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# WORD ON WHITE HOUSE

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## White House Farmer's Market Every Wednesday Through August



The 8th Annual White House Farmer's Market is underway in White House, TN! This year, there are around 25 unique vendors that are a part of the Market.

Along with vendors, there are food trucks, live music, and events happening every week! You can expect vendors that sell meat, vegetables, fruit, honey, soap and candles, popcorn, flowers, hot sauce, bagels, lemonade, and more! Be sure to check out the market every

Wednesday from 3:30-7PM! The Market will run from May 17th until August 30th in the White House Municipal Park located at 420 HWY 76, White House, TN!



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Greetings,

Summer is here and wow do we have many projects happening around the city. Let's start with three very large projects: (1) The Wastewater treatment expansion project is over 70% complete. This project is a \$21 million dollar expansion of its treatment operations that will serve our community for several decades. The expansion nearly doubles the amount of intake that can be treated. It will enable a cleaner output to the environment. It includes a new laboratory for water samplings, and it doubled the size of our electronic control facility. Substantial completion is scheduled for December 2023. (2) We are finishing up phase 2 of our southern force main wastewater collection line. Nearly half of our customers contribute wastewater materials from their homes and businesses into our southern force main. From a study two years ago of our whole system we learned that the southern force main was nearly at full capacity. We had a concept design drawn up to run a sec-

ond collection line to expand our abilities to receive additional growth of the southern half of the city. The estimated price tag for this project was just over \$7 million. With the help of federal and state dollars and a contribution from a private developer we were able to raise over \$5 million to help offset the cost of the project. Phase 3 of this project will begin this summer. The full project scope runs a new 20-inch line from our treatment plant on Industrial drive to behind Loves travel center. The line continues under interstate 65 to Sage road near Crossroads medical. It follows Sage road to US31W. From there it continues down Cedarbrook to Dorris Farm in Willow Springs subdivision. We are hopeful we can finish all phases of the project by December 2024. (3) The most expensive project to date for the city is in the early stage of construction. The finishing touch to the City government campus is a 72,000 square foot recreation center. This new facility came with a price tag of

nearly \$24 million. Now that we have the old gymnasium of our old city hall stabilized, Romach, our contractor, can move full speed ahead on construction of the new recreation center. As of this writing we are looking at a completion date of November 2024.

Often staff get asked about what plans they have for improving roads in the city. That is a good question because long-term planning is very important to the city. Each of our departments is required to have a six-year capital improvement plan which is formally placed into our budget books available to the public each year. Attending to roads is the responsibility of two departments. Our Public Services Department has a division we call public works. This division is responsible for maintaining all the traffic-controlled intersections. Making sure lights that are out get replaced and to make sure that cameras or in-ground loops are functioning properly so that traffic flows efficiently through the city. They fill potholes that get reported to them. They also have a responsibility to evaluate roads and determine which roads should be paved. For the past several years we have spent approximately \$500,000 a year to pave roads.

Expanding road capacity or overseeing the building of new roads fall under the responsibility of myself and our city engineer. Arterial road and collector road expansion is very costly and takes years

to plan and construct. We have over twenty projects in the pipeline at various stages. Projects have four phases. Concept design/environmental, Design, Right-of-way, and Construction. We have put together a spreadsheet so that you can see the projects we are working on presently. They are listed in no specific order. The Type of Work section tells you what phase the project is currently in. Funded would mean that that the project has funds to do that phase. We are just finishing up the paperwork on the US31W/Sage Road/McCurdy Road intersection so we will be able to check that off as finished. A very important safety project that will be under construction this summer is the White House High School Heritage Road extension. To help alleviate pressure on the two intersections at SR76 on either side of the school we asked and was approved by Robertson County School Board and Robertson County Commission to build an extension road from where their drive ends at the north end of the football stadium to Pinson Road. This will give a safer access point to enter school property for all the students and parents that live north of the school and drive to and from school activities.

May you be safe, happy, and healthy during the summer months 😊

Transportation Improvement	Type of Work	Funded	City	State/Federal	Developer
Sage/McCurdy/31W Intersection	Construction	Yes	100%		
N.Palmers Chapel Rd Widening (Tyree to Greenway)	Construction	No	100%		
WHHHS Road Extension to Pinson Ln	Construction	Yes	100%		
Sage Rd. Widening (Madeline to Cardinal)	Construction	Yes	100%		
Sage Rd. Widening (Cardinal to US31W)	Design	Yes	100%		
Raymond Hirsch/US31W Safety Improvements	Design	Yes	20%	80%	
Calista Rd. Widening (Wilkinson to Bill Moss)	Design	Yes	\$75,000		\$500,000
Calista Rd. Widening (Indian Rdg to Wilkinson)	Concept	No	100%		
Calista Rd. Widening (Bill Moss to City Limits)	Concept	No	100%		
Tyree Springs/S.Palmers Intersection Improvements	Design	Yes			100%
Tyree Springs /Meadows Rd. Intersection Improvements	Design	Yes			100%

Transportation Improvement	Type of Work	Funded	City	State/Federal	Developer
Tyree Springs/Cambria Intersection Improvements	Construction	Yes			100%
Marlin Rd./ US31W Intersection Improvements	Design	Yes	100%		
Union Rd./SR 76 Intersection Improvement	Concept	No	Turn Lanes		Traffic Signal
Pleasant Grove Rd./SR76 Intersection Improvements	Concept	Yes	100%		
Lone Oak/ SR 76 Intersection Improvements	Concept	No	100%		
Sage Rd. Extension to Union Rd.	Design	Yes			100%
SR 76 Widening (I65 to New Hall Rd.)	Concept	No		100% Improve Act	
Hester Drive Extension	R.O.W	Yes	\$153,500	\$2,430,000	
Raymond Hirsch/SR 76 Intersection Improvements	Construction	Yes			100%
Raymond Hirsch at Water Tower- New Traffic Controlled Intersection	Construction	Yes			100%
Bill Moss Rd. Widening (Calista to I-65)	Design	Yes			100%



# PARKS & RECREATION



Working to improve the health and wellness of the entire community! Our department offers programs, facilities, and special events that help keep families active and healthy. Check out our website and Facebook page to see what our parks, museum, senior center, and programs have to offer!



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## YOUTH SPORTS

### Youth Baseball & Softball

Registration: May 22nd- July 9th  
4, 5, 6: Coach Pitch/T-ball (co-ed)  
8U: Machine Pitch  
10U: Kid Pitch  
Season: August- September

### Girl's Volleyball

Registration: May 22nd- July 9th  
3rd-8th Grades  
Season: August - September  
Evaluation Day: July 22nd (tentative)

REGISTER:



## ADULT LEAGUES

### 4v4 Sand Volleyball

Registration: June 19th- July 30th  
Sunday Afternoons  
Season : August - September

### Adult Softball

Registration: July 17th- August 20th  
Tuesday & Thursdays  
Season: September-November



**615-672-4350 \*2114**

[HTTPS://WWW.WHITEHOUSE.TN.GOV/  
DEPARTMENTS/PARKS-AND-RECREATION](https://www.whitehousetn.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation)

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City of White House, Tennessee- Parks and Recreation



# SENIOR CENTER

Located in the Billy Hobbs Building  
105D College Street, White House, TN  
615-616-1016  
[www.whitehousetn.gov/seniorcenter](http://www.whitehousetn.gov/seniorcenter)

**Activities are available Monday - Thursday.**

## Exercise



Walking: Monday- Thursday 7:15am-10:30am  
Exercise Class: Monday- Thursday 9:30am-10:30am  
Pickle Ball: Monday/Wednesday 10:30am-12:00pm



Exercise activities are located in Civic Center Gym unless other wise stated on the activity calendar.

## Senior Citizen's Lunches

**Wednesdays at 11:30am**

The cost of the meal is \$3.00 for seniors to eat in and \$3.50 for take-out. The cost for non-seniors is \$6.00 to eat in and \$6.50 to take-out. Reservations are required by noon on Mondays.

## Special Events & Activities

Our calendar includes lunches at restaurants, bowling, craft days, bingo, shopping, and visits to interesting attractions in our area.



Upcoming events include an a trip to the Amish, a garden tour, fathers day celebration, ice cream social and other fun surprises!

**A special thanks to our many volunteers that set up for exercise classes, volunteer to call bingo, and make sure our room is in order. Thank you!!**

Check our calendar for dates and times or stop by and pick one up.

**No membership fees!**







## Waste Management of Tennessee purchases GFL-Nashville and what this means for White House Residents

WM of Tennessee purchased GFL-Nashville, effective May 1, 2023. The addition of GFL-Nashville will enable WM to improve routing efficiencies while servicing the combined residential, commercial and industrial routes throughout Middle Tennessee.

What does this mean for the residents of White House?

- Within the next year, all solid waste and recycle carts should be transitioned out with Waste Management carts. We would ask for your patience during this time, as lead times for replacement carts are on backorder.
- Pick-up time will start at 6am, if possible, carts should be put at the curbside the night before pick-up.
- WM will offer and supply reverse 411 capability through either texts or push notifications through their app. The city will continue to send push notifications through our app to support public outreach efforts.
- If for some reason your cart is not picked up by WM, your cart will be tagged with an explanation.
- Collection crews will not pick up spills or litter resulting

from unbagged garbage, overfilled containers, or scavenging.

- Do not place garbage on the ground or on top of an automated container.
- Lids must be closed completely.

In the meantime, please call Public Services with any questions or concerns and we will be happy to assist. We are very much looking forward to a close, long and mutually beneficial relationship with Waste Management and the residents of White House.



**MONDAY - THURSDAY**  
**9:00AM - 4:00PM**

**Visit today!**

615-672-5223

[WWW.WHITEHOUSE.TN.GOV/MUSEUM](http://WWW.WHITEHOUSE.TN.GOV/MUSEUM)

## White House INN MUSEUM

THE WHITE HOUSE INN MUSEUM IS A REPLICA OF THE ORIGINAL WHITE HOUSE INN. COME AND LEARN ABOUT LOCAL AND REGIONAL HISTORY. SCHEDULE A GROUP VISIT, OR HAVE MUSEUM STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS COME TO YOU!





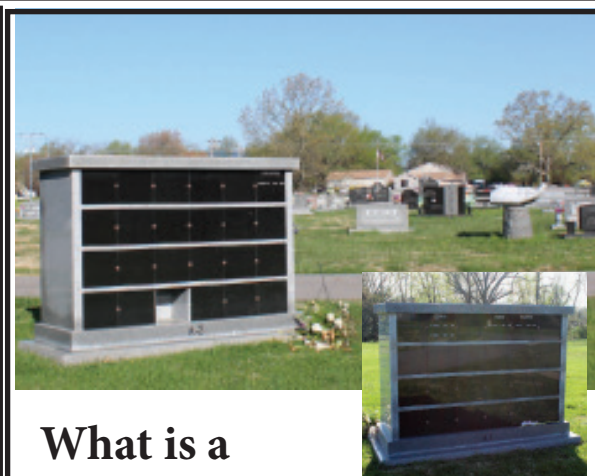


**SAVE THE DATE**

**SEPT  
23  
2023**

*The Gathering*  
at the White House  
Inn Museum

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### What is a columbarium?

A columbarium is kind of like a mausoleum. It is an above ground burial tomb. The big difference is that it is only for cremations enclosed in urns. Do you know what you would do with your loved ones cremation? Hillcrest Municipal Cemetery now offers a lower cost alternative. Our columbarium has 48 niches (hollow spaces) for the safe keeping of your loved one. Each niche can accommodate two family members.

If you would like more information on purchasing a columbarium niche, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 615-672-4350 ext. 2114

### SCHEDULE OF FEES

#### Ground Burials

Sale of Lots \$750  
Openings & Closings \$800  
Burial of Cremains \$300  
Move Outside of Hillcrest \$500  
Move within Hillcrest \$1,000  
Monument Foundations Fee  
25¢ per square inch  
Scatter of Cremains \$25

#### Two Cremation Limit Columbarium

Sale of Lots \$750 (includes opening, closing and engraving for first interment)  
\$150 for second interment and engraving, additional opening and closing \$150  
Columbariums are 11.5"x11.5" spaces for up to two urns per niche

**Hillcrest Municipal  
Cemetery**

## Online Cemetery Map and Deceased Search

See available plots, and find your loved one's location within Hillcrest Cemetery.

<https://www.whitehousetn.gov>







# POLICE DEPARTMENT



## The WHPD Instructs the D.A.R.E Program to Middle School Age Kids in the Area

The White House Police Department instructed D.A.R.E. to approximately 150 students at White House Middle Schools for the 2023 school year.

D.A.R.E. Is a 10 week program with lessons that focus on five major areas: providing accurate information about the harmful effects of tobacco and alcohol, teaching students decision making skills, commu-

nication skills, signs of stress and resisting peer pressure.

D.A.R.E. began nationally in 1983. It is now taught in more than 50 states and 53 countries around the world. It was adopted in the White House schools in 1995 as a joint effort between community school, parents, and the White House Police Department.



### GREENWAY SAFETY TIPS

- Be confident
- Carry your ID
- Stay on the trail
- Be alert and aware of surroundings
- Tell friends or family where you are
- Use the buddy system
- Lock your vehicle!
- Wear comfortable shoes
- Carry a cell phone
- Carry a whistle or noisemaker

### WHITE HOUSE PARKS AND RECREATION INDEPENDENCE 5K RUN OR WALK JULY 1ST

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION GUARANTEES YOU AN EVENT T-SHIRT

	EARLY BIRD	PRE-REGISTRATION
CHILD (10 & UNDER)	\$15.00	\$20.00
INDIVIDUAL	\$20.00	\$25.00
FAMILY (UP TO FOUR MEMBERS)	\$65.00	\$75.00

Pre-register and be entered into a prize raffle. Cash prizes for overall winner, and first place male and female runners!

**PRE-REGISTRATION: MAY 15TH - JUNE 28TH**

**TYREE SPRINGS TRAIL HEAD  
PARKING AT WHITE HOUSE HIGH SCHOOL:  
508 TYREE SPRINGS RD. WHITE HOUSE, TN**

**7:00AM - CHECK IN 8:00AM - START TIME**

615-616-1014 [HTTPS://WHPARKS.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM](https://whparks.recdesk.com/community/program)





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# MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

**WHITE HOUSE CITY PARK • 6:30 PM**



**THE PAK**  
**THUR. • MAY 25**  
The Pink Truck  
Whitt's BBQ • Kona Ice



**THUR. • JUNE 15**  
Rojos Tacos  
& Deja Moo



**KRUIZE KONTROL**  
**SATURDAY • AUG 26**  
The Pink Truck & Key's BBQ



# UNDER THE STARS

# Movies

**CITY PARK**  
**7:30PM**  
**OR AT DUSK**



**FRIDAY • JUNE 9TH**  
**DEJA MOO ICE CREAM TRUCK**



**FRIDAY • JULY 14TH**  
**THE PINK TRUCK**



**FRIDAY • JULY 28TH**  
**KONA ICE WHITT'S**




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## CALLING ALL WHHS ALUMNI!

White House High School is working hard to get ready for their 100th year at WHHS next school year. They are currently creating a BDP Alumni and Faculty network to share all of the upcoming events that will be taking place. Please fill out this short Google Form online. If you need a paper form, please contact the White House Chamber at 615-672-3937. Please share with other alumni so they can reach out to ALL of their WHHS family and friends for the celebration. Your help will be greatly appreciated! You can also visit: <https://forms.gle/FMh5NYYZZP5RjuAtF8>







## Congratulations to Our Newest Firefighter!

The City of White House's newest Firefighter, Clint Meyer, recently graduated from the Fire Academy! This is a first for the City of White House Fire Department. Every firefighter in the department currently has either had experience prior to being hired or completed training in-house. Clint will be first to complete the full 10-week Fire Recruit class at the TN Fire Academy.

As an academy recruit, Clint has undergone 10 weeks of basic firefighting instruction, building his skills from the ground up. Fire Academy recruits learn all the skills necessary to jump right on the apparatus and be competent to tackle various

types of fire emergencies. Recruits learn about fire behavior, ventilation, ladders, hose streams, water supply, as well as the ins and outs of their self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) systems. Clint reports that he's had a very positive and fun experience during his time at the academy!

Clint comes to The City of White House by

way of Yorba Linda, CA, which is pretty cool! Clint excelled in football and shot-put in high school and attended Cal State on a shot-put scholarship. A neighbor, whom was a Fire Captain for a local department, inspired Clint to pursue a career in the fire service. Prior to moving east (to Franklin, KY), Clint obtained his EMT license and worked briefly for Ameri-

can Med Ambulance service. Clint has already proven himself an enthusiastic new hire, soaking up all the knowledge he can get his hands on! In this author's experience, Clint is a very personable and approachable guy. He seems to have a very laid back, cool-headed attitude, and is just a natural fit. Even in the face of "new guy" orientation that's almost obligatory in the fire service, he seems to take it all in stride! Once he graduates, Clint will be assigned to B-Shift under Captain Pettit and will continue his education and training in the field.

So, congratulations Clint!! You've worked hard and we're proud of you!







**June 8:** Water Day on College St.  
**June 15:** Rachel Summer  
**June 22:** Magician Russ Nowack  
**June 29:** Ventriloquist Jill Thatcher  
**July 6:** Mr. Rich with Super Science  
**July 13:** Water Day on College St.  
**July 20:** Runaway Puppets

CLOSED TUESDAY,  
JULY 4 FOR  
INDEPENDENCE DAY



June 10, 2023 ---- 10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
The White House Library Fandom Fair is a one-day street fair full of all things fantasy, sci-fi, comics, gaming, anime, and more. Our theme is Fantasy: Imagine Your Story. We will have activities for all ages such as escape rooms, crafts, petting zoo, caricature artist, balloon twister, vendors, a costume contest, Lego building contest, and more. To register as a vendor for the event, please visit our website at [www.youseemore.com/whl](http://www.youseemore.com/whl).



## SUMMER READING

Summer reading sign ups start on Monday, June 5th and ends on July 22nd.

All ages may participate. Children and teens will receive a prize each time they reach a benchmark.

Those ages 0-5 will reach a benchmark for every 60 minutes read, which is about 12 minutes a day for 5 days.

Ages 5-17 will reach a benchmark every 90 minutes read, which is about 20 minutes a day for 5 days.

Adults will receive a prize only after they complete the entire 900 minute challenge.

## LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!



HIDE YOUR BELONGINGS



LOCK YOUR VEHICLE

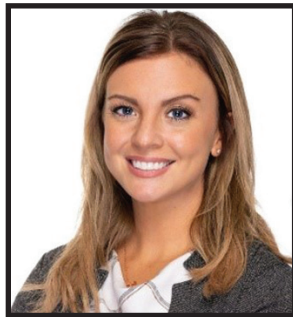


TAKE YOUR KEYS

Keep your belongings safe as you visit our parks and greenways!







Jenna Nelms  
Planning Technician

Spring is in full force here in White House! With the beautiful spring weather emerging, yard sales, and of course growing grass become more prevalent.

One of the duties of the Code Enforcement staff is to administer the city's sign ordinance. Residential and commercial property owners/tenants can apply for temporary and staff approved permanent sign permits for their property. Our staff will review the application and issue the permit, as long as it fits

In this 'Planners Corner' series, we will explore how the Code Enforcement Staff keeps White House beautiful, focusing on city signage and property maintenance.

within the guidelines of the zoning ordinance in section 4.070. This can be found on the city's website (<https://www.whitehousetn.gov/government/zoning-ordinance>). Some of the criteria reviewed for the signs include location and size.

The city also offers Temporary Sign Permits: **White House Zoning Ordinance, Section 4.070 Standards for Signs, Item I:**

Temporary Site Signs- Any business, individual, or organization may display one (1) banner sign per lot. In the case of multiple tenants per lot than no more than two (2) signs will be permitted at any one time. The signs must be separated by at least twenty-five (25) feet.

*The sign or signs can be placed a maximum of four (4) times a year not exceeding twenty-eight (28) days in any calendar year, with twenty-one (21) days between permits.* A sign permit shall be obtained each time a banner is placed on site. A temporary banner sign shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area. The location and height of banner signs shall be in accordance with the White House Zoning Ordinance. Temporary Event and Advertising Signs pursuant to this section shall be required to have a permit issued without fee from the Planning and Codes Department"

Any illegal signage that is placed around the city without a sign permit, such as off-premise advertisements, will be removed by

aware of, include pennant banners, inflatable "air dancers," and flag signs (without the proper permit).

In a further effort to keep the city beautiful, the Code Enforcement staff has also been busy enforcing overgrown grass this spring. Besides being an eyesore to neighbors, it can also block driver visibility at intersections and even harvest unwanted insects/critters.

If grass/weeds exceed twelve inches in height, the property owner will be notified via certified mail and/or a notification posted on the property. After which the owner will have ten business days to remedy the violation. If this is not accomplished within that timeframe, the owner will then be cited to court and the judge would make a ruling. Our staff welcomes citizens to notify us if there is an overgrown or dirty lot that needs attention. This can be done via telephone call to the Planning and Codes office (615-672-4350 ext. 2120). You can also send a notification through the city website ([www.whitehousetn.gov](http://www.whitehousetn.gov)) to Report an Issue. This is an excellent tool for citizens, as it allows us to communicate and respond to notify that an issue has been addressed along with details involving the issue.



Code Enforcement staff. This is done in an effort to keep White House beautiful. Old yard sale signs left out days after the sale, become litter. We ask that those advertising their yard sale be respectful of our city ordinances. We ask that you remove signage after the event. Other illegal signage to be





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