

City Scoop



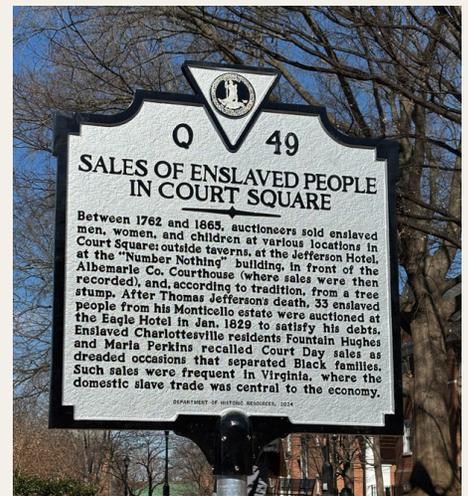
Did you know the City of Charlottesville has a monthly public affairs television program? Check out Inside Charlottesville on Comcast Channel 10 in Charlottesville and surrounding counties on Fridays and Sundays at 7:00 PM and Saturdays and Mondays at 9:00 AM.

You can also find episodes on our website and Charlottesville TV10 on Vimeo. Watch online at the link below.

City Installs New Historical Marker in Court Square Park

This week, the City of Charlottesville installed a new historical marker in Court Square Park acknowledging the sales of enslaved people in Charlottesville. In drafting the proposed text, the City’s Historic Resources Committee (HRC) sought to communicate three key points: From 1762 to 1865, the sales of enslaved individuals occurred throughout Court Square; those transactions were recorded--and are still archived--in the Albemarle County Courthouse; and these sales occurred on the monthly Court Day, a day that enslaved people quickly learned to dread.

This marker is intended to provide a long-awaited informational element for interpretation and education regarding the historic events within the context of Court Square.



Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate this momentous occasion!

Social Services Celebrates Benefits Appreciation Month

Did you know February was Benefits Appreciation Month? This annual recognition celebrates each Benefits Programs Specialist’s ability to exemplify the core values of ethical public service by respecting human dignity, demonstrating personal integrity, promoting professional excellence, and ensuring the accurate application of current policies and guidance.

To give the Charlottesville Benefits Team their well-deserved recognition, the division held a special event in appreciation of their service to the community.



Thank you to each Benefits Programs Specialist for your unending dedication to serving the Charlottesville community! Click the link below to see more smiling faces that help make Charlottesville a better place every day.

- March 11
 - Economic Development Authority Meeting at 4 PM
 - Planning Commission Meeting at 5:30 PM
- March 12
 - Sister Cities Commission Meeting at 4:30 PM in CitySpace
- March 13
 - City Council Budget Work Session at 6 PM in CitySpace
 - Police Civilian Oversight Board Meeting at 6:30 PM
- March 14
 - Historic Resources Committee Meeting at 11 AM
- March 17
 - City Council at 4 PM in Council Chambers
- March 18
 - Board of Architectural Review at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers



What's Happening:

- In partnership with LEAP, C3, and Albemarle County, the Office of Sustainability supported the development and launch of the Energy Resource Hub, a free service that connects homeowners, renters, and businesses in the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County with energy savings rebates and incentives. An in-person launch party will be on March 11 at Carver Recreation Center from 4 – 7 pm. Link below for more details. We hope to see you there!
- The City, Albemarle County Service Authority, and Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority have partnered to host a free and virtual Home Scavenger Hunt to celebrate Fix A Leak Week March 17-23. Find the scavenger worksheet and more information at the link below.
- The Commissioner of Revenue is now accepting applications for real estate tax relief until April 1 and rent relief until May 1 for the elderly and/or disabled. Call 434-970-3160 or email citycor@charlottesville.gov for more information, or find an online application at the link below.
- The Department of Utilities is excited to bring back the Arbor Day Foundation's Energy-Saving Trees program! This spring's available tree varieties include eastern nine bark, northern spicebush, hazelnut, river birch, and pin oak. Tree reservations are limited to one tree per City service address and made on a first-come, first-served basis. Reserve your tree today at the link below!
- Enforcement of the revised overnight parking code began on March 1. Charlottesville Police Department will continue working closely with vehicle owners throughout the City to ensure compliance with the new parking code. See the link below for the fully revised code.