Escape, Explore, and Enjoy
BOWIE’S PLAYGROUNDS

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Playgrounds in Bowie

Looking forward to a summer full of fun? July is National Recreation and Parks month and a great time to explore all of the playgrounds in Bowie with your kids.

Pack a picnic lunch, plenty of water, and go on a playground hopping adventure to some (or all) of the parks listed below!

- **Allen Pond Park** (3330 Northview Drive): Allen Pond features two playgrounds, Opportunity Park, which offers a 100% accessible experience and a Tot Lot for the younger children. Opportunity Park features five slides, swings, interactive puzzles, and monkey bars. The smaller Tot Lot is home to four slides, a rock wall, and climbing features. In the center of this park is a pond, with paddle boats to rent on the weekends. With a fitness trail surrounding the pond, this is the perfect place to ride bikes or scooters. This neighborhood park and playground has basketball courts, walking paths, and the play area has restrooms that are open during summer months.

- **Whitemarsh Park** (16500 Whitemarsh Park Drive): This park is a must see! With a hot dog themed slide, Bowie M&M stepping stones, a lacrosse stick climbing structure, swings, monkey bars, and a football helmet slide, this playground is geared towards the adventurous.

- **Glen Allen Park** (15600 Atlantis Drive): This newly renovated playground showcases classic cars. Featuring a double slide, a zipline, and a balance structure, this playground is great for kids of all ages.

- **Jericho Park** (9510 Laurel-Bowie Road): This park is meant for 5 to 12-year-olds. It hosts a rock-climbing wall, two slides, and a ball net to keep any foul balls from the baseball field off of the playground.

- **Buckingham Park** (2600 Barberry Lane): While on the smaller side, this playground is home to three spring riders, a small slide, and a tunnel for kids to play in. It also offers basketball courts and walking paths to enjoy.

- **10th Street Heritage Park** (13104 10th Street): Modeled after historic Old Bowie buildings like the Straining House, The Lures/Wright Store, and the Old Bowie Fire House, these buildings are the perfect place for hide and go seek or to play house. Also featuring a large playground that includes a slide, interactive gears, and balance ropes, this playground is sure to make every child happy.

- **Blacksocx Park** (2201 Mitchellville Road): Complete with a slide, swings, and monkey bars, this playground is sure to be a home run for the kids.
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC)
While these parks are not managed by the City of Bowie, but they are local and offer a variety of entertainment. For more information, contact the Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission.

- **Foxhill Park** (5001 Collington Road): With a lot of unique equipment, this park features slides, climbing features, balance equipment and more! Take a short walk down to the pond and look for fish and turtles.

- **Meadowbrook Park** (3529 Moylan Drive): Modeled after a tree house, this playground encompasses a slide, swings, a fire pole, plenty of wooden ladders and climbing elements to get children to the top of the structure. There is also a smaller playground for younger children with a double slide and interactive gears. In between the two playgrounds are play tunnels for kids to hide in.

- **Huntington South Park** (13311 11th Street): Combining a rock wall, two slides, and climbing tubes, this playground is sure to tire kids out.

- **Bowie Community Center Playground** (3209 Stonybrook Drive): This playground is fully fenced in with plenty of shade. With unique equipment including multiple climbing structures and slides, as well as a rope swing, it is perfect for crawlers, toddlers, or even older kids.

- **Rockledge Park** (4910 Reston Lane): With four different slides, this park is sure to impress. Two different playgrounds allow for older kids to separate from younger kids. On the tot lot, there are two slides, a rock wall, and two wheels for kids to become the captain of the ship! On the larger playground, there is an additional rock wall and four slides to enjoy. There are also swings at this park.

- **Somerset Park** (12315 Stonehaven Lane): Large slides, monkey bars, lots of shade, tubes, a seesaw, and built in instruments make this hidden treasure a great playground!

- **Enfield Chase** (3701 Northview Drive): Featuring a triple slide for races, a climbing tube, a rock wall, and a ropes course, this playground is the perfect place for kids to play while they wait for a sibling’s practice to conclude.

- **Hansel and Gretel Park** (15898 Pointer Ridge Drive): This small neighborhood park has double slides and a short tube for kids to play in.

- **South Bowie Community Center** (1717 Pittsfield Drive): Created with a dragon in mind, this park has balance features (like large painted rocks) and ropes connected to the ground to balance on. Kids can slide out of the dragon’s mouth or play on the medieval drawbridge.
Cannabis Legalization in Maryland

In November 2022, residents voted to approve the legalization of recreational marijuana in the State of Maryland. Now, marijuana is referred to as “cannabis” under the Maryland law.

Starting July 1, adults, 21 and older, can:

• Legally possess up to 1.5 ounces of cannabis.

• Grow up to two plants (per household) for personal use.
  o The plants must be out of public view and secured so they are not accessible by unauthorized individuals or anyone under the age of 21.

  o Violation is a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, subject to imprisonment (not exceeding three years) and a fine (not exceeding $5,000).

Possessing amounts of cannabis between 1.5 ounces and 2.5 ounces will be subject to civil fines, while possessing quantities greater than 2.5 ounces will remain subject to existing criminal penalties. Selling cannabis without a proper license is classified as a criminal misdemeanor and is punishable by up to three years imprisonment and/or a fine of $5,000.

The sharing of cannabis with another adult age 21 or older is allowed, but the amount shared cannot exceed the amount defined as personal use (up to 1.5 ounces), and no money or other remuneration can be exchanged.

With the introduction of new cannabis laws comes many questions about smoking in public. Maryland law prohibits the smoking of cannabis in specified locations, including public places. Smoking in a public place is a civil offense and violators may be penalized with up to a $250 fine for a first offense. Subsequent offenses can incur fines up to $500. Under Maryland law, licensed on-site consumption establishments are allowed to operate where individuals can smoke outdoors on the premises.

A landlord may limit or deny smoking on their property. Case law on this matter is still being formed.

Additionally, there are rules regarding vehicles and driving and the use of cannabis:

• A driver of a motor vehicle may not smoke or consume cannabis in the passenger area of a motor vehicle on a highway.

• An occupant of a motor vehicle may not smoke cannabis in the passenger area of a motor vehicle on the highway.

• A person cannot operate or attempt to operate a motor vehicle in the State of Maryland while impaired by drugs.

• A person cannot operate or attempt to operate a vehicle in the State of Maryland while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance.

For more information on the cannabis law in the State of Maryland, visit [www.mmcc.maryland.gov](http://www.mmcc.maryland.gov). Also, be sure to watch [Chief Nesky’s video](http://ChiefNesky_video) about the new law.
Upcoming City Council Meetings for July

Monday, July 3, 2023

- **Historic Properties Presentation** - Historic Properties Manager, Susan Proctor, will be sharing a presentation designed to acquaint Council with all of the Historic Properties owned by the City. The presentation will provide photos and information about the 11 historic structures and two cemeteries/grave sites.

Monday, July 10, 2023

- **Bowie Race Track Property Task Force Recommendations** - The chair of the Bowie Race Track Property Task Force will present the final findings and recommendations of the Task Force regarding future recreational uses of the Bowie Race Track property.
- **Retail Centers in Bowie** - Marc Menick, President of KLN8 and a retail development, management, and leasing expert, will provide Council with a briefing on retail center development, leasing, and operation; and he will talk about why landlords select the tenants they pick and what the tenants look for in a location.
- **City Lobbyists Briefing** - Representatives from Cornerstone, the City’s lobbyist firm, will provide Council with a brief summary of legislative activity from the session and suggestions on how to prepare for next year.

Meetings are in-person and open to the public. They can also be viewed at [www.cityofbowie.org/view-meetings](http://www.cityofbowie.org/view-meetings), on FIOS Channel 10 or Comcast Channels 71 and 996, or Youtube [@CityofBowieMD](https://www.youtube.com/cityofbowieMD).

Those wishing to submit written testimony for the record may email [cityclerk@cityofbowie.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofbowie.org). Testimony must be received by 7 p.m. on the day of the meeting. For more information, contact City Clerk Awilda Hernandez at 301-809-3029.

Volunteers Needed on July 8

Learn about pollinator gardens while helping prepare an area for fall planting. Everyone is invited to help spread wood chips at the Midwood Lane stormwater pond (next to Belair Swim & Racquet) from 9 to 11 a.m. on July 8. Students can earn service learning hours. For additional information, email [twright@cityofbowie.org](mailto:twright@cityofbowie.org).

Bowie Race Track Property Task Force Recommendations

The Bowie Race Track Property Task Force has been working diligently to gather input and create a recreational concept plan for the Race Track property. The property spans 180.84 acres on both sides of Race Track Road. The City is expected to become the landowner by the end of 2024.

The Task Force, established through Resolution R-20-22 on May 16, 2022, is composed of 23 members, including two City Councilmembers, representatives from Bowie State University, several City committees, and members of the community. They have met five times over the past year and have undertaken various initiatives to engage the public and gather their input.

The Task Force conducted a survey and organized two public workshops. These efforts allowed residents to provide their opinions and suggestions on potential recreational uses for the Race Track property. The Task Force considered this while developing a recreational concept plan and development criteria.

The final Concept Plan and recommendations will be presented to the City Council at a public hearing on July 10. Residents are encouraged to attend and for firework displays around the region (The City of Bowie will not have a fireworks display).
participate in the public hearing to share thoughts and contribute to the decision-making process. For more detailed information about the Bowie Race Track Property Task Force and their progress, please visit the project website at www.cityofbowie.org/racetrack.

The “Absence of a Cello” at the Bowie Playhouse

How far would you be willing to go to get the perfect job? Could you sacrifice your entire personality to fit into the ‘corporate image’ if it meant bringing home a sweet paycheck? The “Absence of a Cello”, written by Ira Wallach, brings us to 1960s New York, to the Manhattan apartment of Andrew and Celia Pilgrim, as they attempt to answer these questions for themselves in this smartly written comedy with wonderfully quirky characters. The “Absence of a Cello” will run at the Bowie Playhouse July 21 – August 13. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., or on Sundays at 2 p.m. Visit Bowie Community Theatre’s website for tickets.

Basketball Camp

The City of Bowie Basketball Camp is a fantastic opportunity for children between the ages of 8 and 14 to immerse themselves in the world of basketball. Led by highly skilled staff, including accomplished college players and coaches, the camp aims to cultivate a love for the game while enhancing participants’ fundamental skills and abilities.

The camp has one session left, July 10 - 14, running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. During the camp, participants will engage in various activities such as games, contests, and skill-focused stations, all geared towards refining their basketball talents.

To register for the camp, call the Gymnasium at 301-809-2383 or visit the website: www.cityofbowie.org/Camps. The registration fee for Bowie residents is $225, while non-residents will be charged $240.

Sk8 in the Shade at Ice Arena

The Bowie Ice Arena and the Shade Foundation have teamed up to give your skin a break this summer! Protect your family’s skin from the sun’s harmful rays and enjoy some free ice skating from noon to 1:30 p.m. on July 19 and July 26 as well as August 9 and 16. Skate rental is $2. Long pants and gloves are recommended. No groups please.
Job Corner

The City of Bowie is currently seeking candidates for the positions listed below. Full time employees are eligible for medical, dental, vision, life and long-term care insurance, a 401(k) with employer match, and a 457 savings plan. They also have paid holidays and earn leave.

Open until filled:
- **Building Maintenance Superintendent** - Community Services
- **Chief Wastewater Operator** - Public Works Department
- **Communications Specialist II** - Police Department
- **Entry Level Police Officer** - Police Department
- **Family Counselor** - Community Services
- **Solid Waste Driver/Collector** - Solid Waste, Public Works Department
- **Solid Waste Collector** - Solid Waste, Public Works Department
- **Part Time Ice Arena Attendant** - Community Services
- **Part Time Senior Center Bus Driver** - Community Services

Do you think you’d be a good fit for any of these positions? Visit [www.cityofbowie.org/jobs](http://www.cityofbowie.org/jobs) to apply.

The Bowie PD is Hiring

Our officers were born to make a difference. Were you? Join our Bowie Police Department family, where we serve the great community that is Bowie, Maryland. We’re offering up to $9,000 as a starting bonus for officers. Enjoy tuition assistance, full vision, prescription, and dental coverage, take-home vehicle, yearly uniform allowance, special unit assignments, and more! We’re also looking for energetic and qualified team players to support our mission in the Communications Center.
Hall of Honor

The City of Bowie is excited to announce the induction of three new honorees into the Hall of Honor on July 23 at 2 p.m. at City Hall. Due to the many challenges of the pandemic, this will be our first induction ceremony in more than three years.

The Hall of Honor recognizes individuals who have made significant and enduring contributions to our community. We are proud to announce this year’s inductees: Harlan Tucker, Margaret Herman, and Gail Booker-Jones.

The public is invited to attend this free event, which will honor the memory and celebrate the accomplishments of these three individuals who worked so hard for Bowie. For further details regarding the Hall of Honor, please reach out to Matt Corley, Special Events Manager, at 301-809-3078 or via email at mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

Genealogy Workshop

The City of Bowie Museums, along with the Robert Bowie Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), is hosting a genealogy workshop on Saturday, July 29, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Kenhill Center.

“Bowie 250!: A Genealogy Workshop” will provide the opportunity for local residents to learn how to begin a family tree, what local and national resources are available, and how to troubleshoot problem areas.

Why 250? In a few short years, the United States will celebrate its 250th anniversary (semiquincentennial) and museums and history organizations across the country are developing plans to acknowledge and celebrate the event. This moment is a once-in-a-generation opportunity for the public to engage with history on a personal level. The occasion calls on us to use the knowledge of our country’s past, in connection with our family’s past, to build a stronger future.

The all-day genealogy workshop will address the needs of beginners and advanced researchers through a series of sessions. Each session will be led by an expert in their respective field. It will address topics such as:

- Mastering a Family Tree for Beginners
- Finding Your Elusive Relative
- DNA and Genealogy
- Assumptions Made When Doing African American Genealogy
- Wiki and Other On-Line Resources
- Preserving Your Family Documents and Photos

Experts include:

- Karen Janczy, retired National Society of the DAR genealogist
- Rachel Frazier – Director of Reference Services, Maryland State Archives
• Franklin A. Robinson, Jr., Archives Specialist with the Archives Center, National Museum of American History (NMAH), Smithsonian Institution
• Terri Stern – Professional Genealogist – DNA and Genealogy / Wiki Tree
• Hollis Gentry-Brown, Information Specialist, Smithsonian Libraries and Archives
• Sue Brenchley, State of Maryland DAR Genealogist

Seating is limited and advanced registration is required. The cost of the workshop is $30 and includes the sessions, lunch, and a reception at Belair Mansion at 5 pm.

For more information, or to register, please contact Susan Proctor at sproctor@cityofbowie.org or call 301-809-3089.

Helping Families Build a Brighter Future

Bowie Youth & Family Services (BYFS) offers free confidential family counseling to the residents of Bowie and surrounding areas in Prince George’s County. Families with youth who are 18 years or younger are eligible. BYFS also provides referrals and support by phone to residents who are experiencing stress and who need assistance. Staff members are licensed clinicians who hold a graduate degree in a mental health specialty and who have years of training and experience in treating individuals and families. Please call 301-809-3033 for assistance, or to arrange an in-person or tele-health appointment.

Keep Connected with Alert Bowie

The City of Bowie sends out text messages, emails, and occasional robo calls, to anyone who has signed up for Alert Bowie to keep them informed about what’s happening in the city. Receive the latest information about city events, service updates, road closures, and important crime alerts from our Police Department by registering for this free service. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/alerts or call 301-809-3032.

Bowie Revitalization Surveys

The City’s Economic Development Committee (EDC) seeks community input as they study South Bowie (specifically City Council District #4). The Committee is beginning to prepare recommendations for revitalization and sustainable growth for this part of the City.

The EDC is working on an assignment from the City Council and is using the survey as one way to hear from residents about their concerns regarding South Bowie and to gather ideas as how best to mitigate these concerns. The EDC will use this feedback as they prepare recommendations for the revitalization of South Bowie.

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Bowiefest Recap

Summer Solstice Seminar

Sustainability Webinar Series Presents
SEASONAL SEMINARS
Seminar 2: Native Plants and Pollinators, Trees, and Yard Care
View at www.youtube.com/cityofbowiemd
Volunteer Mentor Opportunity

Bowie Youth & Family Services is accepting applications for the Bowie Teen Mentor Program for the 2023-2024 academic year. It is a school-based mentoring program that matches an adult mentor with a student in grades 8 to 12 for weekly in-person meetings. As a volunteer mentor, you will spend one hour a week building a positive relationship with a student during the school day. It’s a great opportunity to make a meaningful impact on a student’s life and your community. Your involvement has the potential to change the course of a teen’s school experience, how they view themselves, and how they interact with others. For information, contact Amanda Pumphrey at 301-809-3033 or mentor@cityofbowie.org.

Summer Safety for Pets

With things heating up in July, from the temperatures to the celebrations, Animal Control wants to remind pet owners that fireworks and extreme temperatures pose an increased danger to pets.

During days when there may be fireworks, such as July 4, you should not leave your dogs or cats outside unattended. Every year Animal Control sees the number of stray animals spike around the Independence Day holiday due to animals escaping their yards out of fear. Avoid bringing your pets to events where there will be fireworks. Your dog will appreciate being left at home away from the loud sounds.

If your pet often struggles with fireworks, even when inside, you can try a number of different things to help keep them calm. It’s best to create a calm and secure environment for your pets by providing them with a quiet area in your home, away from the fireworks. Using distraction techniques like Kong and puzzle toys, thunder shirts, and familiar objects, such as blankets, can also help alleviate anxiety in pets.

We would also like to remind residents that in the summer heat, the interior of a parked car can reach upwards of 116 degrees. This heat can be fatal to pets that have been left in the car, whether the windows are down or not. For this reason, it is illegal to leave your pets unattended in the car in the state of Maryland. If you think you will have to leave your pet in your car while running errands, please leave them at home instead.

With these tips in mind, hopefully you can help keep your pet safe and stress-free this summer.

Road Safety

Maryland’s Move Over Law requires motorists to either change lanes or slow down when approaching any stopped, standing, or parked vehicle that has its warning lights on. This law aims to protect emergency responders, law enforcement officers, and other workers who may be tending to an incident on the side of the road.

The City of Bowie provides services such as refuse removal, recycling, grounds maintenance, code enforcement, and animal control, among others. These services contribute to keeping the city clean, well-maintained, and livable for its residents. When you come across a slow-moving or stopped City of Bowie vehicle with flashing amber lights, try to move over to another lane, if possible. If changing lanes is not possible due
to traffic conditions, road design, or other constraints, then slowing down to a reasonable speed that is safe for the current weather, road, and pedestrian conditions is suggested.

By practicing these safety measures, you are helping to create a conducive environment for the city employees to perform their jobs effectively and safely. This collaborative effort between residents and city employees contributes to making Bowie a great place to live and work, ensuring the well-being of everyone involved.

Remember, always be attentive and cautious while driving, especially when passing by emergency vehicles, city vehicles, or any other vehicles displaying warning lights.

Farmers’ Market

The Bowie Farmers’ Market offers a wide variety of fresh, locally grown produce along with other products such as pastries, breads, micro greens, jams, candles, and rain barrels. The market is held every Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon, through October. It is in the parking lot of the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts, located at 15200 Annapolis Road, right next to the Bowie Library.

For more information about the market, contact Matt Corley at 301-809-3078 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org. Follow the Farmers’ Market on Facebook for updates: www.facebook.com/BowieFarmersMarket

City Election Information

The next City election will be on November 7, 2023. The offices of Mayor and six Councilmembers will be up for election. City of Bowie residents who are registered voters can file for elected office in the Office of the City Clerk. Call the City Clerk at 301-809-3029 in advance to verify filing eligibility requirements and to arrange a filing date and time. The last day to file for the office of Mayor, Council Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4 and for two At-Large seats is October 6, 2023.
July

July 2  
**Farmers’ Market**  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m., BCPA Parking Lot (next to Bowie Library)

**Sunday Sunset Concert - Smooth Gruv (R & B)**  
7 p.m., Allen Pond Park

July 3  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
8 p.m, Bowie City Hall

July 4  
**Independence Day Closure**  
City offices closed; no trash or recycling pickup

July 8  
**Bowie Ice Arena Reopens for Summer Skating**  
Bowie Ice Arena

**Midwood Lane Pond Wood Chip Workday**  
9 - 11 a.m., Stormwater pond on Midwood Lane

July 9  
**Farmers’ Market**  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m., BCPA Parking Lot (next to Bowie Library)

**Sunday Sunset Concert - Priceless Advice (90s Music)**  
7 p.m., Allen Pond Park

July 10  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
8 p.m, Bowie City Hall

July 12  
**Senior Program: Art of Bonsai**

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**Show**  
5:30 p.m, Bowie Senior Center

July 14  
**Kid’s Kaboose**  
10:30 a.m., Bowie Railroad Museum

July 15  
**“Bad Guys” Movie Night**  
8:30 p.m, Belair Mansion

July 16  
**Farmers’ Market**  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m., BCPA Parking Lot (next to Bowie Library)

July 17  
**Senior Program: AARP Driver Safety Course**  
10 a.m., Bowie Senior Center

July 19  
**SK8 in the Shade at Bowie Ice Arena**  
12 - 1:30 p.m., Bowie Ice Arena

**Sale of a Cello**  
8 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

July 21  
**Absence of a Cello**  
8 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

July 22  
**Absence of a Cello**  
8 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

July 23  
**Farmers’ Market**  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m., BCPA Parking Lot (next to Bowie Library)

July 24  
**Absence of a Cello**  
2 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

**Hall of Honor Dedication Ceremony**  
2 p.m., Bowie City Hall

**Sunday Sunset Concert - U.S. Air Force Max Impact (Classic Rock and R & B Music)**  
7 p.m., Allen Pond Park

July 26  
**Fairy Tale Fun**  
10 a.m., Belair Mansion

**SK8 in the Shade at Bowie Ice Arena**  
12 - 1:30 p.m., Bowie Ice Arena

July 28  
**Absence of a Cello**  
8 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

July 29  
**Genealogy Workshop**  
10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Kenhill Center

**Absence of a Cello**  
8 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

July 30  
**Farmers’ Market**  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m., BCPA Parking Lot (next to Bowie Library)

**Absence of a Cello**  
2 p.m., Bowie Playhouse

**Sunday Sunset Concert - Purple Flo (Jimi Hendrix Tribute Music)**  
7 p.m., Allen Pond Park

View our City calendar of events at [www.cityofbowie.org/calendar](http://www.cityofbowie.org/calendar).
Allen Pond Sunset Sunday Concerts

All concerts begin at 7 p.m.

July 2: Smooth Gruv - R&B Music
July 9: Priceless Advice - 90s Rock Music
July 16: Rise Band & Show - R&B Music
July 30: Purple Flo - Jimi Hendrix Tribute Music

If you are unable to attend in person, you can still view the concerts live on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. on Comcast Channel 71 and 996 or Verizon Channel 10. Concerts may be canceled due to inclement weather.

New! Prince George’s County Elderly Property Tax Credit

In 2022, the Prince George’s County Council approved a new tax credit for seniors. This new credit, which goes into effect July 1, 2023, will provide up to a 20% credit of the County property taxes, inclusive of any Homeowners and Homestead Tax Credit, for up to five years. To be eligible, you must:

• be age 65 or older, and
• own and reside at property for which credit is sought, for at least the previous 10 years, and
• the assessed value of the property does not exceed $500,000 at the time of application, and
• the application is made by October 1 of the fiscal year the credit is sought.

Go to the Elderly Property Tax Credit Application (https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/Document-Center/View/45501) to print an application. Allow four to six weeks for your application to be reviewed. More information is available at Elderly Property Tax Credit Application FAQs. According to Prince George’s County government, an online portal will be available soon to submit the application electronically. Check back for more information on Prince George’s County’s website.

Rebate Programs

The City of Bowie offers rebate programs for residents who:
install a security camera at their home, purchase electric or mulching mowers or other electric lawn equipment, and/or purchase a water filtering system for their home.

• Security Camera Rebate - $50 (administered by the Police Department).

• Lawn Equipment Rebate - Amounts vary based on equipment purchased. Electric mowers are a $50 rebate. An electric weed wacker, hedge trimmer, and leaf blower are a $25 rebate each. It’s a $150 rebate when you bundle all 4 together. (administered by the Finance Department).

• Water Filter System Rebate - Up to $1,800 may be available to assist Bowie water system customers experiencing sedimentation problems with water. Preauthorization is required (administered by Public Works).

Learn more at www.cityofbowie.org/rebates.
Ice Arena
3330 Northview Drive
301-809-3090
www.cityofbowie.org/icearena

Bowie ice Arena reopens July 8.

Monthly calendar is available online www.cityofbowie.org/icearena.

There are still a few spots open in summer skating camps and group lessons. Register in-person or over the phone 301-809-3090. The registration form is available online with additional details.

FREE ice skating on SK8 in the Shade days (skate rental is $2). No groups please. SK8 in the Shade sessions are scheduled from 12-1:30 p.m. on July 19 and 26 and August 9 and 16.

Two for Tuesday admission is back. Check the monthly calendar for the schedule of public sessions and enjoy Two for One admission on Tuesdays (skate rental is $3).

Call 301-809-3090 for more information.

Historic Properties
12207 Tulip Grove Drive
301-809-3089
www.cityofbowie.org/museums

Kid’s Kaboose
July 14 at 10:30 a.m.
Join us at the Bowie Railroad Museum for storytime and activities. Ages 5 - 10 with adults.

“Bad Guys” Movie Night at Belair Mansion
July 15 at 8:30 p.m.
A gang of animal criminals pretend to seek being rehabilitated, only for their leader to secretly find that he wants to change his ways. Bring your blanket or lawn chair and enjoy a night under the stars. Free. PG rating.

Fairy Tale Fun at Belair Mansion
July 26 at 10 a.m.
Make friends while you enjoy stories and make a fun craft. Snack included. Recommended for ages 3 - 8. Free.

250! Bowie Genealogy Workshop
July 29 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Participants will attend lectures and meet local genealogical and historical organizations. Advanced registration is required. $30 per person. Reception to follow at Belair Mansion.

Contact sproctor@cityofbowie or 301-809-3089 to register for these events or for more information.

Senior Center
14900 Health Center Drive
301-809-2300
www.cityofbowie.org/seniorcenter

Register for Senior Chorale through August 3. Fall semester begins August 10. Practices on Thursdays; 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Pre-registration: $40 residents/$45 nonresidents.

Wednesday Evening Learning & Special Programs: Extended Wednesday hours, July – August until 7:30 p.m. Check out amenities, enjoy classes, and programs. July programs: Show & Share, Bonsai Show (open to public), Film Trivia, Learn Bid Whist, Nature Walk, Brain Teasers, and Nature Art. Pre-registration suggested.

Artist Exhibit, ‘My Garden to Art’ – Annie Chelliah: Open to the public.

AARP Driver Safety Course: July 18 or August 11, 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Pre-register. $20 AARP members/$25 nonmembers; checks payable to AARP on day of.

Transportation Services: Monday – Friday by appointment. Curb service to Senior Center, medical appointments, and shopping in Bowie. $1 each way. Senior Center membership required. Contact the Transportation office for details.

Adults 55+: Contact us for Activities, Events, Classes, Information/Referrals, & Transportation services.
• Registration is now open for **basketball camp**. There is 1 session left: July 10 - 14. Register at: [www.cityofbowie.org/camps](http://www.cityofbowie.org/camps)
• **Walking** - Monday - Friday 9 - 10 a.m.
• **Pickleball** - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 10:15 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Gymnasium**
4100 Northview Drive
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As the summer starts to heat up, so are the plans for National Night Out 2023! Join your Bowie neighbors and public safety friends on Tuesday, **August 1**, at Allen Pond Park. We’ll be hosting National Night Out against Crime (NNO) for Bowie from 6 - 8 p.m. This nation-wide “block party” enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. It’s free fun for the whole family and a good night to get to know your neighbors! Enjoy music, food, games, displays, and more. For more information, please contact 240-544-5792 or [COPS@cityofbowie.org](mailto:COPS@cityofbowie.org).
Welcome
This play equipment is designed for children
2 to 5 years old