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Town of Carlisle

DECEMBER 2024

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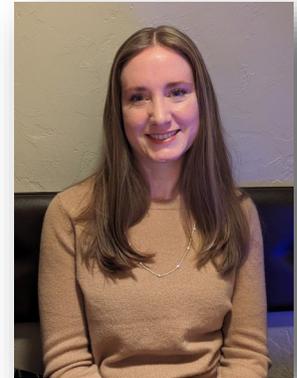
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Welcome Ashley Cote!

We are thrilled to welcome Ashley Cote as Carlisle's first appointed Town Clerk, beginning her tenure on December 16. Ashley brings seven years of municipal experience, having most recently served as the Assistant Town Clerk in Bedford.

We are excited for her leadership and vision as she takes the helm of the Town Clerk's office. Be sure to stop by Town Hall to meet Ashley and extend your warm welcome as she begins this new chapter with us!



Welcome Steven Munroe!

Steven Munroe is our new Facilities Technician! Steven works under Stephen Connearney to coordinate daily operations of town building repair and maintenance including janitorial, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, building envelope, energy conservation, masonry, carpentry, security, HVAC and other building systems as well as management of building construction/repair activities. Steven comes to us most recently from MassDOT and the City of Lowell. Be sure to say hello!

Welcome Jennifer Gagne!

We are excited to welcome Jennifer Gagne to the Carlisle Council on Aging and Human Services (COAHS) as our new Transportation and Services Coordinator. Jennifer brings more than 15 years of experience in customer service, organization, and scheduling, honed during her tenure at Walgreens, where she has served as a certified store manager since 2018.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Jennifer Gagne as she begins her work supporting and coordinating essential services for our residents!



One person's trash is another person's treasure

submitted by Laura Snowdon, Chair, Transfer Station Action Committee (TSAC)

One of the best ways to keep items out of solid waste is to enable their reuse by donation to an organization which passes them forward, or find a kindred spirit. The Swap Shop at the Transfer Station is Carlisle's own Reuse station, but it is emptied at the end of each week and there are a lot more options. Before throwing away items, please look through the list below to see if they can be donated.

"Buy Nothing Concord/Carlisle MA" – Subscribers to this popular Facebook group give away and pick up all kinds of household items, furniture, kids' stuff, etc. And it is fun to just watch other people made happy by giving away their belongings to neighbors who are excited by them.

Household Goods – in Acton, is a very special place. Go to their website and read "About Us." Their customers are people who are setting up their homes, sometimes for the first time. Hundreds of social service agencies refer people who are recently homeless, veterans, survivors of domestic violence, low income, immigrants, victims of disaster, or are coping with illness or disability. It is not a walk-in store. It is staffed by hundreds of volunteers, many from Carlisle. Unlike other organizations, Household Goods will accept mattresses in good condition, without stains or rips.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell – ReStore – an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, accepts donations of new and gently used furniture, appliances, building materials and home goods that it sells to the general public at a fraction of the original retail price. All proceeds fund Habitat Lowell's mission to build and renovate safe, decent, energy efficient and affordable homes for local families. They serve 16 towns (including Carlisle) and the City of Lowell.

Its Critical Home Repair program offers assistance to qualified seniors, veterans and families to help alleviate health, safety and code violations. ReStore will accept building materials. Check the "See What's Accepted" link on their website for more information.

Savers®/Value Village™ – in Nashua will accept items that other non-profits may not. It is a hybrid – a for-profit that accepts donations of used goods on behalf of nonprofits, and then purchases those goods from the nonprofit, providing them with unrestricted revenue. In this area, the Epilepsy Foundation is a major benefactor.

Big Brothers Big Sisters BBBS Foundation – is a donor-supported program matching volunteer adult mentors and children ages 5 and up. The Foundation accepts donated clothing, small household goods and more, and will schedule a pick-up with you. Check their website for acceptable items.

More than Words – "Youth ages 16-24 who are in foster-care, homeless, out-of-school, or in the court system, learn to run an online and retail bookstore while also getting full wrap-around supports to tackle the barriers from our state systems and take charge of their lives." *Carlisle's Transfer Station has a donation bin for books* (and those left behind in the Swap Shop have a home there.) You can shop at their Waltham headquarters, their South End bookstore, or order books on-line.

And if you're looking for something to borrow or keep? Carlisle's own City-in-the-Woods listserv (CityInTheWoods.groups.io) is a great place to let people know you need something in particular to borrow or keep (often for school plays.) Posting your request on the Buy Nothing Facebook group is another good option. Carlisle's Transfer Station website will list additional resources. Feel free to tell us of your favorite resources and why you like them by emailing recycling@carlislema.gov.

From the Environmental Sustainability Committee

As 2024 is winding down, so is the Environmental Sustainability Committee's Earthwise Community Challenge.

BUT WAIT! Just because the challenge timeframe is nearing the end does not mean that you can't adopt some of the practices in 2025! Please visit the [challenge webpage](#) for inspiration for sustainable actions you can continue to take past the end of the challenge.

And if you are wishing to receive a virtual certificate of tier completion, there is still time to submit for it!



Scenes from Foss Farm

Photos courtesy of resident Judy Asarkof



Adorable dog wearing festive holiday outfit coming for a walk at Foss Farm!

Robert Gessing photographing native plant seed heads so he can pair the flower photos with the seed heads! Foss Farm has lots of native plants that are unusual.

Upcoming Walks with the Trails Committee

Trails Committee New Years Day Walk

The public is invited to join the Carlisle Trails Committee for a New Years Day walk to work off some of those holiday treats. The walk departs from the Cranberry Bog House parking lot on Curve Street at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, January 1. As always, there will be refreshments at the end. Heavy rain or snow cancels the trip. For more information, contact the Carlisle Trails Committee at carlisletrails@comcast.net.

Trails Committee Moonlight Walk

On Saturday, January 11, at 7 p.m., the Carlisle Trails Committee will lead a public walk/cross-country ski/snowshoe under the nearly full moon starting at the Foss Farm parking lot on Bedford Road. The walk will be about 2.5 miles, from Foss Farm into Great Meadows Wildlife Refuge (dogs are not allowed in the Refuge), with a shorter option of about one mile also available. Families are welcome. Dress for the winter weather and bring a flashlight. Refreshments will be served afterwards, with a marshmallow-toasting fire. For more information, contact the Carlisle Trails Committee at carlisletrails@comcast.net.

From the Carlisle Affordable Housing Trust

Members representing the Housing Trust (AHT), the Select Board, the Community Conservation Commission (CPC), the Historical Commission, the Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC) and the Town Planner met with Ellen Harde, President of Drew Farm House, Inc, a local nonprofit behind the Boston Road housing project in Westford. We toured the five recently completed rental apartments in the old farm house part of the project that were completed by the nonprofit for the town, as well as viewed the work in process by Habitat for Humanity in the barn (two 3-bedroom ownership units). The point was to gather Lessons Learned and other information for the Bog House housing project the town of Carlisle is currently studying.





SUPPORT THE CULTURAL COUNCIL'S YEAR-END CAMPAIGN!

The Carlisle Cultural Council is at a funding crossroads, and we need your help.

For the past 3 years, the Council was entrusted with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds by the Town of Carlisle to help culture in Carlisle recover from the Covid pandemic. This program has ended, but the need has not.

Help us continue to produce the **Carlisle Music Festival @Old Home Day**, **Carlisle Open Studios**, and allow us to continue to give grants to worthy cultural programs. See the numerous programs we have recently funded on our [Grant Recipients](#) page.

A very generous donor has come forward and pledged to match every gift up to \$10,000, which would double your donation. Can you donate to us this year?



Announcing the Carlisle Cultural Council Fund

Make a secure online donation by credit card to The Carlisle Cultural Council Fund. Scan the QR code or visit carlisleculturalcouncilfund.org

See additional giving options, including tax-advantaged donations, [here](#).

Your generosity will help us continue funding the wonderful events that enrich our community. Thank you for your consideration.

Carlisle Open Studios



Thank you to the more than 25 fantastic artists and artisans based in Carlisle who exhibited during the Council's first **Open Studio Days** on October 26 and November 16. Thank you too to the dozens of visitors who made these days a wonderful success for the artists.

If you want your studio to be considered for future dates, please contact Openstudios.CarlisleMA@gmail.com with **Open Studio** in the title. In the message, provide your studio address, a photo of one of your products, your website link, and if your

studio/space is mobility accessible (garages are usually accessible). If you do not have an accessible space, we will note that on announcements, or you can opt to share available spaces in other studios.

Calling all Artists, Craftspeople and Creatives

Join our list of Carlisle-based artists, craftspeople, and other creatives (photographers, filmmakers, authors, etc.) as we work to serve as a creative hub, ensure better networking, and create more events to support the creative community in Carlisle.

Email culturalcouncil@carlislema.gov with **Community Artist List** in the subject; in the message, provide your name, your specialty, and a link to your website if you have one.

Don't Miss a Beat!

Follow us and stay informed about events like the Carlisle Music Festival and Carlisle Open Studios, plus many events produced by our cultural grant recipients/partners.

www.instagram.com/carlisle_cultural_council

www.facebook.com/CarlisleCulturalCouncil

From the School Committee

Dear Carlisle Community,

Though the days appear to be shorter as 2024 draws to a close, there is still a great deal taking place in and around our schools over the next few weeks.

One major event culminating this month is our Drama Club's production of the beloved Rodgers and Hammerstein show *The Sound of Music*. Public performances will take place on December 13th at 7:00 PM and December 14th at 2:00 PM, with an in-school performance for the middle school scheduled for December 12th. Over 40 CPS students are participating in this production which is sure to be fun for the entire family. Our 4th and 5th grade Band and Chorus along with our Middle School Advanced Band and Advanced Choir will hold a winter concert on Wednesday evening December 18th in the auditorium. December also means the start of our interscholastic Basketball season, so check the district calendar on the homepage of the website for game dates and locations. We hope you will be able to make it out to attend some of these events and support our teams.

In the spirit of giving, the second and fifth grade classes have kicked off the 15th Annual Pajama Drive. They invite you to join them in their community service project of donating warm pajamas to children in need. Please consider donating one, two, or more pairs of brand-new pajamas by Monday, December 16th.

In the midst of all of this activity we have an early release day on Thursday, December 12th and no school on Friday, December 13th for Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences and professional development for other staff members.

On the operational side, the School Committee held its FY26 Budget Hearing at their meeting on Wednesday, December 11th. The School Start Time Exploratory Committee is also continuing their work this month, and they want to thank everyone who took the time to fill out their recent survey and provide initial feedback on the topic.

Additionally, we want to remind everyone that the Winter/New Year's Break this year will begin at the close of school on Friday, December 20 with school being closed on Monday, December 23rd and students returning to school on Thursday, January 2nd.

We do hope that you have the opportunity to enjoy the season.

Warm regards,

Sharon Whitt

Carlisle School Committee Chair

Jim O'Shea

Superintendent of Schools

From the DPW Director

HO HO Howdy folks!

Ole Saint Nick paid an early visit to the DPW this year and dropped off this little beauty for us to better manage all the weather his buddy Jack Frost plans to throw at us this winter!

So, throw another log on the fire and sit back and relax with your families And have a Merry Christmas! We gotcha covered.

As always, thank you for your patience and support! 🧑‍🌾 🎄

Jim



Carlisle Parent Book Group: "Anxious Generation"

Are you interested in exploring the impact of social media on children's mental health? Join the Carlisle parent and caregiver book group to discuss *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt, a compelling book about how smartphones and social media affect adolescent well-being.

Details:

- **First Meeting:** Monday, January 8, 2024
- **Time:** 7:00–8:00 PM
- **Format:** Zoom

This book group will run alongside the CPS faculty book group, fostering shared insights and meaningful discussions across both groups.

To sign up or for more information, contact:
Krystle Gibbs: krystle.gibbs@gmail.com
Mahreen Hoda: mahreenhoda@gmail.com

Learn more and see the full meeting schedule: <https://www.carlislemapto.org/anxious-generation>.

BOOK CLUB

Join our community book group as we read and discuss

The Anxious Generation
by Jonathan Haidt

Join the discussion on the impact of smartphones and social media on child and teen mental health.

Zoom Sessions Begin:
Wednesday, January 8th
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
Anxious Generation
How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness
Jonathan Haidt
King of the American Mind

From the Town Administrator

Ryan McLane, Town Administrator

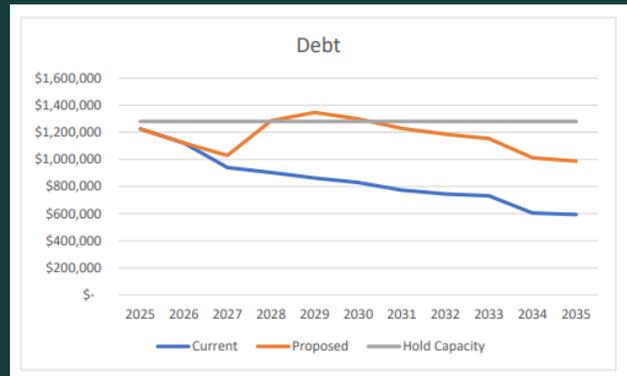
Understanding the annual budget process is important for residents, as it directly impacts the services the town provides and how much these services cost. Here is a simple overview of how this year’s budget process works and how you can stay informed.

Timeline for the 2024-2025 Budget:

- **Fall 2024:** The Select Board and Finance Committee set budget goals for the next year.
- **December 2024:** The first draft of the budget is created.
- **January – April 2025:** The Finance Committee reviews the budget, makes recommendations, and discusses them with the Select Board at the budget hearing.
- **May 18, 2025:** The final budget is approved by voters at the Annual Town Meeting.

During the winter and spring, residents can follow the Finance Committee’s recommendations and discussions with the Select Board. These lead to a final budget, which is presented at the budget hearing in April and voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in May. Your feedback during this process is important, as it helps create a budget that reflects the community’s needs.

Item	Dept	Location	FY26	Notes
RTU	CPS	Robbins	200,000.00	Year 1 of 2 year - school HVAC
Person Lift	CPS	CPS	25,000.00	Necessary for maintenance projects
Facilities Parking Lot	CPS	Facilities	30,000.00	Necessary maintenance
WWTP Repairs	CPS	WWTP	150,000.00	Projected costs based on 15-year plan
School IT Infrastructure	CPS	CPS	112,000.00	Request from school IT
40-Yard Trash Container	DPW	Transfer	8,500.00	Cyclical replacements
Roadside Tractor and Mower	DPW	DPW	160,000.00	
Stand Up Mower	DPW	Cemetery	8,000.00	
Road Maintenance	DPW	DPW	800,000.00	Based on projected Select Board approval
Master Bus System	Fire	CFD	65,000.00	Past life expectancy, mission critical
Power Cot and Load	Fire	CFD	85,000.00	New based on patient needs
CAD System	Communications	Communications	230,000.00	End of life replacement
Cruiser	Police	CPD	70,000.00	
Drone	Police	CPD	16,700.00	Change in cost (down)
Sign Board	Police	CPD	25,000.00	new request for public communication
LIDAR Unit	Police	CPD	6,000.00	New request for speed enforcement
Pickleball Courts	Parks	Banta	225,000.00	
COAHS SUV	COAHS	Town Hall	45,000.00	New vehicle needed
IT Upgrades	Town Hall	Town Hall	25,000.00	
Bathroom Upgrade	Town Hall	Town Hall	20,000.00	Added based on MFC priority
Windows and Doors	Town Hall	Town Hall	150,000.00	
Elevators	Town	Town	1,000,000.00	Combined elevator projects to reduce cost
Total			3,456,200.00	



How to Stay Informed:

Visit the town’s budget page for updates: www.carlislema.gov/1083/Budget-Information

Follow us on social media ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), and [LinkedIn](#)) for notifications.

Sign up for email updates through the [Town’s website](#).

New! Podcast Alert:

We are excited to introduce **The Carlisle Connection** podcast. It features short, informative episodes about local government, including the budget process. Subscribe on [Apple Podcast](#) or [Spotify](#) by searching for “The Carlisle Connection.”

Stay involved and informed as we work together on this important process!

-NEW IN CARLISLE COMMUNICATIONS-

Winter in Carlisle: Stay Safe, Stay Connected

Winter brings beauty and challenges alike, but we're here to help! Watch our quick and informative video to learn how Carlisle's town departments are working to support YOU this winter. From safety tips to resources like fuel assistance, transportation, and emergency preparedness, we've got you covered.

Highlights include:

- Fire & Police safety tips
- Fire, Police, COAHS, Library, and Public Health Services
- How to sign up for Town alerts

Get ready, stay informed, and make this winter your safest yet!

Watch now: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgAF8kCo28A>

STAY SAFE, STAY CONNECTED!

WATCH TO LEARN:

- FIRE & POLICE SAFETY TIPS
- TOWN SERVICES DURING AN EMERGENCY
- HOW TO SIGN UP FOR TOWN ALERTS

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgAF8kCo28A>

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Follow our Podcast

Exciting news! Our new podcast, The Carlisle Connection, is live! Stay connected with what's happening in town—subscribe now on Apple Podcasts or Spotify!

To find us, search for The Carlisle Connection on either platform, or click below!

Spotify:
<https://open.spotify.com/show/5P3FH7Ay1xPuBa7RDb2p6Y>

Apple Podcasts:
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-town-administrators-report/id1779793756>

Looking for Korean War Veterans

If you are a Korean War Veteran or surviving spouse of a service member who served in Korea during the war, please contact the Veteran Services Office. The Republic of Korea has graciously enacted a medal to honor and thank service members who served in Korea. It is the Korean Ambassador for Peace Medal. This medal is also available to surviving spouses. To see if you are eligible, please contact the Veteran Services Office at (781) 953-3160 or kytler@lexingtonma.gov.

The Dog Tag Shape Election Results Are In!

Over 330 students from the elementary school voted for next year's dog license tag to be... a star! Dr. Dennet Sidell, Elementary Principal of the Carlisle Public Schools, announced that the star shape won by a very large margin. This marks the fifth Dog Tag Election in Carlisle: previous elections were held in 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2023. The Town Clerk's office and Town Administrator Ryan McLane were excited to be able to partner again with Dr. Sidell and the Carlisle Public School to give students this fun and important opportunity to practice civic engagement.



New Sustainability Webpage

Residents are invited to explore the new Sustainability page on the Town website, where they can access information regarding sustainability efforts in Town, as well as connect with Town programs such as the CCA, and the Environmental Sustainability Committee!

Visit <https://www.carlislema.gov/1242/Sustainability>

NEW TAX BILLS COMING SOON!!!

Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills will be mailed December 30, 2024 in a new format. The bills will contain a remittance to be sent with the February 1st and the May 1st payments. The bottom portion of the bill is the remittance coupon for the February tax payment and the middle coupon is for the May tax payment. The top portion of the bill is your receipt. **You will not receive a separate bill in April for the May 1st due date.**

Below is an example of the new tax bill:

Town of Carlisle
Collector's Office
66 Westford St.
Carlisle, MA 01741



Town of Carlisle

FISCAL YEAR 2025

REAL ESTATE TAX BILL

LOCATION: 123 MAIN ST	Parcel Number: 3-2-1	Bill Number: 751
Property Class: 101	Preliminary Real Estate Tax	\$9,351.66
Land Area: 2.00 Acres	Preliminary CPA Surcharge	\$173.71
Parcel ID: 3-2-1	Total Preliminary Tax	\$9,525.37
	Third Quarter Tax Due 02/03/2025	\$4,762.69
	Fourth Quarter Tax Due 05/01/2025	\$4,762.68

JOHN SMITH
123 MAIN ST
CARLISLE, MA 01741

Office Hours
Monday - Friday, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Questions regarding assessments should be addressed to the
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE at 978-369-2392.
Questions regarding payments should be addressed to the
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE at 978-369-5557

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Interest at the rate of 14% per annum will accrue on overdue payments from the due date until payment is made.

Your Preliminary Real Estate Tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 on the Parcel of REAL ESTATE described below is as follows:

Collector of Taxes Sandra Nason	JOHN SMITH 123 MAIN ST CARLISLE, MA 01741
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	
123 MAIN ST	
Property Class	101
Land Area	2.00 Acres
Parcel ID	3-2-1

Fiscal Year 2025
Real Estate Tax Bill

FISCAL YEAR 2025
REMITTANCE COPY Q4
REAL ESTATE TAX

BILL DATE:	04/01/2025
BILL NUMBER:	751
Total Due	➔➔ \$4,762.68
Due & Payable 05/01/2025	

Pay your bill online!
Go to www.carlislema.gov

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Fiscal Year 2025
Real Estate Tax Bill

FISCAL YEAR 2025
REMITTANCE COPY Q3
REAL ESTATE TAX

BILL DATE:	01/01/2025
BILL NUMBER:	751
Total Due	➔➔ \$4,762.69
Due & Payable 02/03/2025	

Pay your bill online!
Go to www.carlislema.gov

Mail Payments and Make Check Payable to:

Town of Carlisle
Department 1800
P.O. Box 986535
Boston, MA 02298-6535

19662062025500000751800004762681101244

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE AND MAIL PAYMENTS TO:

Town of Carlisle
Department 1800
P.O. Box 986535
Boston, MA 02298-6535

196620620255000007518000047626960801243



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*Council on Aging
 and Human Services*

Holiday Wreath-Making Event Brings Joy to Carlisle

One of Carlisle’s most cherished holiday traditions, the **Garden Club/COAHS Holiday Wreath-Making Event**, brought festive joy to the community once again this year. Participants gathered to design their own unique wreaths, with materials and decorations prepared in advance by the talented members of the Garden Club.

Beyond the creative fun, the event spread holiday cheer far and wide. Extra wreaths, thoughtfully crafted by the Garden Club, were delivered to brighten the homes of older adults in the community and to bring seasonal warmth to Town Hall, the Police Department, and the Fire Department.

This beloved event not only celebrated the holiday spirit but also reinforced the sense of community that makes Carlisle so special, bringing light and joy to all during the darkest time of the year.



Thanksgiving COAHS Lunch Serves Up Fun and Nostalgia

This year’s **Thanksgiving COAHS Lunch** was a feast for the senses and a celebration of community! Attendees enjoyed a delicious meal alongside an unforgettable performance of Elvis Memories by national award-winning Elvis tribute artist, **Dan Fontaine**.

From heartfelt renditions of classics like “Love Me Tender” to toe-tapping hits such as “Hound Dog”, the audience swayed, clapped, and sang along, reliving the magic of Elvis Presley’s music.



Upcoming events:

- Visit to the Peabody Essex Museum
- Talk on End-of-Life Doulas
- 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer’s Disease

Check out our website for more information, carlislecoahs.org



From the Gleason Public Library

Upcoming Programs at the Gleason

Registration is required for each program at gleasonlibrary.org/events

- Tuesday 12/17, 7 p.m. [Across Namibia – A Natural History Journey](#)
- Wednesday 12/18, 4 p.m. [Felted Gnome Hoop with Pop Up Art School](#) (grades 5-8)
- Thursday 12/19, 6 p.m. [Winter Holiday Sing-Along with Steve Blunt](#)
- Saturday 1/4, 10:30 a.m. [Frozen Story Time with Strega Mama](#)
- Friday 1/10, 3 p.m. [Jar Lantern Craft Workshop](#) (grades 5-8)
- Thursday 1/16, 7 p.m. [Monarch Butterfly Film Showing and Filmmaker Discussion](#)



Holiday Updates

The Gleason Library will be open on Christmas Eve 12/24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and New Year's Eve 12/31 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

[Celebrate the season with a playlist of holiday classics](#), curated by our reference librarian Joe Sorrenti on Freegal - free streaming and downloads with your Gleason card at gleasonlibrary.freegalmusic.com or the Freegal app.

Thank you to the Carlisle Garden Club for the Library's stunning holiday wreaths!



Friends' Annual Meeting

✦ A huge THANK YOU to everyone who joined the Friends of the Gleason Public Library last month at the Commonwealth Ballet's Nutcracker Reading! ✦

We had such a magical time enjoying the CBC's wonderful presentation of The Nutcracker, complete with beautiful dance snippets that brought the story to life. The kids had a blast making Nutcracker-inspired ornaments at the craft table, and we hope everyone enjoyed the refreshments! Special thanks to our amazing 8th-grade volunteers, who did a fantastic job helping at the craft table. Your enthusiasm and support made this event extra special for the little ones!



Thank you again for being a part of this wonderful event and for supporting the [Friends of the Gleason Public Library](#).

Holiday
Library Hours

The Gleason Library's holiday hours will be:

Tues. 12/24: open 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Wed. 12/25: closed
Tues. 12/31: open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Wed. 1/1/25: closed

GLEASON PUBLIC LIBRARY

WINTER READING CHALLENGE 2025

COMING IN JANUARY - STAY TUNED!

CLIMATE RESILIENT CARLISLE



MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY PREPAREDNESS



The Town of Carlisle is looking for YOUR input!

Join a conversation with Carlisle's boards and committees as we discuss ways to make Carlisle more climate resilient.

MEETING DATES AND TIMES:

Monday, January 6th, 7:00pm:

- Zoning Board of Appeals

Monday, January 13th, 7:00pm:

- Planning Board

Tuesday, January 14th, 7:00pm:

- Select Board

Wednesday, January 15th, 7:00 pm:

- Historical Commission
- Board of Health

Thursday, January 16th, 7:00 pm:

- Environmental Sustainability Committee

SEE TOWN WEBSITE FOR AGENDAS WITH SPECIFIC DISCUSSION TIMES, MEETING LOCATIONS, AND ZOOM LINKS

For information on translation services, or other questions, contact:

 jmercier@carlislema.gov



CLIMATE RESILIENCE OFFICE HOURS



Chat with Carlisle's Town Planner and Sustainability Coordinator about planning for Carlisle's climate resilient future!

Where: Carlisle Town Hall, 66 Westford Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

When: 1st Tuesday of the Month, 11am - 1pm

For information on language services, or other questions, contact:

jmercier@carlislema.gov



CAMBIO CLIMATICO HORARIOS DE CONSULTA



¡Charla con el Planificador Municipal y Coordinador de Sostenibilidad de Carlisle para asegurar un futuro resiliente al clima en Carlisle!

Dónde: Carlisle Town Hall, 66 Westford Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

Cuándo: Primer Martes del Mes, de 11am a 1pm

Para obtener información sobre servicios lingüísticos u otras consultas, contáctanos:

jmercier@carlislema.gov



气候韧性 办公时间



同本镇（Carlisle）的计划及可持续发展协调员见面，探讨如何积极为本镇气候韧性的未来未雨绸缪！

地点：Carlisle 镇政厅
66 Westford Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

时间：每月第一个周二上午11点到下午1点

如需语言服务或者您有其它问题，敬请电邮：

jmercier@carlislema.gov



आबोहवा लचीलापन कार्यालय घंटे



बात करें कार्लिस्ले के शहर योजनाकर्ता और स्थिरता समन्वयक के साथ कार्लिस्ले के अबोहवा लचीलापन भविष्य की योजना के बारे में!

कहां: कार्लिस्ले टाउन हॉल, 66 Westford Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

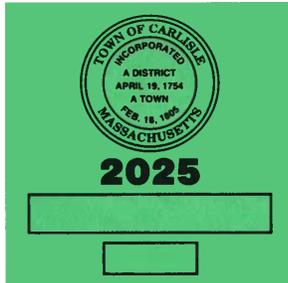
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2025 Transfer Station stickers are now available for purchase!



All residents are asked to purchase their stickers online <https://unipaygold.unibank.com/transactionInfo.aspx?CustomerID=2575&TransID=34983>. The online system has been simplified and should be accessible to all; electronic check (ACH), Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, and Discover are accepted. All online purchases will be fulfilled by mail within 2 weeks. The email confirmation receipt may be presented for access until you receive your sticker. See our website for more information, including fee schedules: <https://www.carlislema.gov/343/Transfer-Station>

If you are unable to wait for your sticker to be mailed, you may purchase it at the Police Station using the computer in the lobby to complete the transaction with the card swiper. If you are able to complete the transaction at the Police Station you'll receive a permanent sticker, otherwise you'll need to call or email Executive Assistant Gretchen Gallimore at 978-369-6136 or ggallimore@carlislema.gov for assistance with the purchase.

Police Dispatch will not provide a sticker to residents who purchased online as those orders will be fulfilled by mail. They also will not provide a permanent sticker if, for any reason, the purchase cannot be completed using the computer in the lobby.

Police dispatch does have the ability to issue to each resident once per year a single use pass providing access to the Transfer Station. This would be done as a temporary measure in the event the resident has not completed the sticker purchase and has been denied access at a time when Town Hall is not open, or staff is unavailable at the time.

The Transfer Station will allow access during January to residents who have not yet purchased their 2025 sticker. On February 1 attendants will begin more strict enforcement, approaching those entering without a current year sticker to remind them. Effective March 1, no access will be granted unless a 2025 sticker is displayed, a confirmation of purchase receipt is shown, or a single use permit is presented to the attendant. Stickers should be affixed to the interior windshield on the driver's side.

There are provisions for special circumstances. All special circumstances are directed to Executive Assistant Gretchen Gallimore (ggallimore@carlislema.gov; 978-369-6136).

- Temporarily Out of Service: for residents whose "stickered" vehicle is temporarily out of service.
- "Caretaker": for those residents who are temporarily or permanently unable to visit the Transfer Station themselves.
- Waiver of Fee for Financial Hardship
- Other





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