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## Redesigned City Website Launched

The new site has the same address ([www.cityofdubuque.org](http://www.cityofdubuque.org)) but features a new graphic design and layout throughout. It also includes a revised navigation structure to enhance the communication between residents and their local government and increase community engagement.

The most obvious change visitors will notice is the visual portrayal of the community through larger background images and rotating photographs on the index page. A series of community photos serve as the background image and change each time visitors access the site or refresh the page. A central "slideshow" allows a variety of images to be featured and modified as seasons change and new images of the community and City services/programs become available.

The City website now allows visitors to easily share pages/content with their contacts through a "Share" portal to a variety of social media options. It also features direct links to the City's presence on Facebook, Twitter, and

YouTube through a "Connect with Us" link on the index page. An "Alerts" page now allows visitors to register to receive emergency and non-emergency notifications through the CodeRED notification system, receive street construction/detour notifications, and create a Smart 911 safety profile to enable faster and more informed responses to emergency situations.

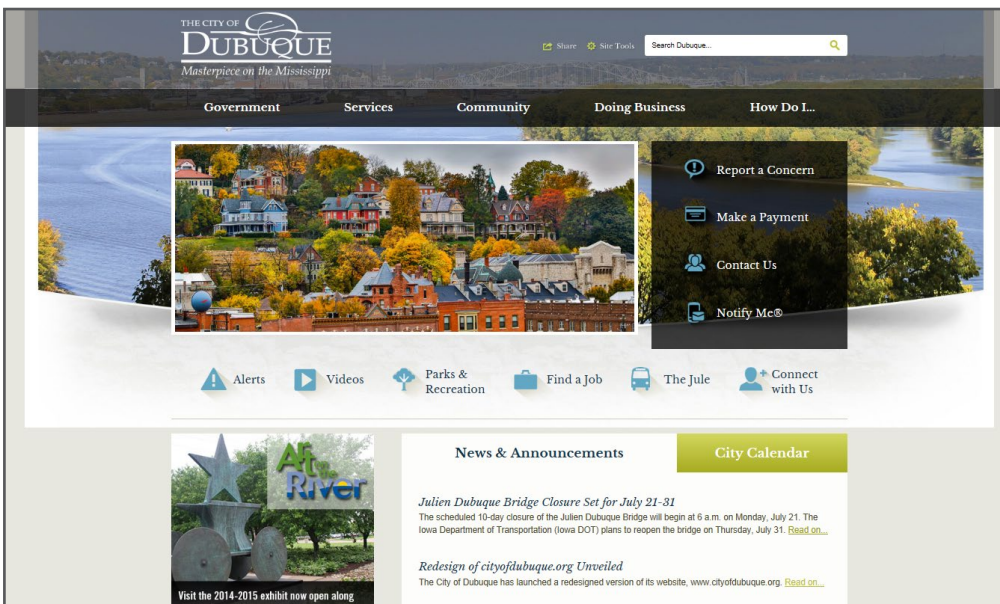
The website continues to offer the "Notify Me" module, where visitors can subscribe to receive email and text notifications of City news and events. Additionally, the website serves as a central point of contact for residents and stakeholders who choose to interact with their city government online through the "Contact Us," "Report a Concern," and "Make a Payment" tools.

Visitors are encouraged to provide feedback on the new design and suggestions on navigation by using the "Contact Us" tool to send a message to the public information office.

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The redesign unveiled in July represents the first major design and navigation update to the site since the previous version was launched in November 2008, when the City first contracted with CivicPlus, a government website provider. §



## Ride The Jule to School and More!

The Jule continues to provide free rides for all K-12 students on all of its regular service bus routes. High school students must show a current school year ID at boarding.

Not sure if your child's school is located near a bus route? Most schools are on at least one bus route with a bus stop located within a short walking distance. Call The Jule at 563-589-4196 or submit a "Tripmaker" request through their website ([www.juletransit.org](http://www.juletransit.org)) for step-by-step instructions!

Students ride free on any trip including after-school activities, sporting events, going to the mall, or the movies.

### Fares: Students Ride Free

K-8 Students Free  
High School Students Free with school ID



### Jule Fare Increase

The Jule provides public transit services throughout the city with its fixed-route, minibus, and trolley services. Sixteen daytime fixed routes provide bus service to most areas in the city limits and paratransit (door-to-door) service is provided for senior citizens and individuals with disabilities. Service areas include shopping, entertainment, community services, employment and education destinations with most trip times around 30 minutes.

To support the improved service, The Jule increased its fares for the first time in over a decade. New fares and bus pass prices are below:

### Fixed Route Fares

\$1.50 Full Fare  
\$0.75 Half Fare (Medicare or Senior Citizen)  
Free Student (grades K-8)  
Student ID required for high school students  
Students at Clarke, Loras, or University of Dubuque with school ID  
\$15 11-Ride Card  
\$7.50 11-Ride Card (Medicare or Senior Citizen)  
\$45 Monthly Unlimited Pass  
\$22.50 Monthly Unlimited Pass (Medicare or Senior Citizen)

### MiniBus (Paratransit) Fares

\$3 Elderly(65+)  
\$2 Disabled  
\$30 Elderly (65+) 10-Ride Card  
\$20 Disabled 10-Ride Card §

## Get Engaged! Serve on a City Board or Commission

Applicants are needed for current and upcoming vacancies on several City boards and commissions.

The City's volunteer board and commission members provide a valuable link to the community and to the various interests within it. They assist in the development of policy recommendations to the City Council, provide leadership and support to City staff, promote the City and its programs, and provide expertise in specialized areas.

Applications can be printed or submitted online at [www.cityofdubuque.org/boards](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/boards) or through the City Clerk's Office. Applications can be submitted at any time for all boards and commissions and are activated as positions become available. Applications remain on file for one year from the date they are submitted.

To apply online or view a complete list of boards and commissions, descriptions, terms, and meeting information, please visit [www.cityofdubuque.org/boards](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/boards) or contact the City Clerk's Office at 563-589-4120 or [cityclerk@cityofdubuque.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofdubuque.org).



## City Expo Returns in 2015

Please note that there will be no City Expo in 2014 but we look forward to seeing you at City Expo in September 2015!

## growing sustainable communities

Register now for this two-day conference packed with **comprehensive, impactful,** and **actionable** sustainable ideas, plans, and best practices.

October 7-8, 2014

Grand River Center

[www.gscdubuque.com](http://www.gscdubuque.com) | 563.690.6038

## Airport Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast on Sept. 14

The Dubuque Regional Airport will host its seventh Open House/EAA Chapter 327 Fly-In Drive-In breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 14, from 8 a.m. - noon. Events will be held at the Dubuque Jet Center and Blue Skies Aviation Hangar at 11000 Airport Road. Breakfast will feature pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, juice, and milk.

Attend and see a helicopter and airplanes, meet pilots, flight instructors, mechanics, controllers, and learn what aviation is all about! Airplane rides (\$25/person) and helicopter rides (\$40/person) will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, visit [www.flydbq.com](http://www.flydbq.com) or contact Karin Spisak, airport marketing coordinator, at 563-589-4237 or [kspisak@cityofdubuque.org](mailto:kspisak@cityofdubuque.org).



## A MESSAGE from the CITY MANAGER

Michael C. Van Milligen

### City Staff Recognition

As City Manager, I am fortunate to work with highly qualified professionals who are committed to improving our community.

- Congratulations to Water & Resource Recovery Center Manager **Jonathan Brown** who is the 2014 recipient of the Iowa Water Environment Association's William D. Hatfield Award for outstanding performance and professionalism in the treatment and maintenance of a wastewater plant.
- In June, Police Chief **Mark Dalsing** and Public Health Specialist **Mary Rose Corrigan** each received a Governor's Volunteer Award for their commitment and service to the community. Dalsing serves on the board of directors for Project Concern and assists with guiding staff in programming and operational needs and also represents the agency at community events, speaking engagements, and fundraising endeavors. Corrigan serves on the board of directors for Dubuque County Early Childhood and assists in strategic planning and promotion of activities that encourage early learning, health, and school readiness in children up to five of age, such as preschool scholarships, family support programs, early health services, and grants/professional development for child care providers.

### Southwest Arterial Progress

Following last year's transfer of jurisdiction for this project between the City of Dubuque and the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT), the DOT added the Southwest Arterial to its five-year plan earlier this summer. Based on this plan, construction of this highway to connect US Highway 20 with US Highways 52/61/151 will begin in 2015 and the highway will be open for traffic in 2019. In addition to removing truck traffic from city streets and reducing traffic congestion, this project will have significant economic impacts. The East Central Intergovernmental Association recently completed an analysis for the project which estimates development along the project corridor could generate \$80 million in property tax revenue, \$1.7 billion in economic output, and \$1 billion in added land value between 2021 and 2030.

### Construction Season

Investments in infrastructure such as streets, sewers, and water mains create long-term benefits for our community but these projects often create short-term inconveniences. Thank you for your patience this construction season as the City works to complete numerous projects throughout Dubuque that require street closures and detours. If you would like to be notified of street closures and detours via email or text, please visit [www.cityofdubuque.org/detours](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/detours). §

## AmeriCorps Job Opportunities



The Dubuque AmeriCorps Partners in Learning Program is seeking applicants for various positions. For information on current job opportunities, visit [www.cityofdubuque.org/ameriCorps](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/ameriCorps) or contact Corrine Kroger at [corrine.kroger@clarke.edu](mailto:corrine.kroger@clarke.edu) or call 563-584-8644. §



### Dubuque's "Little Free Libraries"

These "take one, leave one" little book houses can be found near most Dubuque fire stations (and several other locations) and are open to all! Follow the "Dubuque Little Free Libraries" group on Facebook for information!

## Parking Fee Changes

*As of July 1, the following fee changes have been implemented:*

- 10-hour meters increased from \$0.25 per hour to \$0.35 per hour. All other meter rates remain the same.
- Fire hydrant parking violations increased from \$15 to \$50.
- Ramp hourly rates increased from \$1 for the first hour to \$2 for the first hour. Additional hours remain at \$0.50 per hour.
- The maximum daily rate and lost ticket charge increased from \$6 to \$8.

For more information, visit [www.cityofdubuque.org/parking](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/parking) or call 563-589-4266. §

## Free Assistance with Health Insurance Options

New health insurance opportunities are available and Crescent Community Health Center can help you understand your options. Certified application counselors are available to assist you. Iowa Health and Wellness Plans (Medicaid) applications will be taken year-round. Please call Angela at 563-552-8080 or Laura at 563-690-2856 to schedule your appointment today. If you want to find out more information about the Affordable Care Act and the Health Insurance Marketplace and how it affects you, please call. §

### Downtown Streets Two-Way Conversion Nearly Complete

The one-way to two-way conversion of 9th Street (between Locust St. and Kerper Blvd.), 11th Street (between Central Ave. and Kerper Blvd.), Pine Street (between 9th and 11th streets), and 10th street (between Locust St. and Central Ave.) will be completed soon

and is tentatively set to go into effect on Monday, Aug. 25. Message signs will be deployed in advance of the change. For more information, contact the City of Dubuque Engineering Department at 563-589-4270.

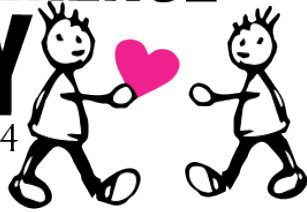




**ANDREW CONNOLLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY**

OCTOBER 25, 2014

PAY IT FORWARD



Do you need a helping hand or would you like to lend a helping hand? Projects will focus on assisting senior citizens, handicapped, veterans, and others. Services may include both light-duty and heavy-duty chores around the home, curb appeal and yard work projects outside, socializing and playing games with homebound seniors, simple repairs, and weatherization activities such as applying window plastic or caulking. Volunteer or submit a request for assistance by Sept. 15 at [www.thonline.com/makeadifferenceday](http://www.thonline.com/makeadifferenceday) or by calling Operation New View at 563-556-5130.

**New Faces**

The City of Dubuque welcomes these new employees:

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Joseph Blasen, Jr.</b> - Transit | <b>Julie Schmitz</b> - Transit |
| <b>Michelle Conlan</b> - Transit    | <b>Mark Welbes</b> - Transit   |
| <b>Chris Cullen</b> - Transit       | <b>Clay Wilwert</b> - Transit  |
| <b>James Poll</b> - Transit         | <b>Kevin Zumhof</b> - Transit  |
| <b>Laura Richard</b> - Transit      |                                |

**Retirements**

Congratulations to the employees who recently retired from the City of Dubuque:

- Dan Brown** - Fire Department
- Randy Glass** - Leisure Services
- John Zenner** - Public Works

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 [twitter.com/CityofDubuque](https://twitter.com/CityofDubuque)

**Contact Information**

The City of Dubuque welcomes comments and suggestions about your city government or news appearing in this newsletter. Please contact:

City Manager's Office  
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Dubuque, Iowa 52001-4864  
(563) 589-4110 phone  
[ctymgr@cityofdubuque.org](mailto:ctymgr@cityofdubuque.org)



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**Editorial Information**

City News is published by the Public Information Office and is inserted in the City of Dubuque utility bills six times per year. For the most up-to-date City news and events, visit [www.cityofdubuque.org](http://www.cityofdubuque.org).

**September**

- 1 City offices closed for Labor Day (curbside collection on Sat., Aug. 30)
- 2 Mail-in, drop-off, email, and faxed registrations for Leisure Services activities begins, 8 a.m. (early online registration starts Mon., Aug. 25 at 8 a.m.)
- 2 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Bldg.
- 3 Cable TV Commission, 4 p.m., Conf. Room I, City Hall Annex
- 3 Zoning Advisory Commission, 6 p.m., Historic Federal Building
- 3 Community Development Advisory Commission, 5:30 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 8 Human Rights Commission, 3:30 p.m., Conf. Room II, City Hall Annex
- 9 Park and Recreation Commission, 4:30 p.m., Bunker Hill Golf Course Snack Bar
- 11 Transit Advisory Board, 4:15 p.m., Room 223, Historic Federal Building
- 15 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Bldg.
- 16 Housing Code Appeals Board, 4:30 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 17 Long Range Planning Advisory Commission, 5:30 p.m., Historic Federal Bldg.
- 18 Historic Preservation Commission, 5:30 p.m., Historic Federal Building
- 22 Airport Commission 4 p.m., Dubuque Jet Center
- 23 Housing Commission, 4 p.m. Suite 312, Historic Federal Bldg.
- 23 Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Commission, 4:30 p.m., Lacy Board Room, C-S Public Library
- 25 Carnegie-Stout Public Library Board of Trustees, 4 p.m., Lacy Board Room
- 24 Zoning Board of Adjustment, 4 p.m., Historic Federal Building

**October**

- 1 Cable TV Commission, 4 p.m., Conf. Room I, City Hall Annex
- 1 Zoning Advisory Commission, 6 p.m., Historic Federal Building
- 6 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Bldg.
- 6, 13, 20, 27 Home Ownership Made Easy Workshop (HOME), Historic Federal Building, 5:30-7 p.m., call 563-589-4239 to register.
- 7 Environmental Stewardship Advisory Commission, 5 p.m., Conf. Room I, City Hall Annex
- 7-8 Growing Sustainable Communities Conference, Grand River Center. Visit [www.gscdubuque.com](http://www.gscdubuque.com) to register.
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- 22 Investment Oversight Advisory Committee, 3 p.m., City Hall Annex, Conf. Rm A
- 23 Zoning Board of Adjustment, 4 p.m., Historic Federal Building
- 23 Carnegie-Stout Public Library Board of Trustees, 4 p.m., Lacy Board Room
- 23 Crime-Free Multi-Housing Program training, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., NICC Town Clock Center. Register at [www.nicc.edu/solutions](http://www.nicc.edu/solutions) or call 563-557-8271, ext. 380.
- 27 Five Flags Advisory Commission, 3:30 p.m., Five Flags Civic Center
- 27 Airport Commission 4 p.m., Dubuque Jet Center
- 28 Housing Commission, 4 p.m. Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 28 Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Commission, 4:30 p.m., Lacy Board Room, C-S Public Library

*This calendar does not include all events and is subject to change. Are you using Dubuque's "Notify Me" e-mail/text alert system? If not, please sign up today at [www.cityofdubuque.org/notifyme](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/notifyme) to receive agendas, news releases, event notifications, and other timely news.*

City Hall: 50 W. 13th St.  
City Hall Annex: 1300 Main St.  
Historic Federal Building: 350 W. 6th St.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library: 360 W. 11th St.  
Bunker Hill Snack Bar: 2200 Bunker Hill Rd.  
Dubuque Jet Center: 11000 Airport Rd.