Burrillville Bugle

Fall-Winter 2023



Town Hall and Annex Hours

Mon.- Wed. 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Th. 8:30 am to 7:00 pm, Fri. 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Town Hall

105 Harrisville Main Street 401-568-4300 Fax: 401-568-0490

Town Hall Annex

144 Harrisville Main Street 401-568-4300 Building Ext. 127 / Planning Ext.130

Fax: 401-710-9307

Burrillville Historic Community Since 1806 Embracing our Past...Envisioning our Future

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<u>Use this Publication</u>: Contact information, such as phone numbers, extensions, and email addresses are listed within, under the department headings.

<u>Town Website</u>: The Town has a website that is full of information for residents and visitors! <u>www.burrillville.org</u>.

- The website is a great tool to find current information about the Town, obtain contact information for all the different Town departments, Town budgets and finances, and very helpful EMERGENCY AND CODE RED INFORMATION.
- **E-Subscribe:** Sign up to receive newsletters, job opportunities, notices, etc., for what interests you and be up-to-date as to what's current in Burrillville.
- **Public Notices:** View current meeting news, job opportunities, press releases, news from the Parks and Recreation Department, current rubbish and recycling information, as well as a copy of this Burrillville Bugle.
- Pay Taxes: For your convenience, you can pay your taxes, using your account number and PIN shown on your bill. There is a convenience fee of 3%, with a minimum of \$2.00.
- Code Red: Sign up to be notified by your local response team in the event of an emergency situation or critical community alert.
- Forms and Documents: Many of the forms and documents needed to do business with the different Town agencies, such as applications, registrations, tax exemptions forms, etc., can be found right within this tab.
- Click on the **iHelp Center** for links on additional topics of interest, one being a separate website dedicated to promoting Burrillville's quality of life, the natural beauty and local history of our Town. Click on Visit Burrillville for the link.

Town Council Members			
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Justin Batalon	105 Harrisville Main Street Harrisville, RI 02830	338-9958	11/30/2024
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Town Council President

Donald Fox

Greetings,

Summer is coming to an end, and I can't help but feel that Mother Nature was a bit too generous with rain on our weekends this season. Despite the weather, I hope that you all enjoyed the season with family and friends.

Schools are back in session everywhere by the time you read this. I want to congratulate the graduating class of BHS from last June. Many of those students are off to their next stage in life, whether it is work or college. Here in Burrillville, we are well under way in the process of building the new artificial turf, multisport field complex at the High School. It will be complete with lights and concessions and eventually a field house/locker room for our teams. The field will be built where the existing Gledhill Field currently sits. It will be an exciting time to eventually host night games in Burrillville. The new field will allow for participation by our high school football, soccer, la-



crosse, and field hockey teams. It will provide a place for our Burrillville Patriot Youth Football and Cheer program to play and could be used for other community leagues. This investment will reap socio-economic benefits for decades to come. Solid planning and management will be key to maintaining the long life and use of the field. The Town Council and School Committee are working hand-in-hand to establish the correct structure and plan.

Municipal operations continue to adjust as best they can to the increased cost of doing everything. The rampant printing and spending of money in Washington created a double-edged sword. While we have received some money through State/Federal grants to fund special needs and programs, the cost of doing the general business of government has escalated in almost every area. We all saw the increase in home values due to the pandemic, but unfortunately the cost of living has also soared. Now, more than ever, I am proud to be a part of a fiscally responsible Town Council that works well with our administrative team to carefully plan each budget cycle. How we spend your tax dollars to fund our municipal and school operations is our primary work each year. Our Boards and Commissions likewise do important work every year to help us maintain a sharp financial focus as we try to make the most of our annual budgets.

The Assembly Theatre has wonderful performances and activities once again booked through fall and into early winter. The summer food truck events were once again successful and an opportunity for so many to come out, enjoy time with each other and hopefully learn a bit about the theatre, its history, and upcoming events. Please visit the theatre's website for more information: https://www.assemblytheatre.org/

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I want to thank the Burrillville Redevelopment Agency for the Fountain Square Splash event this past spring in Pascoag. It was a wonderful celebration for our community and one that we hope to repeat in the future. Events that bring out hundreds of our residents, in support of local businesses, are important to foster and promote. Local business is the economic engine of Burrillville, and it is important to support them, while at the same time, promoting the revitalization of Pascoag. Keep an eye out for news on future events.

In closing, please accept my good wishes for a bountiful autumn, as well as a wonderful and joyous holiday season shared with family and friends!

Sincerely,

Donald Fox





Town Manager Michael C. Wood X 145

manager@burrillville.org

This 2023 State Legislative Session has ended with mixed results!

The House Speaker's so-called housing package passed largely intact and most of it was enacted into law. This housing package is not, in my opinion, good for Burrill-ville nor most of Rhode Island's rural/suburban communities. Most of the changes will impact zoning and housing density. Affordable housing is prioritized. The only good thing that we (cities and towns) avoided (for now) is the State taking over local decision-making for zoning and land-use, but that is certainly on their long-term agenda! This new legislation will impact the quality of life throughout our State and in our communities long-term.

We (and all RI Cities and Towns) are required to make mandatory changes to our zoning ordinances, many of these changes must be completed by January 1, 2024, which is a very difficult deadline to meet! Even though most of changes are mandatory, we will do what we can to mitigate any of those changes that do not benefit Burrillville. We've worked hard over many years to protect Burrillville's rural character, our open spaces and natural environment. These edicts from Providence law-makers put that at risk.

Another new law passed this year expands work-related benefits to firefighters for hypertension (high blood pressure) and heart disease. The new law now assumes these medical conditions are work-related. Whether one agrees with this or not, it will be at taxpayer expense.

The State Education Formula (State Aid) needs to be modified. The impacts of COVID, in part, have exposed flaws and/or weaknesses in the formula. Some of those impacted our Town/School revenue budget this year and will do so next year.

There were a few wins for taxpayers:

- Tangible taxes for small businesses will have the first \$50,000 in value exempted from their tax bills.
- A Municipal Road Improvement Program was enacted that provides state aid on a formula basis for local road and related infrastructure projects. Burrillville will receive approximately \$460,000, however it is only a one (1) year allocation at this time.
- The motor vehicle tax phase-out was completed and related loose ends codified.
- The State added the National Guard to local tax exemptions/credits.
- Extension of the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program this could help with redevelopment of distressed neighborhoods and older mill type facilities.

We have some great local projects under construction or soon to be constructed:

- New multi-purpose practice and recreation field behind the Middle School.
- A walking trail and nature observation area on Town property abutting the Beckwith Lodge.
- An expansion of the Skate Park on Chapel Street.
- Upgrade of the Riverwalk and installation of a new walking bridge over the river in Pascoag.
- A new artificial athletic field at the High School, tentatively scheduled for construction in the spring/summer of 2024.
- New water and sewer lines will be installed this fall and into next spring on Route 102 from Commerce Park to Lapham Farm Road.

Congratulations to the Burrillville Redevelopment Agency – the Spring and Fall Splash events (in downtown Pascoag) were real hits and it looks like they are here to stay. Pascoag's revitalization is a joint effort between the Agency and Town Council. Next up is the village of Nasonville.

The Town is in good shape, both financially and physically. We always have work to do and with exorbitant inflation, it is much more expensive to just keep up, but we're always looking to make our quality of life a little better!

Please have a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends!

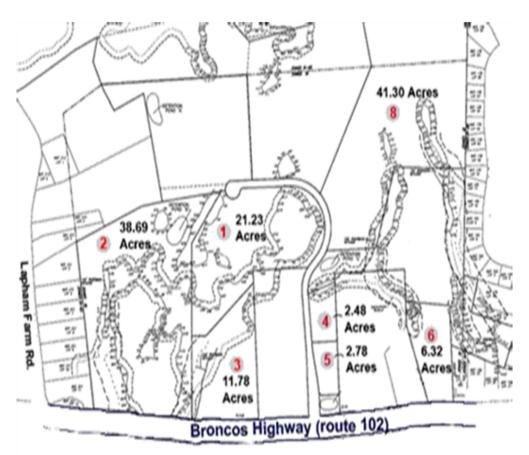


We are looking for businesses generating jobs.

The Town has acreage for sale (with water and sewer available) at Commerce Park.

If you or someone you know is looking to locate or expand a business, please contact the Town Manager or Town Planner at 568-4300 ext.145.

Commerce Park is Located off Route 102 between Central Avenue and Lapham Farm Road.



Commerce Park Burrillville, Rhode Island

Burrillville Redevelopment Agency

James Langlois, Chairman

Pascoag Redevelopment District

The Fountain Square Spring Splash event held on Saturday; June 3rd was certainly a Big Splash! Sponsored by the Redevelopment Agency and Bravo Brewing Company, the well-attended and well received event offered something for everyone. Attendees of all ages enjoyed fun and games, great food, and libations, as well as great music. Highlights included the opening of the newly created Fountain Square Park and activating the new Fountain. Liberty Farms Horse and Carriage Rides, Birthday in Lights contest. Scavenger Hunt, Music by DJ Wise Vlad and The Live Music Band and welcoming speech by Council President Don Fox. With a section of Main Street closed off business, we were able to take it to the street with outside seating, serving tables and creative outside bars. There were many families, plus old and new friends strolling the street and participating in the fun! All this created a block party atmosphere that kept the festivities going strong throughout the evening. The agency's objective of highlighting the many shops, restaurants, and business services available and on Main Street was achieved as these fine establishments stepped into the spotlight to showcase their talent and services. We want to thank them for their participation and effort.

Bravo Brewing Company
Georges Pizza
Kimaitian's Barber Shop
Well One Primary Medical and Dental Care
Elayna's
Dana's Hair Salon
Electronic World LLC
Cows Tail Deli and Creamery
Chums Hardware
Mindful Aesthetics
Thai Wok Street Food
The Spa on Main
Also:

Liberty Farms
Art Box Studio
Not your Average Popcorn
Magical Henna Body Art
Special thanks to:
Pascoag Hose Company

Pascoag Utility District
Burrillville Police Department
Burrillville Department of Public Works
Burrillville Town Clerks Office

Based on the overall popularity of this event, the Redevelopment Agency is considering holding another event in the fall of 2023.

Watch out for more improvements coming to downtown Pascoag!





Stillwater Mill Redevelopment District

The Stillwater Center Pavilion now has permanent String Lighting installed around

the perimeter and underneath creating a more festive appearance for events. Similar to the string lighting in Pascoag, these lights are fully programmable and multicolored. Please consider renting this facility for your next event.

Contact Burrillville Parks and Recreation at 401-568-9470 for details.



Nasonville Redevelopment District

Plans for the creation of the Nasonville Redevelopment District are complete and were presented to the Town Council in August. Adopting this plan will allow the Redevelopment Agency to move forward by developing a strategy that will improve infrastructure, create recreational opportunities, and meet housing and business needs.

Adopt-A-Spot

568-4300 x145

glabossiere@burrillville.org

We would like to thank all current sponsors for their generous gift of time and money which enhances the beauty of Burrillville, the Town we call HOME.

American		

♦ Bella Restaurant

♦ Burrillville Conservation Commission

♦ Burrillville Conservation Commission

♦ Burrillville Garden Club

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♦ Cow's Tail Deli and Creamery

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♦ Craig Cayer

♦ Harrisville Fire Department

♦ Harrisville Fire Dept. (Hose Co.)

♦ Lions Club

♦ Lions Club

♦ Lynch Fence Inc.

♦ Unilock

♦ Liberty Farm

♦ The Spink Family

♦ Tinkham Lane Entrance

♦ White Mill Park-Maintenance

♦ White Mill Park, Ent. Between Signs

Pascoag Bridgeway, Veterans' Park

Restaurant Entrance on 102

Wallum Lake Road Canoe Launch

Route 102 Gateway Pascoag Bridgeway Gonyea Park Sign

Clean ups throughout Town

Gonyea Park and Sign

High Street Park

Spring Lake Beach Island Entrance

Firefighters' Memorial Park

Traffic Island in front of Fire Station

Lewis Bleiweis Park

East Ave. and Harrisville Main Corner of River St. and Chapel St.

Freedom Park Sign

Spring Lake Beach Sign Bridgeton Mill Village Plantings

Spink Family/Tobin Style Boot Camp

Pascoag Pack 1, Cub Scouts &

Pascoag Troup 1 Boy Scouts

The Samek Family

The Adopt-A-Spot program draws on the generosity of local businesses and organizations to help beautify our Town. Each space is uniquely designed and kept up by the sponsors. Please take notice of their beautiful work throughout the spring and summer season and consider adopting a spot of your own.

Available Locations

- ♦ Beckwith Bruckshaw (various locations)
- ♦ Commerce Park Entryway
- ♦ Jesse Smith Library, right side
- ♦ Jesse Smith Library, Top of Stairs
- ♦ Memorial Lodge Skate Park
- ♦ Pascoag Bridgeway
- ♦ Summer and Shea Lane Triangle
- ♦ Clocktower Square

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Please support local business and service organizations!



Finance Director

Leslie McGovern X161

finance@burrillville.org

Tax Assessor: Jennifer Mooney X181 Deputy Tax Collector: Melissa Dupont X184

A Message from the Finance Staff

Alma Uglialoro was the Assistant Tax Assessor at the Burrillville Town Hall through April 2023. Please join us in wishing Alma well on all future endeavors.

FYE 2023 Audit

The FYE 2023 Audit has begun with a forecasted completion date of December 2023.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

The Town of Burrillville has received a total of \$5,037,776 in ARPA Funding (County \$3,273,692 and NEU \$1,764,084).

\$4.6M of ARPA funds have been committed thus far:

- \$3.3M Infrastructure: \$2.3M Rt. 102 Water / Sewer Plan, \$0.5M Harrisville Fire Department Water Line Connection, and \$0.4M PUD Well.
- \$0.7M Public Safety: \$0.28M Fire Alarm Box Project, and \$0.26M 800 MHz Radio System Upgrade, and \$0.15M Police / Fire Communication Center.
- \$0.4M Broadband: Private Fiber Network for municipal locations and Spring Lake Wi-Fi.
- \$0.1M Business / Economic Development: \$0.1M Business & Economic Development Assistance Program.
- \$0.1M Nonprofit: \$0.1M Non Profit Grants.

Budgets - Operating Budget - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024 (FY2024)

The FY2024 Budget was adopted by the Town Council on June 14, 2023. A copy of the Budget has been posted under Budget Information in the Government section of the Town's website.

2023 TAX BILLS

Due dates are as follows:

1st Qtr. – July 24 thru August 9, 2023 2nd Qtr. – October 16 thru November 1, 2023 3rd Qtr. – January 16 thru February 1, 2024 4th Qtr. – April 15 thru May 1, 2024

2023 TAX BILLS

The 2023 Tax Bills were mailed July 7, 2023.



Need a reminder?

Sign up on our website "E-subscribe" to receive quarterly reminders of upcoming due dates. Be sure to check off "Tax Collector".

"Go Green"

Help us save you money by supplying our office with an **email address**, for future correspondence.

Payment Methods:

- AUTOMATIC CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) Automatic Payments
 - Auto debit is free and prevents interest charges on your tax account. Withdrawals are available on a monthly, quarterly or annual schedule.
 - Forms are available online at <u>www.burrillville.org</u> or in the Tax Office. Please allow one week to set up or cancel the debit in writing or email.
- DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD in office or online at www.burrillville.org, NO payments accepted over the phone. Your account number is listed on your tax bill. If you do not have your bill, please contact the Collector's Office. All card payments are assessed a convenience fee of 3% with a minimum of \$2.00 (Visa / Mastercard Only).
- DROP BOX is available near the rear entrance of the Town Hall for your convenience. Please do not put any cash in the drop box—checks and money orders only.
- The Town participates in State programs such as placing blocks with the RI Registry of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and RI Income Tax Refund Offset program to aide in the collection of delinquent taxes.

Any returned checks/ACH are assessed a \$35.00 fee.

Motor Vehicle Registrations/Renewals

There were no 2023 Motor Vehicle Tax Bills. However, this does not eliminate any outstanding taxes from prior years. Outstanding taxes from prior years will still cause a block on registration renewals until paid in full. If a block is placed with the DMV, ALL motor vehicle taxes under your name must be paid in full by cash, money order, or credit card. A personal check will delay the release by 10 business days. Note, the registration block may take up to 2 business days to be released by DMV after the request for release is made by the Tax Collectors office.





Did not receive a bill?

The failure to receive a bill does not eliminate the requirement for a timely payment of any taxes that are due.

- Contact the Tax Collectors office for balances due 401-568-4300 x 184.
- If you move, please contact the Tax Assessor's Office to update your mailing address.
- Tax bills were mailed on July 7th, 2023. If you did not or do not receive a bill, please contact the Assessor's Office. 401-568-4300 x 181. **Reminder**: There were no Motor Vehicle Tax bills.

Financial Difficulties?

If you are having financial difficulties, please contact the Tax Collector's office as soon as possible. Early intervention is the key to the Town's ability to be of assistance.



Tax Assessor Jennifer Mooney X181 assessor@burrillville.org

Office Hours: Monday thru Wednesday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Thursday 8:30 am - 7:00 pm, and Friday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. All taxpayers are welcome to stop in the Assessor's Office for a copy of your property record card and the Assessor's map



showing your land lines. There is no charge to the homeowner for this info.

Exemptions available to Burrillville taxpayers include: Senior, Disability, Blind, Veterans, Prisoner of War, Gold Star Parent and a Historical Cemetery Preservation Property Tax Abatement. The Senior and Disability Exemptions are income based and must be renewed annually. To qualify for a senior exemption you must be 62 years of age, and you must have owned and occupied residential property in Burrill-ville for 3 years prior to the filing of the application. Applications must be received by December 31, for the next tax roll. There is one senior exemption allowed per household. If you qualify, please stop in to the Assessor's Office with proof of age.

The Disability exemption is available to taxpayers who are totally disabled and receiving benefits. A copy of the original "Notice of Award Letter" is required to receive the exemption. Each year upon renewal, you must submit a copy of your "New Benefits Letter" to receive the exemption for another year. If you have any questions with regards to available exemptions, please call the Assessor's Office at 568-4300, ext.181.

Exemption applications must be received by:

Senior and Veteran: December 31, 2023

Disabled: January 31, 2024

Qualified exemptions will be applied to the 2023 tax bill.





Town Clerk

(401) 568-4300 Ext. 180 Townclerk@burrillville.org

Office of the Town Clerk

- Marriage Licenses
- ♦ Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates
- Dog Licenses
- ♦ Hunting and Fishing Licenses
- Notary Public
- Probate Court
- Recorder of Deeds
- Voter Registration

Fishing Licenses

The Town Clerk's office is an authorized sales agent for the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) and can issue all fishing and hunting licenses and permits from a fully web-based system. There is an Enhanced Access Fee of \$2.00 per license and \$0.50 per permit for residents and \$3.00 per license and \$1.00 per permit fee for nonresidents.

Notary Public

Notary public services are available at the town building during regular hours. There is no fee for this service.

Town Council

Regular meetings of the Burrillville Town Council are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers. Schedule changes are posted at the town building and on the town website.

Any request for an item to be placed on a Town Council agenda must be submitted to the Town Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday before a Wednesday meeting. Items for consideration by the Council should include name, address and telephone number of the person (or contact person(s) for a group asking) to be included on the agenda and should be accompanied by supporting documentation for review by the Councilors prior to the meeting whenever possible.

Dog Licenses



Dog licenses can be requested online. Find the instructions and the link to the online dog licenses on the Town Clerk's page of the town website. Complete the application; upload your dog's rabies certificate and pay online, we send you the tag and certificate. There is an additional fee for this convenience: \$1.00 each dog tag and 63 cents each transaction for postage.

Dog licenses must be renewed in April every year, regardless of when rabies vaccines expire. Look in the Bargain Buyer for the announcement when the new tags are available.

Vital Records

The Town Clerk's office provides certified copies of birth, death and marriage records.

- Vital records are registered in the town or city in which the event occurred, or the city or town where the person was living.
- Certified birth records for people born in Rhode Island in 1960 and later can be issued at all city and town clerks offices.
- The fee for records requested by mail is \$25.00; fees for records requested in person in the Town Clerk's office are \$22.00. Additional copies of the same record are \$18.00 if obtained at the same time.
- To receive a certified copy of a birth, death or marriage record via mail you
 must send a readable copy of your picture identification and a completed
 application which you can find on the Town Clerk's page of the town website. If you cannot access the application, please provide the following information:
 - ♦ the name on the birth, death or marriage record
 - ♦ the date and city/town where the event occurred
 - ♦ your relationship to the person named on the record
 - why you need the record
 - for births only, provide the name of the father and the mother's maiden name
 - vour signature and printed name
 - your mailing address and your home phone number in case we need to contact you
- send payment with your request, check or money order
- How to request a vital record online. All you need is your credit card and a copy of your government issued identification. The same rules apply as if requesting in person or by mail. You can find the rules of who has access to vital records, and a link to the online vitals, on the Town Clerk's page of the town website. There is an additional \$5.00 processing fee for online orders. Call the Town Clerk's office at 568-4300 with any questions.

Marriage Licenses

Rhode Island residents Couples should apply for a marriage license at the clerk's office in the city/town where one (or both) of the parties reside. If at least one of the parties lives in Rhode Island, the marriage license is valid in any city or town and the ceremony may take place anywhere in Rhode Island.

Non-residents If neither party lives in Rhode Island, the license must be obtained at the Town Clerk's office in the city or town where the ceremony will take place.

Marriage licenses cost \$24. The license is valid for 90 days. Call the Town Clerk's office for documentation requirements.

Burrillville Board of Canvassers

Vicki T. Martin, Clerk

Anita Hurley-Diez, Chair Betsy Alper
Peter Houle Scott Rabideau

The Board of Canvassers is located at the Town Clerk's office and is available during Town Building hours. You may reach the Board of Canvassers at elections@burrillville.org.

2024 Election News

There will be several elections held in the year 2024:

Presidential Preference Primary	April 2024
Statewide Primary	September 2024
General Election	November 2024

Mail ballots and early voting will be an option every election for voters that cannot vote on Election Day.

Polling Locations

Precinct 1	Steere Farm Elementary School	Precinct 4	Callahan Elementary School
Precinct 2	Beckwith-Bruckshaw Memorial Lodge	Precinct 5	Burrillville Police Station
Precinct 3	Burrillville High School	Precinct 6	Burrillville Middle School



Rhode Island Voter Information Center:

https://www.sos.ri.gov/ and choose the Elections and Voting tab.

- Check your voter registration
- Find your current elected officials
- View sample ballots for upcoming elections
- Locate your local board of canvassers
- Find where to vote

How do I register to vote? You can now register to vote online at the Voter Information Center: https://www.sos.ri.gov/ and choose the Elections and Voting tab. Here you can register to vote, check your voter registration and find your polling location. You can also register to vote in Rhode Island by completing a voter registration form which may be obtained at the Burrillville Board of Canvassers at the town building or the RI Board of Elections. You can download the form from the State Board of Elections website: https://elections.ri.gov/voting/registration.php . Many agencies which serve the public, such as the Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Human Services, and the Department of Mental Health offer voter registration services to their clients as mandated by the National Voter Registration Act.

Election Officials Needed

In order to serve as a poll worker you must:

- Be registered to vote in Rhode Island
- Be able to read the Rhode Island Constitution in English
- Be able to write your own name
- You cannot serve as a poll worker if you are a convicted felon.
- You cannot serve as poll worker in a primary if you are a city, state or federal employee.

You must attend a training class that may exceed three hours. You must be available to work the day of the election, from 6:00 a.m. until approximately 9:00 p.m. You cannot leave your assigned polling place for any reason; this includes voting, lunch, or dinner breaks.

High School Students: You may be eligible to work at the polls if you are at least 16-years-old, a junior or senior, have at least a 2.5 GPA, and receive permission from school officials. Contact your Board of Canvassers for more information.

Find the application form online at <u>www.burrillville.org</u> or visit the Board of Canvassers Office, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville, RI.



VOTER ID

Voter ID became law in 2014. Under this law (RIGL §17-19-24.2) all voters are required to present valid photo identification prior to voting at the polls. Voters will need to present one of the following forms of photo ID:

- RI Driver's License/Driver's Permit
- RI Voter ID Card *
- U.S. Passport
- Photo ID issued by a U.S. educational institution
- U.S. military photo ID
- Photo ID card issued by the United States or the State of Rhode Island
- Government issued medical card with photo
- ID Card issued by any federally recognized tribal government

*The Rhode Island Department of State is issuing free voter photo ID cards to individuals who do not possess any of the valid Photo IDs listed above. See the Department of State's website for additional information on the program, or call (401) 222-2340.

Protecting Your Vote

No eligible voter will be turned away at the polls. Voters who do not bring ID to the polls can vote using a standard provisional ballot.

Elections Publications

The Rhode Island Department of State prepares many elections-related publications, including a guide for candidates and elections calendars. When published, you can find a copy online at their website: https://www.sos.ri.gov/ and choose the elections and voting tab.



Department of Public Works

200 Clear River Drive, Oakland, RI 02858 Phone: 401-568-4440 Fax: 401-568-9469

dpw@burrillville.org

Hours: Monday - Friday 6:30 am to 3:00 pm

Town Minibus

The Town of Burrillville Department of Public Works offers a minibus transportation service for eligible residents of Burrillville. To be eligible for this service, Burrillville residents must be 62 years old or older or totally disabled. The minibus operates on a regular schedule and will pick up any eligible Burrillville resident upon request. The schedule is as follows:

- Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays bus available for doctors' appointments between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- Wednesdays bus available for grocery shopping trips to the Village IGA Marketplace in Pascoag.
- Fridays bus is available for scheduled trips for up to 12 people for excursions or shopping trips around the state. One trip per month to Dino's.

This bus service is available on a first come, first served basis, and is free of charge to Burrillville residents.

Note: The Department is working with RIPTA to obtain a new senior bus for rural communities completely funded by RIPTA.

Please call Kelly at 568-4440 ext. 201 with any questions or to schedule the minibus.

The Town of Burrillville Department of Public Works continues working on regular maintenance projects of street sweeping, brush cutting, catch basin repairs, drainage improvements, catch basin cleaning, sidewalk repairs and roadway repairs. Additionally, the Department works on major roadway and infrastructure projects each construction season. Here is the status of the projects currently under construction or recently completed.

- Fountain Square, Small Park with fountain and band stand, Pascoag Complete.
- **Police Shooting Range**, small firing range for Police Department, Buck Hill area 80% Complete.
- Burrillville Middle School Practice Field regulation sized natural grass soccer field behind BMS, Under Construction. 40% Complete.
- Recreation Center (Lodge) Improvements Playground, parking expansion and nature trails. July Bid, Fall Completion.
- Handicap Parking at Assembly—Complete.

- Harrisville Village phased reconstruction of village roads and walks, fall start of phase II.
- Route 102 Water & Sewer Extension— in final design ARPA & RI Ready Grant funded.
- High Street Park New pedestrian bridge across river to Riverwalk deck, funded by a grant, Pascoag (across from Gonyea Park), awaiting DEM permit.
- Artificial Turf Field, Burrillville High School on Gledhill field site, in design phase.
- **Neighborhood Projects**—Some of the smaller paving projects throughout Town include paving sections.
- Drainage— Since the June 26, 2020 deluge of 2 inches of rain in a half hour, that heavy rain event highlighted multiple locations that need to be addressed over the next couple years, which include Manley Dr. (Done), Lake Drive, Grove Lane, Rock Ave, Spring Street and several other locations.
- **Tree Trimming** A combination of our continuing brush clearing with the articulating flail machines, tree trimming by DPW forces and the use of outside contractors for large dangerous trees needing bucket trucks or cranes is an ongoing yearly effort.

DPW Engineering Projects – The Director of Public Works has been working with consultants on numerous future construction projects to prepare feasibility studies, construction plans, technical specifications, permits and various annual reports. Below is a status of these projects.

- Harrisville Dam Design Development Phase.
- Wallum Lake Dam Route Water level control on-going design of spillway.
- New Municipal Fuel Depot In design and permitting.
- Chapel Street Sewer Connection— Initial connection for future sewer expansion, grant funded. In design.
- Old DPW Site Demo— Demolish back garage.
- New Skate Park Planning— Grant for new equipment and site construction, siting project.
- **Crosswalks** Crossing at Assembly and Maple Street, permits received, Const. pending.
- 2023 Road Reclamation Design/Const.—Design/procurement.

- Pavement Management Program.—Ongoing road rating system.
- RIPDES— Annual storm water reporting.
- **Landfill Monitoring**—Groundwater and gas monitoring, ongoing reporting.
- Parks and Rec. Master Planning—Ongoing.
- Bridge and Culvert Railing Analysis—Future.
- Mapleville Main Street Reconstruction—Future.

STATE ROADS

Rhode Island Department of Transportation Projects – DPW is coordinating with RIDOT regarding the status and potential issues regarding State projects within the Town of Burrillville. These projects include:

- Route 102 Bridge #672 over Joslin Rd. and Clear River—Summer 2023 start.
- Route 102 Bridges #670 and #671 over clear River and Whipple Ave.—
 Next summer 2024 closure Whipple Ave. for 2 weeks.
- Victory Highway (between East Ave. and Bridge #105) on hold .
- East Wallum Lake Rd. and Rte. 100 int—RIDOT has taken on this project.
 No Const. date available.

SEASONAL HELP

DPW Summer Crews – The summer part-time employees will continue to maintain all of the Town Parks and Recreational facilities April through November. Their work includes grass cutting, weed clearing, trash removal and leaf removal in the fall.



WINTER

The Department of Public Works will be treating roads with salt/sand and plowing as needed with our existing crews complimented by on-call drivers. Please heed all winter parking bans to allow plow trucks to get through tight roadways and pay attention to garbage collection notices. Refer to the Town website to report mailbox damage, etc.

DPW, Refuse and Recycling

Andrea Hall, Recycling Coordinator 401-568-4440 x12 ahall@burrillville.org www.burrillville.org/refuse

Compost bins are now available!

The average person throws away nine times their own body weight in waste every year. As much as 30% of that waste is in the form of food scraps and yard waste that could otherwise be used in composting. Compost is an organic material that can be added to soil to help plants grow. Composting your food scraps reduces the amount of solid waste sent to the landfill which will save the Town money on tipping fees.

The following waste items can all be turned into compost: fruit and vegetable scraps, eggshells, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, nut shells, shredded newspaper, cardboard, paper, yard trimmings, grass clippings, houseplants, hay/straw, leaves, sawdust, wood chips, cotton and wool rags, dryer and vacuum cleaner lint, hair and fur and fireplace ashes.

Compost bins are available at the Department of Public Works for \$35.

Thank you for helping to Keep Burrillville Beautiful! Thank you for recycling & composting!

New Split Body Trash and Recycling Truck

Waste Management will be running an additional split body truck in Town on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Both trash and recycling are collected at the same time, but are separated and dumped separately at the landfill.

.WEEKLY SET OUT REMINDERS

- Plastic bags are NOT allowed in the recycle cart. No bags, no bags of bags, and no bagged recyclables.
- Please keep carts 3 feet apart and at least 3 feet from obstacles such as mailboxes, cars, etc.
- Lids must be fully closed.

Upcoming Recycling Events

E-Waste Event

Electronic waste collection event on October 21st from 9:00am-12:00pm at the Department of Public Works. Electronic waste includes computers, monitors, laptops, and TVs. This is a drive thru, drop off event. Appointments are not required. Visit indiecycle.blogspot.com for a list of accepted items or contact Andrea Hall for more info.

Shred Event

Shred event on October 21st from 9:00am-12:00pm at the Department of Public Works. Appointments are not required. Limit of one banker's box size per person to limit wait times. Contact Andrea Hall for more info.

Field Trips

Visit RIRRC's website for virtual field trips and tours of the landfill to see how the single stream sorting process separates our Town's recyclables. www.rirrc.org/education-program-support/virtual-tours

Recycle Coordin ator	568-4440 x12	ahall@burrillville.org
Waste Management	1-800-972-4545	
RIRRC	942-1430	www.rirrc.org

Delays Due to Weather Events or Holidays

There are three ways to stay up to date on changes/delays.

- 1. Visit the Refuse & Recycling webpage
- 2. Check the Refuse and Recycling Voicemail Message
- 3. Sign up to receive Town Alert emails on the main page of the Town website www.burrillville.org/subscriber

As soon as Waste Management notifies the Town of any issues causing a delay or cancellation, that information is made available to residents. Information is updated immediately even when a decision is made after normal working hours, including over the weekend.

Proper Weekly Set Out

- Trash and recycling carts are the property of the Town. No markings are permitted on the cart other than in the white address label on the top of the lid
- Place one cart on each side of the driveway or place carts 3ft apart from one another and from other obstacles
- Place carts no more than 3ft away from the curb or road edge



- Arrows on the cart lid must face the street
- Cart lids must be fully closed with no material sticking out
- No material may be placed on top of the cart lid
- Residents are allowed one BLACK lid Town owned cart for trash, and one YELLOW lid Town owned cart for recycling
- Place trash and recyclables curbside no more than 24 hours before and no later than 7:00 AM on your scheduled collection day
- Excess trash can be placed next to the cart in a Town approved Overflow Bag
- Excess recycling can be brought to the Whipple Ave Facility and placed in the Mixed Recycling dumpster

Recyclable Items Accepted in the YELLOW Lid Recycling Cart

- Milk & juice cartons
- Juice boxes (juice pouches and straws are not accepted)
- Glass containers
- Plastic containers (up to 5 gallons)
- Metal and aluminum cans, metal lids, foil & pie plates
- Mixed paper, newspapers and inserts
- Thin cardboard –cereal/pasta boxes, tissue boxes etc. (No refrigerated containers: beer, soda or frozen food boxes)
- Corrugated cardboard (must be flat, cut into pieces that fit loosely in cart, not larger than 3' x 5')
- Pizza boxes that are <u>not greasy</u>

Empty & rinse all recyclables. Replace plastic caps and trigger sprays. Place recyclables loose in the cart. **No plastic bags in your recycle cart.**

Cart Maintenance

Residents are responsible for periodic cleaning/disinfecting carts, properly storing carts when not in use, and cart replacement due to normal wear and tear. Contact the Recycling Coordinator for repairs to cart wheels, axles, lids and hinge pins.

Exchanging Carts

Residents can exchange their 65-gallon Town owned trash cart for a larger 95-gallon cart for a one time charge of \$50. 65-gallon recycling carts can be exchanged for a larger 95-gallon recycling cart for no fee. Cart(s) to be exchanged must be clean and in good condition. A \$15 administrative charge will be assessed if the Town delivers and exchanges the cart(s). Residents may exchange their 65-gallon carts for smaller 35-gallon carts for no fee. A \$15 administrative charge will be assessed if the Town delivers and exchanges the cart(s). No administrative charge will be assessed if the resident exchanges the cart(s) at the Department of Public Works. Exchanged carts are subject to availability.

Compost Bins

Backyard compost bins are available at the Department of Public Works for \$35.

Overflow Bags

Residents with excess trash can purchase Town Overflow Bags at DPW, Lawrence Brothers and IGA. Bags are \$3 each and are sold in sleeves of 5 at IGA. Residents can purchase single bags at DPW.

What to do If Trash/Recycling was not Collected

Whipple Ave. Recycling & Compost Facility

Hours: Whipple Ave is open every Wednesday & Saturday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, weather permitting.

Proof of Residency is required to use the Whipple Ave Facility.



Items ACCEPTED at the Whipple Ave. Recycling & Compost Facility

<u>Christmas Trees</u> – First two Wednesdays and Saturdays in January from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Trees must be cleaned of all ornaments and tinsel. <u>No plastic bags</u> permitted.

<u>Clothing & Textiles</u> — Includes items suitable for reuse and items to be processed as rags. Place in Clothing & Textile Bin at The Whipple Ave Recycling & Compost Facility.

<u>Cardboard</u> – Cardboard of all sizes including pieces larger than 3'x5' can be placed in the cardboard dumpster.

<u>Excess Recyclables/Single Stream Recyclables</u> – Excess recyclables that would normally go in your yellow topped cart.

<u>Mattresses/Box-Springs</u>—No futon mattresses, mattress pads, or toppers. No severely damaged, wet, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses.

<u>Metal (scrap)</u> – bicycles, rims, lawn mowers (drain oil/gas), grills (cleaned), exercise equipment, pipes, metal cabinets, and other miscellaneous scrap metals.

Non-Freon Appliances – stoves, washers, dryers, dishwashers.

<u>Plastic (Rigid)</u> - Children's toys, hose reels, lawn furniture, etc. Only items **composed entirely of rigid plastic** are recyclable in the Rigid Plastic container at Whipple Ave. No metal, no motors, no batteries.

<u>Tires</u> – must be off the rim. Limit of 4. No oversized tires.

<u>Yard Waste</u> – brush must be 3" diameter or less & cut in 5' lengths or less. Place leaves in paper bags only.

Disposal of Items Not Accepted in Curbside Carts

Appliances/White Goods - Appliances are collected twice per month for a fee of \$21 per item. Appliances include washers, dryers, stoves, refrigerators, air conditioners, etc. Call Waste Management to schedule a pickup. Waste Management will not refund residents for items scheduled for pickup that disappear prior to the collection date. Non-Freon appliances can be brought to Whipple Ave for no fee. Local metal recyclers advertising in the Bargain Buyer will often pickup Freon appliances at no charge.

Bulky Items - Bulky items are collected twice per month for a fee of \$18 per item. A bulky item is an item of solid waste that is not recyclable and is too large to fit inside a bag placed inside the Town provided cart. Examples include couch, chair, desk, rugs, carpets, etc. Call Waste Management to schedule a pickup. Waste Management will not refund residents for items scheduled for pickup that disappear prior to the collection date. Residents with a large amount of bulky items can utilize the Bagster Program. Contact the Town's Recycling Coordinator for information on Bagster. Bulky items left curbside for a period of more than one day are in violation of Section 22-43 of the Solid Waste Ordinance and may be subject to fines and penalties.

<u>Books</u>— Books that are in good condition can be donated to Savers or Salvation Army.

<u>Compact Florescent Light Bulbs (CFLs)</u> — Bring to an Eco-Depot, or check your local hardware store.

<u>Computer Ink Cartridges</u> – Bring to DPW to be donated to the Burrillville Lions.

<u>Construction/Demolition Debris</u> – Anything that was or could be attached to your home is considered construction debris. Examples include windows, shower doors, wood, bathtubs, toilets, sheet rock, etc. Bring to RIRRC, hire a private hauler, or use the Bagster program.

<u>Excess Waste Due to a Large Cleanout or Renovation</u>—Hire a private hauler or use the Bagster Program. Contact the Town's Recycling Coordinator for information on Bagster bags.

<u>Hazardous Electronic Waste (E-waste)</u> – TV's, computers, monitors and laptops – bring to one of five state collection facilities including RIRRC. Call RIRRC for more information and hours.

<u>Hazardous Household Waste</u> – chemicals, fertilizers, propane tanks, oil-based paint, pool chemicals, gasoline, transmission fluid, etc. - Bring to Eco-Depot. Contact RIRRC to schedule an appointment.

<u>Medical Syringes</u> – Place in hard plastic container (laundry detergent bottle, bleach bottle etc.) seal cap tightly with duct tape and place container in the <u>trash</u>.

<u>Plastic Bags</u> – tie in a knot and drop off at any ReStore bin, including Brigido's IGA.

Pellet Bags – drop off at any ReStore bin, including Brigido's IGA.

<u>Prescription Drugs</u> –Bring to Police Department. Do not flush down the toilet.

Styrofoam- place in trash / Used Cooking Oil — Bring to RIRRC.

<u>Used Motor Oil, Oil Filters, Car Batteries</u> – Dispose of at DPW during normal business hours. 5-gallon limit for motor oil.

Refuse & Recycling Holiday Collection Schedule

When your regular collection day falls on a holiday, <u>trash and recyclables are delayed by one day for the remainder of the week.</u> Monday's trash is collected on Tuesday, Tuesday's on Wednesday, etc.

2023 Holidays that delay Trash & Recycling collection

Labor Day
 Monday, September 4th

Columbus Day
 Monday, October 9th

Thanksgiving Day
 Thursday, November 23rd

Christmas Day
 Monday, December 25th

2024 Holidays that delay Trash & Recycling collection

New Year's Day (observed)
 Monday, January 1st

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 Monday, January 15th

Memorial Day
 Monday, May 27th

Independence Day Thursday, July 4th

Victory Day
 Monday, August 12th

Labor Day Monday, September 2nd

Columbus Day Monday, October 14th

Veteran's Day Monday, November 11th

Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 28th

Christmas Day
 Wednesday, December 25th



Parks and Recreation

Andrea Hall, Director
Carol Conway, Administrative Aide
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ANNUAL EVENTS

Santa at Stillwater

The annual Santa event at the Stillwater Mill Center is scheduled for December 2nd from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., with a Blizzard Date of December 9th.

Santa Calling

Santa and Santa's Helpers will call children 2nd grade and under between Wednesday, November 29th through Sunday, December 3rd from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Forms will be sent home through the schools, as well as available at the Town Hall, Town website, and at the Parks and Recreation Department Office. Registration deadline is November 24, 2023. Volunteers interested in being one of Santa's Helpers are urged to contact the Parks and Recreation Department Office.

Holiday Card Contest

Children from within our schools will create a "Winter Scene in Burrillville" with the top (5) winners' holiday artwork to appear in each (5) pack of cards. Cards will be printed on recycled paper and proceeds will benefit local families during the Holiday Season. Cards will be available for purchase by contacting the Parks and Recreation Department or visiting the Town Clerk's Office or Li'l General.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Sunshine Club

The Burrillville Parks & Recreation Department will be continuing the successful "Burrillville Sunshine Club" with the assistance of volunteers Sue Gaudreau and Holly Bisson. The Club meets once per month at the Beckwith Bruckshaw Lodge.

Burrillville Weekend Snack Pack Program

BWSP is a not-for-profit joint effort between Burrillville Parks and Recreation, the Burrillville Lions Club, the Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library, and the Berean Baptist Church to provide weekend food for needy Burrillville youth. Currently there are 50 children and 20 adult families who receive weekly food assistance. The average monthly cost for the food is \$1,500. Food or monetary donations can be dropped off to the Burrillville Parks and Recreation Department or the Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library. Please make checks payable to the Burrillville Weekend Snack Pack Program. Non-perishable kid-friendly food (macaroni and cheese, granola bars, juice boxes, etc.) is accepted. Packing sessions are held at the Beckwith Bruckshaw Lodge every 6-8 weeks. For more information on volunteering or a complete list of suggested donation items, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department.

Senior Services

<u>Emergency Grocery and Prescription Delivery—</u> The Parks and Recreation Department is offering a grocery and prescription delivery service for at risk residents or for those who cannot get out. Call 710-7429 for more information. Volunteers are always welcome!

<u>Burrillville Weekend Snack Pack Food Pantry—</u> The Parks and Recreation Department has a food pantry for residents in need. Call 710-7429 for more information. Donations of non-perishable items are always welcome!

<u>Senior Programs</u>—Continuing this fall...Ukulele Music Therapy, Essentrics, Yoga & Flexibility, Let's Keep It Moving, and Strength Training. Contact Parks and Recreation for information. Coming this fall — AAA Defensive Driving Class!

THE BECKWITH/BRUCKSHAW LODGE (COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER)

Rent the Lodge—Need a place to hold a fundraiser, birthday party, or other type event? The Community Recreation Center is available for rent on weekends. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 568-9470 or parksandrec@burrillville.org.

<u>Public Skating</u>—Public Skating is currently closed.

CURRENT PROGRAMS (Information & location subject to change)

Program	Location
Men's Softball	Hauser
Girls' Softball	Hauser
1 on 1 Hoops Camp	Branch River
Zumba	Lodge
Yoga	Lodge
Afterschool Multisport	SFE, WLC, ATL
Sunshine Club	Lodge
Strength Training (Seniors)	Lodge
Yoga & Flexibility (Seniors)	Lodge
Ukulele Music Therapy (Seniors)	Lodge
Essentrics (Seniors)	Lodge
Let's Keep It Moving (Seniors)	Lodge
Writer's Group	Lodge
Safe Sitter	BMS
Patriots Football & Cheer	Hauser
Afterschool Art	SFE,WLC,ALT
Family Music Program	Pavilion/Lodge

The Department offers a wide variety of programs and activities throughout the year. Newsletters and calendars are available at the Town Hall, the Parks & Recreation Office, the Community Recreation Center (Beckwith-Bruckshaw Lodge), or by visiting the Parks & Recreation Department webpage on the Town's website at www.burrillville.org or Facebook. To register, or for information regarding any of the Parks & Recreation programs, contact 568-9470 or via e-mail at Parksan-drec@Burrillville.org.

Parks

Bike Path (Harrisville/Pascoag 1 mile, Mowry Street to Eastern Ave – 1.2 mile paved path for walking, running, biking and roller blading. Dirt path to Duck Pond.

Branch River Park (Harrisville off 102) – passive recreation, playground, soccer field, track, ballfields, tennis/basketball courts, and walking trails.

Bleiweis Park (Harrisville, off Rt. 98 at Shippee Bridge) - passive recreation, fishing.

Firefighter's Park (Harrisville, across from HFD) - passive recreation.

Freedom Park (Harrisville, next to waterfall) - passive recreation, fishing, and playground.

Gonyea Park (Pascoag between CVS and Dunkin Donuts) – passive recreation.

Hauser Field & Playground (Pascoag, Howard Ave) – ballfields, playground.

High St. Park (Pascoag, across from CVS) - passive recreation, picnic table.



Hero Park (Oakland at Police Station) - passive recreation, playground.

Oakland Bike Path & Park (Oakland on Victory Hwy) – 900 ft paved path for walking, biking, roller blading, pickle ball court, street hockey rink, fishing, canoe/kayak access.

Skate Park (Harrisville, across from Sunoco) – skateboard, BMX, scooter.

Stillwater Playground (Harrisville at Library precinct) – passive recreation, pavilion, playground.

Tarkiln Pond Park (Nasonville, at Mowry St) – passive recreation, fishing, canoeing, kayaking and boating.

Veterans Park/Bridgeway (Pascoag at The Bridgeway) - passive recreation.

White Mill Park (Pascoag, at East Wallum and Rt. 100) - passive recreation, fishing, walking path, horseshoes, pavilion, and playground.

Remington Path & Park-The NEW Remington Park is located on Victory Highway. The park features a 900 ft paved path for walking, biking or roller blading, which ends at the Branch River where there is canoe/kayak access and a small area for fishing. Remington Park also offers a pickle ball court and street hockey rink, as well as ample parking.

Parks

<u>Bike Path-</u> Run, walk, bike, or rollerblade on the bike path. Our bike path is a 1.2-mile off-road bike path that runs along the former New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway and connects the villages of Harrisville and Pascoag. The paved path has entrances along Mowry Street and Eastern Avenue. At about the halfway point of the bike path, there is a paved path with benches and picnic tables that leads towards Duck Pond. The paved path ends at a small cul-de-sac, and a dirt path continues up over a small hill toward the pond.

Skateboard Park - The skateboard park located on Chapel St. is open daily from 9am until dusk. Helmet, knee pads and elbow pads required! Please adhere to all Rules & Regulations posted at the park.



LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

Junior Hockey	MANANA hibl org
Julioi Hockey	www.bjhl.org
Youth Basketball	www.byba.org
Youth Soccer	www.bgysa.org
Men's Softball	Burrillville Men's Softball (Face Book)
Little League	www.burrillvillelittleleague.org
Figure Skating	Burrillville Figure Skating Association (Face Book)
Youth Football & Cheer	www.burrillvillepatriots.com
Burrillville Girls' Softball	www.burrillvillegirlssoftball.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer for your community? Do you need community service hours? **Volunteers are always needed to assist with our special events.**

SIGN UP FOR RECREATION NEWS:

Subscribe to receive Recreation Department News by visiting www.burrillville.org and clicking on 'subscribe to news' tab on the left hand side of the page. Check the 'recreation news' box to sign up for email notifications regarding programs and events sponsored by the Recreation Department.

Information subject to change



BURRILLVILLE SKATE PARK

This is YOUR Park, please take care of it and keep it clean.

HOURS OF OPERATION 9:00 a.m. to DUSK. The Park is closed when the gate is closed and locked.

THIS IS AN UNSUPERVISED PARK. THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE WILL NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURIES.

USE OF THIS PARK IS AT YOUR OWN RISK.

- Skateboarding, rollerblading, scooter riding and BMX bicycle riding can be a HAZ-ARDOUS ACTIVITY that may result in SERIOUS INJURY. The use of personal safety gear and equipment (helmets, elbow pads, kneepads and protective clothing) is strongly recommended.
- The use of a protective helmet is mandatory for anyone 15 years of age or younger.
- No use allowed when equipment is wet or icy. No use allowed during lightning storms.
- Please be respectful and courteous of other users and neighbors.
- Abusive, threatening or obscene language is prohibited.
- Alcohol, Tobacco and Drugs are prohibited.
- If you see someone acting inappropriately, be a mentor and a leader and share tips on skate park etiquette.
- No competitive or demonstration events are allowed without prior approval of Parks and Recreation Department.
- Keep the park clean No glass containers inside the fenced area. Please use the town recycling and rubbish containers. No littering allowed!

In case of emergency - Police/Fire/Medical: Dial 9-1-1

Report vandalism, suspicious or criminal activity to:
Police Department 568-6255

Spring Lake Beach

Judy Lopez, Beach Manager 200 Clear River Drive Oakland, RI 02858 401-568-9474 ilopez@burrillville.org

Spring Lake Beach is Closed for the Season

2023 brought yet another amazing summer at Spring Lake Beach! We would like to thank all of you who came to the beach, and enjoyed the many amenities we have to offer. Fun Fridays and Movie Nights were a huge success, and we would like to thank Monica Blanchette and Lisa Rabideau for helping to make these events happen. We would also like to extend our appreciation to our AMAZING beach staff who worked extra hard this summer to make sure a fun and safe summer was had by all.









Be sure to visit again next Summer

Police Department

Colonel Stephen J. Lynch, Police Chief Wallace F. Lees Public Safety Complex 1477 Victory Highway, P.O. Box 231, Burrillville, RI 02830 Phone: 401-568-6255 Fax: 401-568-9499 burrillvillepolice@burrillville.org

WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK: If you are on Facebook, please take a moment to look us up and "like" our page. Our website: www.burrillville.org/police is the place to go for general information about programs and happenings as well as access to many downloadable forms.

BURRILLVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT

- Held 1st & 3rd Monday of each month (except holidays)
- Contact information: 401-568-9494 x 1 <u>Irabideau@burrillville.org</u>
- Website www.burrillville.org/municipal-court
- 24 hour payment box at police station lobby

E-COMMERCE SAFE ZONE: In order to provide a safe area for any transactions originating from the internet, the Police Department provides two safe locations on the grounds of the Wallace Lees Public Safety Complex:

- South front parking lot, adjacent to the impound fence
- Inside the front lobby of the Police Station

CODE RED SYSTEM: Check to see if your information is correct for our reverse calling system, Code Red. This system is utilized in emergency situations as well as for occasional general information. Go to the Burrillville website at www.burrillville.org and you will find the Code Red link under the "Residents" tab on the top of the page. The instructions are easy to follow. There is also a link to Code Red under the "Sign Up" tab on our Facebook Page.

B-SAFE PROGRAM: (BURRILLVILLE SECURITY & AWARENESS FOR THE ELDERLY) The objective of this program is to make the Police Department aware of elderly, handicapped, or medically fragile individuals who live in Town and may need some extra assistance. This form can be picked up at Burrillville Police head-quarters any time, 24 hours a day, or printed from the "downloadable forms" section of our website: www.burrillville.org/police.

NOTARY SERVICE is available at the police department 24 hours a day for no charge.

<u>VIN CHECKS</u> are required for used vehicle purchases 2001 model year or newer which have an out-of-state title, or when you are transferring a vehicle registration from another state.

- 10 10:30 am and 1 1:30 pm 7 days a week
- Bring vehicle, original title and \$10 cash or check

RECORD CHECKS & FINGERPRINTS: If you need a national record check with fingerprints, call this department at 568-6255 for more information and to make an appointment with a detective. Note that fingerprints being done for school department employees (including sub-contractors of the school department such as bus drivers/monitors and cafeteria workers); Department of Health licensing, and certain other categories cost \$40. If you need only a Rhode Island BCI check, simply drop off the completed BCI check request to the dispatch area any time. There is no charge for BCI check only. Also, please note that NO record checks of any kind are done for juveniles.

<u>ALARM ORDINANCE</u>: Don't forget to register your house alarm with the police department. You can download an alarm registration form from the website or pick one up at the police station any time.

WINTER PARKING BAN: A reminder that Burrillville Town Ordinance 6-1.3 states, "no motor vehicles are permitted to park on any street within the Town of



Burrillville between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. from November 1 through March 31 inclusive." The fine for parking on the streets during these hours is \$15 for each offense. Fines not paid within 7 days will double. Appearance at the Burrillville Municipal Court will be required for those not paying fines, or those

wishing to contest a ticket. Any court appearance which does not end in a dismissal will have court costs of \$50 assessed.

MURPH PROGRAM: The Burrillville Police Department created the Murph Program as a means of registering special needs residents of all

gram as a means of registering special needs residents of all ages into the Police Department database. This voluntary program allows loved ones to register the special needs individual by filling out a questionnaire designed to assist the Police Department by identifying the individual's needs—social, emotional, and physical—when it comes to understanding and interacting with members of law enforcement.



Call the Police Department for more information on this program that is dedicated to identifying and protecting our community's most vulnerable residents.



FOR QUESTIONS ON THESE OR ANY OTHER PRO-GRAMS AND SERVICES OFFERED BY THE BUR-RILLVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT, DON'T HESI-TATE TO CALL 401-568-6255 OR CHECK THE WEBSITE AT WWW.BURRILLVILLE.ORG/POLICE

Burrillville Emergency Management Agency (EMA)

Glen Biddiscombe, Director (401) 641-0898 gbiddiscombe@burrillville.org

<u>Preparedness</u>: We cannot predict when disasters or emergencies will strike, but we can work to make sure that all residents off Burrillville are prepared. Ideally, everyone should be prepared and have emergency resources available in the event of a disaster. Being prepared may sound like an overwhelming task, but it doesn't have to be. Follow three steps to get started: Make a Kit, Make a Plan, and Stay Informed.

<u>Make A Kit</u>: A disaster-supply kit should provide a collection of basic items that household members may need in the event of a disaster. A disaster-supply kit can be used in your home if there is an extended power outage or it could be used if you have to leave your home and go to a shelter. During an emergency, you will probably not have time to shop or search for the items you need.

Start getting your kit together today! It is recommended that citizens have enough supplies to sustain themselves for a period of 3 days. A complete checklist is available via the FEMA website at Ready.gov.

Once you have gathered all of your disaster kit supplies, it is important to store them properly so they are safe to use when you need them. Here are some tips to help keep your supplies safe and ready to use:

- Keep canned foods in a cool, dry place. Discard any canned good that becomes swollen, dented or corroded.
- Keep boxed foods in tightly-sealed plastic or metal containers. This protects the boxed food from pests and extends its shelf life.
- Change stored food and water supplies every six months. Write the date that you store items on the containers.
- Twice a year, check your disaster kit and make sure all items are in good working order. At the same time, check to see if there are any new items that need to be added to the disaster kit.
- Put all of your supplies in one or two easy to carry containers like a backpack, duffel bag, or a suitcase with wheels.
- Consider making disaster kits for work and for the car.

<u>Make A Plan</u>: Emergency plans can help to make sure you keep in contact with important family and friends.

- Create and practice a family communications plan in case you are separated during an emergency. Ensure that all family members have a copy of the plan.
- Select a family meeting spot where everyone can go in case you are separated.
- Make sure all family members have an emergency contact list. The contact list should include a friend or family member that lives out of state as it may be easier to make a non-local call after an emergency.
- Learn where your city or town's shelter is located and how to get there.

Stay Informed: Reliable, accurate information is an essential resource before, during, and after an emergency or disaster. Monitor media outlets, enroll in the code red messaging system (data below) and follow instructions provided by emergency services.

<u>Social Media</u>: Residents are encouraged to follow us on Twitter (@EMABurrillville) and also to check our Facebook page where notifications and important information will be posted when situations require.

<u>Code Red Telephone Notification System</u>: To ensure that your phone number is included on the call down list, or if you would like to add a cell phone number, please visit <u>www.burrillville.org</u> for further information. This system provides an excellent opportunity for residents to receive important information.

Rhode Island Special Needs Emergency Registry: I would like to take the opportunity to invite anyone within the Burrillville community with special needs to register on the RI Special Needs Registry at www.health.ri.gov/emregistry. This secure system allows us to keep track of those who require specialized attention during an emergency. Please sign up today or help out a family member, neighbor or friend.

This includes any individual, regardless of age, who has a chronic condition, <u>disability</u>, special healthcare need, or may require additional assistance during a time of emergency. Some examples include people who:

- Use life support systems such as oxygen, respirator, ventilator, dialysis, pacemaker, or are insulin dependent;
- Have mobility disabilities and use a wheelchair, scooter, walker, cane, or other mobility device;
- Are visually impaired, blind, hard of hearing, or deaf;
- Have speech, cognitive, developmental or mental health disabilities;
- Use assistive animals or a prosthesis.

Applications are also available by contacting BEMA at (401) 641-0898.

EMA Office & Emergency Operations Center: The Burrillville Emergency Management office is located within the Wallace Lees Public Safety Complex. When extended emergency conditions exist, the municipal court / community room is transformed to an Emergency Operation Center (EOC) where all management duties including communications, logistics, and documentation are performed. The EOC is also utilized for pre-incident planning involving representatives of all town departments. The center has been activated several times during the current state of emergency that exists as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. All public safety agencies were involved in the planning process that continues to evolve.

<u>Interested in learning more about Emergency Management?</u> Burrillville has an experienced staff of volunteers who respond regularly when called upon to assist during emergency situations. If interested in becoming part of our team, please contact me at any time at 401-641-0898. Please check the EMA page on the Town web site for future messages regarding training opportunities. These trainings are for veteran members of our staff along with those new to the agency.

I thank all our volunteers, veterans and rookies alike for your tireless efforts during emergency situations and during Emergency Management activities for the Town of Burrillville, and remind everyone, "Preparedness begins at home." Visit our page on the Town of Burrillville website: https://www.burrillville.org/emergency-management.

Burrillville Addiction Assistance Program

Brandy Bates, Coordinator Wallace F. Lees Public Safety Complex 1477 Victory Highway, Oakland, RI 02858

Call or Text: 401-640-8138 Email: bbates@burrillville.org

The Burrillville Addiction Assistance Program, developed in 2018, is an innovative

program dedicated to serving the residents of Burrillville who may suffer from, or have family members suffering from, alcohol or drug addiction. The Town of Burrillville, in conjunction with the Burrillville Police Department, will assist those seeking to ad-



dress their addiction with locating treatment resources, planning for recovery and finding a new path in life.

For confidential information, contact us using the contact information above.

You can also contact us on our Town website at www.burrillville.org, on our Face-book page: @hangonpainends, or through our website at www.burrillvilleaddictionassistance.com.

Burrillville Prevention Action Coalition

Monica A. Blanchette, Coalition Coordinator Wallace F. Lees Public Safety Complex 1477 Victory Highway, Oakland, RI 401-710-7996 mblanchette@burrillville.org

The Burrillville Prevention Action Coalition (BPAC) is a volunteer working task force comprised of individuals who are interested in substance abuse prevention issues in the Burrillville communities. Current coalition members comprise of school, prevention and treatment professionals, youth, parents, law enforcements, fire and rescue personnel, faith community, health care, youth organizations, business owners, media, and local government. All members live and/or work in Burrillville.



BPAC meetings take place monthly. Youth (ages 12-18) coalition meetings take place weekly on Sunday evenings at 6:00 pm. If you are interested in volunteering or want more information, please contact Monica as listed above.

You can also follow BPAC's events and initiatives on Facebook and Instagram <u>@BurrillvillePAC</u> or on the webpage at www.burrillvilleprevention.org.

Animal Control Shelter

Kerry Courtemanche, Officer 131 Clear River Drive, Oakland, RI 02858 401-568-9480 Fax: 401-568-9471 aco@burrillville.org

Monday - Saturday 7:00 am - 3:00 pm Sunday & Holidays: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

With fall upon us, the holidays will approach quickly. Please remember that pets are rarely a good gift idea. If you are considering giving a pet as a gift, make sure

that the person receiving it truly wants a pet and is capable of caring for it physically and Pets require a commitment of time and money, and many end up in shelters because unprepared owners are unable to take proper care of them. Consider purchasing the pet supplies needed with the promise of a pet after the holidays. This ensures that obtaining a pet is not on impulse and gives the receiver adequate time to consider the best type of pet and what care it will require. Arriving in a new home during the holidays can be extra stressful on a pet with all the excess company, or absences, and noise, not to mention the additional hazards such as tinsel, ornament hooks, glass decorations,



etc. For parents giving a pet as a gift to a child – remember that no matter what promises your child may make regarding taking care of a pet, the responsibility for ensuring the pet is properly cared for will be yours. After the novelty wears off, you are the ones left with the care of the pet while your child(ren) become interested in other things. Please make sure you are ready for that commitment before giving your child a pet.

When adopting a dog, please do your research. Be extra careful when adopting a dog that originates from out of state. Private rescues importing dogs from out of state are required to be licensed with RI DEM Division of Agriculture – Animal Health. There are specific health guidelines that must be followed in order to bring dogs into RI. These policies are in place to protect you, as the adopter, and pets that are already living here in the state. There have been numerous cases of illness documented in dogs brought in from the south, most often in scenarios where they have been imported by unlicensed parties that have not met the required health requirements. Please educate yourself and make sure you are adopting from a reputable group licensed to operate in RI.

We would like to remind everyone to check their pets' vaccinations. Rabies vaccines are required for all dogs, cats, and ferrets. Although Rabies is the only legally required vaccine, other vaccines are important too. There continues to be an increase in canine parvo activity in Rhode Island and all over New England. This is a highly contagious virus which is easily transmitted. It is prevented by vaccinating, but is extremely costly to treat and can be fatal to your dog.

Reminders: There is a leash law in effect for dogs. All dogs must be leashed when off the property of the owner. All dogs must be licensed. Licenses can be obtained at Town Hall with proof of a current Rabies certificate. We have recently seen an increase in the number of dog bites "at large". Please be a responsible dog owner and make sure that your dog is properly confined for public safety. There is also a dog waste ordinance in effect. Failure to remove dog waste is an environmental and human health hazard. Dog waste can transmit disease that is communicable to other animals as well as humans, and can contaminate our water

ways. It is also very unsightly and smelly when people are trying to enjoy an outdoor space where people frequently walk dogs. We ask that everyone please make the effort to be responsible and clean up after your pet. It is the right thing to do, and an obligation of being a pet owner. Burrillville has a limit of three dogs per single-family residence, and two dogs per apartment/condo/multi-unit. Excess dogs require a kennel license be obtained via the Zoning Board and Town Council.



A note about bird feeders. They attract beautiful birds that many people enjoy watching and photographing as a hobby. But they also have a nuisance side. Feeders not only attract birds, they attract mice and other small rodents, such as rats, chipmunks, and squirrels as well as animals such as skunks and raccoons, all of which carry fleas and ticks. The white mouse plays a big role in the spread of Lyme Disease and is an expert at invading homes, where it rapidly reproduces. The attraction of small rodents and animals is also often followed by the larger mammals that prey on them. An excess of bird feeders and the excessive birds attracted to them can cause a whole host of potential problems. Bird feces can contaminate human food and water sources, fecal dust can be inhaled into the lungs, direct contact with bird feces to a wound can result in infection, and they also harbor fleas, ticks, mites, and other parasites. Birds can carry several hundred different viral and bacterial agents. Birds can also be guite destructive to human property, causing corrosion with the buildup up bird waste. The intent of this article is to educate and ask that people be reasonable and responsible in their feeding of birds. Limiting the number of bird feeders on your property will aid in controlling the number of birds nesting in the area of your home and those that surround it. When large amounts of birds are attracted to one small area, the feeding party may enjoy watching the birds, but the consequences of the high population can cause a nuisance to your neighbors as well as a health hazard to all of you. We ask that everyone please consider limiting the number of feeders on your property and being considerate of neighbors that do not have feeders and may be affected by all of the nuisances that can accompany a large number of birds. We thank you for your consideration.

As we continue our efforts to control the stray and feral cat population, please remember that all cats are required to be spayed/neutered by the age of six months so that they are not able to contribute to the population of unwanted pets. Luckily, there are low-cost options available. Burrillville Animal Control continues to host low cost spay/neuter clinics for cats on a monthly basis. Services are provided by Dr. Ryan Loiselle of Salmon River Veterinary in their mobile surgery unit, and clinics are held on the Shelter premises. These clinics are for cats only, and the cost is \$140 (beginning July 1, 2023), which includes the spay/neuter surgery as well as Rabies and FVRCP vaccines.

Registration is made by contacting Salmon River Vet at 401-793-0092, or you may visit their website at www.rimobilevet.com. Low cost spay/neuter services are also available through Potter League's Community Spay/Neuter clinic and Providence Animal Rescue League.

Important safety tips:

- Do not approach stray animals. Please love your own, leave others alone.
- Avoid all contact with wildlife. Rabies continues to be a serious issue in the local wildlife population. Report any sick wildlife to DEM or Animal Control. All human and domestic animal contacts with wildlife should be reported.
- Do not feed pets outside, and please do not feed wildlife.
- Place identification tags on your pets' collars so they can be returned to you if lost.
- Make sure that your pets are properly secured and have plenty of fresh water available at all times.
- Many plants and foods are toxic to animals. You can find plenty of information regarding potential hazards of plants, foods, medications, etc. at http://www.aspca.org/pet-care/poison-control/.
- Be aware of spills of auto antifreeze/coolant. It is deadly to pets.
- In cold weather, bang on your hood before starting your vehicle. A cat or other small critter may have climbed in for a warm place to sleep.
- Contact our office at 568-9480 with questions, concerns, and animal-related complaints.

Have you liked our Facebook page yet? Please "like" and share our page to help build our membership. We will be posting news, educational material, lost/found pets, links to adoptable pets, donation requests, and fundraising info on our page. You can find us at https://www.facebook.com/BurrillvilleAnimalControl.

Animal Control continues to see a disturbing number of intentionally abandoned animals, some in horrific condition, and they need our help. We are proud to work in a community of such generous and caring supporters, and thank you all for your contributions. Working at Animal Control can be stressful and hard on the heart at times, but our reward is seeing debilitated animals recover, and placing as many pets as possible in happy and loving homes. We see a lot of sadness and irrespon-



sibility, and along the way we meet wonderful people who want to help and adopt. It is these people who restore our faith and keep us working hard for the animals. Product donations are gladly accepted. Please call to see what items we need most. The Shelter will continue to be in need of ongoing cash donations to cover veterinary expenses. These donations are used solely for veterinary expenses so that we may ensure the best outcome for animals in our care, and healthy pets to those who adopt. Any-

one wishing to donate can do so in person at the Shelter, or by mail to: Burrillville Animal Control, 105 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI 02830. There is also a PayPal link available on our Town website page.

To see our pets available for adoption, go to:

https://www.facebook.com/BurrillvilleAnimalControl or https://www.burrillville.org/animal-control

Volunteers are welcome at the Shelter to assist with cleaning and feeding and care of the animals as well as other indoor and outdoor projects. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Shelter at 401-568-9480 for more information.



Burrillville School Department

"We Are All Broncos"

Here in Burrillville, our families, alumni, educators, and community members are *all* a part of our Broncos community.

Family involvement is the cornerstone of the K-12 educational journey in the Burrillville schools. Families offer invaluable support, reinforcing the lessons learned in the classroom and fostering a love for learning that extends beyond school walls. Together with families, we are committed to the success and well-being of our students, and guide our students toward a bright future of possibilities.

Our schools' community also extends to everyone in our town, local businesses and organizations, and alumni everywhere! We value our partnerships and those who share our passion for education, and also look to developing new relationships that will expand our Broncos network, strengthen our community, and nurture a sense of belonging for our students.

Together, we can inspire confidence, resilience, and determination, empowering Bronco students to be their best academically, artistically, and athletically.

Show your support and join us in our efforts this school year as we rally together as a Burrillville Broncos community! Save the date for our **"We Are All Broncos" Homecoming** celebration to be held on Saturday, October 21. All are invited and welcome to our Homecoming parade and games. Learn more online at **bsd-ri.net** and Facebook @Burrillville Public Schools.

District Information

The Burrillville School Department provides K-12 public education to children from Burrillville and the surrounding region. We have five schools: Burrillville High School (grades 9-12), Burrillville Middle School (grades 6-8), Steere Farm Elementary School (grades 2-5), William L. Callahan School (grades 2-5), and Austin T. Levy School (grades K-1). We also offer application to a preschool program for Burrillville families.

At both the high school and middle school, in addition to traditional academics we offer specialized Career & Technical Education (CTE) pathways for students. At the high school level, we are a leader in the state with 9 RIDE-Approved CTE Pathways, including Biomedical Science, Computer Science, Construction Management, Education, Engineering, Environmental Science, Graphic Communications, Law & Public Safety, and Pre-Accounting.

At the middle school level, we offer gateway classes in Design & Modeling, and Automation & Robotics; the middle school also has after-school CTE clubs for Biomedical Science, DECA/Business, Graphic Communications, and Robotics.

Throughout all of our schools, we support our students academically, socially, and emotionally, and we focus on kindness in our community. We encourage family involvement and welcome volunteers into our schools. We are stronger with your support and when we work together!

Visit our website to learn more about our schools, academic calendar, events, and how to enroll: **bsd-ri.net**

Follow us on Facebook @Burrillville Public Schools

Burrillville SchoolsContact Information

School	Principal	Telephone	Website
Burrillville	Michael Lazzareschi	401-568-1310	https://bhs.bsd-ri.net/
High School			
Burrillville Middle School	Rudolf Moseley	401-562-1320	https://bms.bsd-ri.net/
Steere Farm Elementary School	Courtney Francis	401-568-1350	https://sfe.bsd-ri.net/
William L. Callahan School	David Brissette	401-568-1330	https://wlc.bsd-ri.net/
Austin T. Levy School	Monica Tomson	401-568-1340	https://atl.bsd-ri.net/

Burrillville Extended Care Kelly E Cournoyer, Director

P.O. Box 351, Harrisville RI 02830 Telephone 568-1356 Ext. 2 kcournoyer@burrillville.org

"You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!"

- Dr. Seuss



Burrillville Extended Care a well-established child care program right in your own Community!

BEC originally began in 1996 under Just for Kids daycare in order to develop a before/afterschool program to meet the growing needs of the Town of Burrillville. In August of 1997, the Burrillville School Committee decided to lend their support to a new program, that quickly flourished into what we know today as Burrillville Extended Care. The School Committee discovered that quality educational programs and child care was difficult to find for the working families of the Town. This struggle was the catalyst that drove the Burrillville Parks and Recreation Department to put all of their time, faith, heart and soul into developing Burrillville Extended Care.

We are a State-Licensed Facility, operating under the Rules and Regulations set forth by the RI DHS and RI DCYF. We operate three centers within the Town of Burrillville. Each center is located within one of the local Elementary schools. When your child is registered, they will attend the program at the school in which they attend. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out at any time.

B.E.C. is NOW accepting registrations for the School-Year The **FIRST** day of school is, Wednesday, August 30th!

B.E.C. is HIRING!

If you love working with children and you are interested, please logon to: https://www.burrillville.org/burrillville-extended-care-program/files/employment-application

The B.E.C. Program accepts children entering grades Kindergarten thru Seventh grade and have not reached the max age of 13. This age requirement is due to our licensing through RI DHS.

Steere Farm Site 915 Steere Farm Rd. Pascoag, RI 02859 (401) 568-1356 Callahan School Site 75 Callahan School St. Harrisville, RI 02830 (401) 568-1330 A.T. Levy Site 135 Harrisville Main St. Harrisville, RI 02830 (401) 568-1356

Information and Registration Forms are available on the Town website: http://www.burrillville.org/burrillville-extended-care-program or by calling the main office at 568-1356 x.1 to register. Be sure to "Like" our Facebook page for the latest news and updates!

Visit our website for the latest news and updates: http://www.burrillville.org/burrillville-extended-care-program.



Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library

Beth Ullucci, Director 100 Tinkham Lane Harrisville, RI 02830

(401) 710-7800 Fax: (401) 710-7772

www.jmslibrary.org or visit us on Facebook and Instagram

Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 8:00 pm Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm



The library is more than just books and computers. It is the cornerstone of the community, offering all a place to gather, explore, interact, and imagine! We offer a wide variety of programming and materials for patrons of all ages. You can find story times and family programs, adult crafts and programs, special teen events, books, DVDs, computers, remote printing, e-Books, and a whole lot more every time you visit. Come check out all we have to offer at our beautiful building by the river!

<u>The Children's Department</u> offers a variety of fun and educational programs for children all ages. During this past year, families enjoyed a variety of programming including story times, Waterpark Wednesdays, book clubs, Literacy Tales, special craft programs, scavenger hunts, our outdoor StoryWalk® and more! Keep an eye on our calendar for our 3rd Annual Boo Bash in October. Weekly Story Times are scheduled in sessions in the fall, winter and spring.

<u>The Teen Department</u> offers programming and resources for teens in grades 6 through 12. Teens can flock to the library in search of fun and a safe place to hang out.

- The **Teen Hangout** in the Community Room provides teens in grades 6 through 12 with food, games, crafts and a place to relax after school. We offer:
 - Video games on the Nintendo Switch and PlayStation 5.
 - ♦ Laptops are available for gaming.
- Special events after hours Laser Tag & Manhunt, fun with food programs, video game tournaments.

 Earn community service and help the library, local and global community by coming to our VolunTEENS programs

<u>Adults</u> have many reasons to visit the library too! Not only can we help you discover great books, DVDs and other materials, but so much more! We offer fun and informational programs:

- Programs crafts, informational speakers and special events (ex. Escape Rooms, Haunted Library).
- Our knitting group meets every Thursday evening.
- Technology assistance computer classes, 1-on-1 help sessions, and drop-in tech support.
- Databases Ancestry Library Edition, Providence Journal and AskRI.org (learn a language, fix a car, health information, college & career test preparation, Flipster digital magazines).

Did you know we offer...

- Downloadable eBooks and audiobooks through Ezone with the Libby App.
- Circulating special items including outdoor games, metal detector, hiking poles, binoculars, appliance voltage meters, fishing poles/tackle boxes and sit/stand rolling walkers. Musical instruments such as a keyboard, steel tongue drum and xylophone have recently been added.
- Puzzles and Healthy Brain Kits are also available for checkout.
- Wireless/remote printing from home or your mobile device from within the library.
- Fax services and document scanning to email.

Riverwalk Times Concerts Series

The Friends of the Library bring some amazing music to the library every summer on Saturdays from 6:00 to 8:00 pm outside, in front of the library at the Pavilion. Bring blankets and chairs and come on down to enjoy the music! These concerts are sponsored by the Friends of the Jesse Smith Library along with support from local business and organizations.

Friends of the Library

It is thanks to the Friends of The Jesse Smith Library that we are able to hold many of our amazing programs including our summer reading programs, Halloween events and the Riverwalk Times Concert Series. The Friends raise funds through book sales, silent auctions and donations. They are always looking for new members. The Friends meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.

Be on the lookout for some spectacular events in the coming months as we celebrate our 15th anniversary at the Tinkham Lane location!

- Our annual Haunted Library returns in October of 2023—this program is geared towards teens and adults.
- Our Halloween Glow in the Dark Mini-Golf will be returning this October.
- And many, many more!

Find out what is happening at the Library!

- Facebook and Instagram
- Monthly Newsletter
- Library's Website http://www.jmslibrary.org



Burrillville Wastewater Facility/Sewer Commission

Michael Emond, Superintendent 141 Clear River Drive, Oakland, RI 02858 PO Box 71, Harrisville, RI 02830 Phone: 401-568-6296

Fax: 401-568-9464

Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, Fri. 7:30 am to 3:00 pm

The Board of Sewer Commission is comprised of five (5) members. The members are currently William Andrews - Chairman, Richard Nolan - Vice Chairman, Gary Rouleau and Dan Joubert - Commission Members. The Commission holds meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Wastewater Treatment Facility. If you would like an item placed on the agenda, the request must be received at this office by the first Tuesday of the month no later than 2:00 p.m.

<u>Sewer Use Charges</u>: The sewer use rate for FY24 is \$664.00 a year for a single family dwelling. At the present time, residential sewer use charges are mailed once a year in October and can be made in quarterly payments. Please note that failure to receive a bill does not negate the requirement to pay the bills when they are due.

<u>Sewer Assessment Charges</u>: Sewer Assessment bills are mailed out once a year in the month of July. Homeowners can choose to pay the sewer assessment in a lump sum or over a 20 year period. If you choose the 20 year payment plan, you can, at any time, make additional payments to the assessment or pay in full. Should you sell or transfer your property, the sewer assessment is not transferrable to the new owner. Any assessment balance must be paid in full at the time of the sale.

<u>Payment</u>: Check payments should be mailed to: **PO Box 71, Harrisville RI 02830**. Alternately, there is drop box located to the right of the front door of the Wastewater Treatment Facility, which is accessible at the above hours. Customers may also use the drop box at Town Hall, which is accessible 24/7. Please label your envelope "Sewer Payment." Checks only – No Cash. Please leave your email or a note if you would like a receipt.

You may also pay your bill online at www.RleGov.com. You will need your account number and pin number, which are located on the upper left hand corner of your bill. Please note that the online payment company charges a 3% fee to use this service.

If you are having financial difficulties, please contact this office as soon as possible so that we can set up payment arrangements.

This office does accept postmarks for payments, however payments with no postmarks (such as payments left in the drop box at Town Hall) will be processed on the actual day they are received by this office.

Cash payments will be accepted at the office but are not encouraged. Rules, restrictions and directions for the general public to enter the building can be found on the Town's website: www.burrillville.org/wastewater-treatment-facility.



The Burrillville Lions Club

P.O. Box 414, Harrisville, RI 02830 Phone: (401) 568-4141 www.e-clubhouse.org

"Where there's a need, there's a Lion"

Celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2022, the Burrillville Lions Club is a volunteer, non-profit organization serving the residents of Burrillville and North Smithfield. Chartered in 1947, the Club meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. (social time at 6:30 p.m.), except July and August, at Uncle Ronnie's Red Tavern in Nasonville. Fund raisers are held to provide for charitable and community betterment activities including a since-founded tradition of sponsoring a learn-to-swim program at the Town beach, providing scholarships for resident high school seniors, supporting the Town's food banks, providing dictionaries to all 3rd grade students in both Towns, hosting camps for blind and handicapped children at the Town beach, supporting the RI Sight Foundation and Children with Cancer Fund, assisting families at the State's Ronald McDonald House, and many other endeavors. One hundred percent of all net proceeds are returned to the community.

Other services provided include: conducting eye screening for elementary school children; providing food and support for the Backpack Program; conducting Earth Day cleanups; assisting residents with eye care issues; and providing emergency assistance as appropriate.

The Burrillville Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world. Membership is encouraged and volunteers are always needed and welcomed. If interested, please contact us at the above address, telephone, number, or email to: BurrillvilleLions1947@gmail.com.



Burrillville Historical and Preservation Society

16 Laurel Hill Avenue, Pascoag, RI 02859 Phone: (401) 568-8534 Website: www.bhps.org

Email: bmencucci@verizon.net

The Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society's mission is to preserve and protect Burrillville's history. The Society generally meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at its headquarters, the Bridgeton School in Pascoag. This 1897 schoolhouse serves as a repository for a collection of photos, documents, histories, scrapbooks, cemetery information, clothing and artifacts. If you have old photos you'd like to share, we can scan them and return your originals. The public is invited to attend any meetings (please contact us first to confirm the schedule).

Did you know that Burrillville has 130 historical cemeteries? We are always looking for volunteers to help us with cemetery cleanings. The work involves cutting brush, weed-whacking and raking leaves. We especially need volunteers that can weed-whack. Even if you can volunteer one hour of your time in a year, the help would be greatly appreciated. This is a great opportunity for high school students to get their community service hours for graduation. Contact us if you'd like information on our adopt-a-cemetery program.

"Burrillville Revisited", an Images of America book, is available for purchase. This book contains more than 200 historical photos with captions of Burrillville on the following topics: Mills; Houses and Businesses; Farms; Influence of Austin T. Levy; Spring Lake; Hurricanes, Floods, Blizzards; Parades; Transportation; and Stories from the Grave. It was written by Betty Mencucci on behalf of the Historical Society. Contact the Society to purchase a copy or come to one of our special events.

We have a number of special events scheduled for the fall including an Open House/Yard Sale on October 7th, Halloween Bazaar on October 21st and a Holiday Bazaar on November 11 and 18th. These are tentative dates. Please check the Bargain Buyer or our Facebook page in the fall. We also plan on having a very exciting "Graveyard History Tour" at the Riverside Cemetery in October.

Over the past year, we have raised sufficient funds to purchase a new gravestone for Bathsheba Sherman at the Riverside Cemetery through a gofundme campaign. The new stone should be ready for installation in the fall of 2023.



Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society



Burrillville Land Trust

PO Box 506, Harrisville, RI 02830

Phone: (401) 447-1560 Email: info@burrillvillelandtrust.org

The Burrillville Land Trust is an all-volunteer, 501(c)3 public charity, private land trust in Burrillville. Founded in 2000, the mission of the Burrillville Land Trust is to preserve and protect the rural character of the Town of Burrillville through education, acquisition and advocacy. We own 294.18 acres spread among 11 parcels of land, and we hold two conservation easements totaling 36.04 acres. While we are not connected with Town government, we add greatly to the Town's quality by providing recreational hiking, bird watching, informational workshops and walks, information on how to protect your property, as well as American Chestnut tree give-a-ways to all in the Town and beyond.

We have recently added a precious piece of working farmland to our holdings. Working farms are scarce in Burrillville, and we intend to hold on to this one forever. We hope to further enhance and preserve the memory of the Town's agricultural past by obtaining the last remnant of one of the Town's biggest farms, the 150 acres now called Sweet's Hill. A monumental undertaking, but if we don't succeed, the area will become just another of the many 'This Used To Be Places' around Town, and our grandchildren will have an even harder time understanding the rich heritage of their hometown. Your continued support is greatly needed and appreciated in order to reach this goal.

Please visit our website http://burrillvillelandtrust.org or better yet, visit us at the Burrillville Farmers' Market, go take a hike on our Bobcat Loop Trail at the Edward D. Vock Conservation Area on Jackson School House Road in Pascoag. A new loop, yet to be named, has just opened with distinctive white tree blazes for a new experience. You will walk by gorgeous ferns, mountain laurel, stately pines and hemlocks and some small stone mounds, possibly Native American in origin, that help you to see and feel the past as you wander through. Bring the poet in you and let your imagination flow. Or at least bring a camera.

Our board meets via Zoom at 6:30pm on the second Monday of each month. Please contact President Paul A. Roselli at (401) 447-1560 for the link. Subscribe to our newsletter by sending a note to burrillvillelandtrustfriends@gmail.com. And of course FOF - Follow Us on Facebook.



Berard-Desjarlais American Legion Post 88

111 Chapel Street Harrisville, RI 02830

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest veteran's service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veteran's needs.

The Post supports many community programs and provides a meeting place for Burrillville organizations. Linda Peck, Town and Post Service Officer, is the Veterans Representative. Office hours are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Post 88. For any emergencies, please contact Linda Peck at 401-568-8491 or by email: lindapeck795@gmail.com.

Ray Trinque has taken over the duties of Building Coordinator. He will maintain the schedule at the Binns Building and can be reached at 401-568-0858 or by e-mail at raytrank101@cox.net. Please contact Ray also for any Town organizations or party rental or if you would like to become a member of the post.

Support the Post 88 Flag Sale at the above link or buy from Lawrence Brothers Hardware across from Post 88 in Harrisville. We collect used clothing for the needy in the donation shed located outside our post home.









Pascoag Public Library

57 Church Street Pascoag, RI 02859

Tel: 401-568-6226 Fax: 401-567-9372

http://pascoaglibrary.org

http://facebook.com/PascoagLibrary



CELEBRATING 150 YEARS!

PASCOAG PUBLIC LIBRARY

Your landmark library since 1871

Our current hours are as follows:

Mondays: 1-8Thursdays: 10-8Fridays: 10-3Saturdays: 9-1

Pascoag Public Library is a full service library providing the same services as larger libraries while retaining the small-town ambience. Patrons can borrow materials from all the public libraries in the state through the Ocean State Libraries (OSL) network. We have 16,500 volumes of hardcover fiction, non-fiction, classics, children's books, adult and children's DVD's, and audio books including the latest best-sellers in both fiction and non-fiction. We also have access to e-books & e-audiobooks via Libby/Overdrive in the OSL database.



Pascoag Library also offers computers, printers and scanners for public use, copy services, and wireless access. See our Services page for a complete listing.

We periodically offer a variety of programs for young children, tweens, teens, and adults. Many family programs are also held throughout the year. See our <u>Calendar</u> page for current listings.

Pascoag Public Library encourages patrons to take advantage of contact-free service. You may call 401-568-6226 or email info@pascoaglibrary.org.

Pascoag Library Information:

- The Library is only recycling through the DONATE BOOKS receptacle. No plans for formal book sales at this time. Please do not leave items outside due to the possibility of weather damage. (July 29, 2023).
- PAS is scheduled for deliveries on Mondays & Thursdays.
- Email available anytime: info@pascoaglibrary.org
- Call 401-568-6226 and leave a message

Resources:

- Reference Links
- Homework Help
- Community Links
- Tax Links

OUR HISTORY

Pascoag Public Library, the first in Burrillville, was founded in 1871 by what became the Ladies' Pascoag Library Association. The purpose was to provide a broader range of reading options to the community. The founders' first 163 book collection was housed in a millinery store. The library moved five times to various businesses and mill offices before acquiring its own building in 1924. The building fund began with a \$500 bequest from one of the founders. Additional monies came from fundraisers and donations. That building on Church Street remains its current home. Pascoag Public continues to be privately owned by the Ladies' Pascoag Library Association and governed by a Board of Trustees. In 2011 the Library received grants that funded the building of an addition that doubled the size of the structure. In recent years, 2017 - 2019 specifically, there were several changes in staffing and trustee leadership. The long-time director retired and his replacement's tenure was short-lived. This resulted in the library being out of compliance with state requirements and in danger of losing both certification and funding. In May 2018, the Board's long inactive Personnel Committee took it upon itself to hire a new director, followed by a youth services librarian, both of whom were experienced and met state standards. In the fall of 2018, a major flood occurred in the lower level. The damage was extensive and due to neglect. When the Board leadership failed to mitigate the situation, other Trustees stepped in and took action. At the 2019 election, a change in Board leadership occurred. The new and current President took over and instituted a Facilities Committee, reactivated long dormant existing committees, created a regular meeting schedule and a new collegial atmosphere. Today, having survived the Pandemic, the President and the Director continue to work together to lead the joint efforts of the Trustees and the staff in making Pascoag Public a functioning, vibrant community asset. In 2021, the library celebrated its Sesquicentennial with a monthly series of historical posters and bookmarks, a Birthday Party for younger patrons in June, a history walk of Pascoag in August, a family tree trimming and drawing in December. The biggest event was the Sesquicentennial Soiree in October.

Why Us: For 151 years, Pascoag Public has honored the dreams and intent of its founders. It was created by the community, is a part of the community, and provides for the community. The community, in turn, is an integral part of the library. The relationship is symbiotic. When we have bake sales, neighbors have been known to arrive, unsolicited, with platters of cupcakes for the sale table; they even offer us the use of their driveways for staff parking when we have evening events. For many institutions, a 150th celebration would be a fundraising event- **not in our case**. The community was invited to attend the "**Sesquicentennial Soiree**" as our guests and they filled the building to capacity. The heavily laden buffet tables, the décor, and historical displays as well as everything else involved were the result of the talents and donations of our Board of Trustees and our staff. The young people playing keyboard, manning the buffet tables, and the parking lot attendants were all volunteers. This is the essence of our relationship with our community; there exists an atmosphere of collaboration and investment on both sides. Is this not the very definition of a deep impact?

SCOUTING BSA

SCOUTING IN BURRILLVILLE

Cub Scouts is a program for kindergartners through fifth graders of both boys and girls. Scouts BSA teaches while having fun, focusing on character development, teaching practical skills and enhancing their community spirit. Cub Scouts are made up of Dens (groups of Scouts) for each grade. They meet once a week during the school year and then get together for a Pack meeting to show what they have learned and receive their awards. There are two Cub Scout packs in Town that meet on different evenings.

For more information about Pack 1 Pascoag, please contact Florence Stevens at 401-692-6716, or by email at newtfla@gmail.com. For Pack 102 Mapleville, please contact Dan Esposito at espodan512@aol.com.

Boy Scouts begin in fifth grade and can stay in until they are 18 years old. We are a Boy only Troop but girls can also join this program, now called Scouts BSA, and we can direct you to a program for girls. Every day Scouts are encouraged to live by the 13 points of the Scout Law by being trustworthy, loyal, etc. They are taught skills of the world around them by earning merit badges. Boy Scouts are grouped by rank, not by grade with the highest rank being Eagle Scout. The Troops are separated into groups of similar ranks and skills, called Patrols. All the Scouts meet once a week and have a "Court of Honor" 3 times a year where they are recognized and are presented their awards. There are 2 Troops in town.

For more information about Troop 1 Pascoag, please contact Newton Stevens at 401-568-0395 or newtfla@gmail.com.

For more information about Troop 102 Mapleville, please contact Dan Esposito at espodan512@aol.com.



The Burrillville Conservation Commission

Ron P. LaPierre, Chairman Email: rplapierre@aol.com

The Burrillville Conservation Commission's (BCC) mission is to protect and preserve the natural tranquility of the local natural reserves, features and attributes that defines the Town of Burrillville's natural characteristics which draws people to this community to enjoy the rural atmosphere, scenic vistas, recreational opportunities, and many qualities of life. The Conservation Commission is responsible for the establishment of a seven-member party that serves as an appointed board reporting directly to the Town Council, Planning Board, Zoning Board, and the many municipal employees that constitute the Town's government. The BCC offers guided hikes and public educational programs on a quarterly schedule for additional information please check out our News & Announcements Page link at https://www.burrillville.org/node/226/news. Some of the wonderful areas the Conservation Commission manages are as follows:

- 1. Joseph O. Brock, Blanchard—Nipmuc Trail, located off Round Top Road, 1/4 mile north of Smith Road. The Trail is for public walking, hiking, and fishing on 200+ acres of land along the Nipmuc River. A Carry In/Carry Out policy is in effect as well as a request to "Pick-up after your dog". During the period of 1 November and 31 December, hiking/walking is strictly forbidden during this time as this conservation area is used exclusively for hunting by permit.
- Wallum Lake Canoe Launch, located off South Shore Road on scenic Wallum Lake. The site is strictly for canoeing, kayaking, and fishing. Swimming is prohibited.
- The "Welcome to Burrillville" sign on the North Smithfield/Burrillville line is maintained by the BCC as an Adopt-A-Spot location and has a policy of NO SIGNS of any type permitted in this area.



The Burrillville Farmers Market Stillwater Mill Pavilion

75 Tinkham Lane Harrisville, RI 02830

Deb Yablonski, Market Manager: 401-568-3191 Tammy D'Amato, Assistant Manager: 401-567-9393

burrillvillefma@gmail.com

Mailing address: P.O. Box 215, Pascoag, RI 02859 Saturdays, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, June 3rd - September 30th

We are thrilled to announce that the Burrillville Farmers Market is entering its 17th year of serving our community and the surrounding areas with a wide range of locally sourced products. Our market offers everything from wholesome foods and natural products to art, music, and jewelry, creating a diverse and enriching experience for all who attend.

As a nonprofit organization, our mission is to promote and market agricultural products in Burrillville and the neighboring regions. We are dedicated to fostering a deep appreciation for locally sourced goods by supporting our local farmers and artisans.

By doing so, we aim to preserve our farmland and maintain the quality of rural living in the beautiful Town of Burrillville.

BURRILLVILLE
FARMERS
MARKET

June 4th - September 24th, 2022
Saturdays 9:30am - 12:30pm

The Burrillville Farmers Market Association is committed to building a stronger sense of community by promoting

local businesses and development. In addition to our market offerings, we also provide educational opportunities for the entire family. For updates on our scheduled events, please visit our Facebook page. We invite you to join us every Saturday morning from June to September, between 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM, at the Stillwater Mill Center located at 75 Tinkham Lane, Harrisville.

In our efforts to reduce plastic pollution, we kindly request that you bring your reusable bags when you visit the market. If you do not have one, we have reusable bags available for purchase at the market. Furthermore, we are excited to introduce our new book exchange cart this season. Feel free to bring any good books you no longer need and exchange them for something new to read, or donate \$1 per book. All proceeds will go back to the library, and we will especially encourage children's books.

To ensure you have the best experience possible, here are some important details to keep in mind:

- Restrooms are conveniently located on-site for your comfort and convenience.
- Need market tokens? Visit our welcome table for information on how to exchange your credit/debit cards for \$5 tokens. This will make your shopping experience a breeze and ensure you don't miss out on any goodies.
- WIC participants, we have you covered! You can use your WIC cards directly
 with our farmers to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables. It's a win-win situation
 for your health and for supporting our local agriculture. Let's promote a healthier
 lifestyle together.

SNAP/EBT users, we have something special for you too! Bring your EBT cards to
our farmers market Welcome Table, swipe them, and receive tokens to spend with
our vendors. But that's not all! Enjoy Bonus Bucks, where for every dollar spent with
EBT, shoppers receive a Bonus Buck (equivalent to a free dollar) to purchase fresh
fruits and vegetables. Thanks to a grant from the USDA and Farm Fresh RI, we are
pleased to continue our bonus bucks program, making locally grown, nutritious food
more accessible and affordable than ever before. Let's make nutritious choices together.

For added convenience, some of our vendors also accept mobile payment apps like Apple Pay or Google Pay. While credit cards are widely accepted, it's always a good idea to have some cash on hand, especially for smaller vendors or those who may not process card payments. So, come prepared and enjoy a seamless shopping experience! The market accepts cash, credit/debit cards, SNAP, and WIC. If you need any assistance, please visit our welcome table.

We are excited to serve our loyal customers and meet new ones. If you are interested in joining our market as a vendor, artisan, musician, or volunteer, we would love to hear from you. Please fill out an application at www.burrillvillefarmersmarket.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at burrillvillefma@gmail.com.

Lastly, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Town of Burrillville, Burrillville DPW, vendors, and volunteers for their unwavering support. Without you, none of this would be possible.



The Autism Project

1516 Atwood Avenue Johnston, RI 02919 401-785-2666

www.theautismproject.org

As the saying goes, "Knowledge is power." Access to high-quality information enables us to become better parents, teachers, advocates, and sources of support to our children.



The Autism Project has been a collaboration of parents, professionals, and community members dedicated to providing high-quality and accessible support, training, and programming since 1997. We started out with a focus on children and youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and a goal of increasing the support and education available for individuals with ASD, their parents, and their

communities.

With that goal in mind, The Autism Project offers the following for the residents of Burrillville:

- Family navigation and support for parents, caregivers, and family members with developmental concerns or who care for children and youth with an ASD diagnosis. We can provide this via phone, in Burrillville libraries and other central community locations, in-person meetings at our Johnston office. We offer navigation in English or Spanish.
- Training series for parents and professionals.
- A binder of resources at the Burrillville library.
- Year-round social groups and a summer camp for children and youth with ASD and related communication disorders.
- On-site consulting for educators, schools, and organizations.
- National Speaker Conference for Rhode Island parents, professionals, and community members each spring.

We've also learned over the years that many of the supports, programs, and strategies that work well for children with ASD can also benefit all children – especially those with social-emotional, regulation, or communication challenges. Today, The Autism Project considers itself a "hub of hope": We connect people with a spectrum of needs to the education and resources that support meaningful, purposeful lives.

For more information about The Autism Project and the services and programs we can offer Burrillville residents, call 1-401-785-2666 or visit our website, www.theautismproject.org.

The Village Common of Rhode Island and the Burrillville Villages Dennis Anderson, Burrillville Town Council and Burrillville Village Steering Committee

I, and several others, notably including Andrea Hall (Senior/Social Services) for the Town, have been involved in a pilot program since 2019 driving older adults from Ashton Court, Bradford Court, and Stillwater Heights to medical appointments. The effort stuttered a bit through COVID but in 2022 picked up pace and expanded beyond the senior housing complexes and includes additional services. This has been supported through The Village Common of Rhode Island with the end goal to establish a Burrillville Village... which happened in June 2023.

The Village Common of Rhode Island fundamentally changes the experience of growing older in RI by fostering the creation of communities of mutual support referred to as Villages. There are now Villages in Barrington, Burrillville, Edgewood, Glocester, Providence, and Westerly. The Village Common is supported by donations, grants, and member "pay what you can" dues, and serves as the hub to connect member requests with willing and able volunteers to fulfill the requests.

Typical member requests include:

- Rides to medical appointments by drivers that have been vetted and trained.
- Errands (trips to grocery stores, prescription pickup, and the like).
- Assistance with electronic devices, VCRs, TVs, Smart Phones, iPads, Computers, etc.
- Household chores such as changing light bulbs, organizing, etc. (but not cleaning).

The Villages, as they evolve, also engage in various social activities, including individual phone calls and/or visits.

The Burrillville Village Steering Committee (James Alix, Dennis Anderson, Darin Collins, Andrea Hall, Saima Kane, Tom Tatro, Shirley Taylor, and Matt Trimble) has been meeting since mid-2022 to transition this effort to the next level. The Burrillville Village is...

- Supported by the Burrillville community and designed to provide practical support for older residents to continue to live comfortably in their homes and communities.
- A network of neighbors helping neighbors with direct individual and household support and with broader social and resource connections.
- Comprised of members receiving these services and volunteers providing these services... and some who do both!
- An enabler to promote and enhance a community of mutual support.

To be successful, a Village needs a viable number of members and volunteers. The goal is to provide as much flexibility as possible by matching member requests with volunteer availability.

Volunteers who directly interact with members are vetted with background checks, and if they provide rides, their driving records are checked. Drivers must have their own vehicle and auto insurance, and rides are generally within a 30-mile radius of town and happen Monday through Friday between 9 am and 5 pm.

<u>Volunteers are needed!</u> If you have time and talents to share, please send an email to burrillville@villagecommonri.org.

Community Assistance Information



Burrillville Resources

http://www.burrillville.org/home/pages/community-resources

Berean Baptist Church

474 Chapel Street Harrisville, RI 02830 401-568-5411

Clothing Exchange

1st and 3rd Saturday of month 8:30 am to 11:00 am Free clothing, shoes, jackets, etc. for men, women and children.

Open to all residents of Burrillville, Glocester, No. Smithfield, and Foster

Burrillville Housing Authority

77 Ashton Court Harrisville, RI 02830 401-568-6200

Rental Housing / Section 8
For Seniors and Handicapped

Our Lady of Good Help Church

1063 Victory Highway Mapleville, RI 02839 401-762-1834

St. Vincent DePaul/Our Lady of Good Help Church Food Pantry

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry is available to all Burrillville residents in need. Call for Pantry opening dates and times.

Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month 10:00 am to 11 am for Seniors & every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm for every one else.

Bring your reusable or plastic bags

Between the Cracks

401-291-0590
Patricia Shaw
Call for help with fuel, rent, groceries and other needs in emergency situations.

St. Patrick's Church

45 Harrisville Main St.
Harrisville, RI 02830
401-568-5600
Call between 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
Monday to Friday

Food Pantry

Every other Monday 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm (Tuesday if Monday is a Holiday)

Clothing and Household Items also available.

* Call for Emergency Appointment *

Burrillville Seventh Day Adventist

854 Victory Highway Mapleville, RI 02839 401-678-0035 (Claire) 401-568-5255 (Church)

Food Pantry and Food Closet

Last Tuesday of the month 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Burrillville Lion's Club

P.O. Box 414
Harrisville, RI 02830
https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/burrillville/contact.php

Call for the appropriate contact for financial assistance to purchase eye glasses and screening.

More Information and Services

Rhode Island Department of Human Services

1-855-MY-RIDHS (1-855-697-4347)

http://www.dhs.ri.gov/

Supplemental Nutrition

Assistance Program (SNAP)

Based on income, resources, and the number in household

Community Care Alliance

800 Clinton Street Woonsocket, RI 401-235-7000 communitycareri.org

We support people in their efforts to stabilize and build better lives assisting with life's many challenges such as education, mental health, addiction, housing, employment, etc.

Chepachet Union Church

1138 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI 401-568-2518

www.chepachetunionchurch.org

Gently used clothing at a very small price.

Food Pantry

1st and 3rd Saturday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Rhode Island Office of Healthy Aging

401-462-3000 https://oha.ri.gov/

Call to ask for a pocket manual of services or visit the website to view.

NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley

719 Front Street, Suite 103 Woonsocket, RI 02895 401-762-0993

neighborworksbrv.org

Works with residents, businesses, neighborhood institutions, partners and communities to enrich neighborhood life and make affordable housing opportunities available.

Meals on Wheels

401-351-6700

www.rimeals.org

This program provides up to five noontime meals per week to the elderly or disabled.

(\$3.00 donations accepted)

Crossroads Rhode Island

401-521-2255

https://www.crossroadsri.org/

Stillwater Heights

30 Central Street, #1551 Harrisville, RI 02830 401-710-7344

http://www.stillwaterheightsapts.com

Low Income Housing for Seniors 62 or better

Burrillville Addiction Assistance

Wallace Lees Public Safety Complex 1477 Victory Highway, Burrillville, RI 401-710-9054

www.burrillvilleaddictionassistance.com

Addiction Referrals and Recovery Support



Helping people. Changing lives.

Main Office:

1126 Hartford Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919 Phone: 401-351-2750 For more locations, visit https://tricountyri.org/

185 Main Street, Pascoag, RI 02859

Children, Youth and Families

*Head Start and Early Head Start

*Seasonal Distribution
of Food Baskets and Toys

Seniors and Disabled Adults

Assist families in providing care to their loved ones.

- * Adult Daycare
- * National Family Caregivers
- * ...and more

Adult Basic Education Program 401-519-1909

- * Adult Basic Education Program
- * Financial Literacy Program
- * Adult Job Training
- Youth Opportunity Center (ages 14 to 24)
- Summer Youth Employment and Training Program

Food and Nutrition

*WIC Nutrition Program
For low-income women, infants, and
children up to age 5 at
nutritional risk (401) 521-8830 or
(401) 274-1122.

Sites in Johnston and Burrillville

*Food Stamp Assistance (SNAP)

*Commodities Distribution (Food
Bank) (401) 562-2272

*Emergency Food Vouchers

Health Center

Affordable health services available on a sliding fee discount to families

Housing, Energy and Emergency

- * Appliance Management Program
- * Emergency Basic Human Needs
- * Emergency Boiler Repair
- Emergency Shelter Vouchers
- * Fuel Assistance (LIHEAP)
- * Good Neighbor Energy Fund
- Weatherization Assistance Program

Affordable Housing in Burrillville

HUD Subsidized Senior Housing Assistance

Ashton Court

Burrillville Housing Authority William Valentine, Executive Director 77 Ashton Court Harrisville, RI 02830

Tel: 568-6200 Fax: 568-4735

Our mission is to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for elderly/handicapped-disabled: Public Housing and Section 8 existing housing program.

Bradford Court

Andrea Medeiros, Property Manager 45 North Main Street Pascoag, RI 02859

Tel: 568-5403 Fax: 568-1717

We accommodate residents 62 and older, as well as handicapped and disabled with a preference to the elderly.

Stillwater Heights Housing

Theresa Stelmach, Property Manager 30 Central Street Harrisville, RI 02830
Tel: 710-7344 Fax: 710-7346
We provide independent living accommodations for residents 62 and older who meet HUD income guidelines.

Affordable Mixed Family Housing

Greenridge Commons

Maloney Properties, Property Manager 124 Garvy Ledges Lane Pascoag, RI 02859 Tel: 762-5220

Greenridge Commons is a mixedincome community. To rent an affordable unit you must meet certain income requirements.

The Clocktower Apartments

Maloney Properties, Property Manager 200 Tinkham Lane Harrisville, RI 02830 Tel: 762-3600

The Clocktower is a mixed-income community offering apartments at three income levels. To rent an affordable unit you must meet certain income requirements.

Board of Administration

Burrillville Town Buildings PO Box 502 144 Harrisville Main Street Harrisville, RI 02830 (401) 710-9463



The Legion Hall

The Legion Hall, conveniently located at 103 Harrisville Main Street in Harrisville, is available for rent. It's a great location for birthday parties, bridal or baby showers, and family gatherings. It is also suitable for small workshops and meetings. The hall is located next to the Burrillville Town Hall, is handicap accessible and has a maximum capacity of 39 persons. Parking is available in the Town Hall parking lot.

The Legion Hall contains kitchen facilities, including an electric stove, microwave and refrigerator. Tables and chairs are also available. For rental details, please contact Jeanne lavarone, Clerk-Treasurer, Board of Administration at (401) 710-9463 or stop by the Board of Administration office at the Town Hall Annex (Carlton Brown Building) at 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI.



The Assembly Theatre

"The Center for the Arts in Burrillville" 26 East Avenue, Harrisville, RI 02830

The Assembly Theatre is beautifully located next to Harrisville Pond and waterfall. A volunteer group, the Patrons of the Assembly (a 501C3 non-profit), has made it their mission to bring quality events to the theatre for the community to enjoy!

The Assembly Theatre was built in 1934 by mill owner and philanthropist Austin T. Levy. Mr. Levy and his wife, June Rockwell Levy, donated The Assembly to the Town of Burrillville for the residents to enjoy plays and performing artists.

The Board of Administration was created by Mr. Levy in 1934 to oversee The Assembly Theatre and the Board continues to manage and maintain this beautiful historic theater to this day. The Board of Administration collaborates with The Patrons of The Assembly Theatre to bring exciting events to the community.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS:

https://www.theassemblvtheatre.orq/



Town of Burrillville Post Offices



Harrisville Post Office

131 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI 02830 Wendy Demarais, Postmaster

Mon. - Fri. Retail Hours: 8:30 am -1:30 pm and 2:30 pm - 4:45 pm Lobby Open: 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sat. Retail: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm, Lobby Open: 7:00 am - 12:00 pm 401-568-9075

Glendale Post Office

1916 Victory Highway, Glendale, RI 02826 Wendy Demarais, Postmaster Marlene, Clerk

Mon.-Fri. Retail Hours: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Lobby Open: 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sat. Retail: 8:30 am -11:30 am, Lobby Open: 6:00 am - 3:00 pm 401-568-8782

Pascoag Post Office

35 Bridgeway, Pascoag, RI 02859 Christopher Jackson, Postmaster

Mon.- Fri. Retail Hours: 8:15 am -12:30 pm and 1:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Lobby Hours: 7:00 am - 5:00 pm Sat. Retail: 8:30 am -11:30 am Lobby Open: 7:00 am -12:00 pm 401-568-8790

Mapleville Post Office

963 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI 02839 Wendy Demarais, Postmaster

Mon-.Fri. Retail Hours: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Lobby Open: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Sat. Retail: 9:00 am -12:00 pm Lobby Open: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

401-568-7312



Your Local Fire Departments

Harrisville Fire Department

Marcel Fontenault, Chief 201 Callahan School Street, Harrisville, RI 02830

Business Telephone: 401-568-5110



Oakland-Mapleville Fire Department

Joseph E. Bertholic, Chief 46 Oakland School Street, Oakland, RI 02858 Business Telephone: 401-568-5720

Pascoag Fire Department

Michael Dexter, Chief **Hose #1** 105 Pascoag Main Street Pascoag, RI 02859
Business Telephone 568-4470 **Hose #2** 141 Howard Avenue, Pascoag, RI 02859
Business Telephone: 401-568-4920

Wallum Lake Fire Department

P.O. Box 354, Pascoag, RI 02859 Business Telephone: 401-568-9019

Note: Business telephones are not manned at all times.

Dispatch at the police department can be used for emergencies 401-568-6255

For emergencies dial 911



Give Back to Your Community

With a sense of pride!

Inquire about volunteering!



State Government Officials

Governor

Daniel McKee

www.governor.ri.gov 401-222-2080

Lt. Governor

Sabina Matos

www.ltgov.ri.gov 401-222-2371

Secretary of State

Gregg Amore www.sos.ri.gov

401-222-2357

Attorney General

Peter Neronha www.riag.ri.gov

401-222-2397

General Treasurer

James Diossa www.treasury.ri.gov



District 23, Jessica de La Cruz

sen-delacruz@rilegislature.gov

District 47, David J. Place

rep-place@rilegislature.gov

District 48 Brian C. Newberry

rep-newberry@rilegislature.gov

617-406-4619

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Burrillville Town Hall Office of the Town Manager 105 Harrisville Main Street Harrisville, RI 02830