



Circle Pines *City News*

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December 2023




City Hall Holiday Hours
City Hall will be closed
Monday, December 25
&
Monday, January 1

Refuse Holiday Pickup Schedule

Garbage & Recycling will be picked up on Saturday, December 29 & January 6

Just a reminder: If you have extra cardboard from the holidays and it does not fit in your recycling cart, cut the cardboard into 3' x 3' bundles and set them on top of your recycling cart or stand them up alongside the cart.



Christmas Tree Curbside Pickup
Saturday, January 6 & Friday, January 12
Have your Christmas tree at the curb by 6 a.m. for pick-up. Be sure the tree is visible at the curb with the trunk end of the tree facing the street. Please remove all tinsel, decorations, stand and bags from the tree. Wreaths will not be picked up.

Winter Parking Regulations

November 1 to April 1

There is no parking on city streets every day from 2 a.m. – 6 a.m. or any time it snows more than 2 inches.

Vehicles will be ticketed if they are left on the streets.

This is important, as snowplows need to clear the entire street to ensure safe driving and safe streets for everyone.

Board and Commission Openings

The City of Circle Pines City Council is looking for applicants for commission and advisory board positions. Volunteers play an important role in providing democratic government for Circle Pines. Serving on a commission or board is an excellent way to share citizen input and put individuals' talents to use. The following positions are due for appointment in January: One position on the Utilities Commission and two for the Park Board.

Applications are available at city hall or can be found on the city's website at www.ci.circle-pines.mn.us. Additional information on each board or commission can also be found at the city website as well. Applications must be received at Circle Pines city offices by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 9, 2024.





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December Public Meetings

City Council

12/12 & 12/26 7 p.m.

Park Board

12/05 6:30 p.m.

Utilities Commission

12/20 5 p.m.

Planning Commission

12/18 7 p.m.

You can also view the latest Council meeting at any time on the internet on the City Website at www.ci.circle-pines.mn.us. Click on City Council meeting video on demand.

Smart Winter Salting

Salt Smart this Winter with the MPCA Smart Salting Program!

As winter approaches, we want to remind you of the importance of responsible salt usage to protect our local water bodies from chloride (aka salt) pollution. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is offering workshops and certification opportunities in collaboration with the Rice Creek Watershed District. These programs aim to equip community leaders and property managers with the knowledge and tools to use salt efficiently and protect our water resources.

1. MPCA Smart Salting for Community Leaders Workshop

This workshop is designed for community leaders like you! Learn about the best practices for winter maintenance and salt application to reduce environmental impact while ensuring safe roads and sidewalks.

- Date: December 7, 2023
- Time: 10 a.m.
- Location: Online
- Registration: Click here to register (https://smartsaltmpca.ticketleap.com/cl12072023/dates/Dec-07-2023_at_1000AM)

2. MPCA Smart Salting for Property Management Certification Training

If you manage properties in our city, this certification training is for you! Become a certified property manager with a strong understanding of salt management and its positive impact on the environment.

- Date: December 14, 2023
- Time: 9 a.m.
- Location: Online
- Registration: Click here to register https://smartsaltmpca.ticketleap.com/pm12142023/dates/Dec-14-2023_at_0900AM

By attending these workshops and certification programs, you can contribute to reducing salt pollution while still ensuring safety during the winter months. Let's work together to make Circle Pines a leader in responsible salt usage!

For more information about these programs and other environmental initiatives in our city, please visit the MPCA's website or reach out to the Rice Creek Watershed District, ksommerfeld@ricecreek.org





Another year here at the library and we once again send a warm Thank You to all our community. Here's looking to a wonderful 2024! As we wind up December, here is some end of year information for our Centennial Branch:

Current hours:

Centennial's hours of operation are:

Monday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Tuesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Thursday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

Storytimes

There are no storytimes in December. Storytimes will start again the week of January 29. Please call or ask at the desk for more information.

Adults

There is no boockclub meeting this month; our Adult Bookclub will resume in January.

Everyone

The library will be closed Saturday, December 23-Monday, December 25 for Christmas, as well as Sunday, December 31-Monday, January 1 for the New Year Holiday.

City Survey Available Online

The City of Circle Pines is conducting a city survey. Please tell us how we are doing. Fill out the Citizen Feedback Survey online at

www.ci.circle-pines.mn.us. Click on What's New. The survey will only take a few minutes. Thank you for taking the time.



Recycle Calendar

Included with the City Newsletter is the 2024 Recycling Calendar. The calendar includes the dates your recycling carts will be picked up, Recycling Day dates and a recycling guide.

Garbage & Recycling

Missed pick-ups, please call 763-259-5535.

Appliance/Electronic pick-ups are on Wednesday's. Bulk item pick-up are on Tuesday. Call City Hall to schedule pick-up and purchase stickers.



When the Snow Falls- Keep Fire Hydrants Clear

We are asking for your help with removing snow 3 feet around fire hydrants after each snowfall. It is very important for residents and businesses to keep hydrants clear of snow and visible from the street. If the fire department has to find a fire hydrant under snow, they lose precious time needed to fight fires. **The home or business you save may be your own.**

Toys for Joy

Once again, the Centennial Lakes Police Department (54 North Road) will be partnering with the Christmas Committee of Anoka County and Toys For Joy. Our agency will be a drop off destination for toys and clothing this holiday season. We will have large boxes in our main lobby for a convenient drop off experience. All the gifts which are received will stay local. This holiday season this program hopes to serve close to 1,000 families with over 3,000 children in Anoka County communities.

Please give now! Your gift will help lighten the burden of our local families as they work their way back to a place of stability and independence. If you have items to donate but are unable to bring the gifts in, please contact our department at 763-784-2501 to arrange for pick-up. This program will run from November 20-December 12.

If you wish to volunteer at the distribution center, or would like to provide financial support for this endeavor, please visit www.christmascommittee.com Thank you in advance for your generosity in making a difference for families in need today.

