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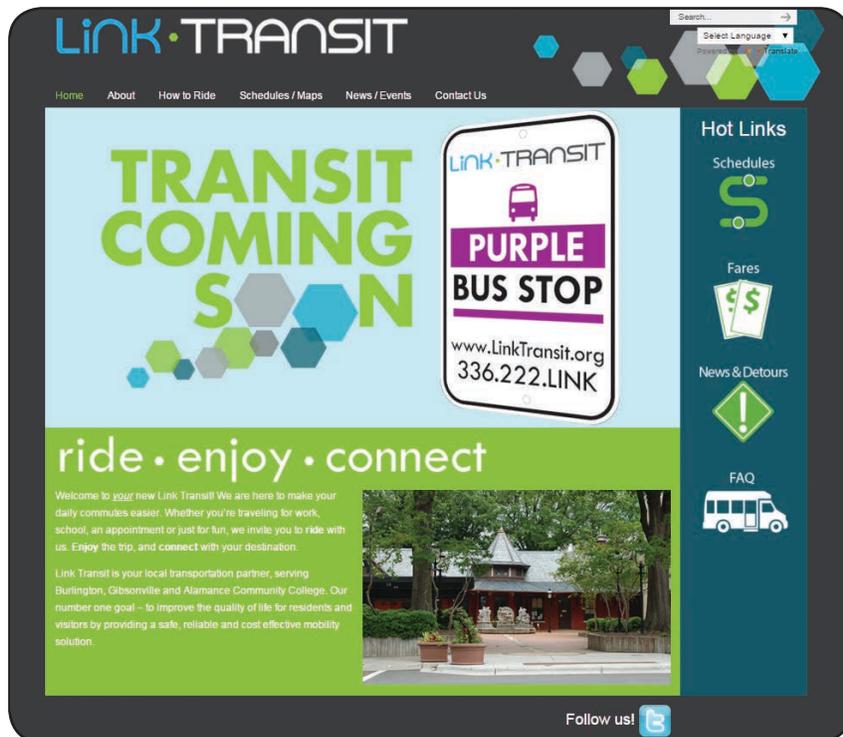
City Holiday

M.L. King Jr. Day: Jan. 18th
Offices will be Closed
Garbage/Recycling to be collected on Jan. 19th.
(336) 222-5111

Basic Archery Instruction for Youth

Feb. 10th
Lake Mackintosh
Clubhouse
(336) 229-3150

Learn More about Link Transit



Link Transit is gearing up and getting ready to hit the streets of Burlington, Gibsonville, and the main campus of Alamance Community College in the early summer of 2016.

As the bus system moves closer to operation, we want the community to stay informed of the progress. Link Transit now has a home on the web at **www.LinkTransit.org**. There you can find any information currently available about the bus system.

Follow Link Transit on Twitter @LinkTransitNC and subscribe to receive updates in the form of emails, voice calls, or text messages by visiting **www.BurlingtonNC.gov/NotifyMe** and selecting the Link Transit subscription list.



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Tethering Restrictions

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Tethering a dog in the City of Burlington is prohibited.

What is tethering? Tethering refers to keeping dogs outside on chains, ropes, or tie-outs versus a fenced area. Walking a dog on a leash is not considered tethering.

Tethering is permitted for the following specific reasons, and only for fewer than 7 consecutive days:

- Lawful animal events and hunting activities
- To meet the requirements of a camping or recreational facility
- Law enforcement activities
- After taking possession of a stray and having notified animal control

- When a caretaker is outside and within eyesight of the animal

Tethering of a sick, injured, or diseased dog or any puppy is never permitted.

Phase II of implementation of the anti-tethering ordinance went into effect on January 1st and will continue until June 30, 2016. During this six month period, written warnings will be issued to dog owners that are not in compliance with the ordinance. These owners will be given until June 30, 2016, or thirty days from the time of the warning (whichever is greater), to comply with the anti-tethering ordinance.

On July 1, 2016, the transition period will be over and full enforcement of the anti-tethering ordinance will begin. Formal citations will be issued to owners of tethered dogs at this time.

Alternatives to tethering include building a fence or having one installed, using a pen or kennel enclosure, and house training your dog. Additional alternatives to tethering as well as community resources available to those currently tethering their animals are available at www.BurlingtonNC.gov/AntiTethering.

Do you have questions about anti-tethering regulations? Contact Burlington Animal Services at (336) 578-0343 or at animalservices@ci.burlington.nc.us.



FOG Myth Busters & Leaf Collection

FOG Myth Busters

Fats, oils and grease can cause big problems for the City of Burlington and for homeowners if they are not disposed of properly. It is important to be sure that fats, oils and grease are saved and reused or go into the garbage. Fats, oils and grease should never go down your drain and into the City's sewer system.

While gravy, dressing, sauces and liquid cooking oil may look harmless in liquid form, they can cool and congeal into a thick and sticky mess! Know the facts and bust the common myths about the fats, oils and grease that can cause costly clogs and even lead to sewer overflows:



Myth #1: "I can dissolve grease in my pipes by pouring hot water down the drain."

Fact #1: Hot water may give the illusion of dissolving grease, but in reality, hot water only pushes the grease farther down the pipe where it quickly cools and coats the sides of the pipes.

Myth #2: "I don't create enough fats, oils or grease to clog pipes."

Fact #2: Once deposited inside a pipe, grease doesn't go away. Over time, any household can put enough fats, oils and grease down a drain to clog pipes. That is why it is important to do all that you can to avoid allowing fats, oils or grease of any type down the drain.

Do you have questions about preventing clogs? Visit www.BurlingtonNC.gov/FOG or call the City Water Resources Department at (336) 222-5133.

Options for Lingering Leaves

As the loose leaf collection schedule comes to a close, keep in mind that options still remain for leaf disposal. During the month of February, you can call (336) 222-5005 to request a collection of loose leaves.

Alternatively, you may always place leaves in a yard waste container that is no more than 32 gallons and weighs less than 50lb. Leaves may also be bagged in clear plastic bags, weighing less than 50lb. Yard waste containers and clear plastic leaf bags can be collected on your regular trash collection day regardless of the time of year.



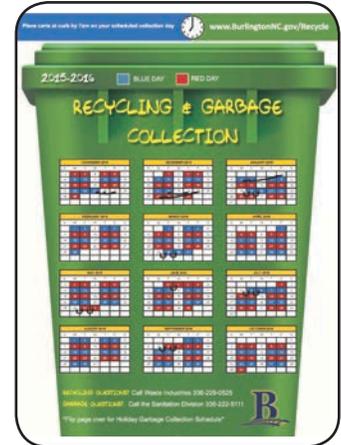
Find more information about the City's leaf collection program online at www.BurlingtonNC.gov/LeafCollection.

Waste Reminder & BurlingtonNC.gov

Free E-Waste Collection & Waste Calendars

Wondering what to do with out of date or broken electronic devices? These cannot be thrown away with your garbage. However, the City will host a free electronic waste collection event on February 6th from 9am -2pm in the Public Works Department parking lot, located at 234 E. Summit Ave. in Burlington. White goods, appliances and non-electronics will not be accepted. Alkaline batteries must be removed from electronic devices before they are dropped off for recycling. Call (336) 222-5095 with questions.

Do you need a 2015-2016 garbage and recycling collection calendar? They are available online and for download at www.BurlingtonNC.gov/Recycle. If you don't have internet access and need a copy, you can call (336) 222-5076 to request a copy be mailed to your home.



A New BurlingtonNC.gov



Last month, the City's website, www.BurlingtonNC.gov, received a make-over!

The new website features a responsive design that adjusts to the device on which it is being viewed. This will be of great benefit to the 48% of visitors who viewed the site on a mobile device last year.

The navigation of the site has also been thoughtfully reorganized based on a wealth of data gathered from various

sources. Feedback was received from a April 2015 communications survey conducted by Elon University students. Multiple website usability focus groups were hosted with participants ranging from teens to seniors, business executives, and resident volunteers. Staff analyzed historical website usage data and reviewed award-winning municipal websites from around the country on which [BurlingtonNC.gov](http://www.BurlingtonNC.gov) could be modeled. This depth of information empowered city staff to create an effective, resident-centric, new website navigation structure.

Please take a moment to explore what the new [BurlingtonNC.gov](http://www.BurlingtonNC.gov) has to offer. If you have feedback or notice anything awry within the new site, please contact the webmaster at rkelly@ci.burlington.nc.us.