

# City Works



City of Burlington, NC - "Connecting the Triad & Triangle"

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## Thanksgiving Garbage & Recycling Schedule



Both garbage and recycling schedules will be modified during the week of November 18 to accommodate the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### Garbage:

Thursday and Friday garbage routes will be collected on *Wednesday, November 21*. Monday and Tuesday garbage routes will remain the same. Call 222-5111 with questions.

### Recycling:

The Waste Industries Thursday & Friday recycling routes will be collected on *Friday, November 23*. Monday and Tuesday routes will remain the same. Call 229-0525 with any questions.

### Dates to Remember:

**Christmas Parade**  
*November 17th, 10am*  
(Call 222-5030)

**City Offices Closed**  
*November 22-23*

**Holiday Magic**  
*December 14th, 6-9pm*  
(Call 222-5030)

**Christmas in the Park**  
*December 22nd, 6-9pm*  
(Call 222-5030)

**City Offices Closed**  
*December 24-26*

## CodeRED Emergency Notification

This is one call that you shouldn't let go to voicemail! A call from CodeRED during an emergency could actually help save your life.

In September, the City of Burlington partnered with the Emergency Communications Network to provide residents with a service called CodeRED. The CodeRED system uses geographically



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# Emergency Notification

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Sign up for...



coded contact information to allow the City's Emergency Management staff to place a call to homes, residents and businesses in affected areas of the city in the event of an emergency. A test call of the system was placed on October 2nd and reached over 16,000 phone numbers within the City.

While this service has the capacity to greatly assist emergency personnel with the notification process during times of crisis, it is only as effective as the database of contact information supporting it. That is why the City is asking anyone living in Burlington to

take a few moments to register for CodeRED!

Registration is easy. You will be asked to supply some basic information that will be kept confidential and is not subject to public record inquiry. To be entered into the CodeRED system, you must provide your physical address and at least one associated phone number. You may choose to add up to two phone numbers and can also choose to receive alert text messages to one or both of the numbers.

As an additional service, CodeRED also provides the option for registrants to receive Weather Warnings in the event of tornadoes, severe thunderstorms or flash floods. When registering your information into the CodeRED system, simply select which additional messages you would like to receive and how you would like to receive them.

If you aren't sure if you are already registered for CodeRED, you are encouraged to register anyway. By doing so, you can be certain that you will get a call in the case of an emergency and you will also have the opportunity to opt-in to the Weather Warning system if you so choose.

### **There are three ways that you can register for the CodeRED system:**

1. Visit [www.BurlingtonNC.gov/CodeRED](http://www.BurlingtonNC.gov/CodeRED) where you can complete the online registration form and even create an account that enables you to modify your message preference at any time.
2. Call the City's "Connecting Burlington Communities" hotline at **222-5024** and ask to register for CodeRED. A City staff member will gather your information to enter into the CodeRED system.
3. Visit the Police Department, any Fire Station, the Kernodle Senior Center or the Municipal Building and complete a **paper registration card**.

Additionally, you have the opportunity to take CodeRED on the go. Download the mobile application to your phone and get emergency notifications whenever you are in an area that uses the CodeRED service.

# Holidays & Home Rehab

## The Magic of the Holidays Comes to Life in Burlington

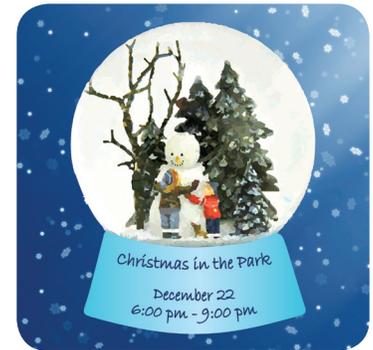


The Burlington Recreation and Parks Department, along with the Burlington Downtown Corporation and The Glass Angel, are hoping folks not only remember “A Dickens’ Christmas,” but will be excited when it returns to downtown Burlington on December 14 for this year’s *Holiday Magic*. This special event offers an evening of live entertainment and fun attractions for the entire community!

New this year, *Snow My Yard* will feature their man-made snow hill for sledding while our downtown restaurants take to the streets grilling and serving up turkey legs, corn on the cob, Philly cheese steaks, roasted nuts and much more! While enjoying this great event, take the opportunity to give back by bringing can foods for the first annual “giving tree ceremony.”

Burlington Recreation & Parks also invites families to the annual *Christmas in the Park* on Saturday, December 22. City Park will come to life with thousands of holiday lights. Families can enjoy strolling carolers and refreshments in both the park and Thataways Youth Center. Santa Claus will also be there taking last minute Christmas wishes.

Both events are held from 6pm-9pm. For more information call 222-5030.



## The Home Rehabilitation Program

Did you know that the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development provides funds to the City of Burlington to expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income persons in the City? The City uses funds available through the HOME program and Community Development Block Grants to provide loans to rehabilitate single-family, owner-occupied homes.



If you are a homeowner that meets specific income qualifications, are current on all city and county taxes, have no liens or judgements against you and you maintain current property insurance, you may be eligible to apply to receive assistance. Want to know more? Contact the Community Development Division at 222-5070.

# Annual Loose Leaf Collection

- Loose leaves should be placed by 7:00 AM on the Monday of the scheduled week of leaf collection.
- Please do not pile leaves in the street, in drainage ditches or over water meters.
- Do not park in front of or on leaf piles.
- Leaves which contain gravel, limbs, glass or other solid debris cannot be collected.
- Should you require more frequent leaf collection, you may place leaves in your yard waste can, box, or in clear plastic bags for collection on your regular trash day.
- Leaves will be collected on a “convenience schedule” during the month of February by calling 222-5005 or 222-5077.
- Visit [www.BurlingtonNC.gov/LeafCollection](http://www.BurlingtonNC.gov/LeafCollection) for more detailed information.

## Nov. - Jan. Collection Schedule

### Zone 1:

Nov. 12-16

Dec. 17-21

Jan. 22-25

### Zone 3:

Nov. 5-9

Dec. 3-7

Jan. 7-11

### Zone 2:

Nov. 26-30

Dec. 31-Jan. 4

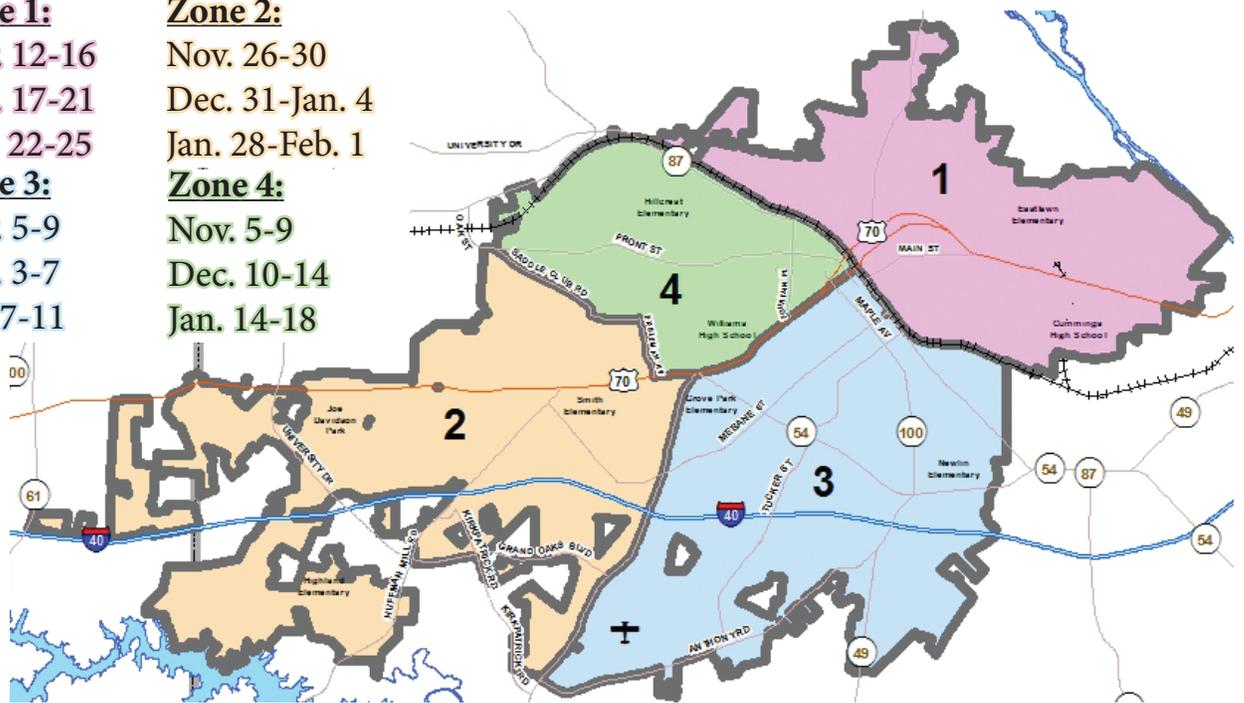
Jan. 28-Feb. 1

### Zone 4:

Nov. 5-9

Dec. 10-14

Jan. 14-18



## Keep the Clogs Away: Fats, Oils and Grease

Fats, oils and grease, known collectively as FOGs, are a part of our daily lives. They come from the meats, nuts, vegetable oils, dairy products, soups, gravies, sauces, pastas and poultry that we prepare and eat every day. However, when the by-products from the preparation of these foods go down the drain and end up in the sewer system, big problems can occur. FOGs create build up and blockages in sewer pipes that result in pipe damage and sewage backups.

Doing your part to prevent these costly and troublesome issues is simple. When preparing food, be sure to scrape plates and catch food scraps then discard them in the garbage. Use a tin can to collect liquid oils and grease before disposing of them in the garbage. Diligently keeping these substances out of the City's sewer system can save everyone money and headaches.