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Libations & Lightbulbs

Go green this month by participating in the first lightbulb exchange of 2023 at Crescent Wine & Spirits at Bowie Marketplace on March 16 from 4 - 6 p.m. Bring in up to 10 Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs (CFLs) and receive one free LED lightbulb and a coupon for Crescent merchandise.

Tanglewood Property Stakeholders Meeting

Tanglewood is a city-owned, 127-acre wooded property off Zug Rd. in Old Town Bowie. There will be a stakeholders meeting regarding the property on March 16 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. to discuss three conceptual parking improvement plans. These plans were created based on input received from an initial stakeholders meeting in January. The goal of this meeting is to identify a single conceptual parking plan to be selected for inclusion in the draft Tanglewood Property Master Plan that will be presented to City Council on April 3. Registration is required to participate in this virtual meeting. Register at www.cityofbowie.org/tanglewood.

Your Input is Needed

This month's [Bowie Spotlight](#) has an article about the limited role that City officials can play in deciding who leases or purchases an office, retail or residential space in the City. Despite the constraints, sometimes City Councilmembers and City staff CAN act as city ambassadors or boosters to encourage certain types of businesses or retailers to locate here.

You can help shape those efforts by completing our 2-question survey about what retailers you'd like to see operating in Bowie. Survey link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/bowieretail.



YOUR INPUT NEEDED

Take a quick survey
about retailers you'd
like to see in Bowie

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Bowie Police Department Reaccreditation Survey

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®) helps ensure professionalism and high standards in law enforcement agencies. The Bowie Police Department was first certified in 2020 and is now going through a recertification process. As part of the CALEA recertification process, the public is invited to offer comments about the Police Department. Please use the following link to the Accreditation Public Comment Portal to share your feedback:

<https://cimrs2.calea.org/618>. For more information about CALEA, visit <https://www.cityofbowie.org/2535/CALEA-Accreditation>.

Young Adult Job Fair

Looking to earn some extra cash this summer? Interested in gaining job experience? The City of Bowie is hosting a community job fair to help connect local employers with 15 - 25 year-old young adults seeking summer, part-time, or full-time employment on March 25 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at City of Bowie Gymnasium. Participation in the job fair is free, but registration is encouraged. The list of participating employers is continuously growing and is posted on the [website](#). If you are job hunting, please sign up at www.cityofbowie.org/jobfair. Employer registration is ongoing through March 21. Tables are free, but space is limited. Please use the Employers Registration Form to reserve a spot. For more information, contact Rhonda Simon, Bowie Youth & Family Services, at 301-809-3033 or jobfair@cityofbowie.org.



**YOUNG ADULT
JOB
FAIR**
for ages 15-25

MARCH 25
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Bowie Gym
(4100 Northview Dr.)

Contact Us:
☎ 513-817-3158
🌐 www.cityofbowie.org/jobfair
✉ jobfair@cityofbowie.org

Workforce Training Program

This FREE program offers Bowie residents, ages 15 to 25, an opportunity to learn life skills and to develop workforce skills. The program also includes information on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) career paths. A second module focuses on Innovation and Entrepreneurship for those interested in owning their own businesses. Submit your application by **March 24**. For more information, or to apply, visit www.cityofbowie.org/worktraining.

Green Tip of the Week

Planning a trip to the grocery store? Don't forget your reusable bags! They're often larger than plastic bags and easier to carry -- and they are much better for the environment.

Annual Stream & Community Cleanup

Did you know that Bowie has around 50 miles of streams that weave throughout the city? Keeping these streams clean is vital to keeping them healthy! On the first Saturday of each April, volunteers meet at several streams across the city to participate in the annual Stream & Community Cleanup. Sites will be identified a week before the cleanup so call (301-809-3043) or email Tiffany Wright (twright@cityofbowie.org) to register or for additional information. All supplies will be provided, and Prince George's County students will earn Student Service Learning (SSL) hours.

STREAM & COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

April 1st • 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Contact Tiffany Wright
for more information

twright@cityofbowie.org
301-809-3043

Plant One Tree On Us

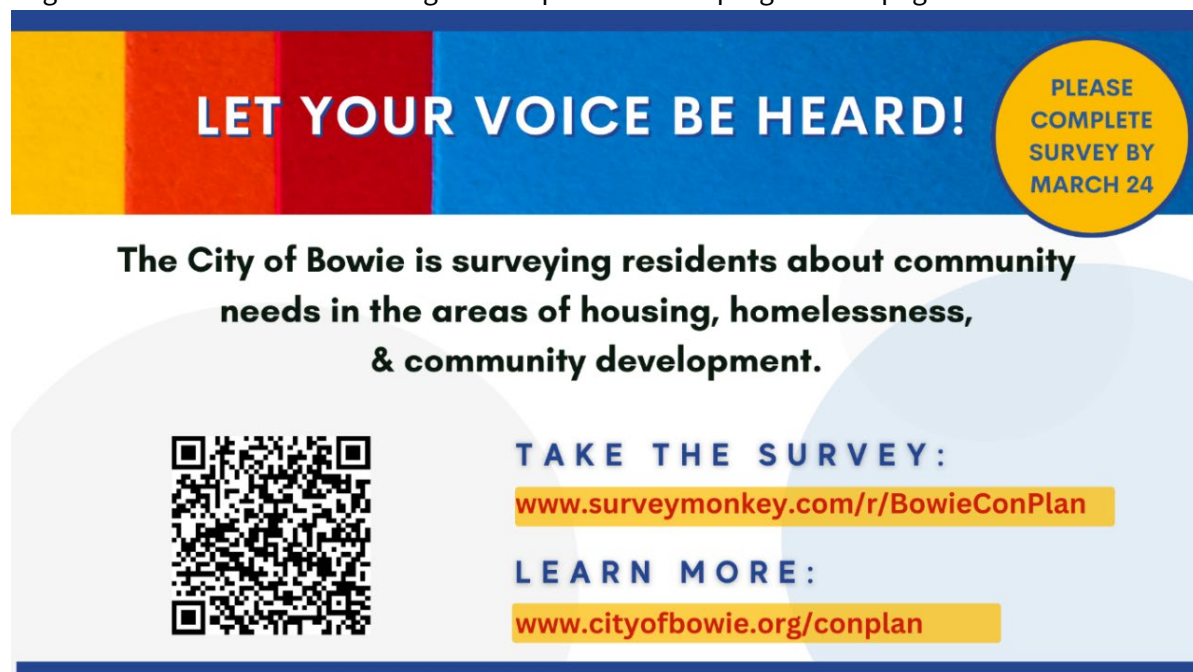
April showers bring May flowers, but the City will bring you a tree! Sign up by April 7 to get a free, native tree planted in your yard at no cost to you. Choose from one of 11 approved trees, ranging from

a redbud to a red maple. Contact Tiffany Wright to get the full list and sign up by calling 301-809-3043 or emailing twright@cityofbowie.org.

Community Development Survey

The City of Bowie is surveying City residents, neighborhood groups, businesses, the faith community, and public and private sector service providers to assess community needs in the areas of housing, homelessness, and community development. Survey results will be used in an assessment of community development needs for the FY 24 - 28 Consolidated Plan for the City's Community Development Block Grant program, which includes rehabilitation of single-family homes, workforce development, and fair housing.

The survey can be found at www.surveymonkey.com/r/BowieConPlan or use the QR code below to get to the survey. Please complete it by Friday, **March 24**. All information related to the Consolidated Plan development process is posted online at www.cityofbowie.org/conplan. Public hearings to gather additional feedback will be held on March 29, April 12, and April 26 online via Zoom. Registration links to those meetings will be posted on the program webpage.



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

PLEASE COMPLETE SURVEY BY MARCH 24

The City of Bowie is surveying residents about community needs in the areas of housing, homelessness, & community development.

TAKE THE SURVEY:
www.surveymonkey.com/r/BowieConPlan

LEARN MORE:
www.cityofbowie.org/conplan

The banner features a background with vertical stripes in yellow, orange, and red on the left, transitioning to a blue background on the right. A yellow circle on the right contains the text 'PLEASE COMPLETE SURVEY BY MARCH 24'. Below the banner, the text 'The City of Bowie is surveying residents about community needs in the areas of housing, homelessness, & community development.' is centered. To the left of this text is a QR code. To the right are two lines of text: 'TAKE THE SURVEY:' followed by the survey link, and 'LEARN MORE:' followed by the city website link.

Summer Camps

Looking to enroll your kids in a summer camp? Register now for Ice Arena Summer Camps. Camps are tailored to your child's experience level. Skaters enjoy instruction, games/music, and off-ice fun and crafts. Campers also perform in a show for the parents. The Bowie Gymnasium is also offering basketball camps this summer, led by former college coach Mike Lonergan, who is now Assistant Manager of the Bowie Gymnasium. Campers will be lead through stretching, camp contests, shooting and rebounding drills, defense, ball handling, offensive moves, individual instruction, and games.

Bowie Community Theater Presents “All My Sons”

In 1947 suburbia, Joe Keller is on the cusp of retirement. He’s had a successful career as a hard-working businessman, and enjoys a loving, patriotic home life. However, all is not as it seems. World War II has made Joe an American success story—but the devil will have his due. As the layers of this classic Arthur Miller drama unfold, a long-held secret is unearthed, and the American dream is riddled with betrayal, tragedy, and revenge. “All My Sons” runs at the Bowie Playhouse from March 31 - April 23. Performances are every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., or on Sunday at 2 p.m. Visit [Bowie Community Theater’s website](#) to purchase tickets.



Scholarship Deadlines are March 17

The Arts Scholarship and the Education Scholarship deadlines are quickly approaching. Friday, March 17 at 5 p.m. is the submission deadline for both scholarships. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/scholarships for more information on application process for each scholarship.

Malcolm “Skipp” Popp Award

The Community Outreach Committee is accepting nominations for the Malcolm “Skip” Popp Award. This award recognizes Scouts and/or Scout Leaders who have rendered “extraordinary and distinguished” community service within Scout organizations in the City of Bowie in 2022. To be eligible for this award, Scouts or Scout Leaders must be affiliated with a Scouting group within the limits of the City of Bowie, and/or a Scouting group for which 50% or more of their youth members are City of Bowie residents. They must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America or Girl Scouts, USA. See the nomination form for details regarding eligibility criteria and information required. The deadline is Friday, **March 17**. Nomination forms can be found at www.cityofbowie.org/popp.

Maryland Women's Business Center Procurement Event

The Maryland Women's Business Center will host a procurement forecast event on March 21 from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Bowie City Hall in room 243. Attendees will hear from Prince George's County's Contracts Administration & Procurement Officer, Mr. Christos Bazekis. Mr. Bazekis will discuss how to do business with Prince George's County government and discuss/review the county's current procurement forecast. Please see the registration link for this event and more details about it at: <https://mdwbc.ecenterdirect.com/events/787929>.

Job Openings

The City of Bowie is currently seeking candidates for several positions listed below. Full time employees are eligible for medical, dental, vision, life and long-term care insurance, a 401(k) with employer match, and a 457 savings plan. They also have paid holidays and earn leave. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/jobs for links to job postings.

Open until March 17

- [Part time Security Guard](#) - City Manager's Office
- [Family Counselor](#) - Community Services
- [Technology Specialist](#) - Information Technology Department

Open until March 24

- [Transportation Specialist I / Transportation Specialist II](#) - Planning & Community Development
- [Concrete Worker](#) - Streets Division/Public Works

Open until March 31

- [Crime Scene Investigator](#) - Police Department
- [Solid Waste Driver/Collector](#) - Public Works
- [Utility Services Worker](#) - Utilities Division/Public Works

Open until April 28

- [Temporary Laborer: Storm Water \(Seasonal\)](#) - Stormwater Management

Open until filled

- [Assistant Director of Public Works](#) - Public Works Department
- [Entry Level Police Officer](#) - Police Department
- [Communications Specialist II](#) - Police Department
- [Part time Ice Arena Attendant](#) - Community Services
- [Part time Bus Driver](#) - Community Services
- [HVAC Specialist](#) - Community Services

Visit <http://www.cityofbowie.org/jobs> for details or to apply.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 16

- [Libations and Lightbulbs](#) | 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- [Tanglewood Property Stakeholders Meeting #2](#) | 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Friday, March 17

- [Senior Program: St. Patrick's Day Party](#) | 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
- [Arts Scholarship Application Deadline](#) | 5 p.m.
- [Education Scholarship Application Deadline](#) | 5 p.m.
- [Popp Award Nominations Deadline](#) | 5 p.m.
- [Wine & Design: Costal Wall Art](#) | 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21

- [Senior Program: AARP Driver Safety Course](#) | 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- [Maryland Women's Business Center Forecast Event](#) | 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 25

- [Young Adult Job Fair](#) | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday, March 29

- [Fairy Tale Fun at Belair Mansion](#) | 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Friday, March 31

- [“All My Sons” at Bowie Playhouse](#) | 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, April 1

- [Annual Stream & Community Cleanup](#) | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- [“All My Sons” at Bowie Playhouse](#) | 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Visit www.cityofbowie.org/calendar for details about other upcoming events sponsored by the City.