

**TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**7 Mast Road**  
**Lee, New Hampshire 03861**  
**(603) 659-5414**



**Lee News & Upcoming  
Events  
January 8, 2021**

**LEE TOWN MUNICIPAL OFFICES HAVE SUCCESSFULLY MOVED**

The Selectmen's Office, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, and Planning & Zoning/Building Department are now located at 249 Calef Highway aka Route 125. The building is now open to the public; however, all covid-safe practices, such as mask wearing, hand sanitizing and staying at least 6 feet apart will be in place. Please use Buzzell Lane off of George Bennett Road to enter and exit the new municipal office building (across from Sunny's.) Signs have been installed to guide you. There is plenty of parking all around the building and each department has its own entrance. While we anticipate a smooth transition we appreciate your patience as we make this significant change. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call us:

Selectmen's Office – 659-5414

Town Clerk/Tax Collector – 659-2964

Planning & Zoning/Building Department – 659-6783

**Please note: the Town Clerk/Tax Collector entrance is on the side of the building!**

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**SELECT BOARD PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETING VIA ZOOM – MONDAY, January 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

Meeting ID 892 7541 3158 & Password 124855

Please check the website for Agendas and instructions on how to access Zoom meetings

Subject to change, please check the website meeting calendar

Meetings can be seen on  at [CLICK HERE](#)

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**ANNUAL REPORT COVER CONTEST**

If you have taken any photos of Lee between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 that you would like to be considered for the cover of the 2020 Lee Annual Report please email them to Denise at [ddduval@leenh.org](mailto:ddduval@leenh.org) by January 29<sup>th</sup>. We would like to feature a photo that accentuates the beauty, charm and community life of Lee. Whether they feature farms, parks, nature, animals and/or people, we would like to see them! All seasons welcome and submit as many as you would like.

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**TOWN OF LEE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS**

Obviously due to Covid the Town of Lee could not host their Volunteer Dinner this year. However, the Select Board would still like to honor another outstanding volunteer from 2020 and is accepting recommendations for this award at this time. Kindly forward your recommendations along with a paragraph supporting your nomination to [dduval@leenh.org](mailto:dduval@leenh.org) by January 20<sup>th</sup>.

## NEW TRAILS COMMITTEE FORMING IN LEE



The Lee Conservation Commission (LCC) has voted to organize a Lee Trails Committee; a subcommittee of the LCC composed of community people interested in helping care for Lee's trails. The goal of the Trails Committee is to monitor and maintain the Lee trail system. The committee will meet as needed for trail maintenance work days and monthly for planning and logistics. Maintenance projects could include repainting blazes, repairing/building bridges, trimming brush, and putting up trail signage. Other projects could include developing new trails and assisting in updating Lee trails materials (maps, trail information, and educational materials). Training will be provided for all projects. If you are interested in being on the Trails Committee or have questions, contact Deb Sugerman at [debsugerman@gmail.com](mailto:debsugerman@gmail.com).

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## SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST SESSIONS

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet in public session on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-7:30pm at the Public Safety Complex on George Bennett Road and on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30-10:00am at the Lee Public Library, 9 Mast Road. **Wear a mask and bring your own pen.**

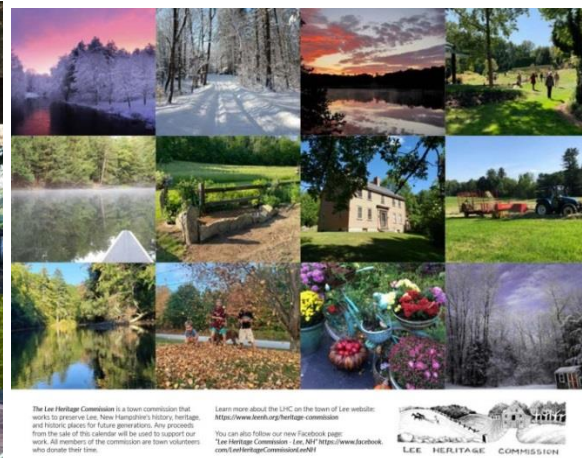
Lee citizens may also register to vote at the Town Clerk's office now located at 249 Calef Highway (access from Buzzell Lane) during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8am-4pm. **The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's entrance is located on the side of the building. Applicants for voter registration who possess proof of identity, age (18 years of age), citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register.** Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may still register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship, and/or domicile.

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## The Lee Heritage Commission 2021 Calendar is now available!!



FRONT



BACK

Thank you again to everyone who submitted photos to make this year's calendar a very special tribute to our town. Calendars can be purchased in person or online. To purchase in person, please visit the Lee Library. Calendars are \$10 each, payable by cash or check. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Lee. To order online go to: <https://www.ebay.com/itm/133602797843>. They make great gifts! We hope you all enjoy the photos as much as we have! Here's to a happier and healthier 2021.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

The Lee Police Department will be vigorously enforcing Jessica's Law:

265:79-b Negligent Driving. (Jessica's Law) – Whoever upon any way drives a vehicle negligently or causes a vehicle to be driven negligently, as defined in RSA 626:2, II(d), or in a manner that endangers or is likely to endanger any person or property shall be guilty of a violation and shall be fined not less than \$250 nor more than \$500 for a first offense and not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 for a second or subsequent offense.

Source. 2001, 254:2. 2005, 267:1, eff. Jan. 1, 2006. 2015, 52:1, eff. June 2, 2015.

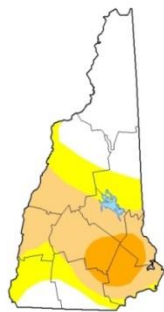


**REMEMBER THAT LEE HAS A SNOW  
CASTING ORDINANCE!**

This means that you cannot throw, “cast,” place or deposit snow or ice onto any plowed street or public way. [CLICK HERE](#) to read more. The fine for this violation can be up to \$100.00.

**Please be sure that no vehicles are parked on a roadway during snow removal OR during a storm.**

### U.S. Drought Monitor New Hampshire



December 15, 2020  
(Released Thursday, Dec. 17, 2020)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

	None	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	37.75	52.21	40.04	0.00	0.00
Last Week	21.64	58.29	27.20	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago	0.00	100.00	72.39	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year	0.00	100.00	98.00	10.00	0.00
One Year Ago	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Intensity:**  
None  
D1 Abnormally Dry  
D2 Severe Drought  
D3 Extreme Drought  
D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on small-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

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## DROUGHT UPDATE

According to the [U.S. Drought Monitor](#), “moderate drought” (D1) continues to hang on in 12.2% of New Hampshire, including the majority of Sullivan County, the southwestern part of Grafton County, and northwestern Merrimack County. Also, 36.5% of the state is experiencing “abnormally dry” conditions and 51.3% of the state is normal.

**New!** The [US Monthly Drought Outlook](#) for January has been released and predicts that drought removal is likely.

**New!** The [New Hampshire Groundwater Level](#)

[Monitoring Report](#) for December 2020 has been released. According to the report, all of the monitoring wells across the state have risen compared to the previous month except for overburdened wells in Greenfield and at the Concord airport. Multiple wells in the network are experiencing normal to high groundwater levels as compared to average January values, while others remain below the monthly average. Spatially, wells that are experiencing normal to high levels, and those that remain below, the monthly average, vary across geographic regions of the state. In summary, this month’s precipitation and subsequent snowmelt has significantly reduced drought conditions across the state compared to the end of November. However, many groundwater wells are still below their monthly average. The precipitation received this winter and spring will determine the recovery of these wells.

Are residential well owners experiencing well shortage issues in your community? If so, they may qualify for the [Low-Income Residential Drought Assistance Program](#).

## **TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY 8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Closed Tuesday & Thursday**

**Appointments are required for all transactions with the following exceptions:**

- **4 or less registration renewals on vehicles currently registered in Lee**
  - Dog license renewals
  - Property Tax payments

Please call (603) 659-2964 or email [lreinhold@leenh.org](mailto:lreinhold@leenh.org) or [estone@leenh.org](mailto:estone@leenh.org) for appointments and/or questions.

Registration renewals, dog license renewals, vital records and tax payments may be completed online at [www.leenh.org](http://www.leenh.org)

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## **TRANSFER STATION**

Open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 7:00 am – 6:00 pm

**The Swap Shop will remain closed until further notice.**

**YOU MUST WEAR A MASK WHILE AT THE TRANSFER STATION**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO GET A TRANSFER STATION STICKER IF YOU DON'T ALREADY HAVE ONE**  
**Stickers are only good for two years!**

The easiest way to get your sticker is when you register your car. If you have already done so and still do not have a sticker, they are available at the Transfer Station. Proof of residency, such as a recent utility bill, lease or rental agreement or recent tax bill and your car registration will be required. Please call the Town Hall @ 659-5414 with questions or refer to the Solid Waste Ordinance [HERE](#).

### **\*MIXED PAPER\***

Mixed paper should still be placed with Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) EXCEPT please separate your office paper and magazines from your mixed paper in order to start the Town's recycling revenue back up again. Acceptable paper items are copy paper, envelopes (windows ok), junk mail (no glossy mail), any magazines.

### **PLEASE CONTINUE PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Both bays remain open as we have seen an improvement in the flow of traffic, but everyone has to maintain the recommended safe distance of 6' while inside. In order for our employees and residents to maintain a safe distance, employees will not be stationed on the wall during this time but will be available to answer questions.

### **PLEASE KEEP CHILDREN IN YOUR VEHICLE**

PLEASE have your child(ren) stay in your vehicle while you are disposing of trash and recyclables. This is for their safety! If they have to be out of the vehicle please keep them next to you at all times and do not let them run through the Transfer Station, roadways or parking areas.

**There are several important issues you must be aware of regarding your household trash and recycling disposal if you or anyone in your household has been quarantined for COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19.** Your trash and recycling must be handled and disposed of under different rules. Please consult Caren Rossi, Lee's Health Officer to discuss the new steps that must be taken. Email is [crossi@leenh.org](mailto:crossi@leenh.org) or phone at 659-6783. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Bulky items are accepted at the Transfer Station, HOWEVER, payment will be by check only – there will be a drop box available.** Employees will **not** be able to assist with removing items from your vehicle but will be available to guide you, weigh items, and answer your questions.



[CLICK HERE](#) for Lee Farmers Market  
Facebook Page  
[CLICK HERE](#) for the Lee Farms and  
Agricultural Brochure

Please remember to shop your local farms online, by delivery or pickup

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### WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY - Lee Church Congregational, 17 Mast Rd

Even though our building is closed, the food pantry is open to any household in Lee, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, and Nottingham. Delivery is through a walk-up window service to minimize contact during this time. The pantry is open the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00pm. If you have an emergency need for food outside of the normal hours, please call the Church office at 659-2861 or email at [leechurchucc@comcast.net](mailto:leechurchucc@comcast.net). All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

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### LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Planning Board, Energy, Advisory Budget, and Sustainability Committees have openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email [dduval@leenh.org](mailto:dduval@leenh.org). [CLICK HERE](#) for Application.

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### COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Go to <https://www.leenh.org/calendar>

**LIBRARY CALENDAR** - Go to <https://www.leenh.org/node/14/events/month/2019-08>

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### READY RIDES

#### Change in Services Due to Social Distancing Recommendation

**Ready Rides is still** providing rides to patients. We recommend you utilize family friends and neighbors with whom you already have regular contact to help provide rides if possible but we are here for you if you need us. **We have added pharmacy pickups and food pantry and grocery pickups our registered riders. If you have placed an order with Walmart.com or Hannaford.com we have volunteers who will pick up these orders and bring them to your door with minimal contact.** If you are unable to order online and you are in desperate need of help with acquiring food or some necessity here are some resources.

If you live in Barrington, Lee, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Barrington, Nottingham and Strafford towns call 244-8719 and we will do our best to find a way to get you the help you need.

Ready Rides provides transportation at no charge for the elderly & disabled residents living in: **Barrington, Durham, Lee, Madbury, Newfields, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford** NH. Rides are provided by volunteer drivers using their own vehicles. **Accessible rides available.** To request information about registering as a rider or becoming a volunteer driver, please email [info@readyrides.org](mailto:info@readyrides.org) or call (603) 244-8719. You can find an [Application](#) for riders and a [Volunteer Application](#) on this website. Email or mail it to Ready Rides P.O. Box 272 Northwood, NH 03261. For other transportation options available in the region, please visit ACT's [Community Transportation Directory](#).



# LEE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT



20 George Bennett Road  
Lee, New Hampshire 03861  
(P): 603.659.5411 (F): 603.659.9611



Scott M. Nemet  
Fire Chief

Jeffery S. Liporto  
Deputy Chief

The department remains fully staffed and operating during the Covid-19 pandemic to protect our community but must continue to modify the way we provide some of its services. The Safety Complex remains closed to all visitors for the foreseeable future, but business will continue to be conducted via phone or email. Go to <https://www.leenh.org/fire-department>.

Burn permits are still required for all outside burning and all State burning regulations are still in effect. Burning regulations and permits can be found [HERE](#). Please check to see what the fire class for the day is prior to lighting any outside fire. Class 3 day or higher, all outside burning is not allowed. You can find out what fire class day it is by visiting the NH Forest and Lands website or look at the road side board at the Public Safety Complex.

All station tours remain suspended as are all home visits for wood stove, burn permit and inspection purposes. Furnace installation inspections will be conducted on an emergency basis for emergency replacement only. All furnace replacement work shall be coordinated through the Fire Chief's office before any work is to be done. All Covid 19 related inquiries should be made to the Town's Health Officer, Caren Rossi 659-6783 or [rossi@leenh.org](mailto:rossi@leenh.org)

Winter is here and we would like to pass on some friendly reminders for fire safety:

- Change batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Have furnaces and water heaters (fuel burning) cleaned and inspected annually.
- Have woodstove and fireplace chimneys inspected and cleaned annually. Only burn seasoned hardwood to reduce creosote build-up. Burn your woodstoves at high temperatures occasionally to burn off creosote build-up in the chimney.
- During power outages practice generator safety and keep generators at least 10' from the house in a well-ventilated area. Never run them inside the house or a garage.
- Live Christmas trees should be kept watered and placed away from heat sources to prevent drying out. Remove from the home if they become dry and the needles readily fall off.
- Inspect all lighting used to decorate Christmas trees and do not use any lights that are defective.
- Keep all vents on your home free and clear of snow and ice.
- Keep all means of egress from your home shoveled and clear for easy escape in case of fire.
- When the ponds and rivers freeze over stay off of the ice until it has been deemed safe to walk on. Ice should be at least 4" thick before being considered safe to walk on. Stay away from areas where there is running water or current as they will not freeze enough to hold a person's weight.

We hope you all have a safe and happy winter season. Remember to please wear a mask in public, practice social distancing and wash your hands frequently to help prevent the spread of Covid 19.



**LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL  
FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS**  
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

**BURN PERMIT**

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS  
[CLICK HERE](#) to get a Burn Permit Online

[BACKYARD BURNING QUICK GUIDE](#)  
[DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS FIRE PERMIT BROCHURE](#)

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Fire Department Fee Schedule  
Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide

**WHEN SECONDS COUNT... Please take the time NOW to SAVE TIME in an EMERGENCY.**



Can the Police, Fire, or Ambulance find your home when you need them for assistance with an emergency? Can they find it at night? Can they find it during a snowstorm?

Having your name and number on a mailbox is just not enough. Some mailboxes are clustered together. The numbers are small and the location may not mark the entrance to your driveway. The Lee Firemen's Association, in a joint effort with the Lee Fire Department, has a program to install reflective house number signs at driveway entrances to assist all emergency responders in locating your home in a time of need. The cost for each sign with a post is \$35.00 and it will be installed by the Lee Firemen's Association.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Reflective House Number Sign Request Form

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## IRS

### Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery

**NH Housing Relief Program** – The GOFERR allocated \$35 million from the \$1.25 billion in federal funds that NH received from the CARES Act State-Local Coronavirus Relief Fund towards a new [Housing Relief Program](#) to assist families and individuals facing housing insecurity as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program has two components: 1) one-time grants for households that suffered a limited short-term loss of household income or increased expenses that threaten the family's ability to maintain its housing; and 2) short-term rental assistance program. The program is being administered by the state's five Community Action Program (CAP) agencies and more details, including how to apply to your local CAP, can be found [here](#).

## FEDERAL RESERVE

The Federal Reserve Board recently adjusted the terms of the Main Street Lending Program in two important ways to better target support to smaller businesses that employ millions of workers and are facing continued revenue shortfalls due to the pandemic. In particular, the minimum loan size for three Main Street facilities available to for-profit and non-profit borrowers has been reduced from \$250,000 to \$100,000 and the fees have been adjusted to encourage the provision of these smaller loans. The Board and Department of the Treasury also issued a new frequently asked question clarifying that Paycheck Protection Program loans of up to \$2 million may be excluded for purposes of determining the maximum loan size under the Main Street Lending Program, if certain requirements are met, which should also help smaller businesses access Main Street loans. More information can be found [here](#).

## FEDERAL FUNDING FOR NH

- **Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program** –New Hampshire is set to receive \$25,117,942 in assistance under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). More information can be found [here](#).
  - **Funding to Support NH Outdoor Recreation & Forest Economies** –New Hampshire has been awarded \$467,410 from the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to support the state's outdoor recreation and forest economies. These grants will be allocated through NBRC and USDA's State Economic & Infrastructure Development program and help create and retain jobs and promote economic growth in rural Granite State communities. More information can be found [here](#).
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## NH CARES ACT FUNDING

The State has published an online Transparency Map which is an interactive overview of awards made with New Hampshire's CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds. To date, the Town of Lee, as well as other non-profit organizations and for profit businesses have received a total of **\$1,490,852**. Go to <https://www.goferr.nh.gov/> to see a complete list and the amount of funding provided.

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery has initiated a number of financial aid programs to assist residents such as Supporting Children In Care Program, NH Housing Relief Program, Community College System of New Hampshire (CCSNH) Tuition Assistance Program and NH Agriculture Relief Program Expansion. Please go to <https://www.goferr.nh.gov/apply> for a description of each program and application deadlines.

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## SAFER AT HOME GUIDELINES

The Stay at Home 2.0 order has been replaced by Safer at Home. Guidelines still must be followed and can be found at <https://www.covidguidance.nh.gov/>

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## EVERSOURCE

In these difficult times, we want you to know that help is available. Additional funds were recently allocated to The New Hampshire Housing Relief Program to help customers experiencing financial hardship during the pandemic.

- Even if you have never applied before, if you have been laid off or had your hours reduced because of the pandemic, you may be eligible now for a one-time grant of up to \$2,500 or assistance over the course of several months.
- These funds can be used to pay housing or utility costs and will be sent on your behalf direction to your landlord or utility company.
- There is no income limit to qualify.
- This is not a loan and does not need to be paid back.

Apply online, or through your local community action agency. To find an agency nearest you, call 211. Please have copies of your utility bill handy for reference. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details.

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## **NH DHHS Announces Online Purchasing Program for SNAP Recipients**

**Concord, NH** – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division for Economic and Housing Stability (DEHS) has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to participate in a pilot program that allows recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to purchase and pay for groceries online. The [SNAP Online Purchasing Pilot](#) program allows the use of Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards to purchase eligible food items through two authorized online retailers, Amazon and Walmart.

“From the beginning of the COVID-19 emergency, we have worked hard to ensure that our residents are able to safely access the things their families need when they need them the most,” said Governor Chris Sununu. “Online purchasing provides additional flexibility for all Granite State SNAP recipients, allowing them more ways to use their SNAP benefits to make sure their families have access to healthy and nutritious food during the pandemic and beyond.”

“Online purchasing is one more way New Hampshire residents can access good nutrition throughout the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic,” said DHHS Commissioner Lori Shabinette. “Purchasing groceries online is safe, secure, and helps people maintain social distancing measures that help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our communities.”

Participation in the pilot program is one of several measures DHHS has taken to reduce concerns around food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic. Others include the issuance of emergency SNAP benefits; the extension of certification periods for SNAP recipients; a temporary suspension of SNAP work requirements for eligible individuals; participation in Pandemic EBT (P-EBT), which provides families with children enrolled in the National School Lunch Program additional SNAP benefits due to the loss of school meals during remote learning; and accepting applications by phone for the Women, Infants and Children program. SNAP recipients will be able to purchase eligible food items, but will not be able to use benefits for service or delivery charges.

The SNAP Online Purchasing Pilot was established by the federal 2014 Farm Bill, which mandated a pilot to test the feasibility of allowing online transactions using SNAP benefits. In 2017, eight states were selected to be part of the pilot, which was launched in New York State in 2019, followed by Washington in January 2020. Additional states have joined the program as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information on the SNAP Online Purchasing Pilot program, please visit <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dfa/foodstamps/index.htm>.

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## **NH Department of Health and Human Services Resource Guide and Warm Line to Support Families during COVID-19**

**Concord, NH** – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) has developed two new resources to help children, youth, families and caregivers during the COVID-19 emergency.

The first is “[Supporting Child and Family Wellbeing During the COVID-19 Emergency](#),” a new resource guide with practical tips on how we can all support children and families during COVID-19. The guide also provides a list of resources available to families statewide. The second resource is the [Family Support Warm Line](#), a partnership between DHHS and Waypoint. The Family Support Warm Line is a no-cost, confidential phone support line focused on promoting family resiliency.

Residents can call 800-640-6486 and speak with family support professionals and parent partners for help with managing family challenges, coping strategies, or emotional support during COVID-19.

“Our data has shown a decline in the number of calls made to DCYF from those community helpers who regularly see kids face to face, but this is continues to be a stressful time for families and our focus has to remain on prevention,” said DCYF Director Joseph Ribsam. “Having resources readily available and a place where parents and caregivers can turn if they need to talk to someone can make a difference for our families and guide them to the services they need to stay strong and healthy, before they reach a tipping point that leads to abuse or neglect.”

The efforts stem from [Emergency Order #22](#), issued by Governor Chris Sununu on April 1, which authorizes emergency funding for critical child protection services to ensure that New Hampshire families continue to receive the right services at the right time during the COVID-19 emergency. In addition to the Family Support Warm Line, the funding will support domestic violence and substance use supports, expansion of the DCYF Strength to Succeed Program, and additional technology support for DCYF-involved families.

March data from the Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) shows a [decrease in referrals](#) to DCYF’s Central Intake, compared to the same time period over the past two years. New child abuse and neglect referrals are down nearly 50% each week overall. To learn more about recognizing the signs of child abuse and neglect, visit [Know and Tell](#), an education program offered through the Granite State Children’s Alliance, the Chapter Organization for the network of New Hampshire’s Child Advocacy Centers.

The Family Support Warm Line can be reached toll-free at 1-800-640-6486, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call the DCYF Central Intake line at (603) 271-6562 or toll-free (in state) at (800) 894-5533.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, STATE JOINT INFORMATON CENTER, 603-223-6169 or [jic@dos.nh.gov](mailto:jic@dos.nh.gov)**

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## **SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans Available in New Hampshire Following Secretary of Agriculture Disaster Declaration for Drought**

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, and private nonprofit organizations as a result of drought. The loans are available in the following counties: Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Rockingham, Strafford and Sullivan in **New Hampshire**. Loan applications can be downloaded from [sba.gov/disaster](https://sba.gov/disaster). Submit completed loan applications to SBA no later than **June 15, 2021**. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

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## Lee Public Library

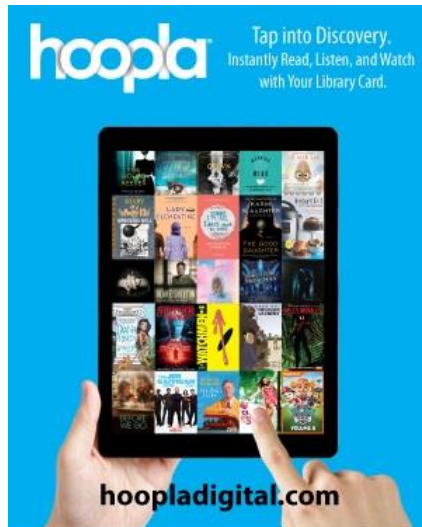


### Library Hours

Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm



### HOOPLA is HERE!

Go to [hoopladigital.com](http://hoopladigital.com), create an account with your Lee Library Card and start watching free movies, listen to audiobooks, read eBooks and download music! You may download up to four items each month.



You can also see what's available on Hoopla from our library catalog.

Go to [www.leelibrarynh.org](http://www.leelibrarynh.org), click on catalog. Look up your item, then look for the tab that says "Hoopla".

### 3-Step Sign-Up

- 1 Download the app or go to [hoopladigital.com](http://hoopladigital.com).
- 2 Log in with your library card.
- 3 Instantly Read, Listen, and Watch with Your Library Card.



Ancestry Library Edition© is now available from Home!

Go to the library website [www.leelibrarynh.org](http://www.leelibrarynh.org), then click on catalog. From the library catalog home screen there will be a link to Ancestry on the right under "Links". You will need to log in using your login details (instructions will be on the screen) then you will be directed to the Ancestry Library Edition© website! Stayed tuned for a zoom class on how to use this database and others to start your genealogy quest! Please email Ruth if you are interested attending this. [leelibrary@comcast.net](mailto:leelibrary@comcast.net)

### Curbside Pickup



Contact-less curb-side pickup is available during regular open hours. If the weather is non-cooperative, the pickup will be just inside the library main entrance. You may request items via phone 659-2626, [email](mailto:leelibrary@comcast.net) or online through our [catalog](#). Your requested items will be checked out to you, placed in a bag, and tagged with your name. We will email or call you when your items are ready to be picked up.



## Youth Programs January 2021

All of our winter programs can be found on our Facebook page.

### Grab and Go Crafts—Pick up on Tuesdays

We will put out new craft kits and activities every Tuesday at 2:00 pm.

January 5 Felt coaster

January 12 Penguin pencil holder

January 19 STEAM craft

January 26 Bird feeder



### Preschool Story-time—Thursdays—11:30 posted on Facebook

January 7 Soup

January 14 Penguins

January 21 No Story Time

January 28 Animals in winter



### Lap Sit Story-time January 6 & 20 8:30 am

We will do some movement activities and read a story or two.  
A Facebook Live! Program.



### Music and movement Story-time January 13 2:30 pm

We will sing and move to some fun stories and songs.  
A Facebook Live! Program.



### Pajama Story-time — Wednesday January 27 6:00 pm

We will read some fun stories, do some activities and learn some fun facts. A Facebook Live! Program.



### Middle School Zoom Book Club

Monday January 4 & Tuesday January 19  
6:00pm on Zoom.



Our Middle school book club will be held on Monday January 4 and Tuesday January 19 at 6:00 pm. This month we will be finishing because of mr. terupt and beginning Counting by 7s. If you are in grades 5-8 and interested in joining us please call the Library @ 659-2626 to register. We have a supply of the books for you to borrow.



## New Program Series continues February – May 2021

**February: Rosie's Mom: Forgotten Women of the First World War**  
(Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 7:00pm)

Presenter: Carrie Brown

**March: Votes for Women: A History of the Suffrage Movement**  
(Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00pm)

Presenter: Liz Tentarelli

**April: The History of Agriculture as Told by Barns**  
(Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 7:00pm)

Presenter: John C. Porter

**May: John Winant: New Hampshire Man of The World**  
(Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7:00pm)

Presenter: Richard Hesse

A Virtual program series hosted by the Lee Historical Society, Lee Public Library and the New Hampshire Humanities to Go Grants. Held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. [Click here](#) to register for any or all of these programs.



## Regional & State News & Events

### OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD NEWS January 6, 2021

The Oyster River School Board will host the annual public hearing on the 2021-2022 budget on January 16, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the High School auditorium. The annual Oyster River School District Deliberative Session is planned for February 2, 2021 at the High School. Both dates are subject to weather. The budget hearing is an opportunity for Oyster River residents to learn about and provide input the budget. The deliberative session is voters' opportunity to review, amend, and approve the budget and other items which will be on the ballot for March 9, 2021 town and school elections.

Superintendent James Morse announced that fully remote school across Oyster River will be extended one more week through January 15<sup>th</sup>. This window provides additional time for post-holiday quarantine. School lunches are still available to all children in Oyster River during remote learning.

The School District asks all parents and guardians to assess the health of their students each day before sending kids to in-person school or activities. The checklist is posted online [here](https://orcsd.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=15098306) (<https://orcsd.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=15098306>). Students coming to school with symptoms or while close family members are ill has resulted in classes, teams, and programs shutting down at least temporarily due to potential exposure. Please be cautious and feel free to contact your student's school nurse if you have any doubt about whether to send your student to school. This is a situation where individual actions can have major impacts on others in the school community. Thank you for your continued diligence!

The outstanding school nursing team proposed metrics to be used as input to school leadership in making decisions about changes to the level of in-person school. The metrics, emphasizing test availability, contact tracing capacity, state and local coronavirus transmission trend, and school staffing capacity will be updated weekly and linked on the ORCSD web site.

High School Principal Suzanne Filippone presented a proposal for a 50% in-person educational model under which classes would be offered remotely in the morning and in-person in afternoons 4 days per week, with Wednesdays available for office hours, advisory, clubs, and flex programming. The school board authorized Principal Filippone to develop and share further details with the school and parent community. No change will occur until at least February.

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### GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday, December 18, 2020 and Thursday, January 7, 2021

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 12/18/2020 Minutes and [Click Here](#) for 1/7/2021 Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

**Friday, January 22, 2021 10:00 a.m. in Concord, NH**

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**[CLICK HERE](#) for the Fall Lamprey River Wild & Scenic Newsletter**

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### **McGregor EMS Volunteers Needed**

McGregor EMS is currently seeking both Medical and Non-Medical Volunteers. Those interested may email [membership@mcgregorems.org](mailto:membership@mcgregorems.org). To learn more about this great service [CLICK HERE](#)!

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### **If you are a Lee Resident in need of assistance with a Veteran's issue the Lee Memorial VFW Post 10676 may be able to help.**

This post serves the communities of Lee, Durham, Madbury and Newmarket and has Service Officers who can help folks with just about any Veteran's related issue. At the State level they have a seat on the SVAC (State Veterans Advisory Committee) and are linked with tens of other non-profit Veterans organizations that provide a host of services. Please contact Andy Corrow, Commander, VFW Post 10676, at 603-397-9267 or [vfwpost10676@yahoo.com](mailto:vfwpost10676@yahoo.com) for assistance.

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