



Important Dates

◆ **Council Meeting**
March 1
8:00 p.m.

◆ **Council Meeting**
March 15
8:00 p.m.

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City Council Meetings

Due to the COVID-19 health emergency and the Governor's order prohibiting mass gatherings, the City Council meeting will be closed to the public. Council meetings are broadcasted live on the City's YouTube channel.

The public is able to submit any questions, comments or concerns during the meeting to citymanager@bedfordoh.gov. Council meetings are the first and third Monday of the month starting at 8:00 p.m.

To watch the meeting live or to view previous meetings, visit the City of Bedford City Council Meeting YouTube Channel www.youtube.com/CityofBedfordOH

Home Energy Assistance Program

County residents ages 60 and over (adults 18-59 with disabilities) are eligible for Ohio's Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). The program is currently accepting applications for help with winter energy bills.

For further information call 216-420-6700 or visit hhs.cuyahogacounty.us/programs

RX Drug Drop Box Program

A drug Pill Drop Box, supplied by the County, has been permanently installed in the lobby of the Bedford Police Department. Anyone with expired or unused prescription pills can dispose of their medication in the Pill Drop Box 24/7. **PILLS ONLY.** No needles or liquids.

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

Vaccine demand is outpacing supply, please be vigilant in attempting to schedule your appointment. Patience and determination are key, as well as wearing a mask, practicing social distancing and good hygiene, and staying home if you are sick. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call **United Way's 2-1-1 Helpline**.

Find Covid-19 Vaccine Providers Near You:

The County Board of Health has launched an interactive vaccine provider locator map at cuyahogacounty.us/vax. The map is frequently updated with information on provider locations. Enter your location to find contact details for providers near you.

In addition to the map, the County's Vaccination page also lists eligibility details, myths and FAQs, and volunteer information. It's accessible via phone, tablet or computer.

Tax Preparation Assistance

Cuyahoga EITC Coalition: Cuyahoga EITC Coalition hosting FREE tax preparation services. Virtual appointments available. Find out if you qualify. Appointments can be scheduled by calling 216-293-7200 or visiting refundohio.org

AARP: Due to COVID-19 AARP will not be offering in-person tax aide this year. Online tax assistance from AARP Foundation Tax Aide is available year-round to answer your tax questions. For more information on tax aide services please contact AARP at 888-687-2277 or email taxaide@aarp.org

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Easter Eve Egg Drop

Wake up to a front yard with candy and toy filled plastic eggs and a package from the Easter Bunny! Eggs will be dropped Saturday, April 3 after 8:00 pm. Eggs will be placed in front yards of residential homes in Bedford. Each registered child will receive 30 colorful eggs and a large envelope with a letter from the Easter Bunny and a fun swirl lollipop. Those residing in Bedford apartments may contact us to purchase a Bunny kit only. For Bedford resident children ages 12 and under. Space is limited.

Fee: Bedford Resident Child \$10
Each additional household child \$6

Bunny Kit only \$6

Ellenwood Drive-Thru Pick-up on Tuesday, March 30: 11:00 -11:30 a.m. or 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Mix it Up Cooking - Virtual

Kids will have the opportunity to have fun creating recipes while learning their way around their own kitchen! Enjoy a delicious, hands-on cooking class that covers kitchen safety, knife skills, how to use utensils as well as how to measure, chop, bake, and create appetizers, snacks and desserts. Develop culinary techniques, try new foods, and best of all, make new friends! Supplies and ingredients not included. Ingredient lists and recipes will be emailed after registration. Participants will need use of an oven, adult supervision is required.

Dates: Thursdays, April 8, 15, 22, 29

Time: 4:15-5:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Fee: Bedford Resident \$39 per participant
Non-resident \$43 per participant

Egg'stra Special Grab & Go Bag

Register for a free bag of Easter goodies! Bags include age appropriate craft, treats, and additional extension activities to do at home. Limited supplies available.



Ellenwood Drive-Thru Pick-up on Tuesday, March 30: 11:00 -11:30 a.m. or 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.



If you cannot make a pickup time, please arrange a curbside appointment with Recreation staff.



Ages 0-2: Handprint Bunny Keepsake & Bunny Ears



Ages 3-5: Handprint Bunny Keepsake & Easter Headbands



Ages 6-8: Glitter Easter Egg Sign & 3D Easter Scene



Ages 9-14: Bunny Bottom Sign & Easter Egg Weaving Mat

Virtual Chess Club

Learn the rules, principles, technical themes and checkmate patterns of Chess in a supportive virtual environment. Students will be grouped by age and skill level. All levels welcome, from beginner to expert. Instruction will be provided by Progress with Chess. Chess improves decision making and cognitive skills such as memory and pattern recognition and provides many opportunities for positive social interaction. Sessions will include interactive lessons using Zoom and live play on ChessKid.com in a supportive and safe environment.

Dates: Tuesdays, April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18

Time: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Fee: \$59 per participant

Register for these programs at bedfordoh.myrec.com

Questions? Please call Bedford Parks & Recreation at 440-735-6570

Program date, times, fees and location subject to change without notification