



# LANCASTER TOWNSHIP News

2024 Newsletter

## Navigating Winter Roads: A Guide to Safe Driving in Challenging Conditions



By the Manheim Township Police Department

As winter sets in and temperatures drop, it's essential to adapt our driving habits to ensure safety on the road. Whether you're a seasoned driver or a newcomer to snowy conditions, these tips will help you navigate winter roads with confidence.

### 1. Plan Ahead:

- Check the weather forecast and assess road conditions before heading out.
- Allocate extra time for travel to compensate for slower driving in winter conditions.
- Avoid rushing or putting yourself in situations where you feel pressured to speed.

### 2. Driving Tips:

- Drive slowly on icy, wet, or snowy surfaces as it takes longer to slow down.
- Remain vigilant while driving, staying alert to changes in road conditions.
- Use caution when driving near snowplows, allowing them space to operate safely.

### 3. Vehicle Preparation:

- Stock your vehicle with winter emergency supplies, including a snow shovel, ice scraper, flashlight, jumper cables, warning devices, blankets, and essential items.
- Keep extra warm clothing in your car in case of a breakdown.
- Ensure your vehicle is equipped with a cell phone charger, water, and non-perishable food.

### 4. Breakdown Safety:

- If your vehicle breaks down, stay with it and use bright markers for visibility.
- Keep the interior dome light on, but avoid running the car for extended periods with windows up.
- Clear snow away from the exhaust pipe to prevent carbon monoxide hazards.

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## Lancaster Township Fire Department Fund Drive in Progress

Lancaster Township Fire Department recently mailed capital fund drive appeal letters to western Lancaster Township residents. Donations will assist with funding the new central fire station under construction along Millersville Pike across from the Manor Shopping Center.

When you call 911, any time day or night, the men and women of the Lancaster Township Fire Department drop everything to help you. **These volunteers answer about 500 emergency calls every year.** Lancaster Township is fortunate to be protected by one of Lancaster County's most robust fire companies.

Our 50 volunteers (including 30 active firefighters) spend 10,000–12,000 hours each year serving this community. They show up to help on what may be your worst day. **Now is your chance to help them with a donation to our 2023 Annual Fund Drive.**



Although Lancaster Township provides the department's basic operating funds, it takes **additional dollars to provide the best emergency services you deserve and to keep our firefighters safe, well equipped, and well trained.** Your donation helps us purchase valuable equipment beyond the scope of Township funding, and it provides support services for our firefighters. Donations will also help repay the low-interest federal loan that will help fund our future home (see below). **Gifts of any size are welcome.** They all make a difference.

**The new fire station is under construction across from the Manor Shopping Center at Charles Road.**

Consolidating our two aging fire stations into one modern firehouse places all our volunteers and trucks in one place, shortening response times and saving money. We have heavily invested in new personal protective gear, monitoring devices and modified our alarm responses to protect our valuable firefighters. Unlike some nearby municipalities, Lancaster Township can still rely on volunteer firefighters. The volunteers devote 6 to 60 hours a month responding to and training for emergency calls.

In the meantime, house fires, car crashes, and severe storms continue to happen 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. When they do, our volunteers will be there to assist you or your loved ones. **Please help us help you with a**

**tax-deductible donation to our 2023 Annual Fund Drive.**

**Make your gift securely online at [www.ltfd.org](http://www.ltfd.org)!**



# PUBLIC WORKS

## Winter is coming. Are you receiving snow emergency alerts?

Lancaster Township is making a concerted effort to increase digital communications with residents in this way so that we can help reduce the time it takes for you to be alerted to emergencies and increase the amount of time you have to prepare. Scan the QR code to sign up for email alerts.

In addition to receiving email alerts regarding snow emergencies, we will also send you a digital copy of our seasonal newsletters to make sure you get information regarding the seasonal operational changes the Township makes. For example, the expansion of woody waste facility hours in the Spring, or the start of leaf collection in the Fall.

## Christmas Tree Drop Off:

You can drop Christmas Trees off at our designated location outside the woody waste gate from December 26th to January 13th; on January 13th, 2024, we have our one-day roadside pickup.

Rules for drop-off:

- Daylight hours only
- Township Residents only
- REAL Trees only with all decorations removed and without a tree bag
- No artificial trees or yard waste



## Winter Woody Waste Hours:

Starting November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Lancaster Township Woody Waste facility (located behind Maple Grove Park at 1420 Columbia Ave) is only open on Wednesdays from 11AM to 3PM, **if weather permits operations**, and the following Saturdays from 8AM to 1PM:

- December 9<sup>th</sup>
- December 30<sup>th</sup>
- January 13<sup>th</sup>
- January 27<sup>th</sup>
- February 10<sup>th</sup>
- March 16<sup>th</sup>

## Plowing in a Winter Wonderland

Dear Residents,

Hope this message finds you warm and cozy despite the chilly weather! Winter can be a bit of a challenge, mainly because of our fluffy friend, snow. We know it can be a hassle dealing with the white stuff, and we truly appreciate everyone who understands the effort our crews put in to keep things running smoothly.

We have a few reminders to ensure we all navigate the winter wonderland with ease:

- **Per §231-34 of the Township Code, you have 48 hours after a storm ends to clean and treat your sidewalks**
- **No parking on sidewalks or crosswalks**
- **Avoid “nose-in” parking, as tempting as it can be sometimes**
- **Opt for off-street parking when it’s safely accessible**
- **Let’s not save spots – street parking is for everyone! Saving spots can slow down operations to clear out parking lanes**
- **Please clear off any fire hydrants in your area**
- **And most crucially, resist the temptation to toss snow into the street. It’s a bit like**



**taking one step forward and two steps back for our plows.**

We get it, winter can be a bit trying, but with your help, we can make sure our crews keep things moving smoothly for the motoring public. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Truly yours,  
The Lancaster Township Public Works Team

# 2024 Special Curbside Collection Information

**Real Christmas Trees** – collection is Saturday January 13, 2024 – no \$4 red tag needed.

If you miss this free collection, a \$4 red tag will have to be attached to the tree for curbside collection.

**Yard Waste Collection** – will begin the week of April 8th and continue every other week with the final week being the week of October 7th – collection weeks are as follows:

- \*April - Week of April 8th & April 22nd
- \*May – Week of May 6<sup>th</sup> & May 20th
- \*June – Week of June 3rd & June 17th
- \*July – Week of July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup> & July 29th
- \*August – Week of August 12<sup>th</sup> & August 26th
- \*September – Week of September 9<sup>th</sup> & September 23rd
- \*October – Week of October 7th (Final week)

## Large Appliance and Tire Collection

– will take place in the spring and fall. Tags can be purchased at the office - \$12 blue tag for appliances such as Dishwashers, dehumidifiers, etc. \$2 purple tags for tires. No commercial or oversized tires. Rims should be removed All should be placed at the curb the night before– collection dates are as follows:



- \*Spring – Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>
- \*Fall – Friday November 8<sup>th</sup>

**Holidays** – The hauler observes the following holidays which may lead to a day delay in your collection – those days are as follows:

- \*New Years Day - Monday Jan 1<sup>st</sup> – one day delay in trash collection this week
- \*Memorial Day – Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> – one day delay in trash collection this week
- \*Independence Day – Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> – one day delay Thursday collection only
- \*Labor Day – Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> – One day delay in trash collection this week
- \*Thanksgiving Day – Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup> – One day delay Thursday collection only
- \*Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> – One day Delay Wednesday and Thursday collection only

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# 2024 Special (Refuse) Collection Dates

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	STARTING	ENDING	HAULER HOLIDAYS FOR 2024	
<b>REAL CHRISTMAS TREES</b>	Sat. January 13	One Day Collection Only	MONDAY, JANUARY 1, NO COLLECTION	ONE DAY DELAY FOR THE WEEK
<b>CURBSIDE YARD WASTE</b> <small>Collected every other week on your regular collection day</small>	Starts Week of April 8	Ends Week of October 7	MONDAY, MAY 27 - NO COLLECTION	PICK UP JULY 5
<b>LARGE APPLIANCES &amp; TIRES</b> <small>(Spring Collection)</small>	Friday, May 17	One Day Collection Only	THURSDAY, JULY 4 - NO COLLECTION	ONE DAY DELAY FOR THE WEEK
<b>LARGE APPLIANCES &amp; TIRES</b> <small>(Fall Collection)</small>	Friday, November 8	One Day Collection Only	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 - NO COLLECTION	PICK UP NOV. 29
			THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - NO COLLECTION	ONE DAY DELAY FOR THE WEEK
			WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 - NO COLLECTION	PICK UP NOV. 29

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## Trash Disposal

- \*3-32-gallon cans/bags of trash is the limit each week (96 gallons total)
- \*Place all at the curb the evening before
- \*Yellow tags can be purchased for additional bags of trash \$1.25 each
- \*Red tags can be purchased for oversized items or bags weighing more than 30lbs. \$4.00 each
- \*No Construction demolition. It can be taken to Lancaster County Solid Waste at 1299 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, Pa.

## Recycling Disposal

Only the "BIG 4" items belong in your recycling container – they are as follows:

**Corrugated Cardboard** - This includes material consisting of a fluted corrugated sheet, like shipping and packing boxes. Flatten all boxes and remove packaging. Do NOT put paperboard (cereal boxes, tissue boxes, shoe boxes), pizza boxes, newsprint, or junk mail in the recycling bin. In case of rain, snow, ice, or high winds, keep corrugated cardboard inside until the following week.



**Plastic Bottles and Jugs** - This includes plastic bottles, jars, jugs, and anything else with a neck. Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. All other plastic material is considered trash. Ignore the numbers imprinted on the plastic as they do not indicate if something is recyclable. Do NOT put plastic bags, toys, buckets, packaging, Styrofoam, hosing, furniture, or other plastic items in the bin.

**Metal Food and Beverage Cans** - This includes all food and beverage cans made from aluminum or steel. Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. Do NOT put metal hangers, cooking pots and pans or other scrap metal like foil and pie plates in the bin.

**Glass Jars and Bottles** - This includes clear, green, and brown glass bottles and jars. Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. Do NOT put light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or automotive glass, vases, or any other glass material in the bin.

Do not put anything other than the "BIG 4" in your recycling bin. "When in doubt, throw it out!"

LCSWMA will transform discarded waste into renewable energy.

Illegal dumping of any regulated material is a punishable offense. Lancaster Township will enforce all regulations and impose penalties on violators.

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# Lancaster Township

## 2024 Street Sweeping / Leaf Collection - Signed Streets

**Starting in April**, on signed streets, street sweeping, and leaf collection takes place the **first and third Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** of each month. If your street has a posted sign that lists certain days/hours of No Parking, then it is a “signed” street.

Police will enforce prohibited parking. **No warning notices will be issued!** To avoid receiving a ticket, abide by the schedule as it appears on the posted street sign. Parking restrictions will remain in force thru January 23, 2025, to allow for a final street sweeping (weather permitting).

**ALL weather, equipment, and volume of leaves can affect both street sweeping and leaf collection at any time. ABSOLUTELY NO** grass clippings, tree branches, or yard waste are to be placed on the street for the street sweeping/leaf collection process. This will clog and/or break the equipment resulting in delays to the collection schedule for the entire township. Grass, branches, or yard waste found on the street or mixed in with leaves will be left for the resident to clean up and dispose of.

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SEPTEMBER 2024 NO SWEEPING SEPTEMBER 2							OCTOBER 2024 LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS OCTOBER 15 – SIGNED STREETS							NOVEMBER 2024							DECEMBER 2024 SEE FINAL DATE INFO BELOW*							JANUARY 2025 NO SWEEPING JANUARY 1 & 20						
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Parking restrictions remain in force thru January 23, 2025

\*The **FINAL DATES** in December in your area that leaves may be raked to the curb for leaf collection on parking-restricted signed streets will be posted on the township website and listed in the September newsletter. Any leaves raked out to the curb after the December posted dates will not be picked up and will be the responsibility of the resident to remove them.

### 2024 - Lancaster Township Municipal Meeting Calendar

MONTH	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	PLANNING COMMISSION		ZONING HEARING BOARD		HISTORICAL COMMISSION
	2nd Monday of the month, except in January	3rd Tuesday of the month		4th Tuesday of the month <small>*Note changes due to holiday observance and primary election day.</small>		
	Meeting - 6:00PM	Application Deadline	Meeting 7:00PM	Application Deadline	Meeting 7:00PM	Meeting - 6:30PM
January	Tuesday, 1/02/2024 Reorganization/Regular Meeting	12/20/2023	1/16/2024	12/27/2023	1/23/2024	x
February	**2/12/2024	1/16/2024	2/20/2024	1/23/2024	2/27/2024	2/5/2024
March	3/11/2024	2/20/2024	3/19/2024	2/27/2024	3/26/2024	x
April	4/08/2024	3/19/2024	4/16/2024	3/26/2024	*4/24/2024	4/1/2024
May	5/13/2024	4/16/2024	5/21/2024	4/24/2024	5/28/2024	x
June	6/10/2024	5/21/2024	6/18/2024	5/28/2024	6/25/2024	6/3/2024
July	7/08/2024	6/18/2024	7/16/2024	6/25/2024	7/23/2024	x
August	8/12/2024	7/16/2024	8/20/2024	7/23/2024	8/27/2024	8/5/2024
September	9/09/2024	8/20/2024	9/17/2024	8/27/2024	9/24/2024	x
October	10/14/2024	9/17/2024	10/15/2024	9/24/2024	10/22/2024	10/7/2024
November	11/11/2024	10/15/2024	11/19/2024	10/22/2024	11/26/2024	x
December	12/09/2024	11/19/2024	12/17/2024	11/26/2024	*12/26/2024	12/2/2024
2025 - Monday January 6	Reorganization/Regular Meeting	12/17/2024	1/21/2025	12/26/2024	1/28/2025	x

### 2024 Township Office Closings:

- January 1 (Monday) New Year's Day
- January 15 (Monday) Martin Luther King Day
- February 19 (Monday) President's Day
- March 29 (Friday) Good Friday
- May 27 (Monday) Memorial Day
- July 4 (Thursday) Independence Day
- Sept. 2 (Monday) Labor Day
- Nov. 28 & 29 (Thursday & Friday) Thanksgiving
- Dec. 24 & 25 (Tuesday & Wednesday) Christmas Eve/Christmas Day
- 2025 – January 1 (Wednesday) New Year's Day

Board of Auditors Annual Meeting—Wednesday, January 3, 2024, 5:30PM. Building Code Board of Appeals meetings are held as needed and advertised. All meeting information (including agendas & minutes) is posted on the township website - <https://www.twp.lancaster.pa.us>

Meetings are held at the township building—1240 Maple Avenue—unless advertised otherwise. Meeting entrance is through the Perry Avenue door. Changes to meeting location, date, or time will be posted on: 1) the township website, 2) Nextdoor.com, 3) Facebook - @LancTwpMunicipality, and 4) through township email blast. **\*\* Meeting will be held at Thaddeus Stevens College, Griscom Educational Center, Room 46, 1100 E. Orange St.**

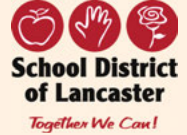
Board of Supervisors will close all meetings, as needed, to conduct executive sessions in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

Notice is hereby given that disabled persons will be accommodated at all public meetings held by Lancaster Township. The township must be made aware no less than five (5) business days prior to the meeting by calling (717) 291-1213.

is an intermunicipal partnership between  
**Lancaster Township, Lancaster City, and the School District of Lancaster.**

**Discover the Joy of Volunteering with Lancaster REC!**

Are you looking for meaningful ways to give back to your community?  
Consider donating your time with Lancaster REC and experience the incredible  
benefits of making a positive impact in the lives of others.



**Beyond Giving: What Volunteering Can Do for You**

- **Community Connection:** Meet new people and build lasting connections within our vibrant community.
- **Happiness and Confidence:** Experience the joy that comes from helping others and gain confidence in your abilities.
- **Quality Recreation for All:** Your volunteer efforts contribute to stretching our funds further, allowing us to provide quality and affordable recreation and learning programs for all ages.

**Diverse Volunteer Opportunities**

Lancaster REC offers a variety of volunteer opportunities, catering to different interests and skills. Whether you're passionate about coaching youth sports, assisting at senior centers, contributing to family special events, leading classes, or providing entertainment, there's a role for you.

- **Adult Volunteers:** Coach youth sports, assist at senior centers, support family special events, lead classes, and provide entertainment.
- **Teen Volunteers:** Become summer camp counselors-in-training or junior playground leaders.

**How to Get Involved**

Getting started as a volunteer with Lancaster REC is easy!

1. Visit <https://www.lancasterrec.org/support/volunteer/> to complete our Volunteer Application.
2. Complete the Background Check form. Don't worry; Lancaster REC covers any costs associated with clearance processing.
3. Email the completed form to [info@LancasterRec.org](mailto:info@LancasterRec.org) or fax it to 717-392-8489.

Training is provided for youth sports coaches, counselors-in-training, and junior playground leaders, ensuring that you feel confident and prepared in your role.

**Make a difference in your community while discovering the personal rewards of volunteering. Join us at Lancaster REC and be part of something truly special!**

**A Brief History of Gable's Woods Park**

Long before it was the neighborhood where many families reside today, Gable's Woods was a park initially developed for the trolley company that ran along Millersville Pike from 1875 to the mid-1930s. Intended to increase ridership on the trolley, a large pavilion and other structures were built to accommodate large picnic groups.



*Hotel along Wabank Road, circa 1908*



*"Turner's May Walk" May 22, 1910.  
Photo courtesy of LancasterHistory*

Gable's Woods Park also afforded access to the Conestoga for boating, swimming, fishing, and waterside strolls.



*Diffenderfer family photo album.  
Photo courtesy of LancasterHistory*

In the late 1980s and 1990s, the landscape was changed dramatically as hundreds of homes were built in a dramatic "cluster housing" development. The original farmhouse was preserved for use as an information center and sales office until it was also sold as a dwelling.



*Date of photo is likely 1940-1958.  
Photo courtesy of Laura Knarr*

Even into the 1940s, much of the area of Gable's Woods remained unchanged except by the forces of time. Then, the quarrying operation began just to the west and on the other side of Wabank Road.



## Township Directory:

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## 5. General Vehicle Maintenance:

- Wear your seatbelt, and ensure all passengers do the same.
- Review directions to your destination before leaving, even if you have a GPS.
- Check and replenish winter windshield wiper fluid regularly.



## 6. Tire and Vehicle Checks:

- Monitor tire pressure monthly, as cold temperatures can cause pressure to drop.
- Replace worn windshield wiper blades and check defrosters for optimal performance.
- Install snow tires before the first snowfall for enhanced traction.

## 7. Battery and Lights:

- Minimize battery drain in electric and hybrid-electric vehicles by plugging them in when not in use.
- Have your vehicle tuned-up, ensuring the battery, charging system, and belts are in good condition.
- Verify that all lights, including headlights, brake lights, turn signals, and interior lights, are functional.

As winter unfolds, these tips will help you prepare and navigate challenging driving conditions. Stay safe on the roads and enjoy a secure journey to your destination. For more winter driving tips, visit [NHTSA.GOV](https://www.nhtsa.gov).

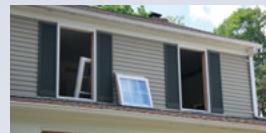
**Drive safely!**

## PROPERTY RE-INVESTMENT PROGRAM 2024

### Save money on needed home repairs!

Lancaster Township has created a limited fund to help and encourage property owners to achieve a higher standard of safety and quality of life for themselves and their tenants. The program is only for properties in Lancaster Township.

The program allows for Lancaster Township to provide 50% matching funds up to \$2,500 per property for life safety, or quality of life upgrades such as heating and cooling, window replacement, electrical and plumbing upgrades, insulation, mold remediation, etc.



### Examples:

- A \$2,000 plumbing project could receive a \$1,000 match from the Township
- A \$5,000 heating and cooling project could receive a \$2,500 match from the Township
- A \$7,000 project of both the prior examples would be capped at a \$2,500 match

### Program Requirements:

- Open to all properties in Lancaster Township, but priority will be given to addresses located in areas designated as low to moderate income by the Small Business Administration's Targeted EID map.
- Inspections will take place prior to and post project to ensure quality and completion.
- We encourage residents to apply as soon as possible and prefer to receive all applications no later than November 30th, 2024.
- Zoning, Building, and Stormwater permits may be required as part of the projects and are separate from this program.
- If applicable, property owners of successful applications who complete the project and receive Township funds agree not to raise tenant rent for a period of twelve months.