

THE UPDATE

THE LATEST IN UNIVERSITY PARK
OCTOBER 31, 2025

ESSENTIAL LINKS: AT A GLANCE

Where to find support:

- 📞 Contact Maryland 211:
 - Call or text 2-1-1
 - [211md.org](https://www.211md.org)
- 🥕 Maryland Market Money:
 - [marylandmarkets.org](https://www.marylandmarkets.org)
- 🍽️ [PGCPS Meals](#)
- 📄 [Apply for MD benefits:](#)
 - SNAP applications are still being processed but not funded during the furlough; TANF & WIC still available

A SIMPLE REMINDER

Even small acts of care ripple outward. If you're able, check in on a neighbor, share a meal, or offer a ride to the grocery store. And if you're in need, reach out.

Together, University Park will stay resilient.

SUPPORTING MARYLAND FAMILIES DURING THE FEDERAL SHUTDOWN

Governor Wes Moore has declared a State of Emergency and announced \$10 million in emergency funding to help Marylanders facing food insecurity during the ongoing federal government shutdown and the suspension of November SNAP benefits. Nearly 680,000 Maryland residents of all ages rely on SNAP to help put food on the table.

The Moore-Miller Administration is directing these emergency funds to food banks, schools, and community organizations across the state to ensure no one goes hungry. The Maryland Department of Human Services (DHS) will distribute support strategically to areas with the greatest need. Residents who receive state benefits are encouraged to keep their information up to date at [MarylandBenefits.gov](https://www.MarylandBenefits.gov).

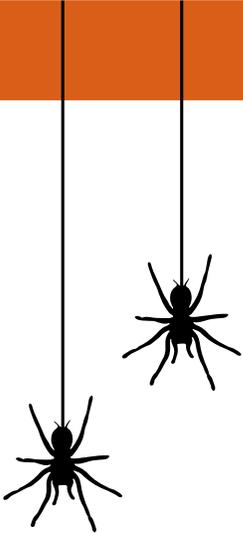
While federal food assistance is paused, Maryland will continue other key programs, including:

- Cash assistance (TCA and TDAP)
- WIC benefits
- Medical Assistance programs
- Maryland Market Money at participating farmers markets
- Bridge Benefit program for emergency food assistance

Locally, Prince George's County Public Schools will continue serving free and reduced-price meals (FARMS) throughout the school year. Families whose income has changed because of the shutdown or furloughs may apply or reapply at any time.

Residents in need of food resources are encouraged to visit [MD211](https://www.MD211.org). Older adults and residents with disabilities can call [Maryland Access Point](https://www.MarylandAccessPoint.org) (1-844-MAP-LINK), and veterans can find assistance through the [Maryland Department of Veterans and Military Families](https://www.MarylandDepartmentofVeteransandMilitaryFamilies.org).





TONIGHT: HALLOWEEN! 6:00-8:30 PM

The University Park Police Department reminds everyone to keep safety top of mind this Halloween!

Please walk safely, use sidewalks whenever possible, and cross carefully at crosswalks. Costumes should fit well, allow clear vision, and be easy to spot in the dark. Carry a flashlight or glow sticks to help others see you.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to supervise younger trick-or-treaters and keep children within sight. Before enjoying those hard-earned treats, inspect all candy and discard anything unwrapped or suspicious.

Drivers: Please always stop fully as indicated, and look both ways at crosswalks.

Have a safe & fun Halloween, University Park!

WSSC TO PRESENT SEWER MAIN REHABILITATION PLAN AT NOV. 3 COUNCIL MEETING

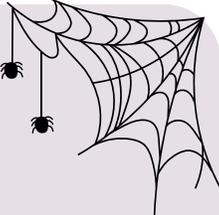
Representatives from WSSC will attend the UP Town Council's upcoming meeting (Monday, Nov 3rd @ 7:30pm) to present details of their Sewer Main Rehabilitation Project, part of a larger effort to modernize the region's aging infrastructure. This project will address critical sections of the Town's sewer system to improve reliability, reduce infiltration, and protect local waterways.

Earlier this month, WSSC hosted a public information session outlining the project's scope, timeline, and methods for minimizing disruptions to residents. The presentation includes detailed maps, planned work zones, and information on construction techniques that reduce environmental impact and street excavation.

Residents are encouraged to review the full presentation before the meeting - it's informative and provides a clear overview of what to expect as the project progresses:

 [University Park Sewer Main Rehabilitation Project Presentation](#)

HALLOWEEN: TOWN ROAD CLOSURES

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- College Heights & Wells Parkway
 - College Heights & Underwood St
 - Wells Parkway & Van Buren St
 - Wells Parkway & College Heights Dr
 - Wells Pwky:
Van Buren to Chansory
 - 44th Avenue:
Van Buren to Underwood
 - Clagett Rd:
Clagett Pineway to College Heights Dr
 - Woodberry:
College Heights Dr to Wells Pkwy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:



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Halloween

NOV 3

Town Council
Meeting - 7:30pm