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## Electric Customers Urged to Establish Payment Plan Ahead of July 29 Deadline

On July 29, Governor Roy Cooper's Executive Order No. 142 will expire and normal utility billing will resume.

First issued on March 31, the governor's executive orders temporarily suspended residential utility service disconnections and waived penalties, fees, and interest on amounts

due during the period. Payments due before March 31 will be subject to disconnection when the order expires. Governor Cooper has emphasized that customers' bills are not being forgiven under his executive orders. Customers are still responsible for paying for all usage between March 31 and July 29.

We are encouraging customers with balances that have accrued since March 31 to establish a payment plan to avoid any interruptions in Town of Smithfield services. Under the executive order, customers will have a six-month period beginning July 30 to pay off unpaid balances that came due March 31-July 29.

For those customers needing to establish payment plans, contact our offices at 919-934-2116, ext. 1106 or by emailing Finance Director Greg Siler at [greg.siler@smithfield-nc.com](mailto:greg.siler@smithfield-nc.com).

We understand the many difficulties the COVID-19 pandemic has brought and we are



ready to assist you during this time.

## Smithfield COVID-19 Testing

There are a few COVID-19 testing sites in Smithfield. We encourage you to take advantage go these if you are experiencing symptoms.

### WEEKLY COVID-19 TESTING



### JOHNSTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT\*

Tuesdays from 8AM - 10AM  
517 N. Brightleaf BLVD, Smithfield, NC

### NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

\*Drive-thru testing will be in the parking lot to the right of the Health Department

### FREE COVID-19 TESTING

BRIGHTLEAF FLEA MARKET  
2320 S. BRIGHTLEAF BLVD.  
FRIDAY, JULY 24TH  
SATURDAY, JULY 25TH  
7:30AM-4:00PM

\*NO APPOINTMENT OR PRE-SCREEN REQUIRED

COURTESY OF: JOHNSTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND ORIGIN

### PRUEBA GRATUITA DE COVID-19

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CORTESÍA DE: SALUD PÚBLICA DEL CONDADO DE JOHNSTON/ORIGIN

## "Oakie", Elephants, and Exercise!



"OAKIE," Smithfield's oldest oak tree, is talking again!

The original device fell in to disrepair over the years, often a victim of vandalism. Oakie is back in service and better than ever and provides two stories about Smithfield and the history from the last two centuries.

Come and check out "Oakie" along the Greenway right down from the boat ramp.

Yes, there are elephants in our trees! 25 total "elephants" are located in the trees as you make your way along the Buffalo Creek Greenway. And some are a little more difficult than others.

Can you spot them all? Share your pictures of the elephants in the trees with us!





Join us on the Miracle League Field at the Smithfield Recreation Aquatic Center for our socially-distanced fitness classes! Space is limited to 24 participants and the classes are FREE! Bring your water bottle.

## We Are Taking Class Outside!

Join us for fitness classes outside at the Miracle League Field, just across the parking lot from SRAC!

Space is limited to only 24 participants.

Bring your water!

Mondays– 8am-REFIT®

Tuesdays-8am-ZUMBA®

Wednesdays-8am-REFIT®

Wednesdays-6:30pm-ZUMBA®

Thursdays-8am-Zumba®

Fridays-8am-REFIT®

600 M Durwood Stephenson Parkway, Smithfield, NC 28577

(919) 934-1408

## Art Journaling Camp

Let your creativity flow! Campers will create art journals from scratch. Using different art techniques and mediums they will create their own personal journal for writing, drawing, photos, etc.

Maximum 5 students.

Register by calling (919) 934-1408 or online at

<https://smithfieldparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Dates: August 3-7, 2020

Ages: 8-15yrs

Time: 9am-12pm

Fee: \$85-Smithfield Resident

\$110-Non-Smithfield Resident





## Help Us Keep the Streets, and Drains, Clean!

Just a friendly reminder, please do not put your yard debris, tree limbs, grass clippings, etc. on the side of the street, especially near a drainage area. The picture shows what can happen.

Please leave yard debris BY, not IN, the street and our crews will still take care of it!



## 5th Street Community Garden Filled with Goodies!

Zucchini, squash, okra, green tomatoes, basil and more are some of the wonderful summer harvest producing now at the 5th Street Community Garden. Plus, stop by and see the sunflowers blooming, too!

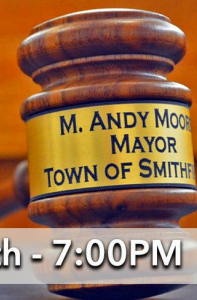


Our next Smithfield Town Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 7pm. Due to COVID-19 restrictions still in place, seating will be extremely limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis.

We are requiring the public who wishes to attend the meeting to wear a mask, if they are medically able. For anyone who is unable to attend the meeting, the video will be recorded and uploaded to the our website and YouTube channel.

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 4th - 7:00PM



**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](http://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 - 2 Positions
- Board of Adjustment - 2 Positions
- Recreation Advisory Committee - 2 Positions

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](mailto:utilitybilling@smithfield-nc.com)

# EVENTS? QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

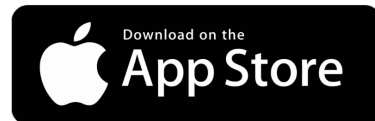


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