

# Bowie News Flash

June 2021

## NEWS



City offices are closed on  
**Monday, May 31**  
for **Memorial Day**

There will be no trash or recycling pickup on the holiday.  
Collection will resume on the next regularly scheduled day.

### Memorial Day Weekend Activities

- **May 28**  
**Field of Honor Dedication Ceremony**, 7 p.m.  
*(This event is canceled due to the weather. In place of remarks at the ceremony, Mayor Adams has recorded a video message about Memorial Day. [View it here.](#))*
- **May 29**  
No parade this year, but we'll be back next year!  
**Boat rentals at Allen Pond Park open** for season on weekends. Details at [www.cityofbowie.org/boathouse](http://www.cityofbowie.org/boathouse).
- **May 30 - Bowie Farmers Market**, Bowie HS parking lot, 8 a.m. to noon.
- **May 31**  
**Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Park**, Old Town Bowie, 11 a.m.  
Local veterans groups will host a Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 31 to honor those members of the armed forces who lost their lives in service to their country.

**Free outdoor concerts honoring seniors (bring your own chair)**

Evergreen/Willows Senior Apartments, 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Pin Oak Village Senior Apartments, 12:30 – 1:15 p.m.

**City government offices closed May 31** In honor of Memorial Day. No trash or recycling will be collected on the holiday. If Monday is your normal collection day, there will be no makeup day. The next collection will be on your next regularly scheduled day.

**Field of Honor Dedicated to Heroes and Helpers**

Bowie's Field of Honor debuts on Friday, May 28 at Sussex Lane Park and will remain on display until June 6. The park will be filled with United States flags dedicated in honor of veterans, active military, professions that have helped during the pandemic, other helpers, and loved ones lost.

We invite you to walk among the field of flags and remember those that have gone before us as we honor our shared legacy of service, freedom and equality for all Americans. Information about this program can be found at [www.cityofbowie.org/flags](http://www.cityofbowie.org/flags).

*\*Sussex Lane Park is the open area between Sussex Lane and Annapolis Road, located across from Bowie High School.*

**Bowie Vaccine Clinic Serving All Aged 12 and Up**

The City of Bowie's COVID vaccination clinic at the Bowie Senior Center is quick and convenient. Those aged 12 and older may now be vaccinated. Appointments are now being scheduled on Sundays and Wednesdays. Depending on the number of booked appointments, cancellations and no-shows, walk-in appointments are sometimes available. Please make sure to sign up for Alert Bowie or follow the City of Bowie on social media to receive the latest information on walk-in vaccination availability. To make an appointment, call **301-262-6200** or sign up at [www.cityofbowie.org/vax](http://www.cityofbowie.org/vax).

**City of Bowie Reopenings**

The City of Bowie is implementing changes, as a result of Prince George's County lifting all capacity and social distancing restrictions on May 17 and the lifting of the County mask order at 5 p.m. on May 28.

Full practices and competitions can resume on City fields and at the Bowie Gymnasium. Outdoor basketball hoops have returned to City parks. Picnic areas at Allen Pond and Whitemarsh Park can once again be booked to their full capacity.

After a very long hiatus, the Bowie Senior Center will reopen for limited services on June 1. Participants must call to register to use the center, 301-809-2300. Hours will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Activities are currently limited to the fitness room and the billiard/pool room. Transportation to medical appointments is also resuming and appointments can be made by calling 301-809-2324. Participants will be required to wear a face mask and provide proof of a COVID-19 vaccination. Other activities will resume gradually, provided that COVID case rates remain low.

City Hall will remain closed until July 1, however the service windows in the lobby are open for animal control, code enforcement, rental licenses, and water bill payments. The Police Department lobby is also open for obtaining police reports, paying speed cameras, and conducting other police department business.

*\*Temperature, health screening questions, and waivers are required to enter city facilities. Eff. 5/28, 5 p.m. masks are not required to enter most city facilities. The only exception will be the Senior Center, where masks will be required when the center reopens on June 1. Consistent with federal, state and county guidance, unvaccinated persons are strongly encouraged to continue wearing masks.*

### **Low Cost Rabies Vaccine and Microchip Clinic - June 5**

A pet vaccination and microchipping clinic will take place Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (rain or shine) in the rear parking lot of Bowie City Hall (15901 Excalibur Road). Services will be performed by Veterinarian Megan Noyes from Waldorf Animal Clinic/Charles County Animal Hospital.

This is a **cash only** event. The costs are \$10 for microchips, \$10 for rabies vaccines, and \$10 for a Prince George's County pet license (spayed/neutered pets). The license cost is an additional \$25 for unaltered pets. For more information please contact City of Bowie Animal Control at **301-809-3002**.

### **Juneteenth**

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States. It is an annual recognition of the historic day, June 19, 1865, when enslaved people in Texas learned of their freedom, although the Emancipation Proclamation actually granted freedom two and a half years earlier. Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas with the news that 250,000 enslaved people were free. Over the years, Juneteenth commemorations were established across the country and have grown into jubilant celebrations of achievement, community and heritage in the Black community. For more information or to learn what Bowie is doing to recognize the date, please visit [www.cityofbowie.org/Juneteenth](http://www.cityofbowie.org/Juneteenth).

### **City Council Meetings to Note**

- **June 7** City Council Meeting, 8 p.m. Bowie BIC Update
- **June 21** City Council Meeting, 8 p.m. Legislative Session Wrap Up, SB 508/HB 584 Public Utilities - Net Energy Metering bills briefing.

City Council meetings are being held virtually through June. (In person meetings will resume July 6.) View them at [www.cityofbowie.org/viewmeetings](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.cityofbowie.org/agenda). For assistance or more information, contact City Clerk Awilda Hernandez at 301-809-3029.

### **Law Enforcement Torch Run - June 9**

The Bowie Police Department Special Olympics Torch Run registration is now open! Join the run June 9, 2021, as the Flame of Hope is carried through Bowie. All proceeds directly support Special Olympics Maryland. To register, visit [www.cityofbowie.org/torchrun](http://www.cityofbowie.org/torchrun). The entry fee is \$15 and includes a t-shirt.

On June 9, registration/check-in opens at 9 a.m. and the run starts at 10 a.m. at Bowie Plaza, 6800 Laurel Bowie Road. Join in and help raise awareness and funds for the athletes of Special Olympics Maryland. For more information, contact the Bowie Police Department at **240-544-5700**.

### **Farmers' Market is Open**

The Market is open 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the Bowie High School parking lot (15200 Annapolis Road), each Sunday, through October 31. A variety of vendors offer fresh, locally grown produce, fruit, plants, breads, pastries, jams and jellies, eggs, beef, pork and poultry. For information, contact Matt Corley at 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

### **Beautification Awards Program**

The City of Bowie is accepting applications for this year's Beautification Awards Program. The program recognizes the outstanding yards and gardens of homes, business and schools. The program is free and you can nominate anyone located within the municipal limits of the City of Bowie. The deadline for nominations is Friday, June 25, 2021. Information: 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

### **Paper Shredding & Styrofoam Recycling - June 26**

The next paper shredding and Styrofoam recycling event takes place Saturday, June 26, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Public Works Solid Waste/Recycling parking lot, located at 16500 Annapolis Road. Residents can bring up to five tall kitchen bags or five archive boxes for shredding. (No need to remove paperclips or staples.) Documents may be observed while they are being shredded. Styrofoam must be free of any debris (glue or tape). This event is first come, first served. There will be three shredding trucks at the event. If the three trucks are filled, the event may end before 2 p.m. Information: 301-809-2339 or [csullivan@cityofbowie.org](mailto:csullivan@cityofbowie.org).

### **De-Fossilize Your Homestead, Inside and Out**

Another sustainability webinar (#3 in the series) will take place on June 30 at noon. Register to participate at <http://bowie.fyi/defossilize> and will educate residents on ways to achieve energy independence for the home and reduce your usage of fossil fuels for everyday activities both inside and outside of the home. For more information, contact [adiaz@cityofbowie.org](mailto:adiaz@cityofbowie.org) or visit [www.cityofbowie.org/greenbowie](http://www.cityofbowie.org/greenbowie).

### **Street Sweeping**

City streets are cleaned regularly during the non-winter months. For more information and the schedule, please visit [www.cityofbowie.org/sweep](http://www.cityofbowie.org/sweep).

### **Mosquito Control Program**

The Maryland Department of Agriculture provides mosquito control services to the Bowie area. The mosquito control program for 2021 began with spring larviciding in March. The regular season began in May and will continue into late September, or early October, if necessary. The

program consists of larviciding (control of immature stages of the mosquito), public education about the Asian tiger mosquito, and adult surveillance with possible spraying.

An individual resident may have his/her owned or leased real property excluded from the adult mosquito control spraying. A resident wishing to exclude their property must submit a request directly to the Maryland Department of Agriculture. Information on excluding a property and the required submission forms are available on the [Maryland Department of Agriculture](#) website.

If you need assistance locating breeding areas around your house or would like to report stagnant water near your property, call the Public Works Office at **301-809-2336**.

### **Lawn Mower Rebate Program**

Buying a new mower? Let us help! City residents\* who purchase a new mulching, electric, or manual reel mower are eligible to receive a \$50 rebate from the City of Bowie. To obtain your cash rebate, bring proof of municipal residency\* and the receipt for a mulching, electric, or manual reel mower to the Finance Department at City Hall, 15901 Excalibur Road. If the receipt does not specify that the mower is one of these three types, please also bring a manual or other documentation for the mower. Finance Department hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Rebates are limited to one per household. Please call **301-809-3020** for more information. ***\*Only those who live within the municipal limits of the City of Bowie are eligible to receive this rebate.***

### **Get Involved in Your Community – Join a City Committee**

There are 16 committees made up of community volunteers, providing advice and support to the City Council and city government on a variety of subjects, from environmental issues, to development, to public safety, and much more. Serving on a city committee is also a great way to learn more about city government, share your talents with the Bowie community, and meet others with similar interests.

Committees are meeting virtually during the pandemic and the meetings are open to the public. The list of upcoming meetings can be found at [www.cityofbowie.org/calendar.aspx](http://www.cityofbowie.org/calendar.aspx). Current vacancies include seats on the following committees: Arts, Administrative Review Board, Community Outreach, Education, Environmental, Ethics, Green Team, Information Technology, and Recreation. Read about the work of all city committees and how to apply at [www.cityofbowie.org/committees](http://www.cityofbowie.org/committees).

### **Door to Door Sales**

Everyone who goes house to house selling merchandise or services, offering free estimates, or leaving informational flyers at your door (except non-profit organizations) must have an individual City of Bowie Solicitors Permit with picture. If a solicitor cannot provide a City Permit, we ask that you refrain from doing business with them. To report a company soliciting without a permit, please submit a company brochure or business card and the street they were soliciting to [codecompliance@cityofbowie.org](mailto:codecompliance@cityofbowie.org) or call 301-809-3008.

### **New Rental License Requirements.**

The City Council passed an amendment to the City Code on January 4, 2021 removing the exemptions from the rental license requirements. All rental situations now require the property to have a valid City of Bowie rental license and inspection. This includes rentals where the owner

or a family member live at the property, basement or partial rental and short-term rentals like Airbnb®, VRBO® or Home Away®. The annual license costs \$110 and a satisfactory inspection is a condition of the license and renewal. For information, call 301-809-3008 or visit [www.cityofbowie.org/rentalhousing](http://www.cityofbowie.org/rentalhousing).

### **Planning a Home Improvement?**

Are you planning a home improvement? Many common home improvements require Prince George's County and City of Bowie building permits to ensure proper construction and community standards. Even when replacing an existing structure, both permits may be required. Projects requiring permits include additions, decks, driveway extension or replacement with different material, fences, porches (new or enclosing), signs, sheds and solar panels. Failing to obtain permits can be very expensive and frustrating, especially when a structure must be removed because it does not comply with County or City standards. Don't take a chance; check before you build. You'll need to allow time for permit review from the County and the City prior to beginning work. For more information, please contact the Code Compliance Office at 301-809-3008 or visit [www.cityofbowie.org/116/Building-Permits](http://www.cityofbowie.org/116/Building-Permits).

### **Arts Committee Virtual Galleries**

The City of Bowie Arts Committee celebrates local artists by sharing the artwork they curated. To view the Diversity, Unity and Inclusion Gallery, visit [www.cityofbowie.org/unitygallery](http://www.cityofbowie.org/unitygallery).

### **City Museums**

The City of Bowie Museums are open on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 12 – 1:30 p.m. and 2 – 4 p.m. All visitors will be expected to follow CDC and social distancing guidelines including:

- Submitting to a temperature check and health questionnaire upon entry to each museum.
- Signing a COVID-19 waiver form. (Parents/legal guardians must sign for individuals under the age of 18 and be under adult supervision at all times).
- Wearing a mask at all times in all areas, both inside and outside.
- Abiding by all social distancing guidelines and remaining at least 6 feet apart.

### **Museum Events:**

- **Kids Kaboose** - June 18, 10:30 a.m. at Bowie Railroad Museum. Ages 5 - 10, with adult. Bring blanket, towel or chair to sit on. Reservations required. Free
- **Wine and Design, Decorative Glass Block** - June 25, 7 - 9 p.m. at Belair Mansion. \$25/person. Space limited. Reservations required.
- **Fairy Tale Fun** - June 30, 11 a.m. Belair Stable Stories and craft. Ages 2 - 8, with adult. Bring blanket, towel or chair to sit on. Reservations required. Free.

### **Bowie City Gym**

Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

The following schedule will be in effect, beginning June 1:

Walking: Monday – Friday, 9 – 10 a.m.

Basketball: Monday – Friday, 10:15 a.m. – 10 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Pickleball: Monday – Friday, 10:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Saturday; 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
 Volleyball: Friday, 3 – 5 p.m.

Please see [www.cityofbowie.org/gym](http://www.cityofbowie.org/gym) for complete details or call 301-809-2388

### **Bowie Ice Arena**

The Ice Arena is closed for maintenance and will re-open for summer skating in July. Register now for summer lessons and camps. Information is available at [www.cityofbowie.org/icearena](http://www.cityofbowie.org/icearena).

### **The State Highway Administration Wants Feedback on Pedestrian Safety Issues**

The Maryland State Highway Administration is working on its Pedestrian Action Safety Plan. The SHA is asking residents to identify areas where there are pedestrian safety issues. If you have a concern about a particular location or segment of state road that has pedestrian safety issues, you can use their online map to pinpoint the location and offer feedback to the SHA. Share your thoughts [here](#).

### **Expired MVA Products Must be Renewed**

The Executive Order that has covered all expired driver's and business licenses, identification cards, permits (including disability parking permits) is expiring. The Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration announced that customers with expired MDOT MVA products from March 12, 2020 must take care of these transactions by the dates below:

- Expired vehicle registrations, business licenses, disability parking permits, and other vehicle-related products must be renewed by June 30, 2021.
- Expired driver's license, CDL, and identification cards must be renewed by August 15, 2021.

### **Jobs**

The City of Bowie is currently recruiting for the following positions:

- Public Health Officer (open)
- Senior Planner (closes 6/18/21)
- Entry Level Police Officer (open)
- Communications specialist II (open)
- Temporary Laborer - Parks and Grounds (closes 6/4/21)
- Part Time Ice Arena Supervisor (closes 6/4/21)
- Part Time Ice Arena Attendant (closes 6/4/21)

To learn more or to apply, visit [www.cityofbowie.org/jobs](http://www.cityofbowie.org/jobs).

### **May Videos**

The City of Bowie produced and shared these videos in May:

[COVID Vaccinations](#)

[Field of Honor](#)

[A message from Bowie State University President Aminta Breaux about vaccinations](#)

[Code 101 Series Video #3 on property maintenance – overgrowth, noxious plants & sidewalks](#)

[Bowie Farmers' Market](#)

## COVID-19 NEWS & RESOURCES

To keep up with the latest news about COVID, please sign up for Alert Bowie at [www.cityofbowie.org/alerts](http://www.cityofbowie.org/alerts). Updates are also posted on the City website ([www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org)) by 5 p.m. daily.

### Mass Vaccination Sites

Visit [www.covidvax.maryland.gov](http://www.covidvax.maryland.gov) to schedule your vaccine appointment. The closest mass vaccination sites to Bowie are Six Flags on Central Avenue, the Greenbelt Metro Station (closing for good on June 1), and the Navy Stadium in Annapolis. Most mass vaccination sites are also offering no appointment vaccinations on certain days/times. Visit the [Maryland vaccination link](#) for details.

### Prince George's County Health Department Vaccination Site Update

Appointments are no longer necessary at all COVID-19 vaccine clinics operated by the Prince George's County Health Department. The Health Department has launched a [COVID-19 Vaccine Locator](#) for residents searching for vaccination clinics located in the County.

### \$2 Million VaxCash Promotion

Now through July 4, vaccinated adults (18+) in Maryland are eligible to win prize money in a new vaccination incentive program launched by the state. Using lottery marketing funds, Maryland is holding a daily drawing of vaccinated Maryland adults and awarding a daily prize of \$40,000 for 40 days. At the end of the 40 days, there will be a final drawing for a prize of \$400,000. The total prize money is \$2 million. You must be a Maryland resident to be eligible for the drawing and you must have received your vaccination in Maryland. No registration or entry is needed. Those who meet the eligibility requirements will be automatically entered in the drawings. The sooner you get your shot, the more lottery drawings you will be eligible for. Details at [www.mdlottery.com](http://www.mdlottery.com).

### Vaccination Rates for Bowie

The State of Maryland is reporting vaccination data by zip code. This data is updated weekly. Here's how the four Bowie zip codes as of May 24:

Zip	Fully vaccinated	At least 1 dose
20715	45.95%	54.49%
20716	42.45%	51.62%
20720	47.25%	56.44%
20721	46.54%	55.34%

Source: <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/#Vaccine>

### COVID-19 Testing

View a list of all COVID-19 testing sites at <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/symptoms-testing>. 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](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/3397/coronavirus).

### FEMA Funeral Assistance

The FEMA Funeral Assistance Program can help you cover the burial and funeral costs of a loved one who passed due to COVID-19. Applications are open and you can apply by calling 1-844-684-6333. Details: [www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance](http://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance).

### **State Health Insurance Special Enrollment Period Extended to August 15**

The Maryland Health Benefit Exchange announced that the state health insurance marketplace, Maryland Health Connection, will extend its current Coronavirus Special Enrollment Period. Uninsured Marylanders can enroll in health coverage until August 15. Those who are eligible for Medicaid can enroll any time of year. Health coverage through Maryland Health Connection covers costs for coronavirus tests at doctor's offices, urgent care centers, or emergency rooms. To learn more about coverage options, visit [www.marylandhealthconnection.gov](http://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov).

### **Food Programs**

There are a variety of programs underway to help make sure that no one goes hungry during these uncertain times. Information is available on our website. If you need food or know someone who is experiencing food insecurity, we encourage you to visit [www.cityofbowie.org/food](http://www.cityofbowie.org/food).

### **Emergency Broadband Benefit Program Offers Aid to Eligible Households**

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Emergency Broadband Benefit provides a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers.

Eligible households can enroll through a participating broadband provider or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) using an online or mail in application. Learn more about eligibility and enrollment information at <http://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit> or by calling 833-511-0311.

### **IRS Child Tax Credit**

The IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury announced that the first monthly payment of the expanded and newly-advanceable Child Tax Credit from the American Rescue Plan will be made on July 15. Roughly 39 million households, covering 88% of children in the U.S. are estimated to be eligible to begin receiving monthly payments without any further action required.

Payments will be made on the 15th of each month unless it falls on a weekend or holiday. Eligible families will receive a payment of up to \$300 per month for each child under the age six and up to \$250 per month for each child age six and above.

### **Job Assistance for 55+**

Did you know Employ Prince George's has a 55+ Older Work Program Coordinator to support older adults? The American Job Center in Largo is launching direct services to support 55+ job seekers, including info sessions on Tuesdays from 1 - 3 p.m. Register at <http://mwejobs.maryland.gov>.

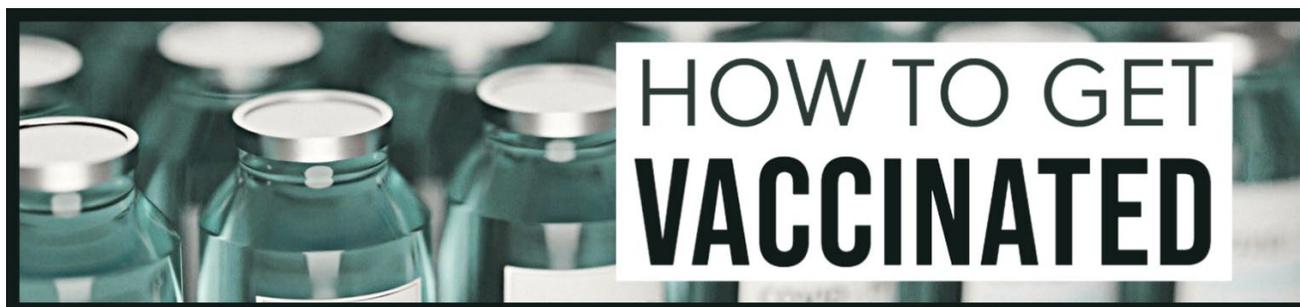
### **Bowie Business Recovery Program**

Bowie businesses are opening up now--and they can get ideas for attracting new customers and tapping into new revenue opportunities by attending one of the free business webinars presented every Thursday in June by the Bowie Business Recovery (BBR) Program. Visit [www.bowiebusinessrecovery.com](http://www.bowiebusinessrecovery.com) to register for a webinar, review all the other business development activities on the calendar in June and check out the recordings of previous webinars over the last five months.

The BBR program is an eight-month online program of free technical assistance to help Bowie businesses accelerate their growth following the COVID-19 pandemic. The BBR is a collaboration between the Bowie Business Innovation Center (Bowie BIC) hub for Bowie business acceleration and the Greater Bowie Chamber of Commerce (BGCC). The BBR is funded by the City of Bowie. For more information, contact Lisa Smith at the Bowie Business Innovation Center, 301-524-5654 or [lisa.smith@bowiebic.com](mailto:lisa.smith@bowiebic.com).

### **Free Rides to Vaccination Sites**

Ride-sharing companies Uber Inc and Lyft Inc will provide free rides to and from COVID-19 vaccination sites until Sunday, July 4. Rides will be promoted to and from tens of thousands of vaccination sites through their apps, which will launch on both apps in the coming weeks. Both companies were providing free/discounted rides in some circumstances prior to the announcement.



City of Bowie	
<b>Who:</b>	Open to all age 12+ *
<b>What:</b>	First & second dose vaccinations (Pfizer)
<b>When:</b>	Clinic days: Sundays & Wednesdays
<b>Where:</b>	Bowie Senior Center, 14900 Health Center Drive
<b>How:</b>	<i>Appointments:</i> Call 301-262-6200 or sign up at <a href="http://www.cityofbowie.org/vax">www.cityofbowie.org/vax</a> <i>Walk-ins:</i> Follow @CityofBowie on <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CityofBowie">Facebook</a> or Twitter for availability or sign up for Alert Bowie at <a href="http://www.cityofbowie.org/alerts">http://www.cityofbowie.org/alerts</a>
Prince George's County Health Department	
<b>Who:</b>	Open to all age 12+ *
<b>What:</b>	First & second dose vaccinations (Pfizer, Moderna, & Johnson & Johnson)
<b>When:</b>	Dates/times vary
<b>Where:</b>	Health Department clinics in Landover & Oxon Hill
<b>How:</b>	<i>Appointments:</i> Schedule at <a href="http://mypgc.us/COVIDVaccine">http://mypgc.us/COVIDVaccine</a> or call 3-1-1 <i>Walk-ins are welcome.</i>
<b>Other options:</b>	The County is deploying mobile vax units and hosting no appointment pop up events. Pharmacies and hospitals in the county are also offering vaccinations. Use the <a href="#">Prince George's County Vaccine Locator tool</a> to find a location near you.
State of Maryland	
<b>Who:</b>	Open to all age 12+*
<b>What:</b>	First & second dose vaccinations
<b>When:</b>	Dates/times vary
<b>Where:</b>	13 MD mass vax sites. Nearest sites to Bowie are Six Flags (Bowie), Navy Stadium (Annapolis), & Greenbelt Metro (closes for good after 6/1/21)
<b>How:</b>	<i>Appointments:</i> Schedule at <a href="http://covidvax.maryland.gov">covidvax.maryland.gov</a> or call 1-855-634-6829 <i>Drive-ups (no appointment needed):</i> Six Flags, Regency Stadium (Waldorf), & Ripken Stadium (Aberdeen) <i>Walk-ins:</i> Available at other mass vax sites. Drive-up and walk-in hours vary by site. Check before going.
<b>Other options:</b>	Pharmacies and healthcare providers are also offering vaccinations throughout MD. Visit <a href="http://covidvax.maryland.gov">covidvax.maryland.gov</a> for locations.

(\*) Pfizer is the only vaccine authorized for teens ages 12-17.