

## BETTER NEWARK AWARD

Created in 1986, the “Better Newark Award” recognizes individuals who have made improvements to the appearance of their properties, as well as those who have improved Newark’s overall sustainability through energy, soil, or water conservation.

Literally hundreds of local yards have been renovated to enhance the environment, earning Newark an overall designation as a “Community Wildlife Habitat” by the National Wildlife Federation. A few “Better Newark” recipients include the residents of Fountainview, as well as Ruth and Ben Toole of Arbour Park. The Toole’s backyard was transformed from untamed wilderness to an attractive oasis of native plants surrounding a rock patio, complete with a dry riverbed to alleviate storm water washing out the landscaping. Across town, Fountainview residents worked with their property maintenance company to install native plantings around the storm water ponds. Not only attractive amenities, the new landscape provided habitat for predators of the geese that took up residency in the ponds, encouraging them to move elsewhere.

The Conservation Advisory Commission (CAC) is continually looking to provide additional recognition to all residents who have taken the lead in landscape sustainability and is seeking nominations for the Better Newark Award. Landscapes that help to manage storm water, create habitats for wildlife, and incorporate native plants are of particular interest, as their benefits extend far beyond the installed landscape itself.

For more information on this award, to apply, or to nominate someone, please use the nomination form [here](#), to be considered by the CAC.

## FOOD AND BREWS IN THE PARK—HANDLOFF PARK

The City of Newark and The Delaware Growler are collaborating on hosting a weekly beer garden, called Food and Brews in the Park, each Thursday through August 25. The beer garden events will run from 6—9 p.m. at Handloff Park located at 1000 Barksdale Road.

Each week will feature a food truck and live music. There will be limited seating, but attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs. Everyone is welcome, including children. Part of the proceeds will benefit the Newark chapter of the Police Athletic League.

The food trucks that will participate are August 4, The Wandering Chef, August 11, Outlandish, August 18, Ole Tapas, and August 25, Ole Tapas.

Come out and enjoy Food and Brews with your neighbors and friends!

## HOLIDAY REFUSE COLLECTION CHANGE

Due to the Labor Day holiday, refuse normally collected on Monday, September 5 will be collected on Tuesday, September 6. Refuse normally collected on Tuesday, September 6 will be collected on Wednesday, September 7. There will be NO yard waste collection on Wednesday, September 7. Please call Public Works at (302) 366-7000 with any questions.

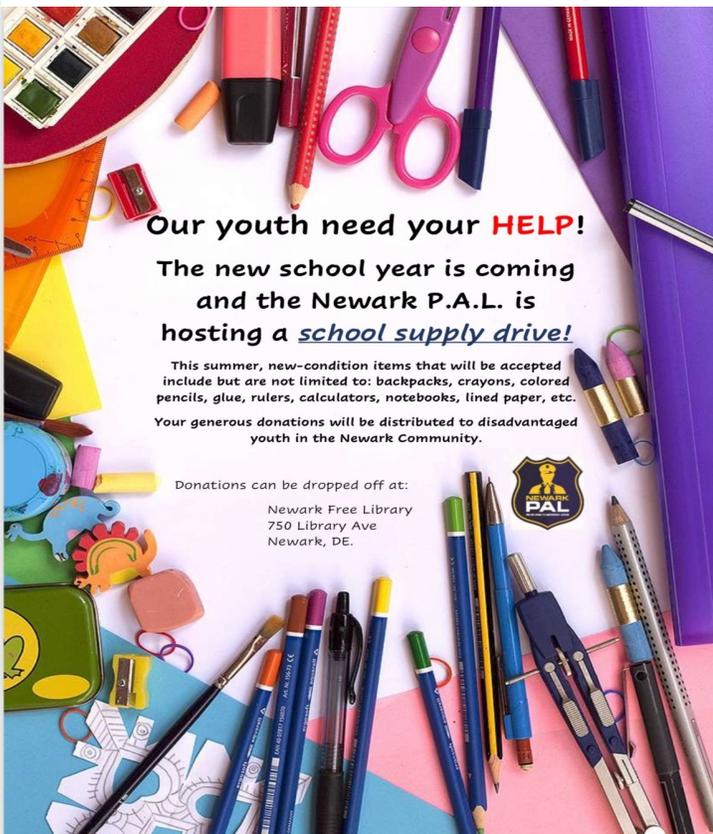
## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Newark Police Department, University of Delaware Police Department and Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company will be hosting the sixth annual National Night Out on Tuesday, August 2 in Downtown Newark from 6 - 8 p.m. National Night Out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. Please stay tuned to Newark Police Department social media and website for updates. Come meet Newark's first responders in a very relaxed, family friendly setting!



## SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The school supply drive sponsored by the Newark P.A.L. is from August 1 through August 19. Please contact Master Corporal Morgan Menden at [mmenden@newark.de.us](mailto:mmenden@newark.de.us) with any questions.



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## FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE

The City of Newark Parks and Recreation Department is always working to keep our community active. Be sure to keep an eye out for our new Fall activity guide, which will feature new and reoccurring programs and events including theater, arts, fitness, swim, sports, community events including Community Day, the Halloween Parade, Turkey Trot and so much more! Our Fall activity guide will be available online beginning August 22 at [www.newarkde.gov/play](http://www.newarkde.gov/play) and registration begins August 22 for residents and August 26 for non-residents.

## COMMUNITY DAY – VENDORS NEEDED

The City of Newark's Parks and Recreation Department, in partnership with University of Delaware and the Christina School District, presents Community Day, the area's premier fall festival, on Sunday, September 18 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Vendors are still needed! This is a great way for local businesses, organizations, fine artists, crafters and more to showcase their organization and sell their wares to area residents. Register today at [www.newarkde.gov/play](http://www.newarkde.gov/play).

## NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

Patriot Day is Sunday, September 11. Join the City of Newark in volunteering at Olan Thomas Park in honor of this day on Saturday, September 10 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. For additional information or to register, please call (302) 366-7000 or email [parksrec@newark.de.us](mailto:parksrec@newark.de.us).

## INFORMME CITIZEN NOTIFICATION

InformMe, Newark's Citizen Notification System, provides you with the opportunity to select the information you want to receive and the delivery method(s) through which you want to receive it.

InformMe allows you to select delivery methods which includes home, mobile or business phone numbers, email(s), and text messaging. Additionally, once we receive confirmation that a message has been successfully delivered, our system will stop contacting your other selections, something that some view as a nuisance.

Individuals with disabilities who need assistance can register by calling the City of Newark at (302) 366-7000.

## WELCOME TO THE CITY!

The City of Newark is welcoming new faces to our workforce. The new employees include:

- Myles Tornetta, Police Officer, Police Department, 7-17-2022
- Jennifer Prado, Payments & Utility Billing Manager, Finance Department, 7-25-2022
- Douglas Hancock, P/T Bailiff, 7-25-2022

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