





IN THIS NEWSLETTER

Town Hall Library Silent Auction Friends of the Library Parks and Rec Public Works Gilford School District Welfare Director

WELCOME TO THE MAY ISSUE

Welcome to the May 2022 issue of The Hub, the town-wide newsletter for Gilford.

Spring is in full swing and we are excited to share with you the latest town news!

If your group has something they'd like featured, please email us at <u>gilfordlibrary@gmail.com</u> by the 20th of the month and we will try to fit it in the next month's issue.

Mondays 5:00am - 4:30pm Fridavs 5:00am - 5:45 pm Region Public Access, which Sundays 6pm-12 Midnight

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NEWS FROM TOWN HALL ****



All Town Offices and the Recycle Center will be closed Monday, May 30, 2022 in observance of Memorial Day.

The Library will be closed Saturday, May 28 through Monday, May 30, 2022 in observance of Memorial Day



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GILFORD PHONE DIRECTORY

| Administrator | 527-4700 |
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| Assessing Office | 527-4704 |
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| Fire Department | 527-4758 |
| Gunstock Acres Village Water District | 293-8580 |
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| Historic District | 527-4727 |
| Library | 524-6042 |
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| Solid Waste Center | 527-4778 |
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| Welfare Office | 527-4796 |

DID YOU KNOW?

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The Board of Selectmen have a Facebook Page! You can find the page by clicking <u>here</u> or by searching for Town of Gilford - Board of Selectmen's Office.

CALENDAR

Board of Selectmen - Public Meeting 5/2, 4PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Recreation Commission 5/2, 5:15PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Planning Board 5/2, 5/16 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Conservation Committee 5/3, 5/17 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

OHD Committee 5/4, 6:45PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Cemetery Trustees 5/5, 4PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Historic Districts & Heritage 5/10, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Gunstock Acres Village Water District 5/10, 5:30PM @ Gilford Public Library

Library Trustee Meeting 5/11, 10AM @ Gilford Public Library

Board of Selectmen 5/11, 5/25 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Board of Fire Engineers 5/17, 8:30AM @ Fire Station

Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee 5/19, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Friends of the Library 5/24, 4PM @ Gilford Public Library

Zoning Board of Adjustment 5/24, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

You can find recorded

meetings, flyers for town

events and programs, &

information all on Lakes

TOWN NEWS ON YOUR TV



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE GILFORD, NH. MONDAY, MAY 30, 2022 @ 10:00 AM

| 9:45 A.M. | Parade Participants to assemble at Gilford Community Church Parking Lot |
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| 10:00 A.M. | Assemblage to proceed to World War I & II Veterans Memorial, across from Gilford Community Church |
| | Raising of Flag – Military Personnel |
| | • Pledge of Allegiance |
| | o Invocation |
| | Placing of Wreath – Boy Scouts |
| | Star Spangled Banner – Gilford Community Church Choir |
| 10:15 A.M. | Proceed to Pine Grove Cemetery |
| 10:30 A.M. | Raising of Flag – Military Personnel |
| | o Benediction |
| | Placing of Wreath – Boy Scouts |
| | Remarks – Chairman of the Board of Selectmen |
| | Taps – GHS Band Member |
| 10:45 A.M. | Return to Gilford Community Church |
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ THE LIBRARY

The month of May brings programs galore Here at your local library Check out our calendar, see what's in store Or check out this poem, in summary:

On May 14th at 10 in the morn, We'll learn about how to watch birds Then, of course, binoculars adorned, Go see them, but watch out for turds!

Perhaps a different flying creature pursuit– Then May 17th's your day: See and meet owls in "whooo's watching you?" Come here at 11:30 and stay.

May 12th, 2 PM, come "meet" RBG In a Q & A history show Learn of her life, her past victories From an actress, a thespian pro

...and of course there's always more to do With Miss Jill in the Children's Room Or hang out with Hayden, the teens can too Grab the May calendar and off you'll zoom!

Be sure, as always, to check our website For our most up-to-date plans We hope to see you here smiling bright Before this season -- Spring ends!

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Want the latest information and want to know what's going on at the Gilford Public Library? Click <u>here</u> to sign up for the newsletter. We have the latest books and highlight some library staff favorites as well as fun facts and videos.

Building Hours

Monday - Wednesday, Friday 9AM-6PM Thursday 9AM-8PM Saturday 10AM-2PM **Curbside Service** Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Babies & Co Storytime - Mondays, May 2 - June 6 @ 10:00am Preschool Storytime - Tuesdays, May 3 - June 7 @ 10:30am Preschool Storytime - Fridays, May 6 - June 10 @ 10:30am Storywalk Series - Thursdays, May 5, 19 & June 2 @3:30pm Science @ the Library - Wednesdays, May 4 - 25 @ 3:30pm Drop-In Craft - Mother's Day Craft - Saturday, May 7th @ 10:30am Library Look Around Week* - May 31 - June 4 *Prizes are sponsored by the Friends of the Library

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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ THE LIBRARY

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS - MAY 4TH & 18TH @ 10:00AM

Judy Cook from Light Life gives us tips and techniques for living our best lives - May's topics are Intuitive Eating and Mindfulness.

TED TALK TUESDAY - MAY 10TH @ 10:00AM

Hear from a world chess champion and pro-democracy activist in Russia in his talk "Standing with Ukraine in the Fight Against Evil".

BEANS & GREENS TASTE TEST - WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH @ 11:00AM

Try out some local fare and taste a variety of breads, flavored milk and more! Brought to you by Gilford's own Beans and Greens.

HAWAIIAN BINGO - WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH @ 2:00PM

Get ready for summer with Hawaiian themed Bingo!

RUTH BADER GINSBURG- THURSDAY, MAY 12 @ 2:00PM

Hear the inspiring story of how RBG changed her life and ours in this performance showing how she stood up against unfairness and inequality.

BIRD WATCHING - SATURDAY, MAY 14TH @ 10:00AM

A bird watching talk with expert Steve Hale from Open World Explorer. Learn the best ways to spot birds and how to tell them apart. Followed by a guided walk at 11:30AM.

EYES ON OWLS - MAY 17TH @ 11:30AM

Naturalists Mark and Marcia Wilson share the field marks, signs and naturalist's skills you can use to find wild owls without disturbing them. Also, meet live owls up close!

SING ALONG - MAY 18TH @ 2:00PM

Have fun while belting through some of your old favorites and learn some new ones!

BOOK DISCUSSION - MAY 19TH @ 2:30PM

This month's book is *Miss Benson's Beetle* by Rachel Joyce. Led by Rhetta Colon, former Gilford High School teacher. Copies are available at the front desk.

DISCOVER LIVE UKRAINE INTERVIEW - MAY 24TH @ 1:00PM

A live, interactive discussion with a Ukrainian refugee joining us from Prague.

ART ESCAPE- MAY 26TH @ 10:30AM

Paint a bowl, plate or mug in this class with local DIY art studio, Art Escape.



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SUNFLOWERS FOR PEACE



A group of artists that meet weekly at the Gilford Public Library to paint and share their artistry painted sunflowers, the Ukrainian national flower, to support Ukrainian refugees. For the last two weeks in April, these donated original paintings along with works by local area photographers, potters, fabric, and floral artists were sold at a silent auction held in the Library Reading Room

All funds received will be sent to the <u>World Central Kitchen (wck.org)</u> and they are proud to announce that with the support of the generous Gilford community, they have raised over \$2,000.





GILFORD FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY!

The Friends are busy refreshing our passes for the community to use with a simple phone call to the front desk. There is a list of available passes on the library <u>website</u>. We also have some great "Try It Out' bags ready for you to give a new activity a try.

Thank you to all who supported us with the Hannaford Community Reuseable Bags. It goes towards the Summer Reading Programs that is just around the corner. The Friends May meeting has been changed to 5/24. Come join us.

GILFORD PARKS AND RECREATION

"Summer Fun for All!"

2022 SUMMER PROGRAMS (SOME SPRING & FALL ACTIVITIES, TOO!)



GILFORD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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www.gilfordrec.com

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Parks and Recreation Director HERB GREENE

SPRING ADULT HIKING PROGRAMS: These hikes are offered to any adult over the age of 18 looking to get outside to enjoy the great outdoors and get some exercise! There may be mud but hopefully no bugs:

May 3 – Winnisquam Scenic Trail, Belmont May 10 – Weeks Wood, Gilford May 17 – TBA May 24 – TBA

If a hike is cancelled due to weather, all participants will be notified as soon as possible. You must RSVP with the Parks and Recreation office at least one day prior to each trip. We will meet in the Gilford Town Hall Lobby at 9:30 AM before departing for each hike.

"Health is the greatest gift, don't forget to treat yourself!"

GOLF LESSONS AT BOLDUC PARK: Offered to introduce and promote

golf to youth and adults.

*Youth Program = Ages 6 and Up

- Series of 3 consecutive Tuesdays Session #1: May 3, 10 and 17; Session #2: June 7, 14 and 21
- Class Times: 5:30 PM 7:00 PM
- Registration Fee: \$100.00 for three 1.5-hour lessons (includes clubs and balls).
- *Adult Program = Ages 18 and up
 - Series of 3 consecutive Thursdays –
 - Class Times: 5:30 PM 7:00 PM
 - Registration Fee: \$100.00 for three 1.5-hour lessons (includes clubs and balls).

GILFORD YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE FALL PROGRAM:



For all Gilford youth who will be entering grades K through 5 in the fall of 2022. Registration nights will be held on Wednesday, June 1st and Wednesday, August 3^{rd} from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM at the Parks and Recreation

Office in the Gilford Town Hall. Participants can also register in the Rec Office during regular operating hours or by downloading a registration form off the Parks and Rec website and mailing it in. The early registration fee is \$15.00 per child - after August 8th, the fee will be \$25.00. Coaches and assistant coaches are always needed and welcome! Call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722 for further information.





Session #1: May 5, 12 and 19;

Session #2: June 9, 16 and 23

BOSTON RED SOX BUS TRIP: Join us as we visit historic Fenway Park to watch the Red Sox play this season. Our

trip is scheduled for Tuesday, July 26th vs. the Cleveland



Guardians. Ride to Boston in comfort aboard a Coach Company charter bus, complete with TV/DVD and lavatory. The cost of the trip is \$75/person and includes the cost of your ticket to the game and transportation. All other expenses are your own responsibility. Any child ages 17 or under must be accompanied by an adult guardian. Space is limited, so sign up today! Please call the Parks and Recreation Office at 527-4722 for registration information.

YOUTH TENNIS LESSON PROGRAM:



A free, six-week program sponsored by Advantage Kids for children ages 5-14. An hour long tennis lesson, plus a 30 minute yoga and meditation session. Combining these two increases kids' ability to focus, excel academically and relate to each other!

Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 28 to August 4 at the Village Field Tennis

Courts. 5-9 year olds 9:00-10:30 AM 10-14 year olds 9:30 – 11:00 AM Cost: FREE! Register Online on Advantage Kids website at: www.advantagekids.net

YOUTH TENNIS MATCH PLAY PROGRAM:

This program sponsored by Advantage Kids offers a competitive play opportunity for **children ages 12-17** who can rally, serve and keep score. This program will be held at the Gilford Village Tennis Courts on **Tuesdays & Thursdays** from **June 28 to August 4**, from **11:00am** – **1:00pm**. Players will participate in this Junior Team Tennis program and progress through the USTA Junior Team Tennis ranks! With the help of AK Coaches, teams will be paired up with others of similar ability, play a doubles match then a singles match each. Sets will be shortened, standings kept, and the top two teams will qualify for the 2nd annual NH State Advantage Kids Championship in the Lakes Region Saturday, August 20th. Coaches will be on hand to supervise, input scores, and offer light coaching tips or assistance when needed. Players should bring their own racquets!

Cost: \$20.00/participant

Register Online on Advantage Kids website at: www.advantagekids.net

SHOOTER'S GOLD BASKETBALL CAMP:

Under the direction of Coach Paul Hogan, the camp will be held at the Gilford Middle School outdoor court from **June 27 – June 30** (**Mon-Thurs.;** Fri may be used as a weather make-up).



- Session #1, for boys and girls entering gr. 2 4, will run from 8:00 AM 10:00 AM.
- Session #2, for boys and girls entering gr. 5 8, will run from 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon. SPACE IS LIMITED!!

The registration fee is \$90.00 prior to June 1st and \$100.00 starting June 1st for each session. Each participant will receive a basketball and a camp t-shirt. To register, visit <u>www.hogancamps.com</u> or call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722 for further information.

LAKES REGION RIDING ACADEMY HORSEMANSHIP

<u>CAMP</u>: We are offering one three-day horsemanship camp, which will be held **Wednesday, June 29 – Friday, July 1** at the Lakes Region Riding Academy Barn at 26 Young Road in Gilford. The camp is open to children ages 7 – 15.



Camp Times: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Cost: \$90.00** This camp program will introduce participants to the basic principles of horsemanship. The program will offer basic horse care knowledge, horse safety and the beginning basics of riding. All

participants must wear long pants and a shoe or boot with a heel. Helmets will be available at the barn. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Enrollment in this program is limited. Registration forms are available at the Parks and Rec Office.

CHALLENGER SOCCER CAMP: This camp will be held at the Gilford Village Field the week of July 11 – 15 for youth from ages 3 to 14.

Children ages 3-5 Mini Soccer: 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Children ages 6 – 14 Half Day Camp: 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon Register online at <u>www.challengersports.com</u> by June 11th to receive a **free British soccer jersey**. Must register by July 1st, to avoid the late fee. The camp fee includes 7.5 hours or 15 hours of instruction, a soccer ball and a camp t-shirt. CHALLENGER SOCCER coaches soccer skills within a framework of character development based on

Cost: \$142.00

Cost: \$101.00



"Kids are like mosquitoes - the minute they stop making noise, you know they are getting into something."

WICKED COOL FOR KIDS – LEGO ENGINEERING:

Lego Engineering: The camp will be held the week of July 18 – July 22 in the Gilford Middle School and is open to youth entering grades 1 – 5 in the fall of 2022. Participants can register for the Full Day (9:00am – 4:00 pm) or Half Day (9:00am – 12:00 noon) program. Cost: Full Day - \$350.00 Half Day - \$250.00



The LEGO Engineering program includes STEM based challenges and free-building. Participants will build mechanisms that incorporate gears, flywheels, and cams to build amazing contraptions. We'll crank up the fun using creativity to build with LEGOs in problem solving challenges. Kids design a spinning eggbeater and create a car to carry LEGO bricks. Full Day participants will also merge LEGOs with machine power to create a power car, dragster and dog bot! Call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722 for a registration form or to get further information.

SEACOAST UNITED SOCCER CAMP: This camp will be held at the Gilford Village Field the week of **August 1 - 5** for youth from ages 3 to 14. Children ages 3 – 5 Grassroots Soccer Camp: 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM **Cost: \$70.00** Children ages 6 – 14 Half Day Camp: 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon **Cost: \$140.00**

Access the online registration link through our website at <u>http://www.gilfordrec.com</u> no later than July 18th. The camp fee includes instruction, a camp t-shirt and a soccer ball. All participants should plan to bring a bottle of water and a snack to camp each day. This camp is a fantastic way for your children to be introduced to Seacoast United's fun developmental approach to the game of soccer. Their professional, dedicated, full time coaching staff will offer sessions full of fun technical challenges and game play. These Soccer Camps appropriately challenge players in a fun learning environment while developing important individual skills. These classes then incorporate their skill work into fun games and activities for younger players and scrimmage play for older players, allowing all players a chance to recognize how their confidence with the ball relates to game play situations and success!

GILFORD SENIOR MOMENT-UM PROGRAM: Meetings are usually held on Mondays and a variety of activities and day trips are planned. All interested Seniors are welcome to join! The planned schedule for this spring is as follows:

| May 9 th | Mother's Day Breakfast – Community Church |
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| May 23 rd | Cinco De Mayo Lunch – Community Church |
| May 26 th (Thurs) | Senior/Senior Prom – Gilford High School 👘 👘 🖡 |
| June 1 st (Wed) | Dessert and GMS Show – Gilford High School 🛛 🕂 💙 |
| June 7 th (Tues) | Hawaiian Luau – Gilford Community Church |
| June 13 th | Father's Day Luncheon and Movie – Gilford Community Church |

For more info about this friendly, social group, please call the Parks & Rec Office at 527-4722.

"If your Mother says no, go ask Grandma."





<u>MINDS IN MOTION</u>: Chemical Creations Workshop!

On Monday, August 1 and Tuesday, August 2, from 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM, children ages 6-12 are invited to discover the fun of hands-on world of fun as they conduct a variety of scientific experiments! Participants will work on and take home their very own Chemistry Lab Kit, complete with





test tubes, safety goggles and more! You will be trained to work like a real world scientist in the lab. You will also

make and take home some really cool chemical creations! Learn all about energy and molecules, create a crazy bounce glob from glue and some scary green slime! Make your own UV bracelet and watch it react to the sun. Witness some amazing scientific demonstrations from your instructor. Experience a really

powerful magnet, magic sand and more in this fascinating and educational program!

The **registration fee for the two-day workshop is \$130.00,** and it includes all materials. The location for the workshop will be the Gilford Middle School. Enrollment for the 2-day workshop will be limited. Deadline to register: July 18, 2022. Call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722 for a registration form or to get further information.

GILFORD COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT SERIES: Sponsored by

the Parks and Recreation Department, the Gilford Community Band perform a series of summer concerts at the Gilford Village Field Weeks Bandstand (rain location will be Gilford High School Auditorium). The concerts will be held on Wednesday evenings: July 6, July 20, August 3 and August 17. Concerts will be held at 7:00 PM and they are free to the public. And as always, the band will perform at the bandstand at 8:00 PM on Gilford Old Home Day, August 27th. Grab your lawn chair or blanket and come join us for some great entertainment!



"Dance – even if you have no place to do it but your living room. And sing, too, but don't quit your day job."

GILFORD OLD HOME DAY CELEBRATION!:

Join us this year on **Saturday**, **August 27th** for our Annual Old Home Day celebration! This



year's theme is "A Night at the Movies!" A great annual tradition - featuring a pancake breakfast, parade, food and craft booths, entertainment, games and field events, road race, band concert, dance andFIREWORKS!!! Guaranteed to be a fun and memorable day for one and all! Advertisers in our program book are always welcome.

Volunteers are still needed to help - call the Parks and Recreation Department Office if you are interested in getting involved and lending a hand.

"Never, ever miss the fireworks."

GILFORD BEACH: Gate and restrooms are open daily 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM from **Saturday, June 18 through late August**. Telephone: (603) 293-8022. The dates and times of gate closure are subject to change due to weather or other extenuating circumstances.

ARTS AND CRAFTS PROGRAM - Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 11:00 AM -12:30 PM (weather permitting) from **June 28 to August 4**. For

children of all ages (Crafts are geared toward ages 5 and up, but younger participants are welcome). Register at the beach beginning June 18th from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM or register the day of the program. Registration fee is \$30.00 for the 4-week program (\$3.00 per session if you pay on a daily basis).



"We could learn a lot from crayons: some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, while others are bright, some have weird names, but they have all learned to live in the same box."

STORYTIME AT THE BEACH! – Wednesday afternoons at 12:00noon, from **July 6** – **July 27**. For children of all ages (target audience is pre-school through 4th grade). Join J'Lillian from the Gilford Library and take a quick break from swimming and enjoy a weekly story! In the event of inclement weather, story time will be held at the Gilford Library.

SWIM LESSONS - All levels (Red Cross Learn to Swim) - Ages 3 and up.

LESSON OFFERINGS TBD based upon staff availability.

* Registration fee is \$35.00 for the 1st child in the family, \$20.00 for 2nd child in the same family and \$15.00 for each additional child in the same family per session.



<u>VOLUNTEERS</u> are always needed, year-round, for many of our programs and special events. If you would like to give of your time and/or talents, or if you have any ideas or suggestions for programs you might like to see, please call the Parks and Recreation Department Office. <u>Volunteers and ideas are always welcome</u>!

The Parks and Recreation Department constantly strives to provide and maintain high quality, year-round programs, activities, and facilities for people of all ages and abilities. We try to keep all program fees at an affordable level. Discounts and scholarships are available for most programs, in the hopes that no one will be denied participation in a program or activity due to an inability to pay any fee.



GILFORD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FACILITIES:

1. GILFORD BEACH (13 acres) - located on Varney Point Road. 1800 feet of shorefront on Lake Winnipesaukee for use by all Town resident/taxpayers. The facility includes a concession stand, restroom/changing facilities, swim raft, basketball court, volleyball court, playground equipment, picnic area/cookout facilities, and parking.

2. GILFORD VILLAGE FIELD (28 acres) - located on Belknap Mountain Road. Facility includes four lighted tennis courts, a lighted basketball court, a soccer field, two baseball diamonds, dugouts, bleachers, playground equipment, picnic area, bandstand, and storage buildings.

3. STONEWALL PARK (9 acres) **-** located on Stone Road. Facility includes an enclosed baseball diamond and dugouts, bleachers, storage building, well, and parking.

4. LINCOLN PARK (1 acre) **-** located on Belknap Point Road. Facility includes scenic waterfront on Lake Winnipesaukee, picnic area, and parking.

5. ARTHUR A. TILTON GILFORD ICE RINK (3 acres) **-** located on Varney Point Road. Facility includes an outdoor covered ice skating rink with lights (approx. 220' x 110') with a dirt surface, storage building with a locker room, well and parking.

"We don't stop playing because we grow old. We grow old because we stop playing."

Gilford Parks and Recreation Seeking Lifeguards for this Summer!

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department is currently seeking **Lifeguards** for the 2022 summer season at the Gilford Town Beach. Pay range is \$15.00/hr - \$17.25/hr depending upon experience.



Applicants must be 16 years of age and possess a current American Red Cross

Waterfront Lifeguard Certification (*WSI preferred, but not mandatory*) by the summer of 2022. The Parks and Recreation Department will help coordinate initial Lifeguard Certification and will reimburse employees for cost of certification!

Call the Gilford Parks and Recreation Dept. at 527-4722 for more information.



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DOWN AND DIRTY WITH DPW

FOAM RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Gilford Department of Public Works (DPW) recently became aware of an initiative by the NH Network Plastics Work Group and several District Governors of Rotary Club to start foam recycling in Northern New England. This work group is looking to reduce foam (polystyrene) waste in landfills, save money on trash disposal costs and potentially generate revenue to NH, MA & VT communities. The group was connected with Foam Cycle, LLC out of New Jersey who has a patented foam densifying unit. Work group discussions are held bi-weekly around the goal of creating a "hub and spoke" system throughout northern New England for foam collection and recycling.

Our staff are regularly asked by residents if foam can be recycled. Unfortunately, none of our vendors take loose foam, and it is not economically feasible, but there are vendors who will take densified foam, aka ingots.



DOWN AND DIRTY WITH DPW

FOAM RECYCLING (cont.)

Rotary clubs are planning to work together to create numerous "spoke" locations where foam can be dropped off or collected at organized events. The rotary clubs would handle the logistics of delivering the collected foam to a "hub" location, such as Gilford, where it would then be processed into ingots and marketed to vendors for revenue back to the Town.

Gilford DPW has received preliminary approval from the Gilford Select Board to become the first "hub" location in NH to accept loose foam, both rigid and food packaging, which will be densified in the Foam Cycle unit by our staff, stored and marketed to vendors. DPW is currently applying for grants to purchase this unit. If approved, the GSWC Foam Cycle Unit, will be open to residents and Rotary Clubs for drop offs during normal business hours Tues – Sat, 8am – 4pm. We may also open outside of normal business hours to the general public for foam collection in the future if the program grows to a point that requires additional hours.

Please check the www.gilfordnh.org/recycleright website or DPW facebook page for updates on this exciting new recycling program that we hope to incorporate into our already amazing Recycle Right Program here in Gilford by Summer 2022!



GILFORD DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS / MON - FRI 7:30AM - 4:00PM / PHONE 527.4778 GILFORD SOLID WASTE CENTER / TUES - SAT 8:00AM - 3:45PM / PHONE 293.0220

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DOWN AND DIRTY WITH DPW



DPW had a great time celebrating National Library Week with Gilford Public Library by reading construction stories and holding two touch a truck events with our youngest residents :)









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GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ALL SCHOOLS

Early Release May 13

No School May 30 -in observance of Memorial Day

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Public Hearing

The Gilford School Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gilford High School Library to discuss the acceptance of a \$20,000 donation from the Gilford PTA.

Gilford School Board meeting immediately following the Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. ~ May 2, 2022 - Gilford High School Library <u>Agenda</u>

EARLY RELEASE

Elementary School - May 13 @ 1:30PM

Middle School - May 13 @ 12:30PM

High School - May 13 @ 12:30PM

Single Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants

What does this program do?

JSDA Rural Development

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Also known as the Section 504 Home Repair program, it provides loans to very-low-income homeowners to repair, improve, or modernize their homes, or provides grants to elderly, very-low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards.

Who can apply for this program?

To qualify, you must:

- Be the homeowner and occupy the house
- Be unable to obtain affordable credit elsewhere
- Have a family income within the very-low-income limit
- For grants, be age 62 or older and not be able to repay a repair loan

What is an eligible area?

Properties must be located in an eligible rural area. You can visit the USDA Income and Property Eligibility website (available at this link: <u>https://go.usa.gov/xzcdM)</u> for complete details.

How can funds be used?

- Loans can be used to repair, improve, or modernize homes, or to remove health and safety hazards.
- Grants must be used to remove health and safety hazards.

How much money can I get?

- Maximum loan is \$40,000.
- Maximum grant is \$10,000.
- Loans and grants can be combined for up to \$50,000 in assistance.

What are the terms of the loan or grant?

- Loans are repaid over 20 years.
- Loan interest rate is fixed at 1 percent.
- Full title service is required for loans greater than \$25,000.
- Grants have a lifetime limit of \$10,000.
- Grants must be repaid if the property is sold in less than three years.

• If applicants can repay part - but not all - of the costs, they may be offered a loan and grant combination.

Is there a deadline to apply?

Applications are available year-round as long as funding is available, and are processed in the order they are received.

How long does an application take?

Approval times depend on funding availability in your area. Talk to a state or area office-based USDA home loan specialist (a map is available at this link: <u>https://www.rd.usda.gov/browse-state</u>) for help with your application.

How do I get started?

Contact a USDA home loan specialist (information is available at this link: <u>https://www.rd.usda.gov/browse-state</u>) in your area.

What governs this program?

- The Housing Act of 1949 as amended; 7 CFR, Part 3550 (available at this link: https://go.usa.gov/xzcvG)
- HB-1-3550 Direct Single Family Housing Program Field Office Handbook (available at this link: <u>https://go.usa.gov/xzcvM</u> - PDF)

NOTE: Because citations and other information is subject to change, always consult the program instructions listed in the section above titled "*What Governs This Program?*" You can also contact your local office for assistance (a list is available at this link: <u>https://go.usa.gov/xzjP7</u>). You will find additional forms, resources, and program information at <u>rd.usda.gov</u>. *USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.*