

# TOWNweek

A Weekly Update from the Town of Chapel Hill



## Friday

(Jan. 24)

**Author Reading: Kwame Mbalia**  
6–7 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

## Saturday

(Jan 25)

**Planning Commission Retreat**  
8:30 a.m., Open Eye Cafe

**History of the Black Freedom Struggle**  
2–3:30 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

## Monday

(Jan. 27)

**Council Committee: Eastowne**  
1 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

**Public Information: Bridgepoint**  
5:15–6:15 p.m., Seymour Center

## Tuesday

(Jan. 28)

**Public Transit Committee**  
11 a.m., Transit Building,  
6900 Millhouse Road

**Stormwater Advisory Board**  
6 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

**Community Design Commission**  
6:30 p.m., Town Hall

**Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board**  
7 p.m., Town Hall

**Council Meeting: Assembly of Governments**

7 p.m., Whitted Building,  
300 W. Tryon St., Hillsborough

## Wednesday

(Jan. 29)

**Southern Area Focus Group**  
Noon, 103 Market St.

**Council Special Meeting (Closed Session)**  
7 p.m., Town Hall

## Thursday

(Jan. 30)

**Project Connect**  
United Church of Chapel Hill,  
1321 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

## Friday

(Jan. 31)

**Council Retreat**  
3:30 p.m., Center for School Leadership  
Development, 140 Friday Center Drive

## Saturday

(Feb. 1)

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8:30 a.m., Center for School Leadership  
Development, 140 Friday Center Drive

## Public Meetings on Proposed Transit Service Changes

Chapel Hill Transit is preparing service changes to begin in August 2020. Staff will be available to discuss these changes at four public events:

- Monday, Jan. 27, 4–6 p.m., UNC Student Union, West Lounge
- Tuesday, Jan. 28, 4–6 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library Meeting Room A
- Thursday, Jan. 30, 9–11 a.m., UNC Hospitals, Conference Room A (employees and patients only)
- Friday, Jan 31, 9–11 a.m., Seymour Center

Service changes are meant to improve service frequency on major transit routes, maintain transit access to the communities we serve, simplify the bus system and improve weekend service, using existing financial resources.

Learn more about the short range transit plan and these service changes at [bit.ly/cht-transit-plan](http://bit.ly/cht-transit-plan).

## Spring Break Camps—Register Now

Spring Break Camps (April 6–10) are enrolling now. Camps include Mega Rock Indoor Rock climbing, Tennis Camp, Drama Kids Camp, Superhero Engineering and Harry Potter Master Engineering.

Registration for summer camps begins March 10 for residents of Chapel Hill or Orange County and March 17 for non-residents. Interpretation will be available March 10 from 8 a.m.–12 p.m. in Burmese, Mandarin Chinese, Karen and Spanish.

Register online at [chapelhillparks.org](http://chapelhillparks.org), mail a completed registration form and payment to Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation, 200 Plant Road, Chapel Hill NC 27514, or register at the Administrative Office, Chapel Hill Community Center, Hargraves Center, or Homestead Aquatic Center during operating hours.

Information: [www.chapelhillparks.org](http://www.chapelhillparks.org)

## Porthole Alley Redevelopment

Provide feedback about redevelopment of buildings around Porthole Alley at listening sessions this week.

Monday, Jan. 27  
7–8:30 p.m., Town Hall Council Chamber

Tuesday, Jan. 28  
7:30–9 a.m., Ackland Art Museum, Art& Gallery  
12–1:30 p.m., UNC-CH Student Union, Room 3206AB  
4:30–6 p.m., Ackland Art Museum, Art& Gallery

Information: [bit.ly/2RHNzd6](http://bit.ly/2RHNzd6)



## Volunteers and Donations Needed

Help our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness. The Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness is working on events that are in need of volunteers and donations.

A Point-in-Time count of people experiencing homelessness will be conducted on Wednesday, Jan. 29. Sign up to help at [bit.ly/35Yp1Sm](http://bit.ly/35Yp1Sm).

Another way to help is by donating items for “Thank You” bags for people who participate in the survey. Donate at [amzn.to/2QZKnKN](http://amzn.to/2QZKnKN). Find more information at [ocpehnc.com/point-in-time-count](http://ocpehnc.com/point-in-time-count).

Project Connect returns on Thursday, Jan. 30! This one-day event has a new location—the United Church of Chapel Hill at 1321 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Many different services will be available under one roof. Volunteer slots are available the afternoon of Jan. 29 and all day on Jan. 30. Sign up at [bit.ly/2uR1q96](http://bit.ly/2uR1q96)

Donate household goods, cleaning products, toiletry items, and clothing to be distributed at Project Connect. Drop off donated items at the United Church of Chapel Hill, 1321 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., between noon and 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29.

Information: [ocpehnc.com/projectconnect](http://ocpehnc.com/projectconnect)

## Early Voting for March 3 Primary

Voting by mail for the March 3 primary election has begun. Ballot requests must be mailed or delivered by the voter or the voter’s near relative or legal guardian.

Early voting starts Thursday, Feb. 13, and ends Feb. 29. Orange County has added a new early voting location at University Place.

Have you received a bright orange postcard from the elections office? If so, your voting location has changed.

Photo IDs will not be required to vote in the primary election.

Information: [orangecountync.gov/Elect](http://orangecountync.gov/Elect)