



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES VIDEO AND TEXT TRANSLATION UPGRADES TO E911 SERVICES

The Newark Police Department is proud to announce the launch of new enhancements to our Enhanced 911 (E911) system, bringing cutting-edge technology directly to callers in the Newark community. These upgrades include live video streaming from mobile devices and real-time language translation for text messages to 911.

The new system allows callers to share critical video footage directly with emergency telecommunicators. This provides dispatchers with an immediate view of unfolding incidents, such as patient condition during a medical emergency, the scale of a fire, or the number of vehicles involved in a crash. The ability to see events in real time enables dispatchers to provide first responders with more accurate information before they arrive on scene, improving both the speed and effectiveness of the emergency response.

Language support through text translation is another vital improvement, ensuring that community members who speak languages other than English, or who may be hearing or speech impaired, can quickly and effectively communicate with emergency personnel. This creates a more inclusive system that better serves Newark's diverse population.

The Newark Police Department emphasizes that these advancements are not just technological improvements; they are lifesaving tools. By giving telecommunicators better insight into emergencies as they happen, the upgrades strengthen investigations, enhance responder safety, and ultimately improve outcomes for those in crisis.

These features are part of the statewide Next Generation 911 initiative, which is modernizing all of Delaware's emergency communications network to keep



CITY OF NEWARK LAUNCHES COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

Input requested from community members

The City of Newark's Department of Planning and Development has officially launched the process to update its Comprehensive Development Plan, a long-range blueprint that will guide the City's growth and development over the next decade.

The Comprehensive Development Plan (often called a "Comp Plan") is more than just a policy document – it is a vision for Newark's future. Covering topics such as land use, housing, transportation, economic development, sustainability, and natural resources, the plan reflects the shared values and priorities of the community and informs decisions about land use, services, and investments.

"Comp Plans shape everyday life in ways that residents may not always notice," said Tom Coleman, City Manager. "From where new homes and businesses can be built, to how easy it is to walk or bike across town, to how we protect our natural resources – the plan impacts the quality of life for everyone in Newark."

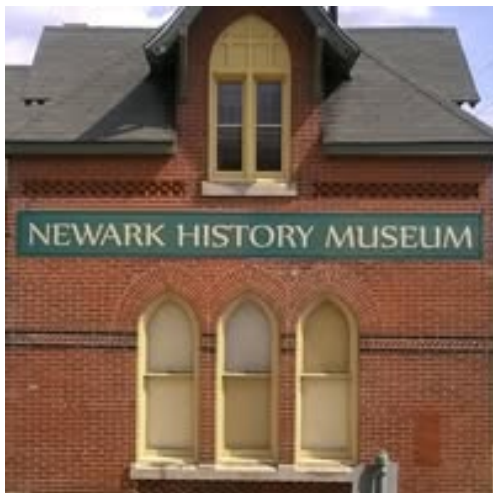
Public Engagement Opportunities

The planning process is highly participatory, and community involvement is essential to its success. The City of Newark is committed to making it simple for residents to share their voices through both in-person events and new digital tools using an online engagement platform called PublicInput. Through the platform, residents can:

- Learn about the goals, background, and milestones of the Comprehensive Plan update.

pace with changing technology and community needs. These enhancements are funded by Delaware's E911 Emergency Reporting System Fund.

The Newark Police Department is proud to be part of this effort, ensuring residents and visitors benefit from the most advanced tools available.



NEWARK HISTORY MUSEUM/NEWARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Newark History Museum, a wonderful hidden gem in the City of Newark, is run by the Newark Historical Society (NHS), a non-profit, all volunteer, organization that works to collect, preserve, and share the history of the City of Newark.

The NHS was established in 1981 with the goal of "celebrating and conserving Newark's history." In 1989, the Society opened the Newark History Museum inside the newly refurbished Newark Passenger Railroad Station next to the South College Avenue Bridge, replacing its previous location in a tiny space in the Academy Building on Main Street. The museum is on the James F. Hall Trail.

The building's offices and storage are on the second floor, while the Newark History Museum occupies the bottom floor. Numerous galleries are brimming with displays that trace the history of the City of Newark from 1758 to the present. Although the facility is owned and maintained by the City of Newark, the NHS provides the exhibit space and covers all costs related to Society events.

The next event sponsored by the Newark Historical Society is a look inside Newark's industrial heritage. This event explores the Curtis Paper Company and its impact on our city. The event will be held on Monday, November 10 at 7 p.m. at the Newark Senior Center, 200 Whitechapel Drive. To register for this event, please go to newarkhistoryde.com/events.

NEWARK PARKS & RECREATION UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information, please email

parksrec@newark.de.us, call (302) 366-7000, or visit www.newarkde.gov/play.

- Provide input through surveys, polls, and comment tools in real time.
- Stay connected by signing up for updates on public meetings and workshops.
- Engage on their own schedules, from any device, without needing to attend in person.

This blended approach of in-person events and digital tools will help ensure that the voices of a wide cross-section of Newark residents are heard.

Get Involved

Over the coming months, residents will have multiple opportunities to share input through meetings, workshops, surveys, and online engagement. Big questions to be addressed include:

- What is the community's vision for the future of housing?
- How can we improve walking, biking, and transit options?
- What's most important to protect and preserve for future generations?

"This is the community's chance to shape Newark's future," Coleman said. "The plan only works if it reflects the voices, values, and priorities of our residents."

For more information about the Comprehensive Development Plan update or to get involved, please contact:

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Please use the QR Code or weblink to visit the project website to learn more and submit feedback.



publicinput.com/newarkcomplan



HOLIDAY REFUSE COLLECTION CHANGE

Due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday, recycling normally collected on Thursday, November 27 will be collected on Wednesday, November 26. There will be no changes to Friday's recycling collection. There will be no Green Wednesday yard waste collection on Wednesday, November 26.

Wednesday, December 3 is the last day for yard waste collection. Special yard waste collections can be arranged by calling Public Works at (302) 366-7000.



TURKEY TROT 5K/10K

Saturday, November 22, 2025 - Handloff Park

10K Run – 9 a.m. and 5K Run/Walk – 10:30 a.m.

Delaware's oldest consecutive road race, the Turkey Trot offers both 5K and 10K races with raffles donated by local businesses. Preregistration fee: \$30 on or before Nov. 19, 2025; \$35 on Nov. 20–21. Register online at Races2Run.com. Prerace shirt and number pick-up at the Parks and Recreation Office will be held on Friday, Nov. 21 from 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. for those registered by noon Nov. 19. This is a rain-or-shine event. There will be 10 men's and 10 women's divisions in each run. Participants registered by Nov. 1 will be guaranteed a long-sleeve T-shirt. Prizes will be awarded to overall winners and age-group winners for each run. For more information, contact the Recreation Office at (302) 366-7000 or parksrec@newark.de.us.



THANKSGIVING DAY BREAKFAST

Thursday, November 27, 2025 from 8–10:30 a.m.

George Wilson Center

Enjoy Thanksgiving morning with Newark neighbors. Registration: \$3 in advance, \$6 at the door. People 60+ attend free. Optional canned-food drive for the Delaware Food Bank. For details and registration: (302) 366-7000 or www.newarkde.gov/play.



NEWARK AREA WELFARE COMMITTEE

The Planning and Development Department uses revenue sharing funds to provide resources for the Newark Area Welfare Committee (NAWC). The NAWC Committee uses funds for their emergency assistance program, providing financial help to those in Newark who need immediate financial help. This allows for timely aid and people were not without shelter or forced to live in unlit or unheated homes. The NAWC also has a food cupboard at Newark United Methodist Church that serves people in need with three meals a day for one week. Additionally, NAWC has a free shoe program, provides community resources to Christina School District, and has a holiday food program.

Food Cupboard location:

Newark United Methodist Church
69 E Main St. Newark, DE 19711

Hours:

Tuesday: 3-4 p.m.

Wednesday: 1-2 p.m.

Thursday: 2-3 p.m.

The City of Newark is holding a food drive for the Newark Area Welfare Committee Food Cupboard. Donations can be dropped off at the City of Newark Municipal Building.



WINTERFEST & HOLIDAY ARTISAN MARKET

Friday, December 5, 2025 from 6–8 p.m.

Academy Building Lawn

Holiday entertainment, roasting chestnuts, caroling, tree lighting, ice carving demonstrations, and local artisans and small businesses showcasing their holiday treats will fill this wonderful evening of fun for the whole family. The combination of these community activities will celebrate our community's rich cultural heritage and showcase the unique talents of local artisans, small businesses, and nonprofits. Winterfest is a joint effort by the Newark Parks and Recreation Department, the University of Delaware, and The Newark Partnership. The Delaware Special Olympics will be holding their Annual Reindeer Run in conjunction with Winterfest (www.sode.org). Rain date: Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025.

SANTA'S SECRET SHOPPE

Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

George Wilson Center

Children are invited to participate in Santa's Secret Shoppe. This unique and cost-effective holiday event gives children the opportunity to purchase gifts for family and friends with a pint-sized price tag. All items will be priced \$10.00 and under and will be gift wrapped for free. Volunteers will be on hand to assist children with shopping.

SNACK WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 9:30–11:30 a.m.

George Wilson Center

Join Santa for snacks, crafts, games, and a relaxed visit. Bring your camera. Children must be accompanied by a



paying adult. No pre-registration required.

2025 NEW YORK CITY HOLIDAY BUS TRIP

Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Leaves from City Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street, Newark Parks & Recreation is sponsoring a bus trip to New York City. Drop-off near Radio City Music Hall; enjoy the lights and holiday atmosphere on your own. Registration fee: \$79; Newark resident discount: \$69. Trip cost includes motor coach transportation. For more information, contact the Recreation Office at (302) 366-7000 or visit www.newarkde.gov/play to register online.



Mobile Food PANTRY

This truck comes filled with non-perishables, fresh produce, dairy, beverages, and other refrigerated and frozen items. Bring proof of Delaware residency, register on-site, and they will fill your car!

Proof of Delaware residency can include a valid driver's license, state-issued I.D., or a bill with your name and address on it.

There will be a special Mobile Pantry for Veterans on November 13 at 10 a.m. at 3022 New Castle Avenue, New Castle, Delaware, 19720.



November 4 at 10 a.m.
Hare's Corner
26 Parkway Circle
New Castle, Delaware 19720

November 6 at 11 a.m.
Brookside Community Center
909 Marrows Road
Newark, Delaware 19713

November 8 at 10 a.m.
Pleasantville Elementary
16 Pleasant Place
New Castle, Delaware 19720

November 14 at 9 a.m.
Henrietta Johnson Medical Center
601 New Castle Ave.
New Castle, Delaware 19720

November 24 at 11 a.m.
Town of Elsmere
11 Poplar Avenue
Wilmington, Delaware 19805

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