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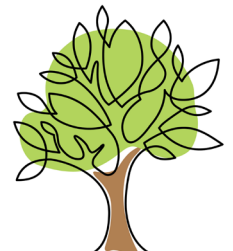
BRANCHING OUT DUBUQUE

Tree Canopy Initiative

The City, in partnership with Dubuque Trees Forever, was awarded a U.S. Forest Service grant for \$1.5 million to be used to plant thousands of trees over the next five years. Properties located within specific areas of the city are eligible to receive one or more free trees.

Residents who have interest in the initiative, including the opportunity to request a free tree, are invited to fill out an interest form at www.cityofdubuque.org/branchingout or call 563-690-6038. Also available online is an interactive map where residents can enter their address to determine if their property is located in one of the four tree planting eligibility areas.

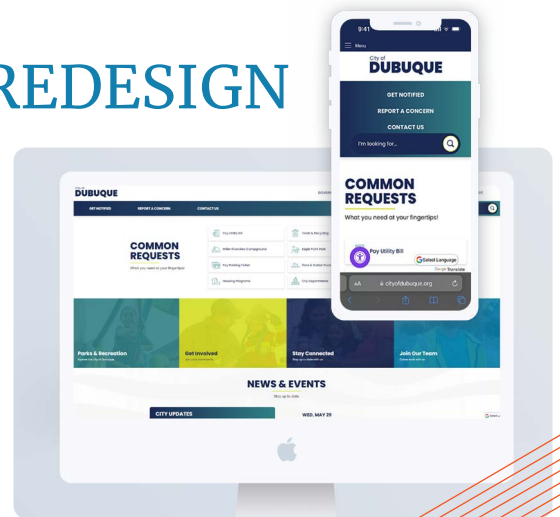
The Branching Out Dubuque initiative will have several volunteer opportunities available including helping with tree transportation and tree planting. Those interested in volunteering are also encouraged to fill out the online interest form!



Find out more and fill out an interest form at
www.cityofdubuque.org/branchingout or call 563-690-6038

CITY WEBSITE REDESIGN

The City launched a redesign of its website, www.cityofdubuque.org. The new website features a clean and modern design that improves accessibility and readability on all devices. Commonly requested services are prominently displayed on the homepage for easy access along with recent City updates, upcoming meetings and events, and City Council contact information.



Visit the new City website at www.cityofdubuque.org.

Art on the River

Culture + Conversation

SAVE THE DATE

Opening Reception
Planned for Aug. 9

Eleven new sculptures have been selected for the City's 18th annual temporary public art exhibit, Art on the River. The 2024–2025 theme, "Culture & Conversation," is meant to engage the community in conversations with each other and the artists behind the works; to encourage, challenge, and educate; help overcome barriers; and foster economic growth and community prosperity.

A call for artists to submit pieces that speak to the theme was answered with 51 applications from 31 artists in 11 states and India.

An opening reception will be held on Friday, Aug. 9, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Grand River Center, 500 Bell St. The evening will commence with live music, light hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar on the patio of the Grand River Center. The reception is free to attend, family-friendly, and open to the public.

Learn more at

www.cityofdubuque.org/artontheriver



REMINDER: USE OF FIREWORKS

Banned in City Limits

Dubuque bans the use of consumer fireworks in the city. Dubuque residents can buy and possess consumer fireworks, but they cannot use them in the city.



To report violations, call the non-emergency dispatch number: 563-589-4415.

Home Improvement PROGRAMS

The Housing and Community Development Department provides resources to homeowners, tenants, and landlords to rehabilitate, weatherize, and beautify their properties.

Homeowner Rehabilitation Program

This program provides a 0% interest, low-payment loan of up to \$25,000 to qualified applicants to complete improvements to their home.

Healthy Homes Programs

Program participants may qualify for up to \$10,000 to create a healthier home OR up to \$30,000 for lead remediation plus an additional \$5,000 for other household hazards.



Online Interest Form

Interested residents are invited to submit an online interest form. The form is utilized by City staff to find the program that best suits your needs. Information, including program details and contact information, will be mailed to you! For questions, call 563-690-6102.

Scan the QR code or fill out the interest form at www.cityofdubuque.org/homeimprovement



SCAN ME!

Youth Climate Action Microgrants

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Microgrants of \$1,000 - \$5,000 are available for youth ages 15-24 who are interested in designing, producing, and overseeing urgent climate solutions in our city. Projects can vary in scope and must align with Dubuque's 50% by 2030 Climate Action Plan. A short application and budget will be reviewed upon submission. Grants will be awarded through the summer until funds are exhausted. All projects must be completed by Fall 2024.



Learn more and apply at sustainabledubuque.org/ycaf or call the Office of Sustainability at 563-845-8591 to discuss your idea!

This program is funded by the Youth Climate Action Fund, powered by Bloomberg Philanthropies in partnership with United Cities and Local Government and the Bloomberg Center for Public Innovation at Johns Hopkins University.



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SEEKING PUBLIC INPUT!

CDBG Consolidated Plan Community Survey

The City of Dubuque receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) federal funds each year for housing and community development projects. The Housing and Community Development Department wants you to have a voice in how the City invests this money. To provide your input, fill out the CDBG Consolidated Plan community survey or call 563-581-4403.



Scan the QR code or take the survey at
www.cityofdubuque.org/cdbgsurvey

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Recreational FIRE REMINDERS

Recreational and portable outdoor fireplace fires can be enjoyed as long as a few basic rules are followed.

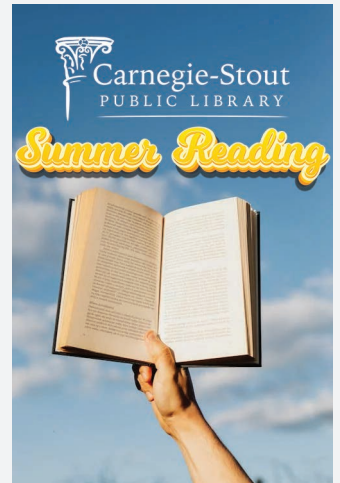
- **Wind:** Be a good neighbor and be aware of wind direction.
- **Fuel and Wood:** Fuel used must be strictly limited to charcoal products or natural growing form wood, dried, split, or sawn to lengths no greater than four feet.
- **Smoke:** Conditions should be such that smoke and gases are allowed to rise up and away. If smoke, gases, or fire become a public nuisance, the fire must be extinguished. A fire department representative will respond to complaints and make a determination as to whether the fire or smoke is a nuisance.
- **Recreational fires** shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material and must be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished.
- **Portable outdoor fireplaces** shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material and must be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished.

To report violations, call the non-emergency dispatch number: 563-589-4415.



Carnegie-Stout Public Library SUMMER READING

Reading is fun, relaxing, and good for us...so don't stop! Participate in Summer Reading at the library! The concept is simple...read books to earn prizes. No matter what format you prefer—ebook, audiobook, physical book—the library has you covered. Summer Reading is open to all ages.



Sign up at the library or online at
carnegioustout.org/summer-reading

The library also offers other free programs and events!
Learn more at carnegioustout.org/events



SEASON PASSES

Enjoy one of Dubuque's most popular parks all season long! Season passes to Eagle Point Park range from \$5 to \$15 for unlimited vehicle access into the park through October. Passes are sold at the Eagle Point Park Toll Booth or at the Leisure Services Department, located at 1157 Central Ave. A valid driver's license and vehicle registration must be present at the time of purchase.

Eagle Point Park Season Pass Rates

Dubuque Resident: \$10

Non-resident: \$15

Senior Citizen: \$5 (age 62 and older)

Low-income Resident: \$5

For questions, call 563-589-4263.

New Faces & Retirements

New City Employees

Joseph Billmyer	Fire
Lucas Fox	Fire
Tyler Lyons	Fire
Hunter Egan	Fire
Ethan Senesac	Fire
Bradley Winter	Water
Jacob Ricke	Public Works
Cassandra Holmes	Police
Randy Skemp	Transit
McKenzie Capesius	Human Resources
Jade Griesinger	Public Works
Camerin McClain	Police
Cassidy Randl	Police
Wincie Doffing	Emergency Communications
Caitlin Daniels	Multicultural Family Center
William Lange	Multicultural Family Center

Calendar

July

- 1 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 3 Airshow and Fireworks, A.Y. McDonald Park, 5:30 p.m.
(Fireworks at dusk)
- 4 City offices closed for Independence Day
(Trash and recycling collection on Saturday, July 6)
- 15 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

August

- 5 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 6 National Night Out, 6 - 8 p.m., Comiskey Park
- 9 Art of the River Exhibit Opening, Grand River Center Patio,
5 - 7 p.m. Free and open to the public.
- 19 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6th St.

The public has the option to view and participate in City Council meetings in person at City Council Chambers or virtually (see agenda for details). Meetings are aired live on CityChannel Dubuque (Mediacom cable channels 8 and 1172 and ImOn channel 5), streamed live and archived on the City's website at www.cityofdubuque.org/media, and streamed live on the City's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/cityofdubuque.



NATA WWII Aircraft Formation Clinic

July 20-23, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Public can view aircraft from EAA Observation Area located off Aviation Dr. during the North American Trainers Association (NATA) WWII Aircraft Formation Clinic. Flights are weather dependent.

Commemorative Air Force Tour

July 26-28, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

National Air Tour of Historic WWII Aircraft
Captain Robert Martin Terminal

Friday: Cockpit tours and rides available all day.

Saturday & Sunday:

B-29 flies at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., cockpit tours available after noon, and rides available all day.

Learn more at flydbq.com



India Independence Day Luncheon Celebration

Saturday, Aug. 10, 12 - 2 p.m.

Multicultural Family Center

Join the Multicultural Family Center and community members originally from India for this important day! This fun-filled luncheon is free to attend and includes educational displays, music, dancing, and Indian food. Registration not required.

India Independence Day Luncheon Celebration is hosted by the Multicultural Family Center. **Learn more at mfcdubq.org.**