

# City Scoop



Westhaven Community Day is coming up on August 2 from 10 AM to 3 PM, and we need YOUR help to make it all happen!

Whether you're lending a hand with setup, activities, or clean-up, your support helps strengthen community spirit. Sign up as a volunteer today and be part of this special community celebration in one of Charlottesville's most historic neighborhoods.

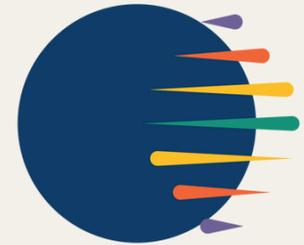
## Charlottesville and LEAP to Provide Residents up to \$2,000

The City of Charlottesville and the Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) are excited to launch a new Residential Retrofit Mini-Grant. This program provides financial assistance to Charlottesville residents who wish to implement energy efficiency improvements in their homes.

Eligible households can receive up to \$2,000 to support home energy upgrades, which include measures like heat pumps, heat pump water heaters, duct sealing, attic insulation, and electrical upgrades.

The funds can be combined with other incentive programs and support both energy savings and the community's emissions reduction goals.

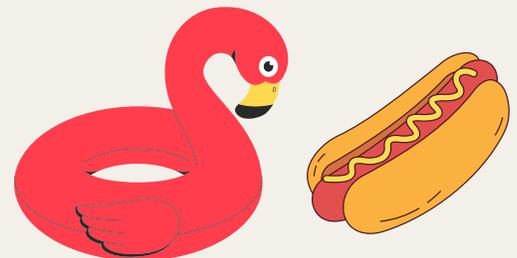
To apply, residents must reside as either a renter or homeowner in the City of Charlottesville and receive an energy assessment with the Local Energy Alliance Program. To learn more, visit the City's program page and then sign up through the Energy Resource Hub by selecting "Charlottesville Retrofit Mini Grant" as the topic of interest, found at the link below. Additional questions regarding the process can be directed to [resourcehub@leap-va.org](mailto:resourcehub@leap-va.org).



**CHARLOTTESVILLE**  
Acting on Climate Together

## Sunday Sundown is Sunday, July 20!

Join Parks & Recreation for a fun community event on Sunday, July 20 at Washington Park Pool! They're offering FREE POOL ADMISSION ALL DAY, with free food starting at 5 PM (while supplies last), a live DJ, inflatables, and fun activities for the whole family to enjoy.



Please note: passes are for City of Charlottesville residents only. Children under 18 must have a parent or guardian present to receive a pass. Passes are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

We look forward to having fun and cooling off with you!

- July 21
  - City Council in Council Chambers at 4:00 PM



## What's Happening - Relevant Links Below!

- July is Parks & Recreation Month! Every July, we celebrate the vital role parks and recreation play in building vibrant, healthy, and resilient communities. Whether it's providing a safe space for play, enriching lives through arts and culture, promoting health and wellness, or simply offering a place to connect with nature—Parks & Rec makes life better!
- Fall 2025 Registration opens August 4! Youth and adult program registration will be available on Parks & Recreation's website. Want a head start? Their early program preview goes live online on Monday, July 21.
- Smith Aquatic Center is closed from July 26 to August 10 for annual maintenance. During this period, patrons may use their Smith Center pass at Onesty Family Aquatic Center, Washington Park Pool, and Carver Recreation Center.
- The Department of Utilities' Attic Insulation Self-Assessment was developed to help community members better understand their attic's weatherization needs. This program is open to homeowners and renters with landlord approval. The self-assessment is 100% free to use and available to all Charlottesville Utilities customers.
- Traffic advisory: Ongoing water main construction within Locust Avenue is progressing northward resulting in a shift of the daily road closure. The relocated closure will be located between Sycamore and Poplar Streets from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM daily beginning July 21.
- From July 16-23, the Charlottesville Sister Cities Commission and the congregations of University Baptist Church and Mt. Zion First African Baptist Church will welcome 41 singers from United Gospel Choir in Besançon, Charlottesville's French Sister City, for a weeklong music and cultural exchange. The community is invited to celebrate their visit by attending their concert at Mt. Zion Baptist Church Tuesday, July 22 at 7 PM. This event is free and open to all.
- We're accepting applications for Boards and Commissions until August 1! The City of Charlottesville has a wide variety of Boards and Commissions that encourage members to help shape the future of the community. It's an excellent way to make a personal contribution to Charlottesville's growth and can be a rewarding experience for everyone. Apply online today!
- The City of Charlottesville would like to congratulate the winners of this year's 2025 Sustainable Transit Bus Wrap Art Contest: Gisela Swift won the community vote and Courtney Massie won the panel vote. They will both have their art displayed on CAT buses for at least two years. Congratulations to you both!