

The Log Setember 18, 2025

What's happening in and around the Village of Hickory Ridge! Follow us!

Hickory Ridge Community Association Upcoming Meetings

September 18: CARES Meeting, 7pm* **September 22:** Board Meeting CANCELLED

October 1: RAC Meeting, 7:30pm*

*Zoom meeting, check website for details.



Hickory Ridge Block Party Grants

Plan Your Block Party in Hickory Ridge!

Get ready to connect with your neighbors and celebrate your community! Organize a block party—simply choose a date, complete the application, and share your invitation with your neighbors.

As a bonus, you can receive a \$100 Giant gift card to help cover party supplies!

Only 15 grants are available for CA-assessed addresses, and they're awarded on a first-come, first-served basis—so don't wait!

Apply here: https://linktr.ee/hickoryridgevillage



Rent The Hawthorn Center for Your Next Event!

Host your seminar, anniversary celebration, baby shower, or birthday party at The Hawthorn Center! Our richly appointed, contemporary atmosphere is the perfect backdrop for any occasion. We offer affordable rental space in a tasteful and convenient setting. We hope you will consider The Hawthorn Center for your next event. For more information, go to our website: https://hickoryridgevillage.org/rentals/

Everyone is welcome to attend Swansfield's Snoballs & Treats Fundraiser!

Join us this Friday at I Loves Me Some Snoballs, Sweets and Treats (Kendall Hardware location) in Clarksville from 4-7PM for a fun event featuring snoballs and sweet treats!

A portion of the proceeds will support the Swansfield community, so come, enjoy a treat, and help make a difference.



Fundraiser

Friday, September 19th

4-7 pm

Hosted by:

I LOVES ME Some Snoballs, Sweets & Treats Kendal Hardware Location 12260 Clarksville Pike

Why Participate?
Enjoy delicious, icy sno balls & other sweets & treats!
A portion of the proceeds goes to support Swansfield!

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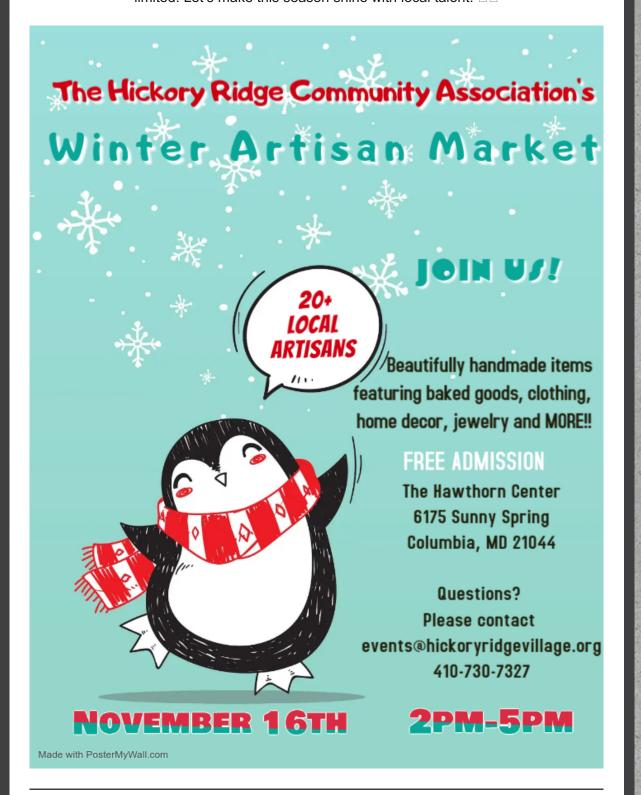
Calling All Local Artists & Makers!

Apply to be part of the Hickory Ridge Winter Artisan Market—a festive celebration of creativity and community! We're looking for talented local artisans to showcase and sell their handcrafted goods at this popular holiday event.

Whether you create jewelry, pottery, textiles, woodwork, holiday decor, or other unique handmade items, we want to feature you!

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with local shoppers, grow your audience, and be part of a cozy winter market experience.

Apply today! Request an application to events@hickoryridgevillage.org—spaces are limited! Let's make this season shine with local talent! □□





Join Us

Mondays Community Walk





Connect with neighbors, make new friends, and discover more about Hickory Ridge! This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone—of all ages and abilities—to meet members of the **Community Engagement Committee** while enjoying fresh air and great conversation.

After the walk, **we'll be serving coffee**, so stick around and enjoy a warm drink with your neighbors!

Let's build community, one step at a time!

The Hawthorn Center,
6175 Sunny Spring

FREE! Questions? Call 410-730-7327



Day of Dance

Celebrate cultures from around the globe through the universal languages of music and movement.

This FREE event will be topped off with a performance by Aba Diop & the Yermande Family. Enjoy live music, food trucks featuring multicultural cuisine, dancing all day long, and much more!

For more details, Click Here.



Join The Hickory Ridge Community Association in partnership with Board & Brush, Columbia for

Artand Apps DIY Wood Signs

Friday, October 10th from 6:30-8:30pm

You'll leave with a personalized piece of home décor and great memories. Bring a friend, enjoy the creative atmosphere, and unleash your inner artist! \$50 to participate (with NA drinks & Apps) 18+ to participate Spots are limited.

To get started with the registration process, please reach out to events@hickoryridgevillage.org

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Open Mic Night at The Hawthorn Center

Do you love live music? Are you looking for a place to perform? Columbia Strums & Drums Collaborative is holding an Open Mic Night at The Hawthorn Center on Wednesday, October 29th, 6:00 - 9:00pm. For more information and to register, check out the event information.



Join us in spreading holiday cheer!

We are seeking donations of holiday cards and community members to sign up to attend Card Making!

Cards will be distributed to Grassoots Crisis Intervention & neighborhood senior centers.

Cards: Donate by October 31st
Card Making: November 6th, 6:30-7:30pm
The Hawthorn Center

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Email events@hickoryridgevillage.org to volunteer to:

Donate holiday or blank cards

Made with PosterMy Mall.com Sign up to attend card making





Movie Nights in Color Burst Park

Color Burst Park transforms into an outdoor theater in the fall! Pre-movie activities begin at 6PM, with the movie starting at 7:15PM.

RSVP for access to exclusive giveaways.

September 19: Moana 2 September 26: Dog Man October 3: Lilo & Stitch (2025)

October 10: How to Train Your Dragon



The CA (Columbia Association) Points Program is offered to students in grades 3-12 who are enrolled in the **Free and Reduced**Meals (FARMS) program at participating schools. Students can earn a free CA membership for themselves and their immediate family by meeting goals for grades and attendance.

To participate in the CA Points Program, you must complete a **FARMs application** and complete the **CA Points Enrollment Form**. Online enrollment will close on Friday, September 28, 2025. Paper forms are not accepted.

For more information, visit **CA Points Program** or email **CAPoints@ColumbiaAssociation.org**.



See Click Fix

See Click Fix is an interactive website for Howard County residents to report issues to the County. Issues include, but are not limited to, roadway issues, missing street signs or fallen street signs, street tree issues, potholes, cracked sidewalks, etc. THIS IS NOT a site for 911 emergencies or police or fire issues.



Fall Leaves: What should we do?

Do you know the most environmentally-friendly way to deal with leaves in your yard is to mow them?

If you don't mulch the leaves, please remember to dispose of your raked leaves properly. Leaves and yard waste can be recycled on your regular recycling pickup day. Here are some helpful tips and rules to keep in mind:

- Yard waste MUST be placed in paper bags or reusable containers. No plastic bags.
- Do not rake or blow leaves into the street. It is a violation of the Howard County code.
- Do not dump your leaves and yard debris onto CA Open Space.
- Please place bags of yard waste at the curb after 6 pm the evening before your pickup day.

Thank you for keeping Hickory Ridge beautiful!



Resident Architectural Committee & Exterior Alterations

Resident Architectural Committee (RAC) meeting agendas are available on the Hickory Ridge website. <u>Click here to view</u> upcoming agendas and meeting results.

Exterior Alterations Applications received by the village office by 5 pm on the submission deadline date will be reviewed on the corresponding RAC meeting date. Click here for the meeting dates and deadlines.

RAC meetings are held at 7:30 pm via Zoom. To join the meeting, go to the Village **calendar** and click on the meeting. You will find the invitation to the meeting in the **calendar event**. Though not mandatory, residents are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Applications may be delivered to: The Hickory Ridge Community Association 6175 Sunny Spring, Columbia, MD 21044

Or email: applications@hickoryridgevillage.org

Questions? Please contact Tania Tavares, Covenant Advisor

Phone: 410-730-7327

Email: applications@hickoryridgevillage.org



Petsitters in Hickory Ridge

If you live in Hickory Ridge, you pet sit and would like to be included in the pet sitter list in the next edition of The Log, please email **events@hickoryridgevillage.org**. Please note that the list below are individuals with experience and interest in pet sitting but are not vetted by this office.

Pet sitter List

 Amanda Kirkpatrick: "Loving Care When You're Not There": amandakirkpatrick1990@gmail.com



Babysitters in Hickory Ridge

If you live in Hickory Ridge, you babysit and would like to be included in the babysitter list in the next edition of The Log, please email **events@hickoryridgevillage.org**. Please note that the list below are individuals with experience and interest in babysitting but are not vetted by this office.

Babysitter List

- Gloribeth "Glory" Gancedo: 305-224-2095
- Kailyn Shaw: kailynshaw@yahoo.com
- Zandi Jera: sunsetjera@yahoo.com
- Shamiso Dzvairo: sunsetjera@yahoo.com
- Jos Dumont: jos.pierre.dumont@gmail.com
- Sofia Blose 410-707-0332
- Christine Chen: NH8ChristineS@gmail.com
- Carolina Stiefel: 443-467-5811
- Sydney Daniel: danielsydney75@gmail.com
- Kasey LaWall: 301-275-4623
- Le'Mia Tyree: lemia.tyree@gmail.com
- Mia Fatuzzo: miaholdenfatuzzo@gmail.com
- Aisha Bamidele: aisha bamidele@yahoo.com
- Yocheved Englander: 443-574-5332
- Daynisha Holloway: daynishah@yahoo.com
- Hermione Bransford: chelsinoelle@gmail.com
- Daphne Richardson: 443-750-1151
- Grace (Stevie) Brown: g.lombard2583@gmail.com



Who Do I Call?

Check out the <u>Useful Information page on the Hickory Ridge</u> <u>website</u>. There are phone number and/or links to various resources.

Rebuilding Together Howard County

If you or someone you know is a low- or moderate-income homeowner needing essential repairs, Rebuilding Together Howard County is here for you!

With projects covering everything from roof replacements and plumbing repairs to electrical upgrades and accessibility features, Rebuilding Together is dedicated to ensuring safe, healthy homes for all.

Howard County Government is a proud partner and funder of Rebuilding Together, helping dozens of Howard County households every year. Learn more at https://rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org.



Housing Repair Program

Who is eligible?

- You must be a Howard County homeowner
- Own and occupy the home as your principal residence
- Can be single family, townhouse or condo
- All mortgage, property taxes, HOA/condo fees, and hazard insurance payments must be current

Loan Terms

- Maximum loan amount is \$40,000
- Interest rate shall not exceed 2%
- Maximum term is 30 years



Department of Housing & Community Development — To apply visit https://bit.ly/3gqNF58 and complete the Pre-Application. Full program guidelines and income eligibility requirements can also be found on our website.



Funding availability based on annual budget allocation.

Contact Taylor Shelton for details at tshelton@howardcountymd.gov or (410) 313-6333

988 Is Here to Help

Need immediate emotional support? Call 988 to connect to a counselor who can help. Their specialists provide confidential care 24/7. Because we all need help sometimes.

Call whenever you need emergency emotional support or are worried about someone else. The 988 helpline is free and confidential.



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Community Action Council of Howard County

The mission of the Community Action Council is to diminish poverty and enable self-sufficiency for all Howard County Individuals, families and children in need. To better serve the local community and improve ease of accessibility, the Community Action Council of Howard County (CAC) will have community service workers stationed at the following locations during the following extended times:

Howard County Food Bank
Tuesdays, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Wednesdays, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Thursdays, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

<u>Laurel MultiService Center*</u>
Wednesdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Thursdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

*The Laurel MultiService Center is included along the Purple Bus route. To learn more about CAC's programs or to apply for assistance, visit https://cac-hc.org/get-help/



Letter of Compliance

If you are putting your house on the market, request a Letter of Compliance from the Village Office well in advance of a pending settlement date. This letter is not required, but it is a valuable tool for sellers because it verifies that your property is in compliance with the Hickory Ridge Covenants. Any covenant violations on your property become the responsibility of the new owner, so home buyers often request a Letter of Compliance from the Seller. Request forms are available in the Covenants section of our website and at the Village Office. Questions? Email applications@hickoryridgevillage.org.



Open Space Questions or Concerns?

Space areas, contact CA Open Space directly by calling 410-312-6330 or by emailing **Open.Space@ColumbiaAssociation.org**.

Columbia Association Open Space Dashboard

Columbia Association (CA) Open Space project information is now available online via CA's Project & Access Dashboard. Visit **columbiaassociation.org/open-space/development/real-estate-services/** and click on the Dashboard. You can view various projects, access, and requests currently taking place on CA Open Space.



Crime Statistics Map of Howard County

Howard County has interactive maps with information about properties and neighborhoods. One is the Crime Statistics map. It used to be that the Howard County Police would have to put these statistics together for us, but now they are available at our fingertips. **Check out the Crime Statistics map**.



Howard County Government Updates

Subscribe to Howard County Executive Calvin Ball's newsletter *The Ball Bulletin* **here** Stay informed about the latest updates and essential information form your Howard County government.



District 4 County Council Newsletter

Deb Jung is the County Council Representative for Hickory Ridge residents. For more information about your district, check out the website.

District 4 Website

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