

City Government Working For You!



2010: The Year of the Job!

Whether it is at the Rising Star Breakfast, a One City One Plan (POCD 2020) listening session, or a

community gathering, you'll hear the question, "Where are the jobs?"

Mayor Eddie A. Perez says, "Jobs are Job One. The economy is showing signs of recovery and Hartford needs to be ready. The areas of education and health services are growing. So is "Green" technology. That's why we must educate and train our workforce so that Hartford is more competitive in this global economy."

What Hartford is doing now to spur job growth?

Arts Stimulus: One million in city funds is being invested to create and retain about 350 employment opportunities. Phase 2 of this program is underway, utilizing about \$500,000 in federal funds for our smallest of Hartford-based Arts organizations.

School Construction and Renovation: More than 1200 jobs for Hartford residents have been created since this program began and we want to build upon this success as we create more positive learning environments for our leaders of tomorrow.

Public Safety Complex: Thanks to \$800,000 in new federal funding, this cornerstone of Hartford's economic development progresses, creating as many as 800 jobs.

No Freeze Shelter: Hartford Cares

Mayor Perez says, "Thanks to diligent teamwork, we have opened a new site for Hartford's No Freeze Overflow Shelter on Lafayette Street. I look forward to continuing the dialogue as we address the broader issue of eliminating chronic homelessness in the region."



What to do when it snows....



School Snow Hotline: (860) 695-SNOW (7669)



Parking Bans: Emailed to the media and community organizations, posted on Community Calendar on Hartford Public Access Television Channels 5, 95, and 96 and posted on www.hartford.gov with parking ban icon on the website header changed to orange



DPW plows the streets, property owners are responsible for shoveling their sidewalks, including curb cutouts.

\$\$\$\$\$: The Budget Process Has Begun!



Mayor Perez and COO David Panagore present an overview of budget process to City Council. (See **posting in news scroll on www.hartford.gov.**)

Mayor Perez says, "We must work together to establish priorities as our country is still in the midst of the biggest financial crisis since the Great Depression. This consensus budget must put the people of Hartford first. It is important to start this process now because it will be a long and challenging journey."

Budget Dates to Remember:

April 19th: Budget due to Council
May 21st: Budget due back to Mayor
May 31st: Final Adoption (Per to City Charter)



Did you get your H1N1 (Swine Flu) Shot Yet? Here's your chance:
January 5:
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
City Hall Atrium
(City employees encouraged to fill out form prior to vaccination)

January 12:

3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Parker Memorial Community Center
2621 Main Street

January 13:

3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Pope Park Community Center
30 Pope Park Drive

January 19:

3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Metzner Center
680 Franklin Avenue



Hartford 375: Let the Celebration Begin!

Watch for events throughout the year to help one of America's oldest cities celebrate this milestone in our history and look forward to our promising future!



Got Questions? Need Info?

Call 311 (or 860-757-9311)

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Don't Forget:

Pick up your Discount Prescription Drug Card! It can save you and your family an average of 20% on prescriptions not covered by insurance plans! And if you don't have insurance, it can save you a bundle! You can use it at 59,000 pharmacies nationwide!



Remembering a Son of Hartford

On December 4, 2009, Michael J. Fallon, the Chief of State Capitol Police and a former Assistant Chief with the Hartford Police Department, passed away after a battle with cancer. He was 47-years-old. He proudly served and protected Hartford residents for 23 years, co-authoring the City's Neighborhood Policing Plan with Chief Roberts.

Volunteers Wanted! Volunteers Needed!

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)/Asset Building Campaign is asking City employees with skills in the financial field to consider assisting low and moderate income working families gain the knowledge to increase their income, earnings, and assets. **For more information:** www.habc.volunteerhub.com.



4 Hartford Schools Named America's Best by U. S. News and World Report! Congratulations to: Sport and Medical Sciences, Capital Preparatory Magnet School, Pathways to Technology Magnet High School, and University High School of Science and Engineering!

U.S. Census Hartford Road Tour: Stand Up & Be Counted!



January 6 - Pope Park Recreation Center, Hartford (11:00am to 1:00 pm) – Event: 3 Kings Day Parade

January 30 - CT Science Center, Hartford - Event: Hartford Schools Ticket Giveaway (time TBD)

More dates to come!