

# CITIZENS NEWSLETTER

April - June 2020

**MAYOR  
CHUCK ALLEN**



**Goldsboro City Council**

I hope this letter finds all our citizens doing well despite these difficult times. As I write this in late March, our city — like the rest of the world — is dealing with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. I want to reassure you all that our city and county officials are prepared to respond to this ever-changing situation. At the City, we've taken several proactive steps, including offering employees the option to telework, limiting public access to our facilities, and canceling events and non-essential meetings. Together, we will get through this as we have done many times before in tough situations.

I want to remind everyone to continue to practice good hygiene and social distancing, and stay at home if you are sick (COVID-19 symptoms include fever, dry cough, shortness of breath). These steps will help to limit the spread of the virus and help us protect those who are elderly or have a weakened immune system.

On a lighter note, there are many exciting things happening in Goldsboro, and I would like to take a few minutes to share these with you.

Keep your eyes on the skies! In late spring, we will be welcoming the new KC-46A Pegasus to Goldsboro. The KC-46A will be replacing the KC-135R Stratotanker at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, and we are excited for the 916th Air Refueling Wing as we anticipate the arrival of this new aircraft. We appreciate the base and the partnerships we have with our Air Force teammates.

The 2020 Census is underway, and I urge all citizens to respond. Every 10 years, the federal government conducts a census of the entire population to count everyone in the United States and record basic

information about them. This information is a crucial factor in funding for education, emergency services, infrastructure and more. You have until August 14 to respond online or by phone. Visit [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) for more information.

We will be paving several city streets in late April/early May. Other resurfacing of city streets will begin this summer as well, so our citizens should see continued paving activity and progress on our streets.

As summer will be here before we know it, I would like to remind everyone of the activities for youth through our Parks and Recreation Department. For more information on the activities, please call 919-739-7480 or visit [www.goldsboroparksandrec.com](https://www.goldsboroparksandrec.com).

In closing, I want our citizens to know that we are working hard at City Hall to make Goldsboro more attractive and more inclusive for all our citizens, and I urge each of you to do your part. As always, if I can be of any service, please let me know. I can be reached at 919-580-4330.

With warmest regards,

Mayor Chuck Allen

## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS\*

Apr. 6 | Apr. 20 | May 4

May 18 | June 1 | June 15

Council meets at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

\*Subject to change with public notice.

# City Accepting Applications for Summer Youth Employment Initiative

Community Relations

Fifty young people will be hired for real-world experience through this annual program.

## WE'RE HIRING!

# SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

## APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 24

The City of Goldsboro Summer Youth Employment Initiative will offer a minimum of 50 jobs this summer. There are various office, light labor and recreation support positions available. Participants will work approximately 20 or more hours per week depending on placement. They will also participate in weekly training.

The application is available online at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/goldsboronc>. Applications can only be submitted online. The deadline to apply is April 24.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Duties may include office work, light labor and recreation assistance. Some assignments may take place outdoors.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** To be eligible for employment, you must:

- Be 14-18 years old and currently enrolled in school. Generally, one participant within a household for this program.
- Be 16-24 years old and a high school dropout. Will receive additional consideration and requirements for potential employment through Wayne Community College's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program.
- Live within the Goldsboro city limits.
- Be available to interview for the program between May 11-22, 2020.
- Be available to work six weeks between June 15-August 21, 2020.

- Attend a mandatory orientation once scheduled.
- Provide proof of all income in the household. Low-income youth may be given first priority for placement.

**NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION:** The following must be provided at time application is submitted.

- Verification of all income in the household such as:
  - A copy of the first two pages of your 2018 or 2019 Federal Tax form; or
  - Three months of paystubs; or
  - Award Letters for 2020 or Statements for 2019 if you receive SSI or SS public assistance.
- A copy of your photo identification or birth certificate.

If you are a youth who feels that you may not qualify for employment through the City of Goldsboro Summer Youth Employment Initiative program, please consider employment through the City's Parks & Recreation Department as one of our summer lifeguards or day camp counselors. For more information on positions as a Lifeguard or Day Camp Counselor, visit the City's Job Opportunities page at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/goldsboronc>.

For more information about the program, or if you are interested in hosting a worksite, please contact the Community Relations Department at [ssimpson@goldsboronc.gov](mailto:ssimpson@goldsboronc.gov) or 919-580-4359.





# Grass Clippings, Yard Debris & Trash Contribute to Flooding Concerns!

## Public Works

Keep storm drains clear of grass clippings, leaves and other yard debris to help prevent flooding.

The City of Goldsboro needs your help to effectively maintain the storm water infrastructure and minimize neighborhood flooding caused by clogged storm grates and drains. Clogged storm drains and grates are one of the primary reasons streets and neighborhoods experience flooding during normal rain events. When grass clippings, leaves and trash are blown into the street and allowed to collect in our gutters and storm drains, water can back up quickly and cause hazardous ponding in the streets and flooding in our yards.

So, how can you help?

1. Periodically remove any grass clippings, leaves, trash, etc. from paved surfaces, street gutters and storm grates adjacent to your property.
2. Rake and dispose of leaves in your yard before they accumulate and blow into the street.
3. Blow grass away from the street when mowing your lawn to avoid clogging storm drains.
4. Pile vegetative debris, scheduled to be collected by the City's leaf and limb crews, by the edge of the road—avoid getting debris in the street or curb & gutter.

If you are experiencing problems with flooding during normal rainfall events, even after taking these precautions, please contact the City's Stormwater division at 919-739-7402 or 919-739-7419.

## Recycling Guidelines

Keep unacceptable items out of the recycling bin.

### ACCEPTED



**Plastics 1 & 2:** Cleaning bottles and containers (put pumps in the trash); food and beverage tubs, jugs and bottles (keep lids and caps screwed on); bathroom bottles (put pumps in the trash)



**Paper:** Mixed paper, office paper, glossy paper, envelopes, Post-it notes, newspapers, magazines, phone books and catalogs, paper towel rolls, paper bags, flattened food boxes, paperboard and cardboard (free of food stains only)



Aluminum, tin, steel cans (quick rinse)



**Please do not bag your recyclables.**

### NOT ACCEPTED

Aluminum foil or trays  
Aseptic containers  
Broken glass  
Clothing or fabric\*\*  
Dishes or cookware  
Electronics\*\*  
Food waste\*\*  
Glass\*\*  
Hardcover books  
Hazardous waste\*\*  
Household trash  
Light bulbs  
Liquid waste (paint, cleaners, etc.)  
Medical waste  
Motor oil/pesticide containers

Paper plates and paper towels  
Plastic bags and wrap\*  
Scrap metal or wires\*\*  
Shredded paper or Styrofoam  
Tanglers (cords, hoses, wires, etc.)  
Wax boxes  
Window or mirror glass  
Yard waste

\* Take clean and dry plastic bags and film back to the grocery store to recycle separately and/or take to a public or private drop-off recycling facility.

\*\* These materials can be taken to a public or private drop-off recycling center to be recycled separately.

ATTENTION GOLDSBORO RESIDENTS:

# BECOME INVOLVED IN CITY GOVERNMENT

*Apply to serve on a board or commission.*

**GOLDSBORO**  
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North Carolina

The City of Goldsboro is currently soliciting residents to serve on advisory boards and commissions. These boards and commissions give residents an opportunity to become actively involved in their community by providing recommendations to the City Council.

Residents of the City of Goldsboro who wish to be considered for appointment to one of the boards and commissions are invited to submit a completed application to the City Manager's Office. To access an application or for a listing of all City boards and commissions, visit <https://bit.ly/servecog>. You can also pick up an application at City Hall, 200 N. Center St. For more information, call 919-580-4330.

## UPCOMING SANITATION CHANGES

**Good Friday | April 10**

Friday routes will be collected Wednesday, April 8.

**Memorial Day | May 25**

Monday routes will be collected Wednesday, May 25.



**GOT A QUESTION?  
ASK OUR CHATBOT.**

Our chatbot has the answer to several of your frequently asked questions about our city services. Visit [goldsborongov.com](https://goldsborongov.com) and click the icon with the speech bubbles to type your question in the box.



**DO NOT LITTER**  
PUT TRASH IN ITS PLACE.

Keeping our city clean is everyone's responsibility and it takes everyone's help. Do your part by making a personal choice to put trash in its proper place and encouraging others to do the same.

 **LOVE  
GOLDSBORO**  
Keep it clean.

## Respond to the 2020 Census today!

The 2020 Census has started, and it's your chance to shape the future for yourself, your family, and your community. Information collected in the census informs how billions of dollars in federal funding are distributed to states and communities each year.

You can respond online, by phone, or by mail. Regardless of how you choose to respond, your information will be kept confidential.

Visit [2020CENSUS.GOV](https://2020CENSUS.GOV) to respond to the census today.

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