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## Winter Storm Expected This Weekend – Stay Alert!

A significant winter storm is expected to impact the region this weekend, with moderate to high probabilities for hazardous conditions. While exact details remain uncertain, recent trends point to more mixed precipitation and lower snowfall totals, especially across SE Virginia and NE North Carolina. This means sleet and freezing rain could lead to dangerous travel and power outages. Bitterly cold air will follow the storm, keeping high temperatures below freezing through the first half of next week and prolonging snow and ice impacts. York County offices and facilities may close or adjust schedules due to the storm. For the latest updates, visit [YorkCounty.gov](https://www.yorkcounty.gov) or follow us on social media.

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### Are you prepared?

**Stock Up on Essentials:** Keep at least 3 days' worth of non-perishable food, bottled water, and necessary medications. Don't forget pet supplies.

**Prepare Your Home:** Insulate exposed pipes, check your heating system, and seal drafts to keep warm.

**Create an Emergency Kit:** Include flashlights, batteries, blankets, warm clothing, and a battery-powered radio.

**Ready Your Vehicle:** Fill your gas tank, check antifreeze, and keep an emergency kit in your car (blanket, snacks, water, jumper cables).

**Stay Informed:** Monitor local forecasts and sign up for emergency alerts:

<https://www.yorkcounty.gov/4333/RAVE-Alert>



## Smart Ways to Save on Energy Costs This Winter

As temperatures drop, many households see energy bills rise. To help customers keep costs under control, Dominion Energy has introduced new resources that make saving easier and more practical. These tools and programs are designed to help families manage energy use without sacrificing comfort. Here's what's available:

- Energy-Saving Programs: Simple steps to reduce energy consumption and lower monthly bills.
- Usage Tracking Tools: Online tools that let customers monitor energy use and find ways to cut back.
- Assistance Programs: Flexible payment options for those facing financial challenges.

For more tips and details, visit [DominionEnergy.com/SaveMore](https://www.dominionenergy.com/save-more).



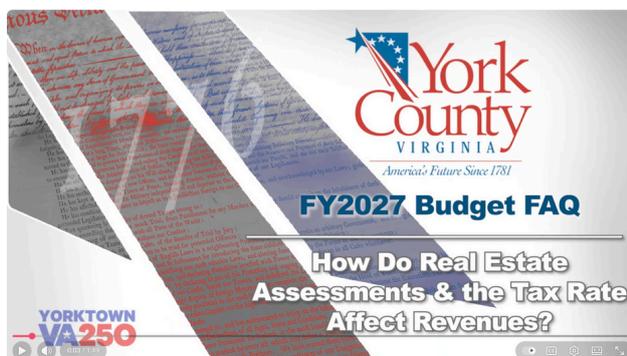
### It's Budget Season: Learn, Engage, and Get Involved!

York County's annual budget process is underway, and we want you to be part of the conversation. Each week, we'll share a short video explaining key budget topics to keep you informed and engaged.

#### This Week's Featured Video:

Ever wondered why your tax bill changes from year to year? This video explains the process behind real estate and personal property taxes and the factors that drive those decisions. Watch now at [www.yorkcounty.gov/budget](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/budget).

#### *How Property Values and Tax Rates Work Together*



#### Upcoming Public Town Hall Meetings

Have questions? Want to share your thoughts? Join us for these open forums with the County Administrator and other officials:

- **March 31** – Griffin-Yeates Center (1490 Government Road, Williamsburg) Time: 7–9 p.m. (Not televised or recorded)
- **April 2** – York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office Community Room (159 Goodwin Neck Road, Yorktown) Time: 7–9 p.m. (Not televised or recorded)

## York County Gov Series – Class #2 Coming Soon

Ready to dive deeper into how your local government works? The second class in our popular York County Gov Series kicks off this March! Stay tuned for all the details in *Citizen News Weekly*, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram so you don't miss out!



### Join Us for Teen Paint & Popcorn

Following the success of our Fatherhood Engagement Event, the York/Poquoson Department of Social Services is excited to invite you to our Teen Paint & Popcorn Event! This free event is open to York County and City of Poquoson residents with teens ages 13–17, accompanied by one guardian age 21 or older.

#### Important Details:

- First come, first served – space is limited.
- Proof of residency in York County or the City of Poquoson is required.
- After selecting your preferred location and date, please complete the registration form at: <https://www.yorkcounty.gov/4413/Family-Engagement>
- Painting supplies and popcorn will be provided!

More information at [www.yorkcounty.gov/4413/Family-Engagement](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/4413/Family-Engagement)

### Coaches Needed for Spring Soccer

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteer coaches to help make this season a success! No prior experience required—just a love for the game and a desire to support young athletes.

For details, visit [www.yorkcounty.gov/parksandrec](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/parksandrec) or call 757-890-3500.



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