



THE CIVIC NEWS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Final Newsletter for Civic Year Sept. 2025- June 2026

Greetings Officers, Executive Team, and Members,

As we approach the end of this civic year, I want to thank everyone who has supported our efforts to make the civic association stronger and more active in our community.

I am very pleased that we have made strides in continuing our membership growth and reaching out to the community for their input and engagement. The efforts of the membership team making personal contact by use of the phone-tree has been very positive in growing and retention of members. We had a very successful community day thanks to the hard work of the committee and volunteers under the leadership of Mrs. Vernetta Farrar. The community day event is the major source of funding other than dues. I would like to also thank all the committee chairs for your support and efforts this year reaching out to members and the community. We are getting positive feedback from them due to your leadership and commitment to make our organization better. We have had a powerhouse of local officials as guest speakers along with various service providers.

We will continue to strengthen our partnership with the community by sharing information and involvement. ***Our mission is to make our community better and friendly to all who live and visit our community.***

The election of officers will occur at upcoming meeting on June 20th. I am asking for your support for your current team of officers. We pledge to continue growth and support of you, our members. I would also like to receive proposals on fundraising ideals and not rely only on the community to fund the activities of our association.

The guest for this meeting is Prince George's County Sheriff John Carr.

Thank You for Your Continued Support!
We hope to see you at the June General Meeting!

Respectfully,
Mr. George Hanna, President

Hillcrest-Marlow Heights Civic Association will be voting on the following positions:



*President
Recording Secretary
Correspondence Secretary
Legislative Representative*

*Vice President
Treasurer*

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Civic Association, the President of the Civic Association, Mr. George Hanna has enacted the Nominating Committee for the 2025-2026 Civic Year Election. **The Election will take place at the June Meeting.**

****YOU MUST A PAID CIVIC MEMBER FOR SEPTEMBER 2025 TO JUNE 2026 CIVIC YEAR****

Membership! Membership!

Hillcrest-Marlow Heights Members, as we break for the summer, I would like to thank each of you for being so loyal to the Civic Association. We have really grown and you have been a big part.

I encourage you to continued reaching out to our community. Together, we can continue to live in a safe and viable neighborhood. Enjoy your summer and be bless.

*See you in September!
Patricia B. Reid - Vice President,
Membership, and Phone Tree Chair*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

GENERAL MEETING
June 20, 2026
Hillcrest Heights Community Center
2300 Oxon Run Drive
Temple Hills, MD 20748

TIME: 12:00 (Noon)

Please plan to come and invite your neighbor.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

OFFICIAL HILLCREST MARLOW- HEIGHTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JUNE 20, 2026

TO VOTE USE A (X) OR A (✓) MARK IN THE SQUARE IN FRONT OF THE NAME.
DO NOT CAST MORE VOTES THAN ARE ALLOWED IN EACH RACE.

SAMPLE BALLOT

PRESIDENT	
	Mr. George Hanna, Sr.
	Write In:
VICE PRESIDENT	
	Mrs. Patricia Reid
	Write In:
RECORDING SECRETARY	
	Mrs. Christine Heidebrecht
	Write In:
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	
	Mrs. Maria Williams
	Write In:
TREASURER	
	Mrs. Vernetta Farrar
	Write In:
LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE	
	Mrs. Carolyn Wofford
	Write In:

BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Voting for FY2026 HMHCA Officers will take place at Hillcrest Heights Community Center 2300 Oxon Run Drive Temple Hills, MD 20748 at 12:00 Noon.
2. Nominations from the floor can be made. However, the nominee must be present.
3. The ballots will look as the sample ballot shown above and will be given out at the meeting by members of the Election Committee. They along with the membership committee will also determine if you are a paid member of the Association.
4. ALL PAID (September 2025-June 2026) HMHCA members are invited to vote.
5. After the election, proceed with our general meeting.

PHONE TREE COMMITTEE

*Lisa Abreu, Gloria Better, Lisa Gray,
Sharl Lewis-Thompson, and Carolyn Wofford.*

It has been a joy calling and speaking with you. I look forward to reaching out to you in September. Enjoy your summer!

*Take Care, Thank You, and God Bless You!!!
Patricia Reid, Phone Tree Chair, Vice President, and Membership Chair*

Chair Oriadha to Launch Free Grocery Store in District 7

Council News

Posted on June 05, 2026

On **Monday, June 8**, Prince George's County Council Chair Krystal Oriadha is set to launch the District 7 Fresh Market, a free grocery store for residents of her district, in partnership with The StoreHouse and Community on the Frontline. The **grand opening and ribbon cutting** will take place at **10:00 AM** at the **Spauldings Branch Library**, 5811 Old Silver Hill Rd., District Heights, MD 20747, where the store is located. Chair Oriadha will be joined by representatives from The StoreHouse and Community on the Frontline, as well as County Executive Aisha Braveboy and Maryland Comptroller Brooke Lierman.

The District 7 Fresh Market will be the second free grocery store in Prince George's County. These free grocery stores serve as an innovative method for reducing stigma and connecting residents in need with free, fresh produce in a way that is dignified and respectful. District 7 residents enrolled in the program will have the opportunity to "shop" at the store for free, picking out the items they want, unlike a food pantry, where items are pre-selected. The market will be open two days per week, serving up to 100 residents and their families weekly.

"Historically, many of the residents in my district have faced too many obstacles to accessing fresh and healthy food sources," said Chair Oriadha. "This market will play a key role in connecting more of our families with the healthy resources they need in a dignified way. I'm proud to partner with The StoreHouse and Community on the Frontline on this initiative, and I hope to see it expand countywide."

HMHCA COMMITTEE ENGAGEMENT LIAISON INITIATIVE

Building a Stronger, Safer, More Connected Neighborhood

What Is the Community Engagement Liaison Initiative?

A new HMHCA neighborhood initiative designed to strengthen communication, build relationships, and support a safer, more unified community. Community Engagement Liaisons serve as trusted liaisons between residents and Community Concerns Committee.

Why This Initiative Matters

- Ensures every member receives important updates
- Encourages participation in neighborhood events
- Builds trust and unity among members
- Helps identify and support vulnerable residents
- Play a vital role in fostering strong connections between members and the Community Concerns Committee

What Do Community Engagement Liaisons Do?

- Share community announcements
- Report trends or concerns
- Encourage involvement in community activities
- Attends liaison meetings
- Play an important role in establishing communication with members, vital role in fostering strong connections between members and the Community Concerns Committee

Who Can Become a Liaison?

- Members who are:
- Friendly and approachable
- Willing to volunteer 2–3 hours per month
- Interested in strengthening the community
- Good communicators
- Passionate about helping others

Benefits for the Community

- Stronger neighborhood relationships
- Faster, clearer communication
- More engaged residents
- A more supportive and connected environment

Get Involved!

We're looking for residents who want to make a positive impact. No experience needed — training and support provided.

Interested? Want more information?

Contact: Felice Gant (301) 928-4123

Email: gantfalt@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.hillcrestmarlowheightscivicassociation.com/>

Together, We Build a Stronger Community

Join us in creating a neighborhood where everyone feels informed, supported, and connected.



HILLCREST HEIGHTS WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance service and reliability to our customers, a WSSC Water project is coming to your neighborhood. It's all part of our commitment to strategically replace and rehabilitate the aging water and sewer mains throughout our service area.

As we get closer to construction, we plan to hold a community meeting to provide you and your neighbors with more details. In the meantime, please read this letter as it contains important information about this upcoming project.

Scope of Work

- WSSC Water will be replacing/rehabilitating 9828 feet (1.86 miles) of existing 2-inch, 6-inch, 8-inch, and 12-inch cast iron pipes with 4-inch, 8-inch, and 12-inch new coated ductile iron pipes, which are expected to last at least 100 years.
- The current water mains were installed 65 to 75 years ago and are nearing the end of their life cycle.
- WSSC Water will replace the portion of the water service line between our water main and the property line connection.

Estimated Project Schedule

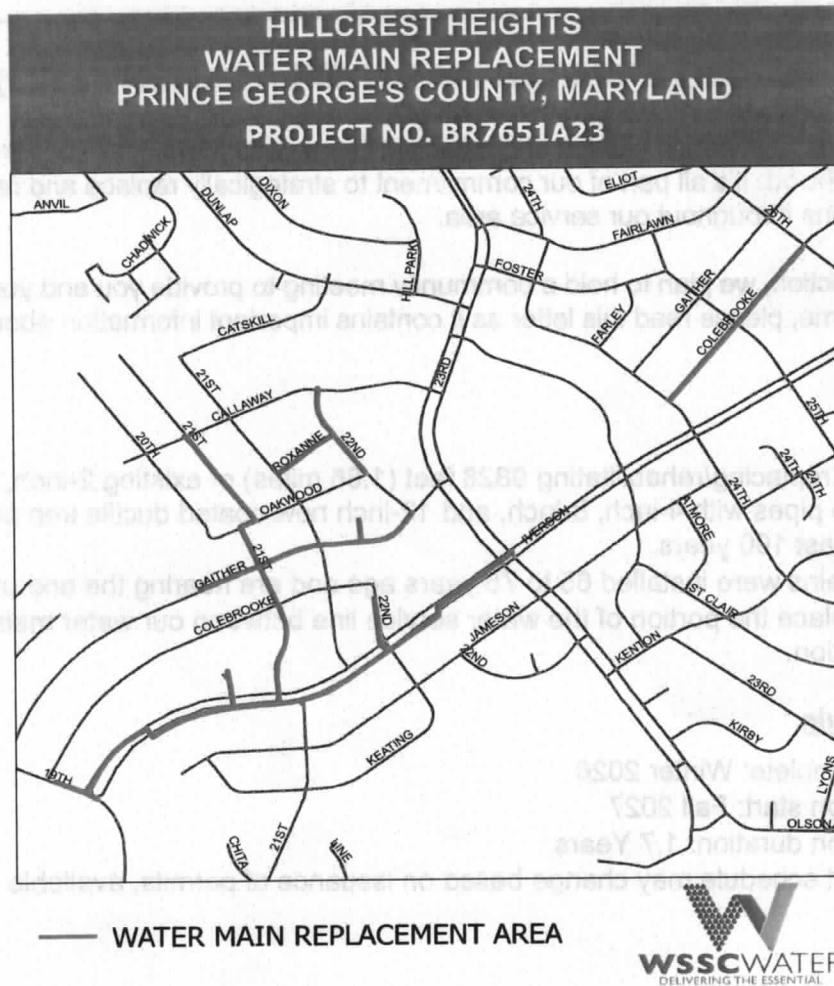
- Estimated Design complete: Winter 2026
- Estimated construction start: Fall 2027
- Estimated construction duration: 1.7 Years
- The estimated project schedule may change based on issuance of permits, available funds, or inclement weather

Additional Information

- Some trees may have to be pruned or removed to accommodate the work. If any trees need to be removed, residents will be notified prior to construction. All tree removal and pruning will be supervised by a WSSC Water Urban Forester.
- Your water service may be interrupted for a few hours while the new main is being connected. Residents will receive a 48-hour advance notification for planned service interruptions.
- WSSC Water will provide residents at least 48-hour advance notification in the event of any parking restrictions and changes in work hours.
- WSSC Water will restore sidewalks, roadways, and landscaping within 90 days of construction completion.
- *Projects completed during the winter months will be restored the following spring.*

Contact Information/Questions

- Project Manager, **Hardeep Kumar**, 301.206.8820 or by e-mail at Hardeep.Kumar@wsscwater.com and refer to Project No. **BR7651A23**
- Contact WSSC Water's 24-Hour Emergency Call Center at [301.206.4002](tel:3012064002) in the event of a water or sewer emergency.
- Sign-up at www.wsscwater.com/CNS, to receive emails and/or text alerts so you can keep updated on work in your neighborhood.

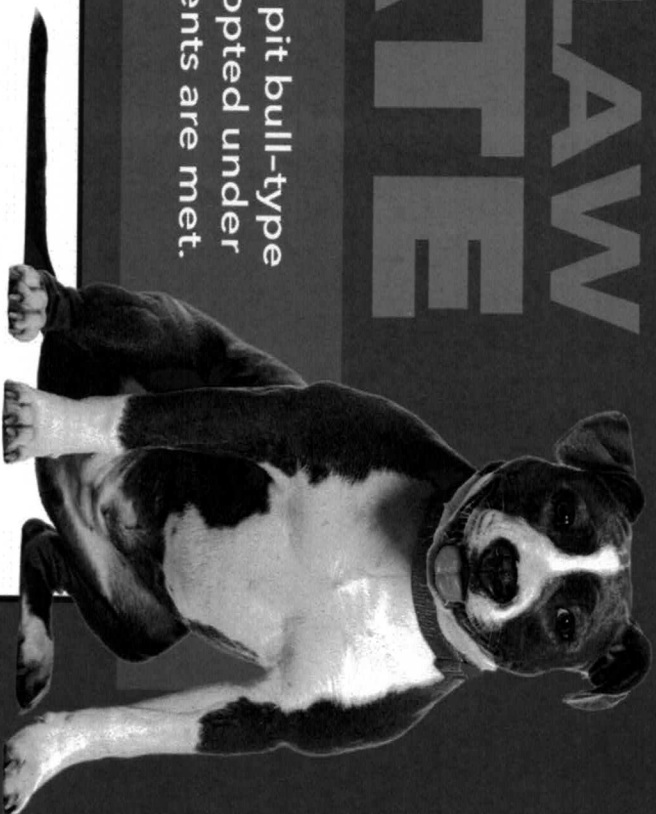


Directly Impacted Streets Include: Iverson Street, Gaither Street, Colebrooke Drive, Oakwood Street, 19th Avenue, 20th Pathway, 21st Avenue, 21st Place, 22nd Avenue, 23rd Avenue

We understand the inconvenience these types of projects can cause and appreciate your patience as we work to provide safe, seamless, and satisfying water services, for our customers every day.

NEW PET LAW UPDATE

Prince George's County now allows pit bull-type terriers to be legally owned and adopted under CB-97-2025, provided all requirements are met.



- 🐾 **Registration required**
- 🐾 **County license and \$25 permit required**
- 🐾 **Mandatory training for owners/adopters**

Additional training or support may be required on a case-by-case basis for potentially dangerous or high-risk dogs.

Learn more at environment.mypgc.us/pitbulls.



Althea N. Brereton
County Executive



SCAN FOR
MORE DETAILS

Senior CommUnity **PACE**
Care of Maryland
1 Year ANNIVERSARY
Family Reunion

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Join us as we celebrate one year of serving
our local senior resident population.

Enjoy food, music, games, and time with
SCCMD participants, families, and partners.



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CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS: ELIZABETH DAVIES | (301) 673-3335

*Hillcrest-Marlow Heights Civic Association (HMHCA)
Hoodies and T-Shirts for Sale*



We have Hoodies and T-Shirts available for purchase!

We would like for every member of the Civic Association to wear your T-Shirt or Hoodie to our meetings or any event you may attend.

T-Shirts: \$17.00 each.

Available sizes: Medium, Large, and Extra Large

Hoodies: \$35.00 each.

Available sizes: Medium, Large, and Extra Large

Order will be placed on the hoodies once we get 12 hoodies. Anyone interested, please call me at (301) 437-6528) - cell or (301) 894-2448) - Home.

*Mrs. Vernetta D. Farrar,
Fundraiser Committee Chair and Treasurer*



Hillcrest-Marlow Heights Civic Association

PO Box 799, Temple Hills, MD 20757-0799

Membership Application

Welcome to the Community. Our Civic year is from September 1st-June 30th. We have a monthly General Meeting, open to the public, every third Saturday in the Hillcrest Heights Community Center, 2300 Oxon Run Drive, Temple Hills MD 20748 at 12:00pm.

		Type Of Membership	
New Member	☐	\$20.00	Individual
		\$40.00	Organization/School/PTA
Renewal	☐	\$55.00	Business
		\$10.00	Student (18-26yrs)

Payments accepted by Cash, Check, Money Order
or Zelle (hmhccivicasociation@gmail.com).

Name	_____
Address	_____

Home Phone	_____
Cell Phone	_____
Email	_____

We hope you will be an active member, participating in efforts to raise standards of living in our Community. Listed below are the Committees through which the work of the Association is accomplished. Please check below, the areas you are willing to help us all achieve the goals that make us proud to live in Hillcrest Heights and Marlow Heights.

☐ AMENITIES	☐ MEMBERSHIP
☐ BEAUTIFICATION	☐ NEWSLETTER
☐ BYLAWS	☐ PLANNING / FUND RAISING
☐ COMMUNITY CONCERNS	☐ PUBLIC RELATIONS
☐ EDUCATION	☐ SCHOLARSHIP
☐ LEGISLATIVE	☐ YOUTH

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Join us on Facebook: Facebook.com/HillcrestMarlowHeightsCivicAssociation

Email us at: hmhccivicasociation@gmail.com

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HILLCREST-MARLOW HEIGHTS
COMMUNITY

Hillcrest Heights Community Center
2300 Oxon Run Drive
Temple Hills, MD 20748

JUNE 20, 2026
SATURDAY - 12: NOON

INVITED GUEST

Sheriff John Carr, PG County

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	240 723-5200 ... MR. GEORGE HANNA, SR.
VICE PRESIDENT	301 630-8204 ... MRS. PATRICIA REID
TREASURER	301 894-2448 ... MRS. VERNETTA FARRAR
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	240 353-8809 ... MRS. MARIA WILLIAMS
RECORDING SECRETARY	940-867-7065 ... MRS. CHRISTINE HEIDEBRECHT
LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE	301 894-0762 ... MRS. CAROLYN WOFFORD

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

AMENITIES	301 395-0809 ... MRS. JACQUELINE CLAY
BEAUTIFICATION	
CO-CHAIR	301 641-0428 ... MR. FRED DAVIS
CO-CHAIR	202 459-1575 ... MR. SIMBA KAPFUMVUTI
BYLAWS	301 894-5228 ... MRS. BARBARA ROBINSON
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	 VACANT
PLANNING/FUND-RAISING	301 894-2448...MRS.VERNETTA FARRAR
PUBLIC RELATIONS	301 894-4349 ... MR. CHARLES PATE
SCHOLARSHIP/HMHCA-DS	301 641-0428 ... MR. FRED DAVIS
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