

Bowie News Flash

December 2020

Jesuit Property Update

On December 1, a Stakeholders Meeting was held to review a conceptual plan for a 45,000 square foot religious retreat center on 36 acres of the Jesuit Property, located on the south side of MD 450 between Sacred Heart Church and Race Track Road. Father Bob Housey, a representative of the Jesuits, USA East Province, presented the project.

The Bowie site was chosen because of its proximity to Baltimore and Washington population centers. He stated that the proposal will establish a low intensity use for the land and preserve the character and rural feel of the property. He described the characteristics of the proposed facility and how it might impact traffic and development of the site. Following presentations by the Jesuits' land planner, traffic consultant and land use lawyer, the meeting was opened up to questions from stakeholders. Some of the information shared during the question and answer portion of the meeting included the following:

- The planned retreat center will impact approximately 5 acres of the 36 acre-parcel, including facilities, parking, stormwater management, etc.
- The spokesperson for the Jesuits said that at this time, there are no other plans for the remainder of their nearby land holdings.
- Erosion control measures will be placed to address sediment and run-off during construction. Additional measures will also be designed to protect water quality and waterways.
- The retreat center will offer day or evening programs and some weekly or monthly programs, where participants will stay at the facilities. There are no plans for permanent residents.
- The proposed center will be set back a long distance from the road and the presence of steep slopes will provide additional buffering to the facility.
- The proposal has been discussed with the pastor of Sacred Heart Church, as well as the Archdiocese of Washington. The pastor was invited to share information about the proposal with Sacred Heart parishioners.
- The plan is to connect to public water and sewer.

- The Jesuits would like to go before the County Council in the spring to secure a zoning text amendment. Then a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision will be submitted, followed by a Detailed Site Plan.
- Several studies have been done to look for unmarked graves of slaves. There is no evidence of unmarked graves on this part of the property. The Natural Resources Inventory found artifacts on other parts of the Jesuit Property, but the 36-acre site was found to be clear of those features. The archaeological studies are available from The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Proposed Development – Mill Branch Crossing

Gibraltar Management has submitted a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision application which proposes the creation of lots for the development of 77,635 sq. ft. of retail space, a 150-room hotel, 193 townhouse units and 347 multifamily units on 70.10 acres. The site of the proposed development is located in the northeastern quadrant of the U.S. Route 301/Mill Branch Road intersection. The parcel is zoned C-S-C (Commercial Shopping Center) and the proposed uses are permitted by right under the Prince George’s County Zoning Ordinance.

A stakeholders meeting was held on November 17. The next step is a hearing before the Bowie Advisory Planning Board (BAPB) on **December 15 at 7 p.m. City Council will review the matter at its next meeting on January 4, 2021.** To participate in the BAPB virtual hearing, go to http://bowie.fyi/bapb_dec. Participants will join the meeting in “listen only” mode. Public comments/testimony will be accepted by emailing jmeinert@cityofbowie.org up-to-one hour prior to the BAPB meeting.

Camera Rebate Program

In an effort to encourage more outdoor cameras on residence exteriors and improve the safety of our neighborhoods, the City of Bowie has launched the first Bowie Security Camera Rebate Program. Any homeowner who purchases and installs a home security camera beginning November 17, 2020 is eligible to receive the rebate.

The camera must be installed on a residential property within the City of Bowie. Image of the receipt of purchase and picture showing the camera installed outdoors on the home lot is required. Find more details and a link to the disclaimer form that must be completed at www.cityofbowie.org/camerarebates or call the Bowie Police Department at 240-544-5793 or 240-544-5797.

Leaf Collection Continues

The City of Bowie Curbside Vacuum Leaf Collection Program runs through mid-December. Every single-family home neighborhood will have two collections during that time. The schedule is posted by week this year, rather than by specific date. You can view the 2020 schedule at www.cityofbowie.org/leaves. Leaves should be raked to the curb (but not in the street), by 7 a.m. on Monday of your scheduled week.

Please call the Public Works Department at **301-809-2344** if you have questions about the Curbside Leaf Collection Program. If you prefer to bag your leaves, they will be picked up on Wednesdays with yard waste. Use paper yard waste bags (no plastic bags).

City Council Meetings

The next City Council meeting will be in January. The meetings are still being held virtually during this pandemic. View them at www.cityofbowie.org/viewmeetings on FIOS Channel 10 or Comcast Channels 71 and 996, or on Youtube @CityofBowieMD.

Those wishing to submit comments for public hearings or the Citizen Participation portion of Regular Meetings may do so by emailing written testimony to cityclerk@cityofbowie.org. Testimony must be received by 7 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Meeting agendas are posted at www.cityofbowie.org/agenda. For assistance or more information, contact City Clerk Awilda Hernandez at 301-809-3029.

Draft City Development Policies Available for Public Comment

The Department of Planning and Community Development has drafted updated development policies at the direction of City Council. The Public Comment Draft is available for review on the Department's webpage, www.cityofbowie.org/149/Planning-Community-Development, through December 31, 2020. A public hearing will be held on January 19, 2021.

Holiday House Decorating Contest

The deadline for entering the Holiday House Decorating Contest was December 7 and judging will be done on December 9. Look for a list of the winning entries on our website next week.

Virtual Holiday Happenings

This year, celebrate the holidays with a variety of festive City sponsored virtual events:

- **Holiday Tree Lighting** View the prerecorded tree lighting ceremony on the City website and on YouTube.
- **Santa Calling** Parents, complete an online request for Santa or Mrs. Claus to call your child (aged 8 or younger) on December 10. **Register by December 17.**
- **Breakfast with Santa** Saturday, **December 12** at 9 a.m. Join Santa on FIOS 10 or Xfinity 71 or 996, or at www.cityofbowie.org/broadcasts or YouTube @cityofBowieMD. Have breakfast at home and enjoy Santa's reading of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*, then join Mrs. Claus in creating holiday crafts (pick up free craft kits now available at City Hall during regular business hours). The video will remain available for viewing on the City website and on YouTube after the December 12 broadcast.
- **Letter to Santa Mailbox** Children may send an electronic letter to Santa and receive a response from the North Pole. Deadline is December 18.

- **December Read Aloud** Community members read seasonal books for our youngest residents. Enjoy stories celebrating Christmas, Hanukkah & Kwanzaa at www.cityofbowie.org/readaloudbooks.
- **Gratitude Board** With everything going on in the world, we could all use a reminder about the little things we're all grateful for - friends, family, pets, coworkers, neighbors, and more! Send us a brief message and/or photo that expresses your gratitude via email to CSAdminStaff@cityofbowie.org. Please limit messages to no more than 15 words. Messages and/or photos will be posted on our Virtual Holiday Happenings page, and some will be featured in an album on our Facebook page.
- **Holiday Recipe Cookbook** Are your holiday recipes the talk of the family? Share your favorite appetizer, side dish and dessert recipes to be included in our online Holidays in Bowie cookbook. Email your pictures and typed recipes to CSAdminStaff@cityofbowie.org.

Learn more about all of these holiday programs at www.cityofbowie.org/virtualholidays or call Special Events Manager Matt Corley at 301-809-3078.

Toys for Tots

Donate new and unwrapped toys, from now until **December 10** in the drop off boxes at the following locations: Bowie City Hall, Bowie Police Department, Bowie Ice Arena, and Bowie Gymnasium.

Bowie Senior Center

The Senior Center is closed to the public. Staff is available Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., to answer questions and assist with referrals; call **301-809-2300**.

- **Holiday Activity Packet Giveaway** – December 9, 10 to 11 a.m. Drive by and pick up an activity packet.
- **Fill Our Van with Donations** – December 9, 9:30 – 11 a.m. Collecting for the Food Pantry and Toys for Tots.
- **Senior Chorale Virtual Holiday Cabaret** – December 18 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Use this link to register, <https://bowie.fyi/srcabaret> or contact the Center for information.
- **See the Center's December Newsletter** at www.cityofbowie.org/seniorcenter.

Upcoming City Holidays

- **Christmas Day** Friday, December 25, 2020 – no trash or recycling pickup.
- **New Year's Day** Friday, January 1, 2021 – no trash pickup. Recycling will be picked up on the holiday for those neighborhoods on the regular Friday recycling schedule.

Join a City Committee

Do you want to get involved with your community? Come share your talents and have a bigger role in how Bowie operates. The City of Bowie has vacancies on the following City committees, including some student positions:

- Arts Committee
- Board of Elections
- Community Outreach Committee
- Community Recreation Committee
- Education
- Environmental Advisory Committee
- Green Team
- Information Technology Committee

Please visit www.cityofbowie.org/committees for more information or read about the work of the committees on each of their webpages. When you are ready to apply to serve, please contact City Clerk Awilda Hernandez at ahernandez@cityofbowie.org or call 301-809-3029.

City of Bowie COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program

In November, the City of Bowie launched a COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program for tenants who meet eligibility requirements. The Office of Grant Development and Administration administers the program. Applications will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis.

The COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program is intended to provide partial rent support to Bowie households that have experienced income loss due to the COVID-19 health crisis. Income restrictions apply. Approved households may receive a maximum of **three month's rent**, paid to their landlord.

Visit www.cityofbowie.org/cobcares for more information about what is needed to apply.

The City encourages potential applicants to review program eligibility requirements for this program. The maximum allowable annual income for applications to the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance program is listed below. Emergency funding from the City and other federal sources can provide support for a range of rental housing needs for low-income households.

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income Limit	\$55,750	\$63,700	\$71,650	\$79,600	\$86,000	\$92,350	\$98,750	\$105,100

Residents who have questions or require assistance with the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance program are encouraged to contact the Office of Grant Development and Administration at cobcares@cityofbowie.org. The application deadline is **December 16, 2020**.

Plant One Tree on Us!

A tree giveaway program, aimed at increasing residential tree canopy, is now open city-wide. Online reservations for an approved tree will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis; funding is available for 100 trees (one per parcel). Information: 301-809-3043 or twright@cityofbowie.org or www.cityofbowie.org/GreenBowie

Snow Removal Time Waiver

City property owners/residents are responsible for removing snow and/or ice from the sidewalk adjacent to their property within 48 hours of cessation of a snowfall. The City provides additional time for people with considering factors such as age or physical disability, but you must submit a waiver application, found at www.cityofbowie.org/snowwaiver. For more information, please contact the Code Compliance Office at **301-809-3008** or codecompliance@cityofbowie.org.

City Gym

4100 Northview Drive
301-809-2388

www.cityofbowie.org/gym

Hours: Monday through Friday, 12 to 7:30 p.m.

- The Gym is open, with restrictions, to resident members with up to two guests. Members are encouraged to call ahead to reserve a time slot.
- **The only activities permitted at the Gym are walking, volleyball and pickleball**
- Capacity limits, face masks, and social distancing required.

Bowie Ice Arena

3330 Northview Drive, 301-809-3090

www.cityofbowie.org/icearena

Hours vary.

- **Open with restrictions.** Capacity limits, masks and distancing required.
- View the **monthly calendar** on the website. Rental skates and skating aides are available on a first come basis. Prepaid reservations can be made.

Mental Health Matters!

Mental health concerns have been prevalent in our community as pressures on kids, teens and parents have increased. According to the Center for Disease Control, more than more than 40% of respondents in a recent study reported mental health symptoms related to the current pandemic. Teens and young adults, in particular, were found to be at increased risk.

Here's some signs of stress that may indicate a need for help:

- Changes in mood,
- Lack of interest in once-loved activities,
- Changes in friendships,
- Changes in eating and sleep patterns,
- Less attention to personal hygiene,
- Alcohol or other drug abuse.

Please know that you are not alone. If you are concerned for yourself or a loved one, affordable and confidential help is available.

- City of Bowie Youth & Family Services: - 1-513-817-3158
- Prince George's County Hotline: 301-864-7161
- Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-SUICIDE
- Prince George's County Crisis Response Hotline: 301-429-2185

Bowie Youth & Family Services Offers Counseling

Counselors at Bowie Youth & Family Services (BYFS) are available to help families and individuals during this stressful time. BYFS serves individuals, families and groups in the Bowie community. We continue to offer counseling and stress management groups for all families in the City who have children in the home who are high school age or younger through our new, confidential online platform.

We are also available to offer referrals and support by phone to all residents who are experiencing stress and who need assistance. Our staff members are licensed clinicians who each hold a graduate degree in a mental health specialty and who have years of training and experience in treating individuals and families. Call **1-513-817-3158** for assistance, or to arrange for an appointment. For more information, please visit www.cityofbowie.org/youthservices.

Odd Jobs Available for Youth at Teen Job Bank

Bowie Youth & Family Services sponsors a Teen Job Bank that connects residents who need help with Bowie youth who are looking for opportunities to make extra money, on either an occasional or a regular basis. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, jobs are currently limited to outdoor tasks, such as raking or snow shoveling. It is between the teen and the resident to determine the particulars of the job and the pay per hour. To sign up to work, please complete the appropriate application found at www.cityofbowie.org/cityforms.

Calling All Student Artists

The City of Bowie is hosting its annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Art Contest to promote understanding about the lasting legacy of Dr. King. The theme for this year's contest is "Joining Hands for Justice". There are three different categories within the contest, depending on the grade level of the students. The contest is open to students who live within the municipal limits of Bowie (including home schooled students) or students who attend an eligible school in Bowie. **Entries are due January 4, 2021.** Cash prizes are awarded to winners in each category. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/MLK for contest details or contact Lori Cunningham at lcunningham@cityofbowie.org or 240-544-5601.

Get Lost in a Great Book with a "Community" Reader

Bowie has teamed up with some local readers to provide a series of Read Aloud videos for our youngest residents. We hope you will enjoy seeing some familiar faces and have fun exploring some new books or getting reacquainted with some old favorites. Follow the links below for our current offerings and visit www.cityofbowie.org/bowiereadsaloud. We're adding more videos every week.

Bowie Faces of Kindness Nominations

The Bowie Faces of Kindness Award recognizes everyday heroes who give us hope in these challenging times. The City will recognize local heroes who are supporting the community during the pandemic. Honorees receive a citation and are featured on the City's social media platforms and in other public communications.

Honorees should live in the incorporated city limits of Bowie or have provided an act of kindness to our residents. Nominations should include the name, address, telephone number and email address of the individual(s) and a brief description (100 words or less) of their acts of kindness as it relates to helping others during the COVID-19 crisis. Please complete the online form or you can mail your nomination to Bowie City Hall, Attention: Faces of Kindness, 15091 Excalibur Road, Bowie, MD 20716. For the nomination form and more information, visit www.cityofbowie.org/Kindness. If you have questions, please contact Lori Cunningham at lcunningham@cityofbowie.org.

Join the Chorus of Residents Supporting a Trader Joe's in Bowie

The City Council believes that Trader Joe's would be an excellent addition to the grocery store offerings in Bowie. If you agree and would like to see Trader Joe's open their next store in Bowie, please visit our [link](#) and make sure Trader Joe's management knows what you are thinking.

Never been to a Trader Joe's? There is one located at 160F Jennifer Road in Annapolis Plaza next to Annapolis Mall. It is a small, upscale grocery store offering a variety of unusual healthy foods and products. For more information about economic development in the City of Bowie, contact John Henry King at 301-809-3042 or email jhking@cityofbowie.org.

Streetlight Outages

Help us to keep the lights on Bowie. Please report street light outages or other problems with streetlights to our Public Works Department. We depend on the public to let us know when there is a problem with a streetlight. Please do not assume that the problem has been reported

You can report an outage by contacting Robert Holt, rholt@cityofbowie.org 240-544-5690 or visit www.cityofbowie.org/servicerequest to log the problem in our service request system.

Job Openings

The City of Bowie is hiring for the following positions:

- Accountant II – Finance Department (closes 12/11/20)
- Entry Level Police Officer (open)
- Communications Specialist II – Police Department (open)

For more information, visit www.cityofbowie.org/jobs.

Mark Your Calendars for our Free Community Shredding Event

The next free Community Shredding Day and Styrofoam Recycling Event will take place on Saturday, January 23 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please note that there is a new location:

January 23, 2021
City of Bowie Public Works Yard
16300 Annapolis Road

Santa Rides – a Bowie Tradition!

Each year, the Bowie Volunteer Fire Department brings Santa Claus to Bowie neighborhoods on the back of a fire truck and collects food for the Bowie Pantry along the way. The visits began on December 4. The schedule is subject to change due to weather, staffing, and emergency responses.

2020 Bowie Volunteer Fire Department Santa Schedule

Friday December 4: Pointer Ridge, Tall Oaks Crossing, Devonshire Estates, Grovehurst, Twelve Oaks, Woodmore Estates

Saturday December 5: Heather Hills, The Vistas at Bowie, Essington, Heather Ridge Apartments, Enfield Chase, Evergreen Estates, Bowie Towers, Jennings Mills

Sunday December 6: Northview, Amber Meadows, Oak Tree, Glen Allen

Monday December 7: Sherwood Manor, Governor's Bridge Apartments, Longleaf, Covington, Townes of Covington, Garfield Apartments, Enfield Chase

Tuesday December 8: Huntington (Old Towne Bowie), Severn Crossing, Highbridge, Highbridge Park, Grady's Walk

Wednesday December 9: Rockledge, Belair Greens, Whitehall, Saddlebrook West, Kimberwick, Patuxent Riding

Thursday December 10: Bowie Forrest, Marquette, Yorktown, Idlewild, Victoria Heights, Overbrook, Saddlebrook, Old Stage

Friday December 11: Meadowbrook, Chapel Forge

Saturday December 12: Tulip Grove, Foxhill, Longridge, London Lane

Sunday December 13: Belair, Buckingham, Derbyshire, Somerset

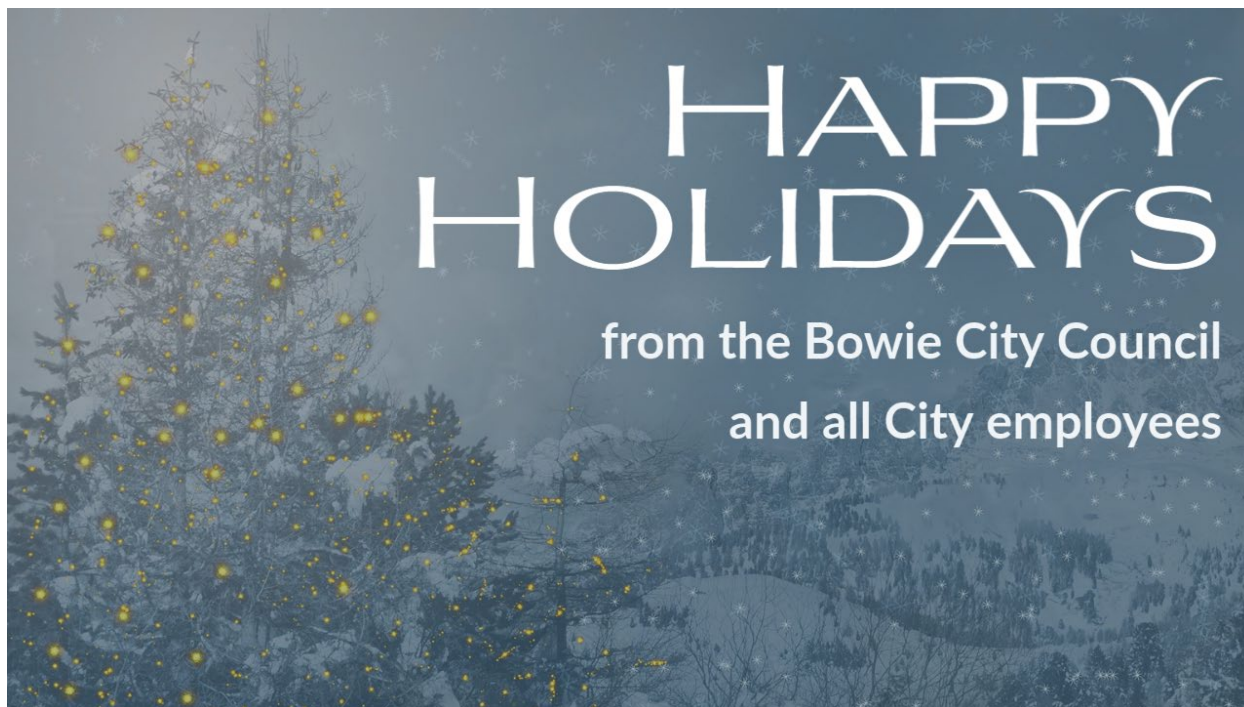
Monday December 14: Kenilworth, Westview, Stewart's Landing, Dixon Crossing, Old Stage

*** Make up days TBD



**From
6:30PM-
9:00PM**





COVID-19 News

COVID-19 Update

As the COVID situation across the U.S. and in our region continues to deteriorate, state and local officials are imposing new restrictions to slow the spread and make sure that hospitals have enough capacity to care for all that require hospitalization.

Prince George's County and Maryland announced reductions in capacity for businesses, restaurants, and other places that people gather. The state also limited visitations to hospitals and nursing homes and elective surgeries. More restrictions are likely and may already be imposed by the time this newsletter is published.

To keep up with the latest news about COVID-19 and the restrictions in place, please sign up for Alert Bowie at www.cityofbowie.org/alerts. You will receive updates each weekday containing current metrics about the spread of the virus, the latest restrictions imposed, updates to CDC guidance, resources for those impacted by the pandemic, and more. These updates are also posted on the City website (www.cityofbowie.org) by 5 p.m. daily.

The County Health Department is also advising residents to reconsider travel during the holiday season. If you must travel, consider the mode of transportation you will take as well as the dates you will be traveling. Carry a small personal sanitizing kit with hand sanitizer, wipes and masks. If traveling, driving your own vehicle can reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19.

Full guidance will be posted on the Health Department's Coronavirus page at

www.cityofbowie.org

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health.mypgc.us/coronavirus.

Prince George's County Restrictions in Place

In response to steadily deteriorating metrics about the spread of the coronavirus in Prince George's County, County Executive Alsobrooks imposed new COVID-19 preventive measures and restrictions for Prince George's County (effective 11/15/2020).

- **Face coverings required outside the home** - Face coverings are now required whenever you leave your home (both indoors and outdoors). The only exceptions are for children under age 5 (recommending for ages 2 to 4) and during vigorous outdoor exercise.
- **Essential businesses – 50% capacity** - Essential businesses, such as grocery stores, food stores, and big box stores, may operate at 50% of capacity. • **Non-essential businesses – 25% capacity or 1 per 200 feet** All other businesses, currently open in Phase 2, must limit occupancy to 25% of capacity or 1 person per 200 square feet, whichever is less.
- **Business must follow all safety orders and guidance** - All businesses must follow and enforce mask wearing, social distancing, and other safety guidance at their establishments.
- **Restaurants – 25% capacity indoors and 50% capacity outdoors** - Restaurants are limited to 25% capacity indoors and 50% outdoors. All persons must be seated to be served.
- **Gyms – 25% capacity or 1 per 200 feet, whichever is lower** - Gyms and fitness centers may operate at 1 person per 200 square feet or 25% of capacity up to a maximum of 50 people. Masks are required while working out at fitness centers.
- **Indoor gatherings – 10-person limit or 1 per 200 feet, whichever is lower** - Indoor gatherings, whether in public or private locations, are limited to 1 person per 200 square feet or 10 persons, whichever is less.
- **Outdoor gatherings – limited to 25 persons** - Outdoor gatherings are limited to 25 persons.

Clarification on County Face Covering Order Now in Effect

Several questions have been raised recently on our social media sites about the Prince George's County mandatory face covering order that is now in effect. The mask order was enacted by the County Council on November 18 and is law.

It says face coverings are required in public. The Prince George's County Health Officer has publicly said that means whenever you leave home. We requested and received a clarification from the County about this part of the order. Masks are not required when you are on your own property, but they are required most other places, both indoors and outdoors.

The law contains a few exceptions, including for vigorous exercise outdoors, for children under the age of five (masks are recommended for ages 2 - 4), and if a person has a bona fide disability or medical condition that would make it unsafe for the person to wear a face covering.

COVID-19 Vaccine Update

The United Kingdom has begun administering the Pfizer vaccine to residents of nursing homes and their staff first, followed by people aged over 80, and healthcare workers. The FDA is

scheduled to review two leading vaccine candidates this month.

Each state had developed their own plan for distribution of the vaccine. Priority will be given to healthcare workers and those who live in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Vaccine Manufacturer	Status	Details
Pfizer-BioNTech	Emergency Use Authorization submitted. To be reviewed by FDA at meeting on 12/10. On 12/8 the FDA confirmed the results of the Phase 3 testing.	Ages 16+, patients need 2 doses, 21 days apart
Moderna	Emergency Use Authorization submitted. To be reviewed by FDA at meeting on 12/17.	Ages 18+, patients need 2 doses, 28 days apart
Johnson & Johnson	A second phase 3 trial is underway.	
Astra Zeneca/Oxford	Phase 3 trials underway.	
Novavax	Phase 3 trials beginning soon.	

COVID-19 Testing

For a list of all COVID-19 testing sites in Maryland, visit www.coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/symptoms-testing. The Maryland Department of Health operates a drive-thru testing site at Six Flags America in Bowie.

You may also call the Prince George's County Health Department testing line for information about County testing locations at 301-883-6627 or visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/3397/Coronavirus. The schedule is subject to change, but most weeks testing takes place at the Cheverly Health Center and three to four other locations throughout the County.

Prince George's County Message about Contact Tracing

As we move into the winter months, contact tracing will continue to be a critical tool to limit the spread of COVID-19 in our community. When someone is diagnosed positive with COVID-19, the Health Department makes a phone call to that person within 24 hours. When you see MD COVID on your caller ID, please answer so the Health Department can help you with managing your condition, and with getting you resources that you need. If you don't have caller ID, look for the phone number 240-466-4488.

The Health Department will also ask who you might've been in contact with, so we can offer them the same resources and minimize the spread of COVID-19. They will never ask for personal information from you, like your social security number or a bank account number. For FAQs, testimonials, and more information about contact tracing, please visit www.coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/contact-tracing.

Beware of COVID-19 Scams

The US Department of Justice is reminding the public to be vigilant against fraudsters who are using the pandemic to exploit consumers and organizations and to cheat disaster relief programs. In particular, the department warns about scams perpetrated through websites, social media, emails, robocalls, and other means that peddle fake COVID-19 vaccines, tests, treatments, and protective equipment.

Maryland Department of Health Hotline: 410-767-6871

Prince George's County Health Department COVID-19 Hotline: 301-883- 6627

Bowie Pantry & Emergency Aid Fund

Visit the Pantry website at www.bowiefoodpantry.org for information about the services provided.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has expanded the volunteer-based Neighbors Helping Neighbors program to offer free grocery and medication delivery for seniors (65+) and disabled residents of the City of Bowie. Those most vulnerable can stay home and allow volunteers to shop for groceries and deliver goods to their home. Seniors are only responsible for reimbursing the volunteer for the cost of the groceries. There is no delivery fee. Also, there is limited transportation available for important medical appointments.

If you are a City of Bowie senior or disabled person in need of assistance, please complete the NHN Senior or Disabled Application at www.cityofbowie.org/nhn. If you would like to volunteer to help seniors or disabled residents, please complete the NHN Volunteer Application at www.cityofbowie.org/nhn. If you have any questions or know of a senior that may benefit from this program, please contact Lori Cunningham at lcunningham@cityofbowie.org or 240-544-5601.

All COVID-19 information provided is subject to change based on the status of the pandemic. To obtain the most up to date information, please visit www.cityofbowie.org/corona.

Alert Bowie

If you have not already done so, we encourage you to sign up for **Alert Bowie** at www.cityofbowie.org/alerts to receive a variety of information from the City of Bowie, including weather alerts, job opportunities, newsletters, and crime alerts.