

Save the Date >>>



Daylight Savings Time

It is time to Spring forward again. Daylight Saving time begins Sunday, March 8 at 2:00 am.



Back the Blue 5K

The second annual Back the Blue 5K will be held on Sunday, May 17. Details to come



Splash Pad

The splash pad at the Troutman ESC Park will open from Memorial Day until Labor Day. It will be open to the public during park hours. It cannot be reserved for private parties.



Party in the Park

Mark your calendars for the three Park in the Park events for 2020. June 5, August 14 and October 3.



Troutman Independence Day Parade and Fireworks

Troutman's 15th Annual Independence Day Parade will be on Sat., June 27 at 11 am. Town of Troutman will have Fireworks display from the Iredell County fairgrounds will be at 9:30 pm or full dark. Parade applications available March 15th.

nominations open>>>

Town Of Troutman's **Citizen of the Year** and **Organization of the Year** Awards honor those who make a difference in our community. The awards recognize ongoing efforts of residents and organizations that improve the quality of life in Troutman and that are respected for their commitment, support, services, and activities that promote a positive influence on the community.



Do you know a family member, friend, neighbor, business person, or organization who deserves recognition; someone or a group of people who has performed a good deed or provided a service that has had a positive impact on you or others? You can honor them with a nomination for the "Citizen of the Year" or "Organization of the Year" Award.

The Troutman Town Council will select the winners from the pool of candidates. Nomination forms are available on the Town's website- www.troutmanncc.gov and at Troutman Town Hall- 400 N. Eastway Dr. Troutman NC. 28166. **The deadline for nomination forms is March 20.** Your assistance in honoring these residents and organizations is greatly appreciated.

town meetings / schedules>>>

March 2020

- 2-3: Limb Collection
- 04: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 09: **Agenda Briefing Meeting 4:00 pm***
- 10: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 11: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 12: **Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm***
- 16: **Parks & Rec Committee— 3:00 pm**
- 18: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 19: Design Review Board—7pm*
- 23: Planning & Zoning Board. 7pm*
- 24: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 25: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 31: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)

April 2020

- 01: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 06: **Agenda Briefing Meeting 4:00 pm***
- 06-07: Limb Collection
- 07: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 08: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 09: **Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm***
- 14: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 15: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 16: Design Review Board—7pm*
- 20: **Parks & Rec Committee— 3:00 pm**
- 21: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 22: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 27: Planning & Zoning Board. 7pm*
- 28: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 29: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)

****No Leaf Collection until October 2020****

***Town Meetings are open to the public**



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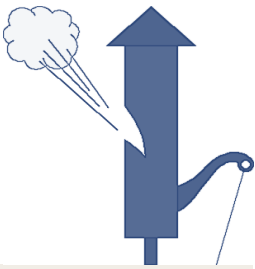
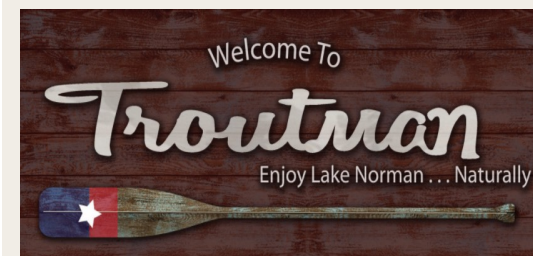
Governing Body >>>

Troutman Town Council

Troutman is governed by a Mayor and a five member Town Council. All elected positions are non-partisan and at-large. The Town Council has regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of each month at Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Teross W. Young, Jr.	Mayor
W. Paul Henkel	Mayor Pro Tem
Paul R. Bryant	Councilmember
George W. Harris	Councilmember
Edward R. Nau	Councilmember
Sally P. Williams	Councilmember

For more information go to
www.TroutmanNC.gov



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TROUTMAN PARKS & RECREATION

SPRINT INTO SPRING 5K / 10K

+ 1 MILE FUN RUN

MARCH 7, 2020 @ 9AM, ESC PARK
www.raceroster.com

Since 2013, over 1200 individuals have participated in Sprint into Spring and we have raised more than \$19,000 for Troutman ESC Park. All proceeds from the 8th Annual Sprint into Spring will go towards further development of Troutman ESC Park.

Cost: **5K:** \$20 **10K:** \$30 **Fun Run:** \$10

Register by Feb 21st to be guaranteed a t-shirt.

Announcements >>>



You are Invited! Town meetings are open to the public and are held at the Town Hall in the Council Chambers unless noted otherwise. You are welcome and encouraged to attend. Meeting schedule can be seen on the back of this newsletter or visit our website at www.troutmannnc.gov.



Spring Break Camp—March 9-13

Meets at the Iredell County Recreation Center (122 Grannis Ln., Statesville) Ages 8-13, Monday–Friday, 7:30 am–5:30 pm. Registration open until March 2. Fee: \$130. For more information call 704-878-3103 or visit www.iredellparksandrec.com



2020 March for Babies

Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 AM at Troutman ESC Park. Details visit www.marchforbabies.org



Spring Fling

New Perth ARP Church invites you join them for their Spring Fling on *Saturday, March 21* from 9-10:30 am located at 204 West Avenue East. They will have crafts, egg hunt and snacks.



Meet & Greet with Mr. & Mrs. Bunny

Southern Treats at 104 South Main Street invites you to come have your picture taken with Mr. & Mrs. Bunny on *Sunday, April 5* from 2-4 pm



Troutman Elementary Kindergarten Registration

Monday, April 6 From 10AM—12PM and 4-6PM. This will include tours by kindergarten teachers every half hour, beginning at 10:30 AM. Bus tours will only occur at 4:30 PM, PM and 5:30 PM. For more information please contact the school at 704-528-4526



Troutman ESC Park Farmers Market—Vendor Meeting

Interested in being a vendor at our 2020 Farmers Market? Informational meeting for vendors will be held on *Tuesday, April 21* at Troutman Town Hall starting at 4:00 pm. Market opens Tuesday, May 5 from 4-7 pm.

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Troutman PD Employee Spotlight



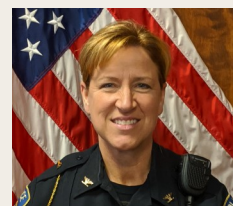
Officer Timothy "Madison" Sharpe

Officer Timothy "Madison" Sharpe joined the Troutman Police Department in November 2019. A native of Statesville, Officer Sharpe is a graduate of West Iredell High School. He drove a milk truck and was a hot air balloon pilot prior to pursuing his law enforcement career. After graduating from the Basic Law Enforcement Training program at Mitchell Community College, Officer Sharpe worked as a K-9 and Juvenile Education Deputy with the Iredell County Sheriff's Office. Officer Sharpe has recently completed his field training with Troutman PD and is assigned as a patrol officer.

Officer Sharpe stated he has enjoyed interacting and meeting with the citizens of Troutman and is looking forward to building a positive rapport with the citizens.

Officer Sharpe resides in the Statesville area.

The Police Department is pleased to have him on staff.

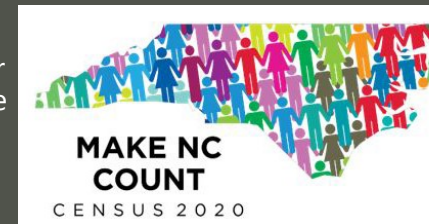


From the desk of Chief Tina S. Fleming

Police Department Hires New Officer

2020 Census FAQs>>>

(Excerpted from the Charlotte Observer, Richard Stradling author, 01/22/2020; and edited for brevity by Town Staff.) A longer version of these FAQs can be found on the Troutman website at: www.troutmannnc.gov.



The U.S. Census Bureau has kicked off its media blitz for the 2020 Census, and you'll no doubt be seeing and hearing a lot on the internet, TV, radio and in print about the effort to completely count the nation's population. But those ads and public service announcements may still leave you with questions. We'll try to answer them here.

Q. What is the 2020 Census?

A. The census is a count of everyone living in the United States and its territories on April 1, 2020. A complete national census is done every 10 years.

Q. Why is the census done?

A. It is required by the U.S. Constitution, to determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal taxes are distributed among the states and how many representatives each state should have in Congress. States that are growing quickly, like North Carolina, get additional seats at the expense of those growing more slowly; North Carolina is expected to gain a 14th congressional seat based on the 2020 Census.

Q. How will I get a census form?

A. This will be the first time everyone will be invited to answer the census via the internet. The forms will be available online starting March 12, and every household will receive a letter in the mail about this time inviting them to fill it out online or by phone.

Q. Who fills out a census form?

A. One person per household completes the form. A household includes everyone who occupies a house, apartment, mobile home or room as their usual place of residence on April 1, whether they're related to each other or not. Special efforts are made to count people in situations such as living in hotels, campgrounds or homeless outdoors.

Q. What if I don't fill out a form; will someone come to my door?

A. If a household still hasn't filled out the form online, by phone or by mail by the end of April, the Census Bureau will send someone — a census employee known as an *enumerator* — to knock on the door and take the census in person. That effort will continue through July.

Q. Are there long and short census forms, as in the past?

A. No. There's just one form, and it will be limited to basic demographic information about the people living in each household.

Q. Will there be a citizenship question; do you have to be a citizen to be counted?

A. No; and you do not have to be a citizen to be counted.

Q. How does the census know where to send the forms?

A. Last year, the Census Bureau put together a master address list, derived from various sources, including the U.S. Postal Service and from local government records.

Q. When will the census data be available?

A. The Census Bureau is required to deliver the state population numbers to the president and Congress in December. By March 31, 2021, it will deliver the detailed data, down to individual census blocks, to the states, which will use the information to redraw legislative districts.

J. Hoyt Hayes Memorial Troutman Library

For information on all library events, call 704-528-2682 or stop by 215 W. Church St.



HOMEWORK HELP 4:00-6:00PM
Need a little extra help with your homework? Make an appointment to work with one of our teen tutors, all free of charge. To sign up for a 30 minute session contact library.

T(W)EENS: DR. SEUSS GAMES

March 5, 4 –5PM
Enjoy some Dr. Seuss nostalgia and play Seuss-themed Minute-to-Win-It games. For ages 11-17.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

MARCH 6, 11AM - 12PM. Join us every Friday at 11:00 am for stories, songs, and crafts. Great for ages 5 and under.

DR. SEUSS STORYTIME MARCH 7, 2-3 PM Stop in for some Seussical fun! In honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday, we will have a special Dr. Seuss Storytime and craft.

MAKER MONDAY: PI DAY JEWELRY

MARCH 9, 4-5 PM
Join us for our weekly Makerspace program geared towards juveniles and young adults. Makerspace programs are collaborative efforts for making, learning, and exploring various creative outlets.

MAKER MONDAY: ST. PATTY'S DAY LEGO CHALLENGES

MARCH 16, 4-5 PM. Join us for our weekly Makerspace program geared towards juveniles and young adults. Makerspace programs are collaborative efforts for making, learning, and exploring various creative outlets.

MAKER MONDAY: RAINBOW JARS

March 23, 4-5 PM
Join us for our weekly Makerspace program geared towards juveniles and young adults. Makerspace programs are collaborative efforts for making, learning, and exploring various creative outlets.