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Town of Smithfield Adjustments during COVID-19

The following are measures that have been taken by the Town of Smithfield during the COVID-19 Pandemic. These serve as a reminder if you are needing town services:

--- The Planning Department is closed for face-to-face business until further notice. Those needing assistance may call **(919) 934-2116 ext. 1111 or ext. 1114**. You can also email the Planning Director, Stephen Wensman (stephen.wensman@smithfield-nc.com) or Julie Edmonds (julie.edmonds@smithfield-nc.com).

A link for any planning documents you may need may be here:
http://www.smithfield-nc.com/page/planning_documents.

--- You can still make payments at Town Hall but will do so via a speaker placed in our vestibule at the rear of the building. For additional safety, we are only allowing one person at a time in the vestibule. Please maintain appropriate social distancing outside Town Hall as well; lines are in place on the walkway for assistance.

The following payment options are available:

1. Pay online at www.smithfield-nc.com. Click on the "Pay Utility" icon on the homepage.
2. Call 1-855-603-9197 (debit/credit payments only).
3. Place your payment in one of the two drop boxes outside, either the drop box attached to the building OR in the parking lot. If you are paying with CASH, we ask

that you please use the drop box attached to the building.

Payments received in either drop box before 5pm will be processed for the date the payment was received.

--- If you need to set up utility services during this time, please [email our Customer Service Department](#) or phone **(919) 934-2116, ext. 1105 or ext.1113**.

You will need to provide the following information:

- Service Address
- Date Of Service
- Valid State-Issued Photo Identification And Your Social Security Number
- Federal Tax ID Number (Business Accounts)
- Deed/ Offer To Purchase/ Rental Agreement or Lease Agreement.

--- All activities at the Smithfield Recreation and Aquatic Center are suspended and access to park, playgrounds and restrooms are prohibited. **Our walking trails and greenways are still open** and we invite you to use those while maintaining social distancing measures. Signs are posted on the greenway to assist.

Last week, Governor Cooper extended the "stay-at-home" order for North Carolina until May 8th.



301 Endless Yard Sale Moved to 2021

The decision was made recently to postpone the 301 Endless Yard Sale to next year after discussing the timing of the sale, the crowds it draws, and the current statewide ban on mass gatherings.

Due to the announcement last week from Governor Cooper and the rollout of the three-phase plan, the decision has been made not to hold the sale this year; it will instead take place on **June 18-19, 2021**.

Additional COVID-19 Donation Sites Added

Two additional sites have been added that are accepting donations to assist the community during COVID-19. Donations of gloves, hand sanitizer, paper products and more are still desperately needed. Please help if you can!

DONATION DROP-OFF SITE



Where:

1st Baptist Church of Smithfield
202 S. 4th Street
Smithfield, NC 27577

When:

Monday - Friday
9AM - 4PM

* Drop-off Bins Will Be Located Outside the Church Office Entrance

St. Peter's Church of Christ
1011 Massey Street
Smithfield, NC 27577

Tues / Thurs
12PM - 2PM

* Drop off Donations at Church Office

Wilson's Mills Baptist Church
652 Swift Creek Road
Smithfield, NC 27577

Monday - Friday
9AM - 2PM

* Drop off Donations Outside of Church Office into Designated Bins

Four Oaks United Methodist Church
302 N. Church Street
Four Oaks, NC 27524

Monday - Friday
9AM - 12PM

* Drop off Under Drive Thru Shelter Behind Fellowship Hall

Four Oaks Baptist Church
403 N. Main Street
Four Oaks, NC 27524

Monday - Friday
10AM - 1PM

* Drop-off Bins Located Under Church's Drive Thru Shelter

Kenly Fire Department
101 W. 1st Street
Kenly, NC 27542

Monday - Friday
9AM - 4PM

* Drop off Donations in Designated Bins Outside of the Office

Benson Baptist Church
200 W. Church Street
Benson, NC 27504

Mon / Wed / Fri
10AM - 1PM

* Ring Bell at Church Office & Leave Donations at the Door

Trinity Baptist Church (Meadow)
7538 NC HWY 50
Benson, NC 27504

Tuesday - Friday
9AM - 3PM

We Are Accepting:



Non-Perishable Foods



Paper Products



Hand Sanitizer



Cleaning Wipes



Gloves



Medical Masks

Financial Donations Can Be Made To:

Johnston County Longterm Recovery
P. O. Box 530
Smithfield, NC 27577

or

Johnston County Unmet Needs Fund
P. O. Box 1049
Smithfield, NC 27577

Johnston County Public Schools Resumes "Curbside to Go" Meals

Johnston County Public Schools has resumed curbside grab and go, pick up lunch service. The service operates weekly on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Each service day will consist of additional food for the days they are not serving.

Meals will be offered at the following locations:

- Benson Middle
- Clayton Middle
- Cooper Academy
- Corinth-Holders Elementary
- Four Oaks Elementary
- Glendale-Kenly Elementary
- Meadow School
- North Johnston Middle
- Pine Level Elementary
- Princeton Elementary
- Selma Elementary
- Smithfield-Selma High
- West Clayton Elementary
- West Smithfield Elementary

Any students under the age of 18 can receive a meal at no cost at any meal service location regardless of whether they attend Johnston County Public Schools. A parent or household member can come from the household to pick up the student meals.

Additionally, the Sarah Yard Community Center at 909 East Lee Street in Smithfield is offering free meals **Monday through Friday from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.** We thank Town Councilman Marlon Lee who has spearheaded this project.

Free Lunch!
Daily, Monday - Friday
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Sarah Yard Community Center
909 East Lee Street, Smithfield

If you are in need of food, please come by during this time and grab a lunch to go.

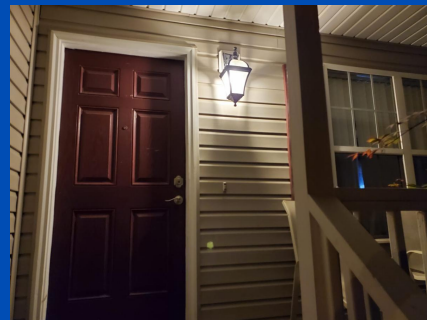
Johnston County Public Schools has a Call Center staffed with employees who will virtually answer incoming calls to a toll-free number Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until further notice. The toll-free number is **855-527-6397** or **855-JCS-NEWS**. While the Call Center will serve as an additional public service, school and central office phone numbers will remain accessible.



"Be The Light" Event Held Monday for Student-Athletes

In support of the athletes of the class of 2020, all Johnston County school fields were lit up on Monday night for 20 minutes at 8:20pm (20:20). The community was also encouraged to participate by turning their porch lights on at the same time.

#BetheLight #SSStrong



Neuse Charter Recognized As One of NC's Top High Schools

Neuse Charter School in Smithfield was recently recognized by **U.S. News and World Report** for being the top high school in Johnston County, Top 10 in the Triangle and Top 50 in the state!



Congratulations to all the staff, administration and students.

#CougarProud



Our continuation of the Town Council 2020-2021 budget meetings will continue Tuesday, May 5th at 6pm. As with previous meetings, with COVID-19 restrictions regarding gatherings or more than ten persons still in place, these sessions are made available to the public via phone.

Listen to the budget discussions by phone on May 5th by dialing **1-800-719-7514** and, when prompted, using code **808829**.

Our next regularly scheduled Town Council meeting will take place on **Monday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m.**

WE'RE HIRING!

Current Openings:

Police Officer (6 Positions)
Utility Line Mechanic
Sanitation Equipment Operator
Zoning Compliance Assistant
(Temporary PT Position)
Collections Assistant (Bilingual - PT)

Download an application at:
www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs



COME WORK WITH US!

Applications and full job advertisements may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall, located at 350 East Market St. in Smithfield, or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs. Only qualified applicants should apply.

The Town of Smithfield is an ADA/EEO Employer.



Smithfield Town Board Opportunities:

- Appearance Commission - 3 Positions
- Board of Adjustment - 2 Positions
- Recreation Advisory Committee - 2 Positions
- Library Board of Trustees - 1 Position

All positions are three year terms, unless otherwise specified. Interested citizens can download an ["Application for Board Appointment" on the Town's website](#) or call Town Clerk Shannan Parrish to request one by mail at **919-934-2116**.

Town of Smithfield E-Billing:



Three easy ways to sign up:

- Visit customer service at Town Hall
- Call (919) 934-2116 Ext.1113 E
- Email: utilitybilling@smithfield-nc.com

EVENTS? QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

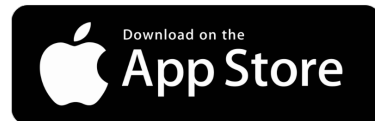


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