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October ~ December 2024



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SMALL IN SIZE BIG
ON PRIDE**

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City Offices will be
closed in observance of
the following Holidays
2024

January 1st
New Years Day

January 15th
MLK Day

February 19th
Presidents Day

March 29th
Good Friday

May 27th
Memorial Day

June 19th
Juneteenth

July 4th & 5th
Independence Day

September 2nd
Labor Day

October 14th
Indigenous People Day

November 11th
Veteran's Day

November 28th
Thanksgiving

November 29th
Day after Thanksgiving

December 24th
Christmas Eve
Closed at Noon

December 25th
Christmas

December 31st
New Year's Eve
Closed at Noon



Not Every Hero Wears a Cape
PLAN & PRACTICE your **ESCAPE!!**

October is Fire Prevention Month

In a typical home fire, you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. **Escape planning and practice can help you make the most of the time you have**, giving everyone enough time to get out.
Plan ahead for your escape

Make Your Home Escape Plan
visit: www.NFPA.ORG



Contact the
Lexington
Fire Department
at: (763) 784-1604
to learn more



Scan to be directed
to our webpage
To find more
information



SANTA AROUND TOWN

Saturday December 21st

**LFD will be out with Santa visiting the
kiddos and accepting donations for the
local food shelf**



Lexington Residents vote at City Hall ~ 9180 Lexington Avenue



The United States will hold its 60th presidential election on November 5, 2024. The winner of the 2024 presidential election will be sworn into office January 20, 2025. There are also Congressional, State, and Local Elections including the City of Lexington Mayor and two City Council seats. Make sure you vote and have your voice heard.

The Annual Holiday Lighting Contest will be taking place again this year. No need to register, the entire City qualifies. Judging 9th-15th

Please have lights lit up by 5:30 pm
On those dates

- * **1st Place \$100**
- * **2nd Place \$50**
- * **3rd Place \$25**



Thanksgiving November 24th



Christmas
December
25th



New Years
January 1st



SEEN AROUND TOWN

Have you captured a video or picture of something fun, amazing or beautiful about our city?

email it to:
brenda.beaudet@cityoflexingtonmn.org

so we can share it on our page!!
Include your 1st name & where the picture was taken

usagain
use it again

We keep 10,000 truckloads of clothing out of landfills every year.

Thousands of drop off points for clothes and shoes nationwide.

www.usagain.com

The Boxes located at City Hall are for



CLOTHING, SHOES, LINENS & ACCESSORIES ONLY

Please **DO NOT** leave
Electronics, Furniture or
Household Items
Those are accepted at

Goodwill ~ Savers ~ The Salvation Army

HALLOWEEN Oct. 31st STAY SAFE & HAVE FUN

Costume Safety

All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant
Avoid masks, which can obstruct vision
If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks
When buying Halloween makeup, make sure it is nontoxic and always test it in a small area first
Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation

When They're on the Prowl

A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds
If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you
Agree on a specific time children should return home
Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car
Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends
Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home
Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street

Safety Tips for Motorists

Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs
Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully
At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing
Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween



Rental Property Licensing

The Lexington City Council has a responsibility to ensure that rental property within the City meets the standards that are in place in the Lexington City Code to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents. As a result the City has a Rental Dwelling Licensing program that will require inspection of all rental properties owned within the City. This program is intended to eliminate substandard and deteriorating housing and to improve the overall living environment in the City of Lexington.

Completion of the Rental Dwelling License Application is your first step toward obtaining licensure. After your completed application and accompanying fees have been received by our office, you must then contact the City to schedule a property inspection with the Rental Inspector. For more information regarding the process to obtain your rental license, please contact the city at (763)784-2792.

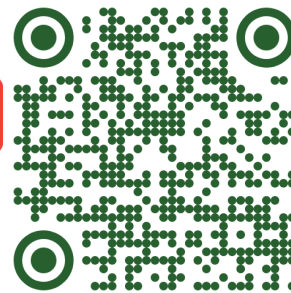
You can also find all the information on our website at:

www.lexingtonmn.gov/page/govt_business_rental_licenses



*Fire Department
Community Breakfast
and
Lions Booya
October 12th
Time: 9am ~ 11am
Location: 9055 South Hwy*

Lexington City Meetings
Podcasts available on the following Apps.



Scan the QR code or go to www.northmetrotv.com/lexingtonpodcast/ to download the apps, or you can find access to them from our website at: https://www.lexingtonmn.gov/page/news_access_tv

Just a Reminder

It isn't the plow, but rather the snow thrown from the plow blade that wreaks havoc.

When setting your garbage at the curb, leave adequate room for the snowplows to do their job. This is also a good time to check your mailbox post for wood rot.

Water pipes Reminder

To keep your pipes from freezing don't turn off your heat, and remember to let a faucet drip if you are leaving for a few days.

City Hall has stakes available for residents to pick up. They can be used to mark curves along the roadway or other items that may be hit by the plow. Once the plow had gone by several times they will no longer be needed.

City Hall is open Monday~ Friday
8:00am-4:30pm

Daylight Savings Ends November 3rd

Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour and change the batteries in your smoke and CO₂ detectors



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Don't stay silent. It's time to speak up

For Help call 1-800-799-7233 / 1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

If you are unable to speak log on to www.thehotline.org or text LOVEIS to 1-866-331-9474

You can also contact the Alexandra Houses 24-Hour help line at 763-780-2330 / 1-888-780-2332

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Light Up PURPLE to Remember the Victims & Honor the Survivors

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

With summer gone, fall's upon us, and winter is just around the corner. It's time to start thinking of the other changes that affect us this time of year, namely parking restrictions & snow removal.

Parking restrictions will begin November 1st.

*****No Parking** allowed on City streets between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM without an emergency parking permit issued by staff at City Hall.

*****No Parking** on any street after a snowfall with accumulations of 2 inches or more until all snow, ice and similar debris have been removed from the paved portion of the street.

***** It is illegal** to remove snow from private property and place it on the road or sidewalk.

*****Approximately 200 accidents** occur each year involving snow moving equipment, so be extra cautious and **always** give the plow truck the benefit of the doubt.

It weighs in excess of 50,000 lbs.
your car weighs about 3,000 lbs.

- STAY SAFE -

Assume snowplow drivers DO NOT see you.



Circle Pines City Hall Building
Lower Level Back Entrance
200 Civic Heights Circle
Circle Pines, MN 55014

Food Shelf Hours:
Mondays / Thursdays 4 - 6 PM
No appointment necessary

*Serving South Eastern Anoka County
Cities of Blaine, Circle Pines, Lexington,
Lino Lakes & Centerville*



Reduce ~ Reuse ~ Recycle

America Recycles Day

November 15th

Anoka County

Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW)

3230 101st Ave NE, Blaine, MN 55449

April - October

Wednesday	1 pm - 7 pm
Thursday	9 am - 3 pm
Friday	9 am - 3 pm
Saturday	9 am - 3 pm

November - March

Wednesday	1 pm - 7 pm
Saturday	9 am - 3 pm

Closed holidays.

There is no charge to use the facility.

Household hazardous waste is accepted from residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties.

Bring identification, such as a driver's license, as proof of residency.

AnokaCounty.us/HHW

763-324-3400

Where: Recycling Technologies
Davenport St NE Blaine, MN

Time: Call for Hours
763-559-5130

Materials Accepted:

- Appliances (\$10 - 25 each)
- Batteries: sealed lead acid, small household and rechargeable (\$0 - \$6.50/lb)
- Carpet: no rubber back (\$6/roll)
- Electronics
 - Printers, scanners and fax machines (\$10 - 35 each)
 - Hard drive destruction (\$5 each)
 - TVs and monitors: all sizes (\$18 - 85 each)
 - Small and medium items: mice, keyboards, DVD and VCR players, stereos, speakers, record players, coffee makers, toasters, toaster ovens, keyboards, vacuums, phones, small appliances and video game consoles (\$0 - 5 each)
- Exercise equipment (\$25 - 40)
- Fluorescent bulbs (\$.50 - .95 each)
- Holiday lights (FREE)
- Mattresses and box springs (\$20 - 25 each)
- Paper shredding: 2 box maximum, no 3-ring binders or newspaper (FREE)
- Propane tanks (\$5 - 20)
- Scrap metal: clean and all non-metal material removed (FREE)
- Tires (\$7 - 9 each)

Prices have a range since they vary by the size and type of material.



NEW! Battery Recycling

Batteries and most electronic waste are considered hazardous. They can contain toxic or corrosive materials. When crushed, batteries can explode and cause fires.

Do

- Dispose of batteries at the HHW facility or other designated collection locations
- When possible, remove batteries from devices
- Store damaged batteries in a clear plastic bag

Do Not

- Dispose of used batteries in trash or recycling bins
- Crush or puncture batteries
- Store old batteries close to flammable material, metal or other batteries

Single Use Batteries:



Rechargeable Batteries:



Automotive batteries are **not** accepted.

Recycle Smart!

Only Put Items That Can Be Recycled in Your Curbside Cart

Just because you think something is recyclable doesn't mean it should be put in your curbside cart. If everyone can focus on recycling the basic three types of recyclables below, recycling facilities will be able to process and recover more recyclables.

Recycle the Basic 3!

Place these recyclables loose directly in your recycling cart. If you need to use a bag, use a paper bag. No plastic bags should be put in a recycling cart.



1. Food and Beverage Containers

Empty and rinsed food and beverage bottles, cans and paper cartons (replace cap on plastic bottles, jugs and paper cartons)



2. Mixed Paper

Newspaper and unwanted mail (remove plastic bags, plastic cards and any promotional items) catalogs, dry goods boxes and phone books

3. Flattened, Clean, Dry Cardboard

Clean = free of grease and food debris
Remove excess tape, labels and any non-paper packaging materials



Used Sharps

- Hypodermic needles
- Syringes
- Lancets
- Pen needles
- IV needles
- Used Epi-Pens®



Place sharps in rigid, puncture resistant container. Label container:
"Do Not Recycle: Household Sharps."
Seal to prevent spills.

What NOT to Bring to the Facility

- Appliances
- Asbestos
- Dried Paint
- Electronics
- Empty Containers
- Explosives
- Garbage
- Unknown Materials
- Radioactive Waste
- Tires



Call Recycling & Resource Solutions at 763-324-3400
(Monday through Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm) for more information.

Businesses, Organizations and Schools
Do NOT bring hazardous waste to the facility. Contact
Anoka County Environmental Services at 763-324-4260 for
disposal information.

