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# FILLMORE DISTRICT UPDATE

September 2025 Edition

**BROADWAY-FILLMORE | COBBLESTONE | ALLENTOWN | CANALSIDE | OLD FIRST WARD**



## A Message From Council Member Nowakowski

Dear Neighbors,

Happy Labor Day! Today we celebrate the contributions of working folks and recognize the importance of workers' rights. We also express our gratitude to organized labor and labor rights activists who secured basic rights like overtime, minimum wage, and workplace safety standards.

This holiday weekend also marks the end of the summer season. School will soon be back in session, cooler temperatures are in the air, and the sun sets over Lake Erie after 8 p.m. We can make the most of the wonderful late summer and autumn weather by heading to family events at Canalside, Music is Art Festival, and Fall Fest at Central Terminal.

With students embarking on a new school year, I'm hopeful that every child has the opportunity to thrive in their education. Last month, I held my 6<sup>th</sup> annual Backpack Giveaway along with Legislator Lawrence Dupre and The Teacher's Desk, distributing some 450 backpacks filled with school supplies to kids in need. If you missed it, don't worry - there are many resources in our community to help struggling families with school supplies and other needs so that young people can succeed in their education.

With the Council returning from recess, I look forward to refocusing on my plans to help boost our city, including efforts to help address addiction and homelessness on city streets and proposals to revitalize iconic city sites like Erie Basin Marina and the Broadway Market. I'm also focused on resolving the impasse involving the City Comptroller refusing to go to the bond market to fund \$110 million in capital projects. We have significant capital needs in our city, and we need to work collectively to improve our infrastructure, remediate contaminants like lead in our neighborhoods, and create a physical environment that allows Buffalo to truly reach its full potential. Our residents deserve nothing less.

Warm Regards,



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TRANSLATED?**

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# LEGISLATIVE RECAP

## Reactivating Our Waterfront

Erie Basin Marina is a wonderful place to be in the summer - to watch a sunset, enjoy ice cream, or if you're fortunate enough, to take a boat out onto Lake Erie. But the waterfront remains deeply underutilized, with vacant properties and a marina that has barely produced revenue for the city in decades. I'm leading conversations on how we can reactivate Erie Basina Marina and fully capitalize on one of the most naturally beautiful areas of our city. This includes activating the largely inactive space at the old William K's; potentially considering a new marina operator who will invest in this property and contribute more revenue to the city; and preparing for the transfer of the city-owned Templeton Landing property to the current leaseholder, Specialty Restaurants, following a court decision decades ago. I look forward to having these discussions at the next Waterfront Development Committee meeting on September 2, so that we can develop a vibrant Erie Basin Marina that attracts tourists and investment and lives up to the area's potential.

## **Clearing the Comptroller's** **Impasse on City Capital Projects**

Summer is typically the busiest construction season in Buffalo, but this year, dozens of shovel ready projects are being held up for an unusual reason: the City Comptroller is refusing to go to the bond market to provide the city's share of the funding. Last December, the Common Council approved \$110 million capital budget to address everything from streetscapes and infrastructure to cultural institutions and community centers. But because the city comptroller refuses to go to the bond market for these projects, ostensibly out of concern over the city's debt, these projects are languishing. I recently sent a letter to the comptroller identifying all the lines in the City Charter where it's plainly stated that the comptroller's role in this area is merely advisory and that she is overstepping her authority. Likewise, the comptroller's suggestion that the Council cherry pick which of the projects that we already voted to fund is simply ridiculous. We need the comptroller to perform her Chartered duties, go to the bond market, and allow the city to proceed with these critical projects, which the residents want, expect, and deserve.

# Support for Schoolchildren



On August 16, I held my 6<sup>th</sup> annual Backpack Giveaway at the Central Terminal, partnering with Erie County Legislator Lawrence Dupre and The Teacher's Desk to distribute over 450 backpacks to families in need in our community. Thank you to all the volunteers and vendors for putting in the work to make our giveaway a huge success. Seeing the smiles on the kids' faces reminds us why we do this - because every child deserves the tools to succeed in their education.



# Expanding Opportunities for People with DisAbilities



Last month, I joined the Buffalo Scholastic Rowing Association for the christening of Overdrive! This newly retrofitted adaptive rowing shell is designed to welcome people with all different abilities to the sport. This boat opens up new opportunities for people across WNY to experience the joy and camaraderie that rowing brings. A true win for inclusion on the Buffalo River!

## BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVERS



**STOP FOR STOPPED BUSES**



**WATCH FOR WALKERS**



**STAY ALERT**

[ERIE.GOV/STREETSMART](http://erie.gov/streetsmart)

# Upcoming Events

SHOPKEEPERS OF HERTEL AVE PRESENT

## FALL FEST '25

SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 27TH  
2:00 - 8:00

**FREE ENTRY**

ACTIVITIES, LOCAL RETAIL VENDORS, FOOD, LIVE MUSIC, & FALL FUN FOR EVERYONE!

HERTEL AVE CLOSED FROM SARANAC - NORWALK

JEFF MIERS AND SULLY'S HARBOR BAR present the

## MUSIC MATTERS Summer Concert Series

THURSDAYS 7PM PLUS 2 Special FRIDAYS

**SULLY'S HARBOR BAR**

THE BEST Vibe IN BFLO

\$5 RED STRIPES \$10 ADM

JUNE 12: OLMSTED DUB SYSTEM & CRITT'S JUKE JOINT  
 JUNE 19: ORGAN FAIRCHILD  
 JUNE 26: SCARLET BEGONIAS  
 JUNE 27: THE STRICTLY HIP  
 JUNE 28: GROSH  
 JULY 10: JEFF MIERS' GRATEFUL BIRTHDAY JAM  
 FRIDAY JULY 11: PUSH THE LIL' DAISIES (WEEN TRIBUTE)  
 JULY 17: LITTLE MOUNTAIN BAND  
 play music of LITTLE FEAT and THE BAND  
 JULY 24: LAZLO HOLLYFELD & BOE  
 JULY 31: THE SCALES  
 play music of PINK FLOYD  
 AUGUST 7: GIANT PANDA GUERRILLA DUB SQUAD  
 AUGUST 14: RELICS  
 AUGUST 21: THE GARAGE DOORS  
 play music of THE DOORS  
 AUGUST 28: THE DAMONE JACKSON OUTCOME & TIGER CHUNG LEE  
 SEPTEMBER 4: THE BLACK ROCK BEATLES

SPONSORED BY: PEPSI, BUDWEISER, MOUNTAIN Dew, REALA, CITI

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SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 27  
2025  
9AM - 4PM

## Annual CRUISING & TURE Buffalo-Niagara

WEST HERR

Pressure cancer education and an eye detection clinic

Over 200 Auto On 20 Stages

DJ - EIGHTH NOTE • PERFORMERS: JAY • GIBSON  
 ONE HIT WON BATTLE • ROCKY HILL • BOB BLISS  
 BLISSON VALLAGE • REVEREND WOOD • PRINCE AND NEW POWER GENERATION • JONAS BLOOM  
 WHITE PAPER • BOUNCIE BLOOM • FORD AND JOHN

For more information, visit [www.buffaloniacruising.com](http://www.buffaloniacruising.com) or contact event organizer at [buffaloniacruising@buffaloniacruising.com](mailto:buffaloniacruising@buffaloniacruising.com)

Check for a Car Buffalo Sign

ROSWELL PARK

POWER TO THE PLAYERS!

## MUSIC IS ART FESTIVAL 2025

SAT SEPT 20  
BUFFALO'S OUTER HARBOR  
12:00PM - 8:00PM

**ALWAYS FREE!**

OVER 200 AUTO ON 20 STAGES

DJ - EIGHTH NOTE • PERFORMERS: JAY • GIBSON  
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FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [MUSICISART.ORG](http://MUSICISART.ORG)

THE HISTORIC COLORED MUSICIANS CLUB & JAZZ MUSEUM

90th ANNIVERSARY

## Gala

A BLACK TIE AFFAIR

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

5:30 PM

THE ATRIUM @ RICH'S  
1 Robert Rich Way  
Buffalo, NY 14213

Tickets: \$150  
purchase on Eventbrite or call (716) 846-9631  
Tickets will not be sold at the door.

## The Bowed Revolution

LECTURE/PERFORMANCE TRACING THE HISTORY & EVOLUTION OF BOWED STRING INSTRUMENTS

Featuring  
**Alex Cousins**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 @ 10AM

Craig Branch Library  
633 Howard Ave.

### 2025 Free Events

**MAY** | 17 Bengali Heritage Mela

**JUNE** | 28 Central Terminal Car Show

**JULY** | 10 Summer Concert Series  
17 Shakespeare at the Central Terminal  
24 Summer Concert Series  
31 Family Movie Night

**AUG** | 7 Summer Concert Series  
16 6th Annual Back-to-School Giveaway  
27 Family Movie Night

**OCT** | 11 Fall Fest  
28 Trunk-or-Treat

495 Padereski Drive | Buffalo, New York

**BUFFALO · CENTRAL · TERMINAL**

**FREE**

## TRIVIA @ THE LIBRARY

Ages 18 and older

LAST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
5:30-6:45PM

Enjoy some snacks  
 Test your trivia skills  
 Win prizes

SCAN HERE OR CALL TO REGISTER

**CENTRAL LIBRARY**

Individuals in need of accommodations may contact the ADA Coordinator at [access@buffalolib.org](mailto:access@buffalolib.org) within 7 days of the program.

1 Lafayette Square  
Buffalo, NY 14203  
Central Meeting Room, 2nd floor

[WWW.BUFFALOLIB.ORG](http://WWW.BUFFALOLIB.ORG) • 716-858-8900 • 1 LAFAYETTE SQUARE • BUFFALO • NY • 14203

Sunday, September 21, 2025 | 9am-12:30pm

GIVEAWAYS SEASON SNEAK PEEK  
RED CARPET WORKSHOPS  
BREAKFAST TREATS AND MORE!



THEATRE OF YOUTH

# CURTAIN UP!

A FUNDRAISING EVENT

**FOR KIDS!**

DONATE



# 2025 HOUSING RESOURCE GUIDE

## CONTACTS FOR BURA-FUNDED PROGRAMS

Funding is available to help address health & safety hazards to keep residents stably housed. Call 3-1-1 or check out the [Community Based Organization Lookup Tool](#).



**MATT URBAN**  
Pleasant Services Center of Veterans, New York

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urbanctr.org



**HEART of the CITY NEIGHBORHOODS, INCORPORATED**

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hocn.org



(716) 856-8613  
old1stward.com



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**Matt Urban Center**  
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1081 Broadway  
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Buffalo, NY 14212

**Heart of the City Neighborhoods**  
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135 Delaware Ave #503  
(716) 882-7661  
Buffalo, NY 14201

**Old First Ward Community Assoc.**  
old1stward.com  
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(716) 856-8613  
Buffalo, NY 14204

**University District Community Development Assoc.**  
udcda.org  
3242 Main St.  
(716) 832-1010  
Buffalo, NY 14214



# SMART START for SCHOOL

For a healthy and successful school year, it's important for your child to have their annual well visit before classes begin.

During the annual well visit, your child's healthcare provider will:

- Give your child a complete physical exam.
- Check your child's vision and hearing.
- Make sure your child's vaccines are up to date.

Remember, some vaccines are required for school. If your child doesn't have those vaccines, they may miss classes in the fall.




# No one likes mosquitoes.



[erie.gov/health](http://erie.gov/health)



## WASTE DROP OFF LOCATIONS & ITEMS

ITEMS	COB Engineering Garage 1120 Seneca St.	East Side Transfer Station 793 S. Odgen St.	Geiter Done 383 Babcock St.	Broadway Garage 197 Broadway St.	Home Garbage 2 Piece Bulk Trash
Appliances	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Universal Waste	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Yard Waste	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
Tires	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
Household Hazardous Waste	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Electronic Waste	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
Furniture	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓

## CURBSIDE PROGRAM



<b>Regular Trash:</b>	Place all garbage in the city-provided tote for collection.	
<b>Bulk Trash Collection:</b>	<b>Limit:</b> Up to <b>TWO (2)</b> pieces of bulk trash can be collected on your regular collection day.	<b>Examples of Bulk Trash:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Furniture (e.g., couches, chairs)</li> <li>o Appliances</li> <li>o Large toys</li> <li>o Bundles of wood or tree branches (4-foot sections)</li> <li>o Mattresses and box springs</li> <li>o Carpet (cut into 4-foot sections)</li> <li>o Boxes of miscellaneous items</li> <li>o Example: One couch + one 4-foot bundle of branches = two pieces of bulk trash.</li> </ul>
<b>Items NOT Allowed at the Curb:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TVs or computers</li> <li>• Tires</li> <li>• Construction debris</li> <li>• Hazardous waste</li> </ul>	
<b>Large Bulk Waste Collection Days</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designated Dates for Each Council District!</li> <li>• Limit: 4 cubic yards (12 feet long, 3 feet high, 3 feet wide) of Large Bulk Trash.</li> <li>• When: Communication will be sent in the Fall and Spring with scheduled collection dates.</li> </ul>	



### Contact Us:

- 716-851-5636
- 65 Niagara Sq. Room 502 Buffalo, NY 14202

Visit our website here





# FIGHT TICKS ONE YARD AT A TIME



**MOW, CLEAR & REMOVE**  
REGULARLY REMOVE GRASS, LEAVES AND DEBRIS AND KEEP WOODPILES STACKED NEATLY AWAY FROM THE HOUSE, OFF THE GROUND IF POSSIBLE



**DEER-PROOF YOUR LAWN**  
REMOVE PLANTS THAT ATTRACT DEER TO DISCOURAGE THEM FROM ENTERING YOUR LAWN & BRINGING TICKS.

**PROTECT PLAY AREAS**  
KEEP PLAYGROUNDS, SANDBOXES, BENCHES AND SITTING AREAS AWAY FROM SHRUBS, BUSHES & VEGETATION.



**COVER SKIN & USE REPELLENTS**  
WEAR LONG SLEEVES AND TUCK YOUR PANTS INTO SOCKS AND SHIRTS INTO PANTS; CHECK YOURSELF, KIDS AND ANIMALS FOR TICKS.



**TICK CONTROL**  
TICK CONTROL PRODUCTS CAN BE APPLIED BY A HOMEOWNER OR PROFESSIONAL PEST CONTROL EXPERT. FOLLOW LABEL DIRECTIONS.

[www.erie.gov/health](http://www.erie.gov/health)

## Tick Season

Imagine a monster that swells to three times its normal size as it feasts on human and animal blood. It sounds like something out of a horror movie, but it describes what happens when a tick attaches itself to its victim's skin. Even worse, as the tick hangs on, it can transmit bacteria that can cause severe illness.

Warmer weather means many people will spend more time outdoors, where ticks are waiting. The Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) is sharing recommendations to prevent tick bites and reduce the risks for tick-borne illnesses. Residents can start by being aggressive about tick control in spaces like yards and lawns.

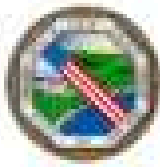
## Erie County Health Department purple OPEN Stands are stocked with Narcan

### OPEN Stands



[erie.gov/narcan](http://erie.gov/narcan)

The Erie County Department of Health provides in-person and virtual Narcan training sessions. New sessions are posted for 2025! All participants receive a free Narcan kit and certificate of completion. Text 716-225-5473 to receive free Narcan by mail and visit [erie.gov/narcan](http://erie.gov/narcan) for training dates and locations.



# SUMMER HEALTH & SAFETY FOR KIDS!

## HELPFUL TIPS



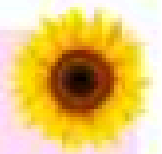
- Visit [summermealsNY.org](https://summermealsNY.org) for free meals for children under 18.
- Maintain routines and keep regular bedtime/wake up schedules.
- Eat local fresh fruits & vegetables - see [erie.gov/eriegrown](https://erie.gov/eriegrown)

## UNPLUG & PLAY



- Encourage outdoor play.
- Go for a walk with a buddy or a pet.
- Explore parks in Buffalo and Erie County.
- Check out books, games and sports equipment from your local library.
- Stock up on sidewalk chalk, bubbles, board games.
- Limit screen time to 2 hours per day.

## MENTAL HEALTH



- Check in with friends and family regularly.
- Spend time with friends in-person or virtually.
- Join community programs at your local library or park.
- Journal, draw, and play to spark joy and reduce stress.
- Download the EriePath app - [erie.gov/eriepath](https://erie.gov/eriepath).

Get ready to go back to school. Stay up to date with doctor's checkups & recommended vaccines.



## SAFETY REMINDERS:

- Teach children when and how to call 9-1-1.
- Add Poison Control to all phones: 1-800-222-1222.
- Always have a first-aid kit on hand for emergencies.
- Wear helmets when riding bikes, skateboards or roller skates
- Wear sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat when outside.
- Hydrate! Drink water, avoid sugary drinks and caffeine.
- Supervise children near pools and bodies of water.
- Protect against tick and mosquito bites with insect repellent.
- Lock up firearms & medications.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** [erie.gov/summersafety](https://erie.gov/summersafety)

# ALREADY SPRUNG



**DON'T MISS THESE MARKETS!**

For more information, visit our site at [erie.gov/eriegrown](http://erie.gov/eriegrown)

MARKET	LOCATION	DAY	HOURS	ACCEPTS
Clinton-Bailey	1443 Clinton Street, Buffalo 14203	Daily	8am-5pm	SNAP, FMNP, DUFB
East Aurora	115 Riley Street, East Aurora 14052	Wednesday; Sunday	7am-1pm	FMNP
Elmwood Village	Bidwell Parkway, Buffalo 14222	Saturdays	8am-1pm	SNAP, FMNP, DUFB
Hamburg	45 Church Street, Hamburg 14075	Saturdays	7:30am-1pm	SNAP, FMNP, DUFB
Holland	49 N. Main Street, Holland 14080	Sundays	8:30am-1pm	FMNP

## Sun Safety: SPF

Choose a "broad-spectrum" sunscreen with at least 15 SPF.

Reapply every two hours or after swimming and sweating.

Sunscreen is not just for sunny days, use it on cloudy days too!

# BULK TRASH SCHEDULE 2025 FALL COLLECTION



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER P. SCANLON

**BULK TRASH LIMITED TO**  
12 ft long, 3 ft high, 3 ft wide  
No TV's, Computers or  
Construction Debris Allowed!  
**PLEASE FOLLOW ALL PARKING  
REGULATIONS DURING YOUR  
BULK TRASH WEEK**

## 2025 TIRE DROP-OFF SCHEDULE

**July 12**  
**September 13**

197 BROADWAY  
7:00AM – 3:00PM  
(BROADWAY GARAGE)

Limit of 4 tires per drop off per household

**BULK TRASH MUST BE PLACED OUT ON THE SUNDAY LISTED FOR YOUR DISTRICT**

DISTRICT	START DATE
ELLICOTT .....	JULY 27
FILLMORE .....	AUGUST 3
NIAGARA .....	AUGUST 10
MASTEN .....	AUGUST 17
LOVEJOY .....	AUGUST 24
SOUTH .....	SEPTEMBER 7
DELAWARE .....	SEPTEMBER 14
NORTH .....	SEPTEMBER 21
UNIVERSITY .....	SEPTEMBER 28

## LET'S GET READY FOR SUMMER HEAT



Summers in Erie County are getting hotter. Planning for hot weather will keep you cool, safe and healthy this summer.

[ERIE.GOV/HEALTH-EQUITY](http://erie.gov/health-equity)

### Summer Heat Safety Recommendations:

- WEAR light-colored, loose clothing.
- DRINK water; avoid alcohol.
- FIND shade where you can.
- STAY in air-conditioned spaces.
- AVOID using your oven or stove.
- TAKE cool (not cold!) showers/baths.
- TAKE breaks when outside.
- AVOID/limit physical activity.
- KNOW the early signs of heat illness.
- CHECK on loved ones, neighbors and anyone who lives alone.

June 2025

## Rite Aid closures



Avoid missed doses and treatment disruptions



Contact your doctors now to transfer prescriptions



Ask new pharmacy about mail order, delivery and curbside options

*As Rite Aid pharmacies close across Western New York, patients may need to transfer prescriptions to a new pharmacy. If you're affected, take these steps to ensure a safe and smooth transition:*

- Notify your doctor about the change so they can help coordinate your care.
- Bring an updated list of all medications, including over-the-counter items and supplements, to your new pharmacy.
- Confirm that all prescriptions have transferred correctly and report any issues.
- Ask about generic alternatives or assistance programs if cost is a concern.
- Store medications safely and out of reach of children and pets.



# Struggling to pay your water bill? Help is available.

We offer a variety of programs to help lower your bill and reduce or eliminate any outstanding bill balances while ensuring that you continue to receive high quality water and sewer service.



## Convenient

Step-by-step online experience that is simple and quick

## Multiple Options

Many different programs are available to help

## Flexible

We offer flexible and affordable payment plans with PromisePay

### What is PromisePay?

PromisePay is an online service that makes it easy to pay off your total balance and become debt-free. PromisePay works with Buffalo Water to offer interest-free payment plans for your debt.

**Who is Eligible?** We offer a variety of programs with different eligibility requirements - from payment plans to total bill relief funds from the State of New York, we likely have an affordability plan that meets your needs.

To learn more about our affordability programs and to sign up, please visit:

[getwaterwisebuffalo.org](http://getwaterwisebuffalo.org)

# CITY OF BUFFALO RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE DROP-OFF



**HOURS OF  
OPERATION:**

**GEITER DONE OF WNY**

**383 Babcock Street - Buffalo, New York**

**Monday through Friday / 7:30AM - 3:30PM**

Everyone must sign in & show proof of City of Buffalo residency

**NO EXCEPTIONS! LICENSED CONTRACTORS WHO ARE DROPPING OFF  
YARD WASTE ON BEHALF OF A BUFFALO RESIDENT MUST RECEIVE  
PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

## ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL

**MUST BE LOOSE OR IN  
CLEAR OR PAPER BAGS**

- Branches
- Brush
- Christmas trees
- Leaves
- Plant cuttings
- Stumps
- Tree trimmings/limbs
- Uncontaminated wood waste

## UNACCEPTABLE MATERIAL

**OTHER WASTE**

- Grass clippings
- Blacktop
- Rubber
- Dirt/soil
- Roofing material
- Glass
- Landscape fabric
- Metal / Rocks / Concrete
- Garbage or putrescible waste

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 851-5014**

Illegal dumping will be monitored and violators fined. Geiter Done of Western New York has the right to refuse any material at its discretion. Please be prepared to show identification.

# 2025 HOUSING RESOURCE GUIDE

## Rental & Owner Housing Rehab

Funding is available to help address health & safety hazards to keep residents stably housed. Call 3-1-1 or check out the [Community Based Organization Lookup Tool](#).



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## City of Buffalo Lead Grant Program – Now available CITYWIDE!!! Fall 2024

The City's Lead Hazard Reduction Grant provides up to \$20,000 per unit to eligible property owners for repairs and lead-based paint hazard reduction. **This grant is now available City Wide.** Contact the housing organization assigned to your address to apply or call 3-1-1 to find out which agency is assigned to your address.

## Emergency Loan Assistance Program

Funds repairs of a verified emergency condition such as an inoperable furnace, faulty electrical service, broken hot water tank, or break in the main water or sewer line. Loan funds are provided at no interest and partial conditional grants are available for all eligible applicants. The amount to be repaid will be based on household income.

## Roof Program

Funds are available for repair of a severely deteriorated roof where water infiltration into the habitable area has been verified.

## Owner Occupied Home Repair Program

Funding from the City of Buffalo, NYS Housing and Community Renewal, and Affordable Housing Corporation is providing low-income homeowners with dollars to help with home repairs and make them more energy efficient.

## Target Focus Area Program

Funds for code-related repairs and lead-based paint hazard reduction are available to owner-occupant households who reside on Target streets. Loan funds are provided at no interest and partial conditional grants are available for all eligible applicants. The amount to be repaid will be based on household income.

## Down Payment/Closing Cost Assistance Program

Funding up to \$10,000 is available to first-time homebuyers to assist in meeting closing costs and down payment expenses attributable to the purchase of a single-family home. Loan funds are provided at no interest as a conditional grant. No monthly or annual payments are required, but the amount provided must be repaid if the property is sold within the five-year regulatory period.

## 50/50 Program

City of Buffalo's 50/50 Rehab Program offers income-eligible homeowners up to \$25,000 grants to fund 50% of their project cost in order to make needed home repairs.

# LET'S GET LEAD SAFE

LEAD POISONING IS 100% PREVENTABLE



LEARN HOW TO PROTECT YOUR  
FAMILY AND PROPERTY AT  
[GETAHEADOFLEAD.ORG](http://GETAHEADOFLEAD.ORG)

GET AHEAD  
OF LEAD 

SEE IF YOU QUALIFY FOR  
AFFORDABLE  
HOME REPAIRS AT  
[GETAHEADOFLEAD.ORG](http://GETAHEADOFLEAD.ORG)



TACKLING LEAD PAINT IN  
YOUR PROPERTY COULD  
BE EASIER  
AND MORE AFFORDABLE  
THAN YOU THINK.

Fall 2024  
Now  
Available  
Citywide!

# COMMON COUNCIL INFORMATION

## SEPTEMBER 2025

### Council Meetings

2PM

Council Chambers

**September 2**

**September 16**

**September 30**

### Committee Meetings

Civil Service - 9:45 AM

Finance - 10:00 AM

Legislation - 1:00 PM

Community Development - 2:00 PM

Held in Council Chambers

**September 9**

**September 23**

All meetings are live-streamed via Zoom on the Buffalo Common Council Facebook page ([facebook.com/BFLOCC](https://facebook.com/BFLOCC))

For more information:  
[buffalony.gov/CommonCouncil](http://buffalony.gov/CommonCouncil)



The City of Buffalo  
Common Council

## Filing an Item

FILING DEADLINE:

**Thursday at 2:00PM before each  
regularly scheduled Buffalo Common  
Council Meeting**

The Common Council considers "items" during committee meetings and Council meetings.

*Example(s): Trailblazing Sign Request, suggestive legislation, letters regarding issues.*

Public can submit through the Clerk's office, calling Central Staff Office (716)-851-5105, or emailing [councilstaff@buffalony.gov](mailto:councilstaff@buffalony.gov)



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## Request to speak at a Committee Public Hearing

[WWW.BUFFALONY.GOV/  
SPEAK](http://WWW.BUFFALONY.GOV/SPEAK)



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