expensive to operate—all without sacrifices in performance or comfort.

Congratulations to the Sustainability and Public Works teams! Your hard work on this project has helped us to further our climate action goals.