

Town of Fletcher

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April 2025

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Town Meetings

Town Council Agenda Meeting
1st Monday of month at 6:00 pm

Town Council Regular Meeting
2nd Monday of month at 6:00 pm

To live stream or view previous
Town Council Meetings, please
visit [https://www.youtube.com/
@TownofFletcherNC/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@TownofFletcherNC/streams).

Planning Board Meeting
3rd Tuesday of month at 6:00 pm

Parks & Rec Advisory Board
3rd Tuesday of month at 5:30 pm

All meetings are held at
Fletcher Town Hall.

This newsletter is published for
Town residents and reports on
issues and events that affect our
community. Past issues of our
newsletter are found on our web-
site at [https://www.fletchernc.org/
about-us/newsletter/](https://www.fletchernc.org/about-us/newsletter/).

Contact us with your questions
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our website at www.fletchernc.org
or our Facebook page at
[https://www.facebook.com/
FletcherNC.Gov/](https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/).

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News from the March 10th Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
 - Approved Resolution R-25-03 to donate a Fletcher Police Department surplus 2017 Dodge Durango to the Town of Marshall due to damage received to their town property during Tropical Storm Helene.
 - Approved Proclamation P-25-01 in support of the NC Department of Transportation 2025 Spring Litter Sweep from April 12th - April 26th and encouraged citizens, organizations, and businesses to participate in making our roadsides, neighborhoods, and community clean and beautiful.
 - Approved property tax releases from the Henderson County Tax office.
 - Approved Budget Amendment # 3 for fiscal year 2024/2025 to increase the Powell Bill Maintenance & Repair budget line item by \$55,000 to cover the resurfacing of S. Sunberry Trail, N. Sunberry Trail, Wild Meadow Road, and replacing the guardrail along Old Cane Creek Road.
 - Approved Resolution R-25-04 to lease the Bill Moore Community Park concession stand to Baabals Ice Cream from April 15th to August 15th for \$450 per month.
- Ron Kauffman and Barb Molton of Stand T.A.L.L. (Thank A Local Lawman) shared information about their non-profit organization and its donations to local law enforcement agencies including a recent donation to Fletcher Police Department.
- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, provided an update on the consideration of two possible locations for the Fletcher Farmers Market. Council agreed on a location near the green maintenance building between the Town Hall parking lot and the Parks & Rec building. The vendor application packet has been prepared by Parks & Rec Staff and is nearing release to vendors.
- Mark Biberdorf provided updates on the following:
 - Helene recovery efforts at Bill Moore Community Park continue with ballfield and court repairs beginning by Patton Construction; a bid request for electrical repair work was sent out March 10th; and McGill Associates is creating another bid package with work specifications for the outer bridge repair work.
 - Debris collection efforts continue by the Henderson County contractor and it is estimated they are about 30% complete in the County. County stream debris removal is also a part of this effort and they will be cleaning Cane Creek.
 - A FEMA reimbursement, of approximately \$36,000, was received by the Town for our repair work on the walking trail and replacement playground mulch.
 - McGill Associates has been working on an updated wetlands determination and permitting analysis of Town Center property for approval by the Army Corps of Engineers. A few wetland areas were noted in this analysis which we knew existed.
 - A potential traffic and parking violation enforcement system will be explored for future use by Fletcher Police Department as we anticipate increasing traffic in our Town due to growth.

Hurricane Assistance Deadline Update

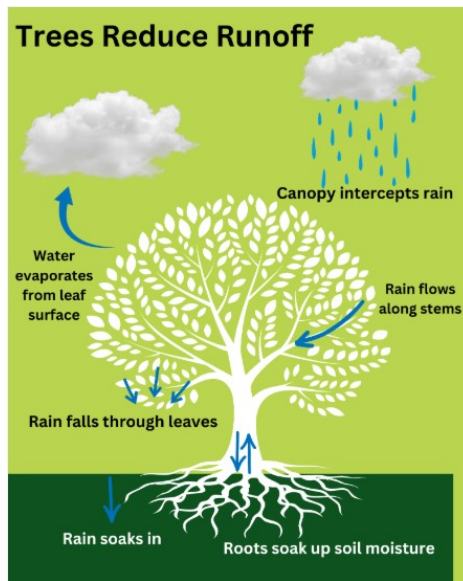
At the request of the state of North Carolina, FEMA has extended the deadline to apply for assistance after Tropical Storm Helene to **April 7, 2025**. FEMA may be able to help with temporary lodging, basic home repairs, personal property loss or other disaster caused needs. You may apply on the FEMA website at <https://www.disasterassistance.gov/> or in person at the Henderson County Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) located in the Blue Ridge Commons complex at 2111 Asheville Highway in Hendersonville NC 28791. They are open Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 6:00pm and on Saturdays from 9:00am to 2:00 pm. You can also apply by using the [FEMA App](#) or by calling the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-921-3362.

Stormwater Basics

- Rain becomes stormwater when it hits a paved surface (ex: road, parking lot, driveway) and runoffs instead of soaking into the ground.
- Stormwater that goes into street drains does not go into a waste water treatment plant, but directly into waterways such as Cane Creek and Hoopers Creek.
- We all contribute, albeit different amounts, to stormwater pollution. Stormwater becomes polluted by everyday things such as grass clippings, leaves, pet waste, fertilizers, motor oil, car wash chemicals, road dirt/grime from vehicles, litter, etc.
- Consider these two effective stormwater reduction strategies to help reduce stormwater pollution:
 - Observe your property during a rain. See where rain is hitting hard surfaces and running off. Then look for opportunities to direct the water to areas where it can soak in.
 - Plant trees to keep the water on your property and slow it down so it can soak in naturally.



A single tree can prevent up to 3,000 gallons of runoff a year while providing added benefits such as cooling shade, cleaner air, carbon capture, plus food and habitat for wildlife.



<https://riverlink.org/homeowners-guide-to-stormwater/>

Fletcher Leaf Pickup Begins April 7th

Public Works will pick up bagged leaves the weeks of April 7th and April 14th. Please do not include grass clippings, pampas grass, mulch, dirt, rocks, or sticks with the leaves since they will be recycled. We are now accepting leaf pickup requests. To make your leaf pickup request: call 828-654-9208 to leave a voice message; visit <https://www.fletchernc.org/leaf-brush-pickup/>; or call Town Hall at 828-687-3985. After this spring leaf pickup, the next leaf pickup will be in the fall.

Contractor Storm Debris Cleanup Continues

- You are encouraged to self-report the location and type of storm debris you need picked up to Henderson County at <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/b0c483595fc84c44927c9014f1c26b16>.
- Residents and businesses can still place storm debris along the curb for pickup, but it must be separated by debris type and it must be from the storm. Other items should be disposed of in your trash or taken to the Henderson County solid waste station.

From the Office of Chief Terry:



I would like to take a moment to recognize and thank Stand T.A.L.L. (Thank a Local Lawman), a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Stand T.A.L.L. raises funds for N.C. western region law enforcement departments to fulfill needs that are not covered by the law enforcement agency's current budget but will enhance the agency's ability to best serve their community.

Stand T.A.L.L. has come through for the Fletcher Police Department many times, most recently, last month, when they donated \$5,000 worth of equipment to improve the department's evidence processing capabilities.

Since 2020, STAND T.A.L.L. has donated more than \$200,000 for requests by area law enforcement agencies to help fund unbudgeted requests.

Anyone who would like to make a tax deductible donation to them may mail a check payable to

STAND T.A.L.L.

at P.O. Box 1523 Hendersonville, NC 28793

or

visit their website at www.thestandtall.org and click on the DONATE button.



(828) 393-0900
info.thestandtall@gmail.com

PO BOX 1523
HENDERSONVILLE, NC 28793

DONATE & SUBSCRIBE

www.thestandtall.org

A NC 501 (c)(3) nonprofit supporting law enforcement in North Carolina

Special thanks to the Windsor Forest Clean-up Crew who worked on March 15th along Fanning Bridge and Rutledge Roads picking up trash.



Thank you for helping to beautify Fletcher.

FABA
FLETCHER AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

**April
Events**

COFFEE CLUB

Sunscape Property Management
April 8th from 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Mountain View Cremation & Funeral Care
336 Rockwood Road, Unit 101 Arden, NC 28704

FOCUS AFTER FIVE

Tabitha Scott with Home Trust Bank
April 10th at 5:30 pm
192 Airport Road Arden, NC 28704

COFFEE CLUB

Virginia Homes of Boydton
April 15th from 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Mountain View Cremation & Funeral Care
336 Rockwood Road, Unit 101 Arden, NC 28704

RIBBON CUTTINGS

April 25th 1:00pm - Arden Family Dental Grand Opening
351 Rockwood Rd. Ste 2 Arden, NC 28704
April 29th 4:00pm - Carrie Ann Chandler, Realtor
The Main Event at 124 S Main St. Hendersonville 28792
April 30th 11:00am - ETS Networks
56 White Oak Rd Arden, NC 28704

Find us at <https://fletcherbusiness.com/>

NC Bradford Pear Tree Bounty Program

Henderson County homeowners may receive up to 5 free native trees -- 1 for each Bradford Pear which was cut down on your property. A before and after picture of the removed Bradford Pear trees must be shown to organizers at the pick-up event to receive your replacement native trees.

- Program pre-registration is required at <https://www.treebountync.com> to secure your spot at the event.
- Date: April 12, 2025 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am
- Location: City of Hendersonville Operations Center at 305 Williams Street in Hendersonville
- Proof of Henderson County residency will be required at the pickup site.
- Visit <https://www.treebountync.com/> for more information.

NC Bradford Pear Bounty is a collaborative program between NC State Extension, NC Urban Forest Council, NC Forest Service, and NC Wildlife Federation.



**Henderson County Household
Hazardous Waste Collection**

FREE EVENT April 8th 8 am - noon
May 13th 8 am - noon



- Must be a Henderson County resident to participate
- Proof of residency required (drivers license, bill, etc.)
- Chemicals, cleaners, pesticides, & fertilizers accepted
- No paint will be accepted at this event
- Items should be in their original packaging
- Residential waste only, no business/commercial waste
- For more information, visit www.hcrecycles.org or call 828-694-6524

Henderson County Convenience Center

265 Convenience Center Drive
Hendersonville, NC 28791

Fletcher Library Opportunities in April

20 Library Road, Fletcher NC 28732 828-687-1218

HOURS: Monday 9am - 6pm; Tuesday - Thursday 9am - 5pm; Friday & Saturday 9am - 3pm

Tech Time Appointments: Want to learn how to download an e-book or digital audiobook? Watch a movie for free using Hoopla or from NC Digital Library? Learn a new language using Transparent Language? Baffled by your new tablet or smartphone? One-on-one tech time, by appointment, is offered for free at Fletcher Library. Call the library or stop by to schedule an appointment.

Family Story Time: Every Wednesday at 10:00 am.

Goodwill Career Connections Every Thursday (1:00pm-4:00pm)

Do you need interview practice or help creating a resume, filling out an online job application, or getting started with your job search? Drop in to get help from a Career Connections Coordinator.

Lego Club (Children) Thursday, April 3rd (3:30pm-4:30pm)

All ages are welcome to come out to the Fletcher Library on the 1st Thursday of the month for Lego Club. We will provide Legos to use while you are here. Please do not bring your own. We have Duplo blocks for younger children as well. We can't wait to see what you will create! Please be aware that all children under 11 must have an adult stay with them.

Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, April 5th (10:30pm-12:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Craft Day (All ages) Tuesday, April 8th (10:00am-4:00pm)

Drop by the Fletcher Library for fun crafts for all ages. Everyone is welcome!

Book Review Book Club (Adults) Wednesday, April 9th (10:30am-11:30am)

Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. This group meets on the second Thursday of each month.

Writers Guild (Adults) Thursday, April 10th (1:30pm-3:30pm)

All writers are invited to join a lively discussion about the guild's current projects related to publishing and the marketing of your work. Learn tricks and techniques from published authors and aspiring writers and reveal your own convictions. This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, April 12th (12:30pm-2:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Check 'Em Out Book Club (Adults) Monday, April 14th (11:00am-12:00pm)

Join the Fletcher Library Book Club for good books and good conversation! We will discuss *The Last Train to Key West* by Chanel Cleeton.

Paws for Reading (Children) Tuesday, April 15th (10:30pm-12:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, April 19th (10:30pm-12:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, April 26th (10:30am-12:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Paws for Reading (Children) Monday, April 28th (10:30am-12:00pm)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog!

Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Zaniac: Forensic Science - Who dun it? (Children) Tuesday, April 29th (3:45pm-4:45pm)

See a crime scene (chairs knocked over, trash on the floor, a half-eaten candy bar!) to decide who took the cookies from the party. Work in teams to take fingerprints, observe footprints, identify a mystery powder, and make your conclusion as to who was the cookie thief! **For Children | Registration Required** *This free program is funded by the Friends of the Library.*





JOIN OUR
EASTER EGG HUNT
SATURDAY
APRIL 12TH

BILL MOORE COMMUNITY PARK

Ages 3 & Under - 12:00p
Ages 4 - 5 - 12:20p
Ages 6 - 7 - 12:40p
Ages 8 - 9 - 1:00p
Ages 10 - 11 - 1:20p

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

REGISTRATION OPENS 3/12 FOR FLETCHER RESIDENTS & 3/13 FOR NONRESIDENTS

For more information visit
WWW.FLETCHERNC.ORG/DEPARTMENTS/PARKS-AND-RECREATION

Fletcher Community Farmers Market



We are thrilled to announce the launch of a brand-new market: the Fletcher Community Farmers Market! The application is now open for vendors interested in joining us for an exciting 2025 season. As we strive to create vibrant marketplaces for vendors and visitors alike, this new market will provide a fantastic opportunity to showcase your products to a fresh audience. Please see the full list of [guidelines](#) for the market and feel free to share the application [link](#) with your peers who might be a good fit.

Market Days: Tuesdays, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Season Duration: May 6th - September 30th

Location: Fletcher Town Hall overflow parking area

Application Period: Open Now - First Come, First Served

To secure your spot at the Fletcher Community Farmers Market, please complete the application form as soon as possible. Spaces are limited! Please note, we will respond to everyone who submits an application and let them know which dates they have been selected to join. Filling out the application does not guarantee you a place in the market. We look forward to a fantastic season and hope to see you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, April 12th	Easter Egg Hunt Bill Moore Park	Noon - 2:00pm
Tuesday, May 6th	Fletcher Community Farmers Market	3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Friday, May 9th	Mocktails & Masterpieces Fletcher Town Hall - 3rd Floor	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Monday, June 9th	Summer Day Camp and Middle School Camp Begins	7:30 am

Summer Camp Update

Summer Day Camp and Middle School Camp are currently full and open to waitlist registration only. If we do have openings due to camper withdrawals, we will fill open slots from the respective waiting list.

If you registered your child for camp, your camp payments are due by March 31st, April 28th, and May 28th. Payments may be made by credit or debit card on our website at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.



WE'RE HIRING

SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS

Apply Today!

Summer Day Camp and Middle School Camp Counselors are needed from early June to early August. Have some fun & help make a child's summer memorable.

<https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/human-resources/job-openings/>



SAVE THE DATE

MOCKS AND MASTERPIECES

A fun and relaxing painting class where art meets refreshment.
May 9th @ 5:00pm - Fletcher Town Hall

REGISTER ONLINE AT
FLETCHERPARKS.RECDESK.COM

TOWN OF FLETCHER
300 OLD CANE CREEK ROAD
FLETCHER, NC 28732

Holiday Schedule Change

Town Hall will be closed April 18th due to the observance of Good Friday. Trash and recycling scheduled to be picked up Friday, April 18th will be picked up Monday, April 21st instead.



APRIL 12 - 26, 2025



NC DOT SPRING LITTER SWEEP

ASSEMBLE A GROUP OF FRIENDS AND MAKE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND OUR TOWN, A CLEANER, GREENER PLACE! GRAB YOUR GLOVES AND HELP PICK UP LITTER, CLEAN UP DEBRIS, OR PLANT FLOWERS - EVERY HAND MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

Contact Town Hall at 828-687-3985 to learn what cleanup supplies we can provide.

Town of Fletcher

Saturday, April 12th

9:00 am - Noon

Fletcher Town Hall

Southside Parking Lot

**SHREDDING
EVENT
AND PILL DISPOSAL**

Residential shredding only

Limit 2 boxes per household

Bring medications in original containers

