

Citizen News Weekly

York County Public Affairs

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No Wake Zone Update: Clarity for Boaters

York County is addressing recent questions about **No Wake Zones (NWZ)** in our waterways. At the [February 17 Board of Supervisors meeting](#), officials will consolidate all existing markers into **one ordinance**. This step is designed to eliminate confusion from zones approved over several decades.

The County will continue to **maintain and service official NWZ signs** to ensure clarity and compliance for boaters. Our goal is simple: **clear, consistent information for safe and enjoyable waterways.**

Want to propose a change?

Residents may submit requests to bos@yorkcounty.gov. Changes follow the standard process: written request → public hearing → approval by the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources.

Deputy County Administrator Brian Fuller emphasizes:

"Our goal is to make sure boaters have clear, consistent information so they can enjoy our waterways safely."

For more information on No Wake Zones in York County, visit:

www.yorkcounty.gov/wakezones.



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.

Where We Are in the Process...



August 2025

Capital Improvement Planning



November 2025

Departments Submit Requests



March 2026

Proposed Budget and First Town Hall

March 17 – Proposed Budget Introduced

York Hall (301 Main Street, Yorktown)

6:00 p.m.

March 31 – Town Hall/Listening Session

Griffin-Yeates Center (1490 Government Road, Williamsburg)

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



April 2026

Public Hearings & Input

April 2 – Town Hall/Listening Session

York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office Community Room

(159 Goodwin Neck Road, Yorktown)

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

April 21 – Public Hearings

York Hall (301 Main Street, Yorktown)

6:00 p.m.



May 2026

Final Adoption by Board of Supervisors

Want to learn more or share your feedback? Visit www.yorkcounty.gov/Budget.



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IN REWARDS!



BLOOD DRIVE

PLEASE SUPPORT THE WHOLE BLOOD PROGRAM.

TBC REWARDS = TBC REWARD POINTS AWARDED IN DONOR PORTAL. REDEEMABLE FOR EGIFT CARD(S).
TBC WILL DONATE \$10 PER DONOR TO THE ORGANIZATION.

**FIRE STATION #1
118 DARE ROAD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26
9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.**

**Donations remain in
our community.**

Scan the QR code and
enter 14168 or visit
thebloodconnection.org.



Public Invited to Support Whole Blood Program at Upcoming Blood Drive

York County Fire and Life Safety invites community members to help strengthen its Whole Blood program by donating blood from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, at Fire Station #1 (Grafton), 118 Dare Road. Donations collected at this drive will stay within the community to help residents, neighbors, and visitors when they need it most.

Both scheduled appointments and walk-ins are welcome. To register in advance, visit <https://thebloodconnection.org/>.

Blood donations play a critical role in emergency medical care and help ensure lifesaving blood is available when seconds count. Please consider donating and supporting the Whole Blood Program. For more information, visit www.yorkcounty.gov/4657/Whole-Blood-Program.

Yorktown Admirals Night Takes Over Scope Arena

It's time to lace up and hit the Scope Arena for [Yorktown Admirals Night](#) on Saturday, February 21! Don't miss your chance to be part of this exhilarating evening as the Norfolk Admirals take on a special identity and rebrand to become the Yorktown Admirals. Fans will enjoy exciting giveaways, appearances by hometown heroes, plus musical performances by The Fifes & Drums of York Town and the talented students from Tabb Middle School. After the game, the fun continues with [a free skate](#) alongside some of the players! It's a night of hockey, hometown pride, and unforgettable family fun.



Junior Hockey Coming to Yorktown

Chilled Ponds Yorktown has announced the launch of the [Yorktown Admirals](#), a new junior hockey franchise set to begin play in the 2026-2027 season. The team will compete in the United States Premier Hockey League (USPHL), fielding both a Tier 2 National Collegiate Development Conference (NCDC) squad and a Tier 3 USPHL Premier team, providing top-level competition and development opportunities for aspiring collegiate athletes. Owned and operated by the Norfolk Admirals organization and Patrick Cavanagh, the franchise will operate out of [Chilled Ponds Yorktown](#) and is expected to have a positive impact on youth sports, local business, and York County's regional identity as a destination for hockey.

Share Your Feedback: Sheriff's Office Satisfaction Survey

Sheriff Montgomery invites members of the community to take part in our Satisfaction Survey once again. Even if you have shared feedback in the past, we would greatly appreciate you participating again. Your honest input is valuable and helps us better understand how we are serving our community and where we can continue to improve. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and help us serve you better. [Take the survey here.](#)

York County Offices Closed for Presidents' Day

In observance of Presidents' Day, York County government offices, courts, York-Poquoson Social Services, Virginia Cooperative Extension, and York County Libraries will be **closed on Monday, February 16.**

The Transfer Station, Recycling Dropoff, and VPPSA Compost Facility at the Waste Management Center will remain **open**, but administrative offices on-site will be closed.

Garbage and recycling collection will not be affected. Please place containers curbside by **7 a.m. on your regular collection day.**

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