

A newsletter about what's happening in your Town of Mansfield

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## Mansfield Residents Urged to Provide Input on Rescue Plan Funds



Greetings Fellow Residents!

I hope that everyone has been having a very enjoyable summer. It is hard to believe it's already August! It's great to be able to spend time outdoors meeting fellow residents such as at the Senior Center Friday drive-through dinner pickups (see photo left.)

This issue of the Town newsletter contains updates on a number of important fronts, and I want to start things off by speaking to a unique (potentially once in a generation) opportunity that has been extended to the Town of Mansfield and other communities across the country.

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – a roughly \$1.9 trillion federal relief package – was signed into law. Among many other purposes, this Act provides support to State, local, and Tribal governments in responding to the impact of COVID-19 and their efforts to contain COVID-19 in their communities. ARPA provides a substantial infusion of resources to meet pandemic response needs, expand or enhance critical public infrastructure, and rebuild stronger, more economically vibrant, and equitable communities.

Broadly speaking, these funds may be used for the following eligible purposes:

- To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- To provide premium pay to eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency
- For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency; and
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Mansfield's allocation of ARPA funding is approximately \$7.5 million. The Town Council and staff are seeking input from community members to get a better sense of how the public would like to see these funds invested to maximize the positive impact on our Town. One means in which we are looking to accomplish this is via an online survey open to all Mansfield residents and property owners. It is my sincere hope that as many individuals as possible take a few minutes to complete this survey and provide us your valued thoughts and perspectives. The survey can be accessed at the following web link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/838YKNF>

I also want to take a brief moment to remind everyone that Town Hall, Mansfield Senior Center, and Mansfield Public Library officially reopened to the public this past spring following a sustained period of declining COVID-19 positivity rates in our area. Now no appointments are necessary and drop-ins are welcome. Town Hall hours are now back to what they were prior to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic: Monday-Wednesday 8:15 AM to 4:30 PM, Thursday 8:15 AM to 6:30 PM and Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM (noon).

Please give us your input by August 27 on investing American Rescue Plan Funds: [Take our survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/838YKNF)

Vaccinated individuals and those who are unvaccinated (including children under the age of 12 who are not yet able to obtain a vaccine) are required to wear a mask in the interest of reducing risk and promoting public health, effective Monday, August 2. The increase of COVID transmission in our region and across the nation is cause for concern. Thank you for your consideration as we try to prevent the spread of the Delta variant. (Continued)



**(Town Manager’s Message cont.)**

Finally, if you have friends or family who may be interested in receiving this electronic newsletter, but may not yet be subscribed, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them. And, remember, subscribing to receive the newsletter, and other updates from your town, is easy to do. (See box to the right.)

Please do not hesitate to contact the Town Manager’s Office, 860-429-3336 or [townmanager@mansfieldct.org](mailto:townmanager@mansfieldct.org), if you have constructive feedback on how the depth and breadth of information provided in the newsletter can be optimized to meet the needs of our residents.

Thank you for being a part of our community and please stay healthy and safe!

Very respectfully,



Ryan J. Aylesworth  
Town Manager

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<http://mansfieldct.gov/list.aspx>

—Enter your email address in the “Email Address” field

—Under the “Notify Me” section of the page check the box for “News & Press Releases”

Look for an automated email informing you that your email address has been added to the distribution list, then confirm your account. That’s it!

**Important Message for Visitors to Town Buildings: Please Mask Up**

To help prevent the spread of the COVID-19 Delta variant, the Town of Mansfield is asking all employees and visitors in Town buildings to please wear a mask when indoors effective Monday, August 2. This applies to all individuals regardless of vaccination status.

Connecticut Commissioner of Public Health, Dr. Deidre Gifford, is strongly recommending that vaccinated persons wear masks in public indoors spaces, and Eastern Highlands Health District also recommends this action. Thank you for helping us to keep our community safe.



**Mansfield Local Government Academy to Launch this Fall**



Do you want to know more about how your community operates? To promote engagement and understanding among residents, the Town of Mansfield will be launching the Mansfield Local Government Academy (MLGA). The in-person, interactive program is designed to familiarize citizens with all aspects of their Town government process and operations, including visits to several town facilities.

The sessions will be held weekly starting this fall. Discussions will be hosted by department heads and other public officials responsible for leading and managing the various functions of local government and services. Through this program, you ask questions directly of those managing Mansfield services.

Enrollment will be free of charge and light dinners will be provided. Classes will begin in October and run through late-January. If you are interested in learning more about the details of this program, please contact [TownManager@mansfieldct.org](mailto:TownManager@mansfieldct.org).

## Town Officials Exploring All Options and Assessing Impact of Four Corners Land Sale to UConn



Leaders of the Town of Mansfield hosted a press conference July 20 to convey outrage over the University of Connecticut's Board of Trustees recent vote to purchase three parcels of land near Mansfield Four Corners. Mayor Antonia "Toni" Moran announced that Mansfield is "exploring all our options" in challenging UConn on this decision, and shared that the Town is requesting correspondence and other materials through

the Freedom of Information Act to get to the bottom of the sudden acquisition.

UConn's recent purchase of 19.23 acres, including 14.8 acres within an area zoned for higher intensity mixed commercial and residential uses, removes the parcels located between Key Bank and the Bank of America from the Town's tax rolls permanently. This move has a long-range impact on the local economy and housing market, and undermines years of collaborative planning between the Town of Mansfield and UConn on managing productive development.

"As a result of that sale, on July 13, 2021 Capstone Collegiate Communities' withdrew its application before the Town of Mansfield for The Villas at Four Corners, a plan to build 358 units of multi-family housing on these parcels," said Mayor Moran. "We were blind-sided by this vote," said Mayor Moran. She shared that UConn's decision to purchase these properties has far-reaching implications for Mansfield and is a direct affront to Mansfield residents--including tax revenues, tax rates, housing stock and fulfillment of the Affordable Housing Plan. She added, "We cannot understand why the UConn Trustees agreed to this purchase. The implications are serious."

These properties are located in the federally designated Opportunity Zone, the largest in Connecticut, in which both UConn and Mansfield have collaborated on marketing.

Mansfield officials expressed that UConn's purchase of these properties impacts provision of Affordable Housing in the community, a priority for Mansfield and Connecticut. The proposed plan developed by Capstone to provide additional housing was in direct support of expressed need by residents and businesses in the region, including the university in support of its Tech Park growth planning. The proposed project included 30 units that would have been affordable to residents at 80% of median income and 15 units affordable to residents at 120% of median income.

Additionally, the project proposed a donation to the Eagleville Green Affordable Housing project of more than \$1.4 million under the density bonus provisions of the Zoning Regulations. Eagleville Green is a planned residential development containing 42 mixed-family residential units coordinated through the Mansfield Non-Profit Housing Development Corporation.

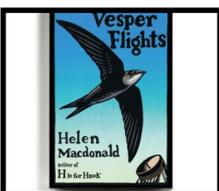
Connecticut press including the *Hartford Courant*, *Hartford Business Journal*, WFSB-TV, Fox 61 TV, *CTNewsJunkie* and *The Chronicle* have covered the story of the land sale.

"By removing this key developable parcel from the heart of this zone--one of a limited number that has access to transit as well as sewer and water infrastructure -- UConn has diminished Mansfield's growth and opportunity for future tax revenues and affordable housing, and stunted the benefits of the \$9 million sewer line investment the Town has made there in recent years," said Mayor Moran. "We estimate that Mansfield will lose more than \$2 million in annual tax revenue from this project, and that loss will be felt by every taxpayer in our community."

To view a recording of the full July 20 Press Conference visit [our website](#).

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## Library Hosts Literary Walk in Joshua's Trust Whetten Woods Preserve



Mansfield Public Library is partnering with [Joshua's Trust](#) to offer a book talk and walk in the Trust's beautiful Whetten Woods property. The literary walk will be facilitated by Joyce Fountain on Tuesday, August 10 at 6:00 PM. Joyce is the financial administrator for Joshua's Trust and avid lover of environmental fiction books. The selected book for this event is *Vesper Flights* by Helen Macdonald, named one of the best

books of the summer in 2020 by multiple publications. Called an essential writer on nature, humanity and loss by *Time* Magazine, Macdonald fills her narratives with vivid descriptions of the wildlife that surrounds us.

Meet at the Trail Head located on Hanks Hill Road. The Mansfield Library has multiple copies of *Vesper Flights* available for checkout. For additional information please contact Peggy McCarthy, 860.423.2501 or [McCarthyML@MansfieldCT.org](mailto:McCarthyML@MansfieldCT.org)

## Get Ready to Celebrate! Celebrate Mansfield Festival October 2!

October 2 2-8 PM

**CELEBRATE  
MANSFIELD  
FESTIVAL**

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership invites Mansfield-located businesses, community organizations, and artisans to participate in the 18th Annual Celebrate Mansfield Festival!

This year's event will be Saturday, October 2 from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM in Downtown Storrs.

There are several ways in which you can participate:

- **NEW Juried Craft Show:** Crafters, makers, and artists of all kinds are welcome to apply for a craft booth to sell their hand-made and local products; Cost: Free to apply, accepted booths pay \$25; **Deadline: Friday, August 6**
- **Activity Booths:** A great way to connect with the community by offering a hands-on, low-waste activity for any age (we can help with ideas!); Cost: \$25; **Deadline: Friday, August 20**
- **Food Booths:** Open to restaurants and non-profit organizations, food booths are a wonderful way to connect with new diners or raise some funds; Cost: \$25; **Deadline: Friday, August 20**
- **Volunteer:** Lend a hand in putting on the largest event in town! Individuals and groups are welcome to volunteer for an hour or two or all day; Sign up now or on the day of the event!

For more information and the applications for the above opportunities, please visit [downtownstorrsfestival.org](http://downtownstorrsfestival.org) or call the Partnership office (860.429.2740).

The Celebrate Mansfield Festival is free and open to everyone! Booths will be open from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM around Downtown Storrs. Entertainment will take place on the Square and around the Festival site throughout the afternoon. At 6:30 PM, everyone is invited to gather on Betsy Paterson Square for our closing concert.

We'll see you there!

## Building and Housing Department Responsive to Concerns



With another new UConn semester just ahead, please be reminded that the Town has enacted many quality of life-related ordinances pertaining to off-campus student housing. Considering the diverse lifestyles of different residents, issues do arise that may require investigation and action by one or more Town departments.

Building and Housing staff investigates each complaint that we receive. Inspections are scheduled giving consideration of the nature of the complaint. Those deemed to be potential life-safety issues will be investigated within 24 hours in most cases. Those regarding land use, blight and off-street parking will be scheduled within the next available time slot, as permitted, based on staffing and other prescheduled commitments. Please contact our department with any questions or concerns at 860-429-3324 or email to [blgddept@MANSFIELDCT.ORG](mailto:blgddept@MANSFIELDCT.ORG).

While any information submitted may be taken into account, a separate case may be referred to another department based on specific regulations and protocol. Nuisance behavior, on-street parking and any perceived criminal activity should be directed to the Mansfield Resident Trooper's office. Please dial 911 for emergency situations.

See you on the Square!

Join the Mansfield Downtown Partnership for these fun, free events - with more to come!

**An Evening with Patty Tuite**  
THURSDAY, AUG. 5 | 6:30 PM

**Moonlight Movies: Raya & The Last Dragon**  
FRIDAY, AUG. 6 | 7:30 PM

**Summertime Saturday Puppet Show: Fox Fables**  
Co-Hosted by the Ballard Institute & Museum of Puppetry and Mansfield Downtown Partnership  
SATURDAY, AUG. 7 | 11:00 AM

**Moonlight Movies: Frozen 2**  
FRIDAY, AUG. 13 | 7:30 PM

**CELEBRATING**  
- 20 YEARS -  
**MANSFIELD**  
DOWNTOWN  
PARTNERSHIP  
Business and Community

Find more events & fun things to do at [downtownstorrs.org](http://downtownstorrs.org)



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## Mansfield's Welcomes Sergeant King to Resident State Trooper Office



Mansfield welcomes Sergeant Stephen R. King as the new supervisor in our Resident State Trooper's office. His tenure with the Town of Mansfield began on July 12, 2021 following the retirement of Sgt. Keith Timme. Sgt. King has worked with the Connecticut State Police since 2008, serving as a Trooper until 2014 when he was promoted to Sergeant.

Sgt. King is a familiar face in Mansfield. As Trooper King, he was a Patrol Trooper based at Troop C in Tolland and was then assigned to Mansfield as a Resident State Trooper from 2012 to 2014.

Here in Mansfield as the new Sergeant, he plans to continue the work of fostering a positive relationship with the community. The first few weeks have been filled with meeting the department heads and staff, as well as touring the schools and meeting the principals and staff.

The Resident State Trooper's office has celebrated numerous retirements and promotions over the past year. We are welcoming three new Troopers to the office. Priorities include:

- We will continue to be a presence in our schools, reading and spending time creating a strong positive relationship with the schools and our youngest residents;
- We will continue to work with UCONN Police and UCONN off campus housing to create a safe collegiate experience for our incoming students while maintaining a quiet and peaceful community;
- Work to reinstate the DARE program into Mansfield Middle School;
- We will continue to provide community oriented police service and thorough investigations to our residents.

Residents are encouraged to stop into the Resident State Trooper's office, introduce yourself to Sgt. King, and welcome him to our community.

## Mansfield Farms to Families Program Offering Fresh, Local Foods



The Mansfield Farms to Families Program has begun distributing a wide variety of local foods to households, the first of four rounds of food boxes for qualified residents. Fifty Mansfield households participated this week. Mansfield Human Services is proud to partner with local farms in the area to source all the foods including Mountain Dairy, Hillandale Farms, Willow Valley Farm, Stearns Farm Stand and Cloverleigh Farm.

The first food box included locally produced milk, eggs, and fresh-picked yellow squash and zucchini, blueberries, heads of cabbage and heads of red lettuce.

Please spread the word that this program has the capacity to expand to additional households. The simple application can be found at <https://www.mansfieldct.gov/DocumentCenter/View/11515/MFFP-Food-App>.



For questions about the program, call the Human Services Department at 860-429-3315 and speak with Shelby or Dorothy.

*This project was funded in part by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture through the Community Investment Act.*



## Mansfield Housing Rehabilitation Program

Funding provided through a Small Cities Grant from the State of Connecticut Department of Housing as part of the HUD Community Development Block Grant.

### HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Effective June 1, 2021

Household Size	Maximum Income
1 Person	\$55,950
2 People	\$63,950
3 People	\$71,950
4 People	\$79,900
5 People	\$86,300
6 People	\$92,700
7 People	\$99,100
8 People	\$105,500

Assistance is available to Mansfield homeowners and provides 0% interest loans to income-eligible homeowners to finance home repairs. Call us to discuss your eligibility questions.

**APPLY TODAY**  
Additional program information and an on-line application form are available at <http://new.mansfieldct.gov/2035/Housing-Rehabilitation>

**Questions?**  
[planzonedept@MansfieldCT.org](mailto:planzonedept@MansfieldCT.org)  
860.429.3330

**Eligible Improvements include (but are not limited to):**  
Roof repair/replacement  
Windows and Doors  
Heating plumbing and electrical upgrades  
Private well/septic repair/replacement  
Accessibility for individuals with disabilities

## Mansfield Marks First Juneteenth Independence Day with Proclamation and Ceremony.



The Town of Mansfield and partner organizations gathered at the Mansfield Community Center on June 18 to commemorate Juneteenth in Mansfield. Juneteenth, June 19, marks the anniversary of the day in 1865 when enslaved people of Galveston, Texas were informed of the Emancipation Proclamation and is celebrated around the country to mark the survival, dignity, and continuing struggle for freedom of African Americans in the United States.

Mayor Antonia Moran read the Proclamation announcing the annual celebration as adopted by the Town Council. Glenn Mitoma, Chair of the Mansfield Human Rights Commission, Leah Ralls, President of the Windham/Willimantic NAACP, Carlita Cotton of COR- Mansfield (shown speaking, above), Aminieli Hopson from EO Smith’s Cultural Awareness Brigade, and Ryan Aylesworth, Mansfield Town Manager, all offered remarks about the significance of the day. You can hear a recording of the remarks by visiting the Town of Mansfield’s [Facebook](#) page where it was broadcast live.

Along with recognizing Juneteenth, the Human Rights Commission and Town of Mansfield announced Mansfield’s location for the site of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Mural at the Mansfield Community Center. Mansfield was selected as one of 39 mural sites across the state to recognize Dr. King with murals to be completed before his birthday next January. An organizing committee representing several organizations and Mansfield Schools has been formed to work with a professional mural artist to design and complete the mural by fall of 2021. Watch for opportunities to participate in this community project.

The Mansfield community can look forward to robust celebrations of Juneteenth for many years to come.

## Trash Service Fees to Increase for the 64-, 96- and 160-Gallon Service

In order to provide an incentive for residents to reduce waste, Mansfield offers unit-based pricing for trash service rather than incorporating waste removal into taxes. By composting and recycling, residents have the power to keep their costs down. With the rising cost of waste incineration and recycling, the current single-family fees were evaluated by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and increases for the larger service sizes were approved by Town Council.

This chart shows the increases that will go into effect beginning January 1, 2022. Please note that the 20-gallon and 35-gallon trash service fees will remain the same:

If you are looking for ways to cut costs, composting can be part of the answer. By composting food scraps, either by bringing them to the Transfer Station or starting a backyard compost pile, you may be able to drop your service size. Visit [www.mansfieldct.gov/composting](http://www.mansfieldct.gov/composting) to hear how some residents have benefited from composting.

Service Size	Current Rate	New Rate
20 Gallon	\$16.00	No Change
35 Gallon	\$22.75	No Change
64 Gallon	\$29.00	\$32.00
96 Gallon	\$35.75	\$43.00
160 Gallon	\$41.75	\$56.00

## Fire Department Personnel Complete State Honor Guard Training



Two members of the Mansfield Fire Department attended National Honor Guard Academy at the Connecticut State Fire Academy last week. Mansfield Firefighters Joe Burnham and Rick Landry attended the training expressly designed to assist fire service and public safety organizations in developing their organization’s honor and color guard units.

This will allow the department to put together a team of member who will be trained by Firefighters Burnham and Landry for the purpose of attending parades, and honor past, present, and future members at promotional ceremonies and/or funeral events. Their week-long course provided basic guidance for the standardization of training methods, instruction in proper drilling movement, proper techniques, leadership enhancement, and team confidence building.



## Do you need a helping hand with food or childcare?

COVID-19 Assistance Available



### CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE

- Up to \$9,000 of assistance with childcare costs over a six month period per family
- Summer camps licensed by the State as childcare providers may be eligible as summer childcare
- Care4Kids families are eligible for assistance
- Family responsible for childcare costs equivalent to 7% of gross income



### FOOD ASSISTANCE

- All household types are eligible, including families, seniors and adults without children
- Grocery staples-perishable and non-perishable
- Prepared meals and meal kits
- Weekly contact-less pickup
- Delivery may be available for homebound residents

食物与儿童保育援助

المساعدة في الغذاء ورعاية الأطفال

식품 및 보육 지원

Asistencia con alimentos y cuidado de niños

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

## Mansfield Can Offer Assistance to Residents Impacted by COVID-19

### Childcare Assistance for Summer and Fall

With still a full month left to summer break, we know that many families are in need of childcare now, and are already making childcare plans for after school starts. If your family has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, we may be able to help defray the cost of your childcare. Summer camps licensed (or exempt from licensing) by the State of Connecticut can qualify for our childcare assistance program. As a reminder, families are responsible for contributing 7% of their income toward the childcare costs, and the maximum amount that may be awarded for assistance is \$9,000 over six months.

We can also assist families receiving Care 4 Kids help by covering the gap between the amount of assistance they provide and 7% of the household's income. Visit <http://www.mansfieldct.gov/2089/COVID-Assistance> for more information and income eligibility requirements.

### New! Food Assistance for Qualifying Households

We know that the pandemic has disrupted many families' incomes. People across the country struggle with food insecurity, including many Mansfield residents. Residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible for food assistance through the Town. Visit <http://www.mansfieldct.gov/2089/COVID-Assistance> for more information and income eligibility requirements.

Please pass the word about these generous programs so our residents who can use a helping hand can receive it.

## Town Council Supports Efforts to Promote and Expand Reuse



In June the Town Council concurred with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee's recommendation, among other goals, to capture more reusable items entering the Transfer Station. In addition to the swap shop, the Town has created a "Reuse Area" near the scrap metal dumpster where residents can place usable items that are too large for the swap shop and take whatever is placed there. Examples might include pieces of wood with nails/screws removed, working lawn mowers, or

lawn furniture. There is money set aside to build a larger swap shop building where these items can be placed under cover.

Renovations to the Transfer Station, including rebuilding the retaining walls, are currently in design review. Until then, please note that these donations will be exposed to weather. Before loading up your vehicle to go to the Transfer Station, consider if there are any materials in your shop, garage or attic that could be reused. When you arrive at the Transfer Station, show the gate attendant what you would like to contribute to the Reuse Area and he/she will decide if it is an appropriate donation. You may still be charged for disposal.

Another great way to share items that still have a lot of use in them is through the local Facebook page [Buy Nothing Mansfield](#) is a great resource for swapping and reusing goods! Just ask to become a member.

Are you interested in learning about what happens to your recyclables after they leave your curb? Check out the new video produced by the Solid Waste Advisory Board at [www.mansfieldct.gov/recycle](http://www.mansfieldct.gov/recycle).

For questions, contact Recycling Coordinator Virginia Walton at 860-429-3333 or [waltonvd@mansfieldct.org](mailto:waltonvd@mansfieldct.org).

### Marrying in Mansfield? We'll Help You with Your Marriage License.



It's wedding season! There have been more than fifteen weddings held in town since June, some of them even at the Town Hall! Marriage licenses are issued by the Office of the Town Clerk. Per Connecticut General Statutes, a marriage license and a ceremony are required in order to be legally married. Couples getting married must obtain a marriage license in the same town that the wedding ceremony will take place.

The Mansfield Town vault contains marriage records dating back to 1702, and will continue to store historical and new marriage records in perpetuity. Genealogists conducting research today and hundreds of years from now depend on the information collected in the marriage licenses to trace family history.

If a wedding is in your future, learn more about how to obtain a marriage license from us by visiting us on the web at [www.mansfieldct.gov/townclerk](http://www.mansfieldct.gov/townclerk).

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### Increasing Theft and Vandalism is Dangerous and Costly to Residents



An emerging trend is causing town officials to be concerned about public safety. Please be especially observant when traveling on our roads as you may encounter a dangerous situation of which the Department of Public Works has no control.

An individual (or group of people) is stealing signs along our roads. Another person or group is vandalizing our catch basins. Both of these actions are illegal and are very dangerous to the

traveling public whether they are operating a vehicle or a bike, or running or walking.

Since March 2020, 100 signs are missing from Mansfield roads due to theft. The green signs with road names are the most popular with 52 stolen, but 48 regulatory signs including "stop" signs, are included in the tally. A missing "stop" sign creates an immediate hazard, especially if the driver traveling along the road is not familiar with the area. Someone could be seriously injured or even killed because of an irresponsible unthinking theft.

The cost to the taxpayer is not cheap. Replacing one sign can cost more than \$100 in material and labor. The Department of Public Works has spent more than \$10,000 since March 2020 on replacement signage. Replacement cost and time prevents the Department from doing something more beneficial to the Town and its residents.

Another inexcusable and potentially harmful activity is the removal of the metal grate in a storm sewer catch basin. The culprit in these cases is removing the metal grate and throwing them inside the basin (see photo at right). Now an unsuspecting traveling individual is prone to driving, riding, walking or running into a hole on the edge of the road where they would expect to encounter the grate.



The Department is pleading for your assistance. If you know who is perpetuating these acts, tell them to stop and report it to the Resident State Trooper's office at (860) 429-6024. If you see any road signs, where they should not be or for sale, report it. If you have possession of any stolen signs, return them to the Town Hall. If you know who is removing the grates or see someone doing it, report it. If you see a catch basin without a grate, report it immediately. The potential for harm due to these acts should be of concern to everyone in our community.

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### Get a Free Chicken Wire Compost Bin Kit While Supplies Last



Did you know that a compost bin for your back yard can be as simple as a roll of wire fencing such as chicken wire and a long stake to keep it in place.? The Solid Waste Advisory Committee is distributing free "kits" of repurposed wire fencing and metal stakes to any resident who wants to pick them up from the Town Hall. Recycling Coordinator Virginia Walton has been distributing several kits each week, and providing general instructions on easy assembly and how to get started reducing food waste through composting.

Lay your 24" X 70" fencing flat, then roll into a 22-inch circle. Using pliers, bend end wires to hold the circular shape, then bend the rest so they are out of the way. Stand the circle on its end. Weave the stake through 3 gaps of the openings in the fencing, and pound it into the ground to stabilize it. You have a compost bin! Visit <http://mansfieldct.gov/1579/Composting> for details.

To pick up a kit, call 860-429-3333 or email [waltonvd@mansfieldct.org](mailto:waltonvd@mansfieldct.org).

### Mansfield Mustangs Experience Learning Through Service



Connecticut Mansfield Youth Services (YSB) has been having a blast this summer in our outdoor and virtual programs for youth and families. Whether it's been online arts and crafts sessions, family hikes all over town to explore our own backyard, or youth service learning with the Mansfield Mustangs program, it has been wonderful to be getting back together!

Mustangs is a youth service learning program designed to help middle school-aged youth feel connected to and invested in their community, while building connections with each other, and having fun. These young folks (and YSB staff Danielle Annibalini and Sarah Dufresne) have been working HARD all summer, but are still all smiles.

This year, Mansfield Mustangs officially makes its new home in the Mansfield Youth Services. It was originally a program which started at the Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department. We're so appreciative of the years of collaboration with Parks and Recreation's Acting Director, Jay O'Keefe, and are thrilled to keep growing with it!



### Community Input Contributes to Approval of Affordable Housing Plan

[Mansfield's Affordable Housing Plan](#) was adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission on July 6, 2021 and by the Town Council on July 12, 2021. The plan includes the objectives and strategies that the Town can use to further affordable housing in a manner that aligns with our community value.

These objectives and strategies were developed by the Ad Hoc Committee on Affordable and Workforce Housing and were informed by the data-driven Needs Assessment and two surveys that were conducted as part of the public outreach process. The community survey results are included as an appendix in the plan. Thank you to all our community members who participated in the survey!



**Town of Mansfield**  
**AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLAN**

Adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission on July 6, 2021  
Adopted by the Town Council on July 12, 2021

### Mansfield Represented in Columbia Independence Day Parade July 5



Leaders from the Mansfield Fire Department marched in the Columbia Independence Day Parade (l to r) Chief Fred Mitchell, Jr., Asst. Chief George Thompson III, Firefighter Robert Reis, Firefighter George Thompson Jr., Deputy Chief William Jordan. The firetruck is Mansfield's newest— ET- 107.

### Mansfield Breaks Ground on Connecticut’s First Net-Zero Energy Public School



The Town of Mansfield and Mansfield Public Schools celebrated the groundbreaking of the new elementary school on June 24. More than 100 families, invited guests, elected officials and school building partners joined the festivities on the grounds of Southeast School where the new building is being constructed.

Six grade 1 and 2 students from Mansfield’s three elementary schools, outfitted in hard hats, led the groundbreaking. Mayor Antonia Moran, State Representatives Brian Smith and Gregg Haddad, State Senator Mae Flexer, Town Manager Ryan Aylesworth, Superintendent Kelly Lyman, School Building Committee Chair Randy Walikonis, Board of Education Chair Kathleen Ward offered remarks, and members of the School Building Committee also participated in the ceremony.

The PreK to Grade 4 elementary school will be the first public school in Connecticut to be a net-zero energy school—producing all of the energy it consumes. The site is undergoing significant preparation work this summer as construction throughout the coming year. The plan is to complete the school in time to start the new school year there for 2022-23.



### Watch Our School Grow! Camera Lets You Witness the School Construction as it Happens.



One of the exciting elements announced at the new school groundbreaking ceremony was that students and residents can watch the new school take shape in the coming year. Live!

A live-action camera mounted on the roof of Southeast School lets the community follow the progress on the new school as it takes place. For example, tree clearing and site work has begun at Southeast Park with construction fencing in place. Portable classrooms at Southeast School are being dismantled and supplies are being stockpiled.

Families and the community can follow progress on the construction anytime through a live camera at the site at <https://mansfieldct.gov/2178/Watch-our-School-Grow>

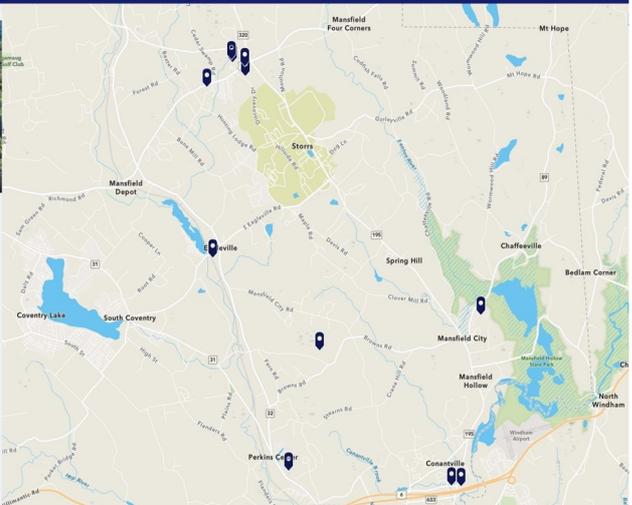
**Planning Department Launches Story Map to Share Information on Development Activity**  
If you’ve ever wondered how you can learn more about businesses and development projects coming to Mansfield, the new Development Activity Story Map is for you. The Story Map highlights development and business activity in Mansfield, providing information on upcoming public hearings, concept plans for new developments, recently approved projects and new businesses. It is an ever-evolving work in progress, but you can check out the current version at [MansfieldCT.gov/DevelopmentActivity](https://MansfieldCT.gov/DevelopmentActivity).



#### Overview

As our residents know, Mansfield is one of the gems of Eastern Connecticut. Blue Ribbon and Best in Class schools, scenic roads and historic villages, world-class art and athletics, and 22,000 acres of open space and 70 miles of trails all combine to create a unique intersection between country living and city amenities that continues to attract new businesses and development. This story map highlights development and business activity in Mansfield, providing readers with information on upcoming public hearings, concept plans for new developments, and information on recently approved projects.

While we do our best to keep the information in this story map up to date, it is not off-notice of any public hearings and should not be read on as such. For official



### July Proclaimed Parks and Rec Month, but the Fun Carries on All Year!



In case you missed it, July was proclaimed Parks and Recreation Month locally, and at state and national levels! (See Mansfield's Proclamation on page 14.)

Summer is a great time to celebrate all that Parks and Rec has to offer; we get out, we play, we swim, we hike, but our local department is up to much more... and the fun does not stop in July.

This summer kicked off with some excitement as Mansfield Parks and Recreation and Mansfield Youth Services became a recipient of the Summer Enrichment Expansion Grant, offering a free week of Camp Mansfield to eligible resident families (contact Human Services at 860-429-3315 for eligibility information). So far this summer, 39 campers have benefited from the program, with approximately \$8,000 in camper registration fees covered. Camp sessions 1 through 6 have been a roaring success, but with Jurassic Park Week, Olympics Week, and Carnival Week all still ahead, there is plenty of fun still in store with Camp Mansfield at Bicentennial Pond.

Speaking of Bicentennial Pond, have you been yet this summer? A true gem in town, swimming at the pond is free this year, but that's not all. Bicentennial Pond is home to one of Mansfield's universal access trails, and offers wheelchair-friendly access down to the water. Come by for an all-ages adventure to fish, walk, swim, kayak, or enjoy the playground. The season ends August 22, so don't miss the special Family Fun Night at the Pond on Friday, August 20 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. to close out the season in style!



Trail access is available year-round, just like all other Mansfield trails. Maps are available at [mansfieldct.org/trailguides](http://mansfieldct.org/trailguides) or in hard copy at the Mansfield Community Center.

Planning to visit the Mansfield Community Center? Summer hours are in play until Labor Day! Come by for a workout, swim, or time in the gymnasium Monday-Friday 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sundays 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check [www.mansfieldcc.com](http://www.mansfieldcc.com) for area schedules, fall hours, the return of Child Care (yes, it's coming!), shutdown updates (Center is closed August 23-25) and for announcements of fall programs and activities.

The Fall Parks and Recreation brochure will be in your mailbox soon, so watch for details—there is always more to come!

### Our Emergency Management office encourages you to be prepared for bad storms.

➔ **PREPARE FOR A HURRICANE** ⚡



**KNOW YOUR AREA, MAKE A PLAN!**  
Include more than one evacuation route.

**PREPARE AN EMERGENCY KIT!**  
Prepare a kit with supplies for at least 10 days.





**PREPARE YOUR HOME!**  
Install shutters, clean gutters and drains, trim trees and shrubs.




### Residents Vote to Approve 2021-22 Town Budget at Town Meeting



Mansfield’s annual Town Meeting was held at the Mansfield Middle School on Tuesday, June 15. The \$45.5 million combined budget for school and town was approved as presented by the Town Council.

Bruce Clouette was nominated from the floor to serve as moderator and presided over the proceedings. A summary of the proposed budget was presented by Town Council Finance Committee Chair Peter Kochenburger.

After a short discussion period where staff members were prepared to respond to questions from voters, ballots were cast by those in attendance. The final tally was 61 Yes and 1 vote No.

Following the Town Meeting, the Town Council held a special meeting where it voted for the tax rate be set for fiscal year 2021-22 at 31.38 mills which is the same rate as prior fiscal year.

The Town Council took special care in planning for this year’s Town Meeting so that residents who were not comfortable attending in-person at the auditorium could have options to hear the meeting live from the cafeteria or outdoors in the parking lot. Special accommodation would have been made to collect votes from those alternative locations, but no residents chose those alternative sites.

To review the approved budget, visit <http://mansfieldct.gov/169/Budget-Information>



#### Haven at Storrs

Special Permit Application for a 398-unit mixed-use development on the site of Holiday Mall and the former Willards and former Rosal’s/Two Steps on Route 44. Application materials and comments from the first public hearing are available at <https://mansfield.civicweb.net/document/33004?splitScreen=true>. The public hearing is being continued to August 30, 2021.



Follow our Town Activities on Social Media!

#### FACEBOOK:

- Town of Mansfield
- Mansfield Public Library
- Mansfield Senior Center
- Mansfield Youth Services
- Mansfield Fire Department
- Downtown Storrs
- Mansfield Downtown Partnership
- Mansfield Community Center
- Mansfield Public Schools
- Taste of Mansfield

#### TWITTER:

- Town of Mansfield
- Downtown Storrs
- Mansfield Public Library
- Eastern Highlands Health District

#### INSTAGRAM

- Mansfield Downtown Partnership
- Taste of Mansfield

Department of Public Health’s Van Offers Pop-Up Vaccines Sites



Businesses and schools in Mansfield are offering pop-up, outdoor vaccination opportunities this summer to try to improve local vaccination rates for COVID-19.

Anyone age 12 and older can stop by at these sites, no appointment needed, to receive a vaccination. If you have an insurance card or photo ID, please bring them, but no one will be turned away:

- Mansfield Drive-In August 3 from 10 AM to 4 PM
- Adventure Park at Storrs August 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26 from 10 AM to 2PM
- Mansfield Middle School August 11 from 2 PM to 8 PM
- Edwin O. Smith High School August 26 from 10 AM to 4 PM.

**CELEBRATE MANSFIELD FESTIVAL**  
 OCTOBER 2, 2021 2:00 to 8:00 PM  
 IN DOWNTOWN STORRS  
 GAMES! FOOD! MUSIC! FREE! EVERYONE WELCOME!  
 MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP  
 DOWNTOWN STORRS  
 Eat - Explore - Enjoy

PRESENTED BY THE MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP WITH SUPPORT FROM OUR SPONSORS:



MORE INFO: [DOWNTOWNSTORRSFESTIVAL.ORG](http://DOWNTOWNSTORRSFESTIVAL.ORG)

For a complete monthly listing of Senior Center services, dining opportunities, day trips and other social activities, check out the [Senior Sparks newsletter!](#)

**SENIOR SPARKS**  
**MANSFIELD SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER**  
 ~AUGUST 2021~



Mansfield Proclaims July as Parks & Recreation Month



Parks & Recreation

Designation of July 2021 as Parks and Recreation Month  
Town of Mansfield, Connecticut

Whereas, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut; and  
Whereas, our parks and recreation are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and region; and  
Whereas, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and  
Whereas, parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and  
Whereas, parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and  
Whereas, parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and  
Whereas, our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and  
Whereas, the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and  
Whereas, the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mansfield Town Council that July is recognized as Parks and Recreation Month in the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Mansfield to be affixed on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year 2021.

*Antonia Moran*

Antonia Moran, Mayor

July 12, 2021

Date



# Moonlight Movies



Friday, Aug. 6



Friday, Aug. 13

Activities start at 7:30 PM | Movies start at dusk  
On Betsy Paterson Square | Free & Open to Everyone!  
Info: [downtownstorrs.org/movies](http://downtownstorrs.org/movies)



## What's Happening in Town? Don't miss these **EVENTS!**

Watch for more on the [Town of Mansfield website](#) . Watch for updates from the [Mansfield Senior Center](#) which hosts many online activities each month, as well as the [Mansfield Public Library](#) and [Mansfield Community Center](#).

Date	Event/Activity	More Info/Register
August 3	Free Vaccination Clinic at Mansfield Drive-In, 10:00 AM—4:00 PM	<a href="http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821">http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821</a>
August 4	Acrobat Li Liu Performs, 6:30 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 4,5,11, 12, 18,19, 25, 26	Free Vaccination Clinic at The Adventure Park at Storrs, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM	<a href="http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821">http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821</a>
August 5	An evening with Patty Tuite at Betsy Paterson Square, free, 6:30 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Downtown Partnership</a>
August 5	Movie: <i>Three Coins in the Fountain</i> , 4:00 PM	Mansfield Senior Center Reserve 860-487-9877 by 8/3
August 6	Moonlight Movies: <i>Raya &amp; The Last Dragon</i> Betsy Paterson Square, 7:30 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Downtown Partnership</a>
August 7, 14, 21	Family Storytime Outside at the Library Lawn, 10:30 AM	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 8 & 26	Free FOODSHARE Distribution, 11:30-12 noon, E.O. Smith High School Parking Lot	<a href="#">Mansfield Human Services</a>
August 10	Literary Walk at Whetten Woods Preserve, 6:00 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 10	Zoom Book Discussion, <i>The Samurai's Garden</i> by Gail Tsukiyama, 6:45 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 11	For Teens/Tweens: You Rock. Drumming with Bob Bloom, 7:00 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 11	Free Vaccination Clinic at Mansfield Middle School, 2:00—8:00 PM	<a href="http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821">http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821</a>
August 12	Moonlight Movies: <i>Frozen II</i> on Betsy Paterson Square, 7:30 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Downtown Partnership</a>
August 18	Zoom Film Discussion of Jeff Nichols' 2011 movie <i>Take Shelter</i>	ockmondmj@mansfieldct.org for Zoom link. <a href="#">Mansfield Public Library</a>
August 18	E.O. Smith Students Perform at Senior Center	Mansfield Senior Center 860-487-9877
August 20	Family Fun Night at Bicentennial Pond—Fun in the Sun and Sand Castle Contest,	<a href="#">Mansfield Community Center</a>

## More **EVENTS!**

Date	Event/Activity	More Info/Register
August 20	Free to Mansfield Residents Day at the Community Center, 4:30—7:30 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Community Center</a>
August 20	Fresh Friday—Meal with Performance by Joe Flood, 12 noon (Register by 8-16)	Mansfield Senior Center 860-487-9877
August 25	History for Fun: Ten Epic Fails of Thomas Edison with speaker Joseph Ouellette,	Mansfield Senior Center 860-487-9877
August 26	Free Vaccination Clinic at E.O. Smith High School, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM	<a href="http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821">http://mansfieldct.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=821</a>
September 2	First Day of School for Students	<a href="#">Mansfield Public Schools</a>
September 9, 23	Free FOODSHARE Distribution, Mansfield Senior Center, 11:30-12 noon,	<a href="#">Mansfield Human Services</a>
October 2	Celebrate Mansfield Festival, 2:00 PM—8:00 PM	<a href="#">Mansfield Downtown Partnership</a>

## Upcoming Municipal Meetings

We encourage residents to participate in Mansfield’s governance. At this time the Town Hall is closed to the public, therefore municipal meetings are being held virtually. However, residents may still submit Public Comment, attend these sessions to listen in live, and in some cases to view the meeting as it occurs via Live Video Stream.

▶ Human Rights Commission-Sub C
▶ Human Services Advisory Committ
▶ Inland/Wetlands Agency
▶ Library Advisory Board

To find the log-in information for each of these meetings, go to the [Agendas/Minutes](#) page on the town’s website. Look up the name of the committee, and click on the arrow to the left of the title. The agenda for the upcoming meeting will appear. Click on the pdf, and the log-in information for how to watch the meeting will be included there. Minutes of past meetings are also posted there.

Date	Meeting <i>(Some subcommittee meetings are not shown. Please check the website.)</i>	Place <b>NOTE: Please check meeting agendas on our website to confirm location/meeting method. Some in-person meetings may resume soon.</b>
August 2 6:30 PM	Inland Wetlands Agency/ Planning Zoning Commission	
August 5 4:30 PM	Mansfield Downtown Partner- ship Board of Directors	
August 9 7:00 PM	Town Council	
August 10 1:30 PM	Town-University Relations Committee	
August 10 1:00 PM	Agriculture Committee	
August 11 5:00 PM	Celebrate Mansfield Festival Committee	
August 11 6:00 PM	Sustainability Committee	
August 11 7:00 PM	Human Rights Commission	
August 11 7:00 PM	Town Council-Ad Hoc Committee on Affordable Housing	
August 12 3:30 PM	Planning Zoning Commission Regulatory Review Committee	
August 12 4:00 PM	School Building Committee	
August 17 5:30 PM	Solid Waste Advisory Committee	
August 18 7:00 PM	Conservation Commission	
August 19 5:30 PM	Mansfield Board of Education- Special Meeting	
August 19 6:00 PM	Economic Development Commission	
August 23 5:30 PM	Town Council: Personnel Committee	
August 23 7:00 PM	Town Council	
August 24 6:30 PM	Zoning Board of Appeals	
August 25 9:00 AM	Traffic Authority	

**Municipal Meetings Cont.**

Date	Meeting	Place <i>NOTE: Please check meeting agendas on our website to confirm location/meeting method. Some in-person meetings may resume soon.</i>
August 25 6:00 PM	Celebrate Mansfield Festival Committee	
August 25 6:30 PM	Historic District Commission Meeting	
August 26 3:30 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regulatory Review Committee	
August 30 6:30 PM	Inland Wetlands Agency/ Planning Zoning Commission	
September 2 4:30 PM	Mansfield Downtown Partnership Board of Directors	
September 8 6:00 PM	Sustainability Committee	
September 8 7:00 PM	Human Rights Commission	
September 9 5:00 PM	School Building Committee	
September 9 5:00 PM	Celebrate Mansfield Festival Committee	
September 9 6:00 PM	Committee on Committees	
September 9 6:30 PM	Town Council: Ad Hoc Committee on Affordable Housing	
September 9 7:00 PM	Mansfield Board of Education	
September 13 9:30 AM	Commission on Aging Committee	
September 13 7:00 PM	Town Council Meeting	
September 14 12 PM	Youth Services Advisory Board	
September 15 3:30 PM	Cemetery Committee	
September 16 6:00 PM	Economic Development Commission-	
September 18 10:00 AM	Board of Assessment Appeals	
September 20 6:30 PM	Planning Zoning Commission	
September 21 6:00 PM	Solid Waste Advisory Committee	
September 21 7:00 PM	Parks and Natural Resources Committee	
September 22 9:00 AM	Traffic Authority Committee	
September 22 5:00 PM	Celebrate Mansfield Festival Committee	
September 22 5:00 PM	Historic District Commission	

**Municipal Meetings Cont.**

Date	Meeting	Place <i>NOTE: Please check meeting agendas on our website to confirm location/meeting method. Some in-person meetings may resume soon.</i>
September 23 3:30 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission Regulatory Review Committee	
September 23 6:00 PM	Economic Development Commission	
September 23 7:00 PM	Mansfield Board of Education-Workshop	
September 27 5:30 PM	Town Council: Personnel Committee	
September 27 7:00 PM	Town Council	
September 28 6:30 PM	Zoning Board of Appeals	
September 29 7:00 PM	Human Services Advisory Board	

## Please Contact Our Department Leaders for What You Need



Our staff is ready to help answer any questions you have about how to access the services of your community. Please reach out to them by phone or by email for anything you need.

Department	Department Leader	Contact
Animal Control	Noranne Nielsen, Animal Control Officer	860-487-0137 ACO@mansfieldct.org
Assessor	Rochelle Lambert, Assessor	860-429-3311 Assessor@mansfieldct.org
Building and Housing Inspection	Michael Ninteau, Building & Housing Director	860-429-3324 BldgDept@mansfieldct.org
Downtown Partnership	Cynthia van Zelm, Executive Director	860-429-2740 MDP@mansfieldct.org
Eastern Highlands Health	Robert Miller, M.P.H., R.S., Director of Health	860-429-3325 ehhd@ehhd.org
Emergency Management	Adam Libros, Emergency Management Director	860-429-3328 OEM@MansfieldCT.org
Facilities	Allen Corson, Facilities Director	860-429-3320 facilities@mansfieldct.org
Finance	Charmaine Bradshaw-Hill, Director of Finance	860-429-3345 FinanceDept@mansfieldct.org
Fire Marshal	Adam Libros, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal	860-429-3328 FireMarshal@mansfieldct.org
Fire & Emergency Services	Fred Mitchell, Fire Chief	860-429-3323 firedept@mansfieldct.org  <b>EMERGENCY: 911</b>
Housing Authority	Rebecca Fields, Housing Authority Executive Director	860-487-0693 rfields@mansfieldhousingct.org
Human Resources	Holly Schaefer, Human Resources Director	860-429-3380 HR@MansfieldCT.org
Human Services	Patricia Schneider, Director of Human Services	860-429-3315 HumanServ@MansfieldCT.org
Information Technology	Jaime Russell, Information Technology	860-429-3384 technology@mansfieldct.org
Mansfield Discovery Depot	Debbie Plourde, Director	(860) 487-0062 MDD@mansfieldct.org
Parks & Recreation/ Mansfield Community	Jay O'Keefe, Acting Director	860-429-3015 parks&rec@mansfieldct.org



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Department	Department Leader	Contact
Planning & Development	Linda Painter, AICP Director	860-429-3330 PlanZoneDept@mansfieldct.org
Public Library	Leslie McDonough, Library Director	860-423-2501 MansfieldLi- brary@MansfieldCT.org
Public Works	John Carrington, Public Works Director	860-429-3331 PublicWorks@mansfieldct.org
Registrars of Voters	Anne Greineder, Democratic Registrar  Vera Ward, Republican Registrar	860-429-3368  860-429-3369 VoterRegistrars@mansfieldct.org
Senior Center	Sarah Taylor, Senior Center Supervisor	860-429-0262 TaylorS@mansfieldct.org
State Police (Resident State Trooper)	Sergeant Stephen King, Resident State Trooper Sergeant	860-429-6024 Police@mansfieldct.org
Tax/Revenue Collections	Jerl Casey, Collector of Revenue	860-429-3307 Taxes@mansfieldct.org
Trash and Recycling	Virginia Walton, Recycling Coordinator	860-429-3333 waltonvd@mansfieldct.org
Town Clerk	Sara-Ann Chaine, Town Clerk	860-429-3302 TownClerk@MansfieldCT.org
Town Manager	Ryan Aylesworth, Town Manager	860-429-3336 TownMngr@mansfieldct.org
Youth Services	Katherine J. Bell, Psy.D Youth Services Supervisor	860-429-3319 BellKJ@mansfieldct.org