



Council Approves Next Sewer Separation Project Plan

After several years in the planning and grant application phases, the final plan for the Broadhead Sewer Separation project was approved by Council on July 13, 2023.

This project will get Crafton significantly closer to meeting the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements to remove 85% of the water that overflows into our streams from our combined system that includes our sewage waste water during wet water (rain) events.

To meet that goal, the Broadhead project is designed to remove most of the storm water from a significant portion of the area in and around Broadhead that would otherwise be flowing into the combined system. This will be accomplished by digging up the roads, starting with Broadhead, and adding separate storm sewer water lines and infrastructure. When the project is complete, most of the storm water falling in the area will flow through these separate lines and into the creek thereby reducing overflows from the combined system that includes raw sewage

The original project plan for reconstructing the roads after the storm water system is installed has been scaled back due to less grant funding than originally expected. The project, as currently configured, will cost approximately \$6.5 million dollars. The Borough has secured \$4.8 million dollars in grants from ALCOSAN and Community Project Funding from Congress. The borough continues to look for additional funding. The Borough has a few more funding options pending that would further offset the cost to taxpayers. The remaining amount will come from the Borough's bond fund, as originally planned.

As a part of the project, Broadhead, Belvidere, Parke, Warren, Coulter, and parts of N. Emily, North Linwood, and Crennell will be newly paved or reconstructed. The Borough has worked closely with Gateway Engineers to save the iconic brick streets of Crennell and parts of N. Emily and to reconstruct the other roads.

Sewer Separation Summary

Total drainage area

46.6 acres

(39.5 acres separated, 7.1 acres of roof)

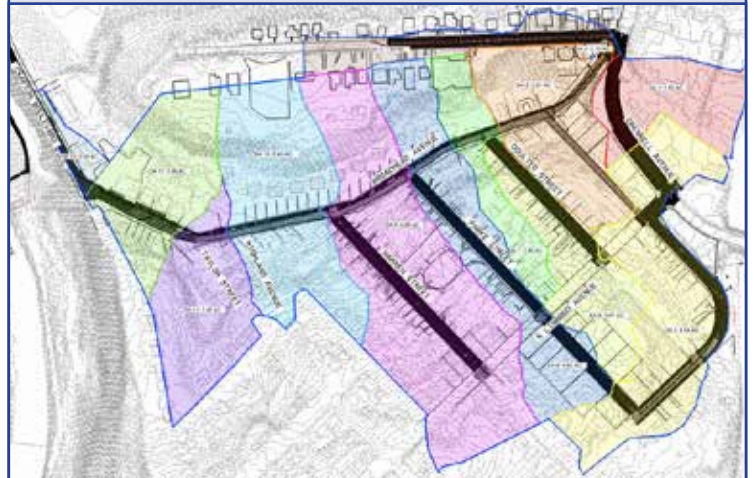
21.7 million gallons of stormwater

Removed from combined system annually.

Streets within separation limits

- **Crafton Blvd.**
(Mill & Overlay)
- **Broadhead Ave.**
(Mill & Overlay)
- **Warren St.**
(Full Reconstruction)
- **Parke St.**
(Full Reconstruction)
- **Coulter St.**
(Mill/Overlay and Curbs)
- **N. Emily St.** (Mill/Overlay and Brick Trench Restoration)
- **Crennell Ave.**
(Brick Trench Restoration)
- **N. Linwood Ave.**
(Brick Trench Restoration)
- **Belvidere St.**
(Full Reconstruction)

The project is currently slated to start in 2024



What's a Sewer Separation Project Anyway? And Why Is Crafton Doing Another One?

Crafton's sewer system was built long before modern sanitary sewer systems were designed. Because of that, Crafton has what is called a combined sewer system. This means that the sanitary storm water from the drains and plumbing in your home or business flows through the same pipes that carry stormwater.

When a rain event happens, storm water flows off buildings into downspouts, and off of yards, parking lots, and roadways into the closest inlets. This stormwater is combined with the

sanitary storm water from your home or business. This combined sewer water is then directed to the water treatment plant and even a relatively light rain can overwhelm the water treatment plant. When this happens, the combined water must be diverted into our streams and rivers. These are called overflow events.

The EPA requires that 85% of the water that would otherwise overflow during these overflow events must be captured or diverted. This project will help Crafton get very close to that goal.

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Community Pool

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Community Resources

Crafton Public Library (412) 922-6877

Crafton Volunteer Fire Department (412) 875-0022

Crafton Elementary (412) 429-2500

Waste Management (Missed Pickups) (800) 866-4460

Waste Management (E-Waste Pickup) (800) 449-7587

Jordan Tax Service (724) 731-2310

Public Meeting Information

All Borough Council Meetings are currently being held in Council Chambers. Meetings are also available live via Zoom. Log-in and call-in information available on the Borough's website:

www.craftonborough.com/borough-council

Council Chambers in the Community Center
140 Bradford Avenue, Crafton, PA 15205.



Crafton Borough Council 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 7:15 pm

Meeting announcements and schedule changes are publicized on the SavvyCitizen App and the Borough website.



Savvy Citizen

Sign up for SavvyCitizen to stay up to date on community events, crime watch alerts and notifications.



Go to www.craftonborough.com/get-notifications and follow the instructions on the page.



The Calendar of events can also be viewed on the Borough's website under www.craftonborough.com/calendar



Mini Golf

Friday and Saturdays In October thru the 29th / 7-9pm.

Wear your costumes for added fun.

There is plenty of parking.

Cost to play is \$2 per person.



More details about community events

<https://www.craftonborough.com/parks-recreation>



CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY

Keep up with us on Facebook and on Savvy Citizen for the latest event updates

WEEKLY

YOGA / MONDAYS @ 7 PM

For all skill levels! Each class is \$5.00. Bring water and a mat or towel & dress comfortably!

FAMILY STORYTIME

TUESDAYS @ 11:00 AM

Caregivers and little ones are invited to listen to stories and sing songs with Miss Gabrielle!

LEGO NIGHT / THURSDAYS @ 4:30 PM

Kiddos are invited to play, build, and learn with the Library's collection of Lego blocks!

MONTHLY

ADULT LEGO NIGHT / LAST THURSDAY @ 6:00 PM

Adults (21+) are invited to BYOB & enjoy the Library's Lego collection. *Must show valid ID to BYOB. *This is an adult-only event.

NO STRINGS ATTACHED BOOK CLUB / LAST WEDS, @ 5:00 PM

Read our book of the month and join us for a discussion... or not! No strings attached.

THE DINNER AT CRAFTON LIBRARY / SECOND FRIDAY @ 6:00 PM

Choose a recipe from the month's cookbook and prepare it to share it!

WRITERS SUPPORT GROUP / SECOND SATURDAY @ 10:00 AM

Meet with fellow local writers to trade tips and share your work.



www.craftonpubliclibrary.com

Mon. & Fri.: 9 AM - 5 PM /

Tues., Weds., & Thurs.: 10 AM - 6 PM

Sat.: 10 AM - 5 PM

412-922-6877

Program Calendar:

www.craftonpubliclibrary.com/programs



Fall Festival & BEER GARDEN

Saturday September 30th
Crafton Park

Touch A Truck
Corn Hole Competition
Ax Throwing
Live Music
Food Trucks
Craft Vendors



Watch for more details on SavvyCitizen and the Borough website.



3rd Annual
Haunted
Crafton
October
21st- 31st

This is a self-guided audio-driving tour through the spookiest places in Crafton. For more information, to purchase tickets, or to apply to have your home on the tour:



www.craftonborough.com/haunted-crafton-tour

And for the Winter Holidayze



Gingerbread House Making

Sat., December 2nd
Crafton Community Center
2 sessions:
9:00 am or 10:15 am

Sign up at the Crafton Public Library front desk. Cost is only \$5 and is due when you sign up your child. All children must be accompanied by an adult for their session, but there is no charge for adults. We will have light refreshments and lots of family fun. We clean up the mess and your child gets to take home their cherished gingerbread house. Sign up begins in early November and often sells out. Space is limited. So sign up early!



Saturday
December 2nd

*This year, Crafton's
Celebration of Lights will
look a little different...*

The Celebration will begin before dark! There will be crafts for kids and classic holiday music. Also, an opportunity to take your picture with Santa and some of our winter friends! So come on down and join in the festivities with the Crafton Recreation Board as we welcome the holiday season by lighting up Crafton park!

If your Non-Profit organization would like to have a fundraiser booth, please email us at recreation@craftonborough.com.

Holiday House Tour returns to Crafton Sunday, December 10th - 1 to 6 pm



The Christmas in Crafton House Tour is back after the pandemic hiatus. This year the Crafton Recreation Board and the Crafton Heritage Society will be sponsoring the event together. All proceeds will benefit both recreational and historical activities right here in Crafton! Advance tickets will be available online on the Borough of Crafton website or at the Crafton Public Library front desk starting in November. Please use Savvy Citizen for any updates or tour messages. We hope to see you, your friends, and neighbors on the tour!

We need docents for the homes. Our shift schedules also allow you to do tour. Please contact recreation@craftonborough.com

Crafton Recreation Event Highlights

Senior Dinners are Back!

The Senior Dinner returned on Saturday, May 6, 2023 – just in time to celebrate Kentucky Derby Day. About 40 people attended the relaunch of the Senior Dinners and many people arrived wearing their beautiful hats and fancy outfits to cheer on the horses. Hanlon's restaurant catered a delicious dinner and we enjoyed Giant Eagle cookies as we cheered on the jockeys and horses. Thank you to everyone who attended.



Recreation Board Volunteers (left to right): Liz Palmer, Craig Lehocky, Danielle Corey Sheaffer, Michele Anker, Chris Nickelson, Council Member Pamela Pulkownik, Mary Luxbacher, Michael Gawlas



Thank you to everyone who came to the Crafton Park on June 10, 2023 to check out the classic cars and buy items from the vendors. We hope you found something you enjoyed. Congratulations to Jim Berger, he was the fan favorite! Besides the trophy, he received a \$25 gift card and a wash bucket donated by NAPA Auto Parts Store, 4351 Steubenville Pike, Pittsburgh, PA 15205.



4th of July

We hope you had the chance to join the Independence Day festivities as Crafton celebrated the Fourth of July! Crafton Park was full of activity from early afternoon til after the fireworks finale. The morning started off with a BANG as the

Thomas J. Witt Memorial Firecracker 5k Fun Run took off from the park. By afternoon, the park was brimming with fun as it transformed into a cheery festival. There was fun, food, and entertainment for the whole family. Children had the chance to enjoy the free bounce house obstacle course and balloon artist, and then cool down with a delicious snow cone. Various food trucks offered hungry patrons options from the classic Fourth of July hot dog, to BBQ, to Caribbean fare. While families played various games on the lawn, they were able to enjoy live performances from the two bands of the evening: Smoke and Mirrors and The Other Bugs. After a long day of fun in the sun, everyone was rewarded with a dazzling fireworks show that lit up the night sky. From the Recreation Board, we hope you enjoyed our Fourth of July celebration and can't wait to do it again next year!





Council President's Message.....

It is already past mid-year, and Crafton continues to progress and move forward with many projects and initiatives. Since the last newsletter, we have quite a few accomplishments including:

1. **2023 Banner Community** – Awarded from Allegheny League of Municipalities

for our commitment to sustainable practices including professional development, intergovernmental cooperation, sound fiscal management and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders with transparency and accountability.

2. **Union Avenue Reconstruction** – Project was completed on time and within budget. Thank you residents for making accommodations!
3. **Master Parks Plan** – Adopted plan that addresses parks and recreation sites which guide future planning efforts.
4. **Stop Signs** – Four new stop signs were put in place to increase public traffic safety.
5. **Baker's Acres** – Purchased 2 lots from the Baker family along the trail in line with the Master Parks Plan.
6. **Magistrate Roof and Borough Building/Library Façade** – Both projects have been completed except for a few punch list items.
7. **Public Works Union Contract** – Negotiated and approved a new 3 year contract.

We are working on the following projects:

1. **2023 Financials** – The Finance Committee and staff continually monitor income and expenses against the budget. A mid-year forecast review is planned this month.

2. **2023 Road Paving Project** – Six streets (identified by Robotics, not including project work) will be paved at a cost of \$289K in the summer and early fall.
3. **Digital Sign** – With financial assistance from the Rotary, the sign will be in place in Crafton Park in the fall.
4. **Multi Municipal Zoning Project** – The Planning Commission with Ingram continues to review the recommendations by ZoneCo.
5. **Board/Commission Vacancies** – Filled all open seats except for three openings. Residents should apply on the borough website to get involved.

Our future projects include:

1. **Broadhead Sewer Separation Project** – This is a major project that will improve our sewer systems in addition to fixing the corresponding roads with \$4.7M in grants awarded. Council approved the final design with construction to begin in 2024.
2. **Pool Bathhouse Renovation** – The final design was approved and construction is planned after the 2023 pool season.

As a reminder, Council meetings are open to the public, and I encourage residents to attend (2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 7:15 PM) in person or via Zoom to keep up to date on what is happening in our community.

It has been wonderful to meet so many of you at Cleanup Day, Arbor Day, Car Cruise/Vendor Fair, July 4th Celebration, Senior Derby Dinner and the pool. Thank you to all our volunteers and staff who spend countless hours to make these events happen for us. I hope everyone enjoys all of Crafton's amenities throughout the summer and am looking forward to a productive Fall. I continue to appreciate the opportunity to serve you.

Respectfully,
John Oliverio, Council President

Mayor's Message

I was honored to kick off the July 4th Celebration at Crafton. The music was first rate and everyone who came out found something to enjoy. A great big thanks to our Recreation Board and all of the volunteers who made it a successful event.

Bri Farrand from America 250PA stopped by to wish us well and to bring awareness to the fast approaching 250th Anniversary of our country's founding and to all of the great programs and projects their organization is working on.



Check out all their great work at america250pa.org.

I attended the PA State Mayors' Assn. Conference in Lancaster, PA July 24th to 26th where almost 100 mayors from across the state gathered for three days of informative presentations and to share experiences and advice.

My biggest takeaway from the conference was just how well the borough is doing on the public safety and officer training. We've successfully completed two audits this year: the Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network as well as the Justice Network (JNET) audit. Our officers attend several training and refresher programs every year and are constantly updating their knowledge.

This year they have undergone updated CPR/First Aid Training as well as the annual in-service training that covers legal updates, tactical communications, investigations, and officer wellness. We've had two officers attend the FBI National Academy Assn. training. More training is scheduled this month and in October.

Thanks to Chief Sumpter and our entire force for their hard work and dedication to our community!



Coletta Perry, Mayor

Pool Bathhouse Renovations Slated to Begin this Fall



As previously reported, Crafton Pool Bathhouse is set to undergo a major renovation. The construction is scheduled to begin when the pool season comes to an end this September. Crafton was awarded a generous grant of \$250,000 from Pennsylvania's Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' (DCNR) Land and Water Conservation Fund to

do the rehabilitation work. The project will make several improvements to the bathhouse including, improved ADA accessibility, floor renovations, and a new room layout and configuration. The renovations are expected to cost approximately \$500,000 in total. The bathhouse is scheduled to be ready for the 2024 summer pool season.



POOL REGULAR SEASON DATES & HOURS OF OPERATION
Sat., June 3, 2023 - Sun., Aug. 20, 2023
HOURS OF OPERATION
 Mon.-Sat.: 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM.
 Sunday: 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM.
ADDITIONAL WEEKENDS
 Sat., Aug. 26, 2023 & Sun., Aug. 27, 2023.
 Sat., Sept. 2, 2023 & Sun., Sept. 3, 2023.
 Labor Day*, Mon. Sept. 4, 2023.
 *Labor Day will follow the Sunday Hours of Operation.
Follow the Savvy Citizen calendar for the most up-to-date dates and times.



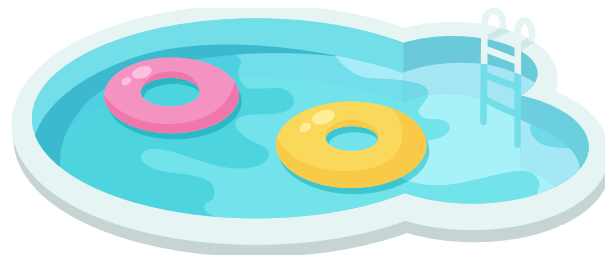
Crafton Police Chief Mark Sumpter & Richard Kimberling

School Crossing Guard Honored

Certificate of Award presented to School Crossing Guard Richard "Dutch" Kimberling on June 2, 2023, for his many years of dedicated service to the Borough of Crafton. From the bitter cold mornings to the hot afternoons, from the driving rains to the snowstorms. Thank you for your very professional service.

Thank you Dutch! JOB WELL DONE.

Home Pool & Hot Tub Requirements



It is that time of year when a lot of temporary pools and hot tubs are popping up in Crafton.

With any pool or hot tub installation there are few things residents need to know. According to the National Drowning Prevention Alliance, 3,500 to 4,000 people drown every year in the United States. Drowning is also the leading cause of unintentional injury related death for children ages 1-4. Lack of barriers around water contribute to a majority of drowning deaths. Drowning happens fast and can occur in as little as 20-60 seconds! A second concern with pools and hot tubs is electrocution related to stray currents from faulty electrical installations of pumps and lights.



As a result of these type of safety issues there are a number of code requirements and ordinances governing pool and hot tub installations. In Crafton, a permit is required to install a hot tub or pool with a depth of 48" or more. This applies to both temporary and permanent installations.

If you have installed a pool or hot tub, or are considering it, please submit an application. The Zoning Permit application is on the Forms & Permit page of the Borough Website. Our zoning officer DJ Glancy is also available for questions in his office from 7AM-3PM five days a week 412-921-0752 ext. 18 or you can email him at dglancy@craftonborough.com.

Season Ciechanowski
Code Enforcement Office
codeenforcement@craftonborough.com
(412) 921-0752 x 26

Are you the missing piece? Here's an opportunity to share *your* gifts with our community!

- Artist
- Web Designer
- Writer
- Researcher
- Photographer
- Fundraiser
- Marketer
- Other skills?

Contact us today to get started!
contact@craftonheritage.org
412.576.0870



CRAFTON HERITAGE
Our families. Our stories. Our home.



Join Our Team !!!
Crafton Volunteer Fire Department needs you!
We are your friends, your family, and your neighbors. Among our ranks are students and retirees, teachers and engineers, mechanics and military personnel. You only need to be 18 or older and it is not a requirement to be a Crafton resident.
We will provide you with all the training and equipment you need to protect our community safely and effectively.
CVFD - 130+ years strong and counting!
Stop at the station on Tuesdays between 7:00 and 9:00 PM to pick-up an application.



Here's what's happening at Crafton Community Farm...



The Crafton Community Farm is not your ordinary community garden! Established in 2015, the garden is planted, mulched, watered, weeded and harvested by volunteers who then donate most of the produce to Crafton Ingram Food Pantry and others. With a generous support grant from The Allegheny Grows branch of Grow Pittsburgh, as well as ongoing cooperation with Crafton Borough, the garden is thriving. It is looking especially good this year since we have a lot more volunteers coming to help! We have already harvested many pounds of delicious strawberries, herbs, and greens, with plenty of summer crops on their way.

Would you like to get involved? Anyone is welcome to join in garden activities, and we have gloves and tools to share. We can accommodate group visits, and we would love some more garden art, if your camp or troop wants to make some. Volunteers are at the garden Fridays at 9am and Saturdays at 10am, so just come on by if you are interested in helping or getting a tour. Other hours are by appointment.

Don't have a green thumb? No problem! We also need help with things like outreach and social media, manual labor, building, writing, and photography. More information can be found on the Facebook page, www.facebook.com/craftoncommunityfarm, or by contacting CraftonCommunityFarm@gmail.com.



Volunteer Fire Department Report

The Crafton Volunteer Fire Department provides the primary fire services for the boroughs of Crafton, Thornburg, and Rosslyn Farms. The CVFD was incorporated in 1890. We are staffed by 100 percent volunteers and respond to emergencies and service requests 365 days a year and 24 hours a day. We also provide mutual aid services to various communities in the southern and western suburbs of Allegheny County. The fire department is always looking for new members to join the ranks. All training, equipment, and study materials are provided by the fire department. There are also tax credits and scholarships through the CCAC Fire Vest program. Stop in on any Tuesday night at 7:00 PM for details or anytime you see a member in the station. We can also be reached through our Facebook page by direct message and someone will contact you.

In 2022, the fire department responded to 465 incidents including 190 EMS assists, 23 motor vehicle crashes, and 30 building fires. Through May, 31, 2023, the fire department



has responded to 209 incidents with 68 EMS assists. The rest were fire related responses. We are certainly on pace for another busy year and hope you join us and start the process of the lifelong benefits gained from joining a volunteer fire department. We would like to thank the boroughs of Crafton, Thornburg, and Rosslyn Farms, its residents, and our many community supporters over the years that have allowed us to remain a successful organization. Please follow us on Facebook for up-to-date community events and fundraising raffles.

Senator Wayne D. Fontana

Get Help in Filing for Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program



I want to remind eligible individuals that my office can assist in filing for a rebate through the 202 Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program. **The deadline to apply is December, 31, 2023.**

Applications are available online at www.revenue.pa.gov or by calling **1-888-222-9190**.

Filers have the ability to apply for the property tax/rent rebate online using the Department of Revenue's myPath system. Filing online leads to fast processing, easy direct deposit options and automatic calculators that will help you apply for your rebate.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 for homeowners and \$15,000 for renters. Please keep in mind, half of Social Security income is excluded.

The original June 30 deadline to apply was extended earlier

this year. Applications are now due to the Department of Revenue by Dec. 31. The program is funded by the Pennsylvania Lottery and revenue from slots gaming.

If you need assistance in filing your application or have questions about the program, please contact my Brookline office **412-344-2551** or Kennedy office **412-331-1208** to make an appointment.

I'd also like to remind everyone that I publish an online newsletter each Tuesday. My ENews focuses on state issues, legislation and happenings within the district. You can receive these weekly News & Views editions by signing up at www.senatorfontana.com.

Senator Wayne D. Fontana
42nd Senatorial District
www.senatorfontana.com

Representative Dan Deasy News & Events

Starting Aug. 1, my district office will be located at 1074 Greentree Road.

This new location is more centrally located within the 27th Legislative District following last year's redrawing of the district boundaries due to reapportionment. Office hours, the phone number, and the commitment to providing the best possible constituent service will remain the same at the new location.

License Plate Replacement event

Crafton Borough Community Center

Thursday, Sept. 21 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.



The Crafton Police Department is partnering with my office to help drivers with the process of getting a replacement plate for ones that are destroyed, illegible or otherwise hard-to-read.

Residents can call my office at 412-928-9514 to pre-register or register online via my website at www.pahouse.com/deasy.

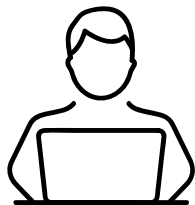
WE'RE MOVING!
Starting August 01

REP. DEASY'S NEW OFFICE

VISIT MY NEW DISTRICT OFFICE
1074 GREENTREE RD., PITTSBURGH, PA 15220

MONDAY - FRIDAY
8AM - 4PM

412-928-9514



Mobile District Office and Vaccine Clinic

Crafton Borough Community Center

October 12 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Pittsburgh Regional Transit Senior ConnectCard applications or renewals

Seniors 65+ qualify for free access to Pittsburgh Regional Transit



Free notary service on state documents and assist with any other state-related matter

Flu/HD flu and/or updated COVID-19

Unused/unwanted medications collection



In partnership with Acorn Pharmacy, residents will be able to get a vaccinations for free with a Medicare or insurance card. The Allegheny County Sheriff's office will also be on hand to collect for safe disposal as part of their Project DUMP. Please call my office or visit my website for details.

As always, feel free to contact my office at 412-928-9514 or email me at RepDeasy@pahouse.net.



Manager's Message

The Borough of Crafton would like to hear your thoughts about two important topics. The first is the ongoing Zoning Update that Crafton is undertaking jointly with Ingram Borough. The Borough Zoning Ordinance is the law that guides how buildings and land development occurs in the community. Zoning guides what type of buildings and use types (retail, residential, offices, etc.) can be built or rebuilt in each area of the Borough. For example, how far from the road must a building be, how high can your fence be, and/or where can you put your new garage or swimming pool?

The website codecraftoningram.com explains the benefits of updated zoning, talks about our joint



comprehensive plan, and most importantly, asks for **your input!** For example, what type of businesses or development would you like to see at the Crafton Ingram Shopping Center? Do you think some small businesses (i.e. coffee shops or yoga studios) should be allowed in some residential areas? Please use the address included above or you can find a link on Crafton's homepage.

Additionally, the Crafton Planning Commission would like to know how you feel about Crafton's brick streets. Do you love them? Do you hate them? Please let the Planning Commission know what you think by using the QR code at the right or going to craftonborough.com/brick-street-survey to complete the brief survey.



Jim Price, Crafton Borough Manager

Front Yard Trees Available!

Crafton Shade Tree Commission is looking for homeowners who are interested in a shade tree for their front yard. As most curb areas really do not have enough space for a mature shade tree, such as an oak or a maple, we have been planting about 3 feet back from the front sidewalk. Therefore the tree can safely grow and still provide our streets with wonderful shade. Crafton has been a member of Tree City USA for 34 years and every year we plant our trees in early November. Please email craftonclerk@craftonborough.com or call the (412) 921-0752, ext. 10 as soon as possible to get your house on the list. Please include your name, phone number, and address in the message. After an evaluation by commission members you will be notified if your home will receive a free tree planted by our borough crew. Ongoing tree maintenance will be the homeowner's responsibility.



Wood Chipper Service

Residents may request the removal and chipping of eligible tree limbs and wood waste. Single limbs must be less than 5 inches in diameter and no longer than 10 feet in length. Volume of materials should not exceed what would generally fit into a pick-up truck. Materials can be chipped onsite and removed or left for use by the resident. Service runs Apr. 15 through Nov. 15 weather permitting.

NOTE: Hedge cuttings, limbs, and branches should not be placed in your regular weekly garbage collection. These are considered "prohibited materials" by PA Act 101 and are recommended to be composted.

Waste haulers have been notified to NOT pick these items up.

You may submit an online service request at craftonborough.com/service-request or call the borough office at **(412) 921-0752**

Fall Leaf Collection

Crafton Public Works collects and composts leaf waste generated in the Borough each year. Fall leaf collection typically starts in October and runs to early December, weather permitting. To participate in fall leaf collection, please rake leaves to the curb/street. Bagged leaves will also be collected upon request. Leaves should be placed in biodegradable/eco-friendly bags. For more information, please visit craftonborough.com/public-works

At Your Door Special Collection: Home Pickup for Household Hazardous Waste

As part of the residential solid waste and recycling contract with Waste Management, Crafton residents have the opportunity to dispose of their household hazardous waste (HHW) safely, easily, and responsibly. Waste Management provides an "At Your Door" Special Collection service. For more information please visit the trash and recycling page craftonborough.com/trash-recycling on the Crafton Website.



Yoga in the Park

**Saturdays 10-11 am
thru Sept.**
(weather permitting)

What are you doing on Saturday mornings? It is a perfect time for Community Saturday Yoga program in Crafton Park. The Yoga instructor will teach class for one hour, from 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. on Saturday mornings. Classes will run from July through September (weather permitting). Yoga will be conducted at the rear of the park between the Community Garden and the ball fields. All levels are welcome. The fee is set by the teacher, which has usually been \$5.00, or a donation to the Crafton Food Bank - including canned goods etc.

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 Pittsburgh, PA 15205
 (412) 921-0752

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Sewage Backup or Service Request



www.craftonborough.com/service-request

Daily Leaf Collection / Small Limb Pickup

October 15 Through December 15, weather permitting. Leaves can be raked to the street side of the curb. Leaves can extend into the street. Please keep sidewalks clear. Leaf bags can be put out with the trash on collection days.

Call the Borough office at **412-921-0752** to schedule pickups for shrub and small limb debris.



Did you know?
 Senior Citizens, 65+ can ride Pittsburgh Regional Transit and other public transportation across the state for free. You can apply at the Downtown Service Center, 623 Smithfield St., or Rep. Deasy's or Sen. Fontana's office. Better yet, attend Rep. Deasy's Mobile office right here in Crafton on October 12th. *See page 10 for details.*

**2023 Recyclables Collection Schedule –
 Regular weekly trash pickup is on Tuesdays**
except when there is a legal holiday on Monday.

NOTE: Hedge cuttings, limbs and branches should not be placed in your regular weekly garbage collection. These are considered "prohibited materials" by PA Act 101 and are recommended to be composted. Waste haulers have been notified to NOT pick up these items.

AUGUST							SEPTEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7			1	2	3	4					1	2		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
29	30	31					26	27	28	29	30	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		
													31							

Recyclable items must be placed LOOSE in a container clearly marked recycle. Bagged recyclables WILL NOT be picked up!



Please remember to be courteous when you park!
 ➤ Don't block driveways.
 ➤ Leave space for others where possible.

Hazardous & Electronic Waste Collection

**At Your Door Special Collection:
 Home Pickup Program for Household
 Hazardous Waste.**

Crafton residents have a convenient new way to dispose of their household hazardous waste (HHW) safely, easily, and responsibly. Waste Management is introducing At Your Door Special Collection, a new residential service to provide year-round HHW collections for you.

See details inside this newsletter on page 11.