

Newsletter

CITY OF BEAVERTON & Community News

UPCOMING DATES

MAY 6

10:00 PARKS & REC MEETING

MAY 11

5:15 DDA MEETING

6:00 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

7:00

BEAVERTON TWP. & TOBACCO TWP. MEETING

MAY 13

12:00 BABA MEETING @ BAC

MAY 18

6:00 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 21

7:00 BEAVERTON HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

MAY 23

RIVER RACE BETWEEN TWO CITIES

MAY 25

MEMORIAL DAY- CITY HALL CLOSED

8:00 BAFD PANCAKE BREAKFAST

PARADE 1:00

Community Flower Planting

Community Flower Planting Day is set for Saturday, May 30th, with volunteers meeting at 8:00 a.m. at Huntington Bank. Each year, flowers are generously purchased by the Downtown Development Authority and planted by community members who come together to help beautify our town.

This annual tradition is a great opportunity to connect with neighbors, give back, and take pride in our shared spaces. Many hands make light work, and we hope you'll join us—and enjoy the beauty of what you helped plant all summer long.

Community Flower Planting

MAY 30TH 2026 8:00 AM

Start Here

Huntington Parking Lot

Beaverton Flower Planting Day – Volunteers Needed!

Let's come together to make Downtown Beaverton bloom! We're looking for volunteers to help plant flowers and bring color and life to our community spaces. Many hands make light work, and your help will go a long way in making our city shine. Meet us at the Huntington Bank parking lot at 8:00 AM

Bring your gloves, a smile, and a little community spirit!

Let's dig in and make Beaverton beautiful—together!

“Beaverton, a lasting impression”

A note from the Mayor

First, I would like to sincerely thank everyone who has shared their thoughts, prayers, and well wishes as I recover from heart surgery. Your kindness and support truly mean a great deal—thank you.

May is a beautiful time of year in Beaverton, and we're excited to open our parks and campground for the season. We're also pleased to see the Trail of Two Cities and Park Pavilion projects wrapping up just in time for everyone to enjoy this summer.

Congratulations to our newest graduates of Beaverton High School. You've made your community proud, and we wish you success in your journey.

If you're able, please consider joining us for Community Flower Planting Day. We look forward to coming together to add even more beauty to our already wonderful town.

Lastly, as Memorial Day approaches, please take a moment to reflect on its true meaning. Spend time with those you love while honoring the sacrifices that make those moments possible. We encourage you to include the parade and the memorial at the Ross Lake Park monument in your plans for the day.



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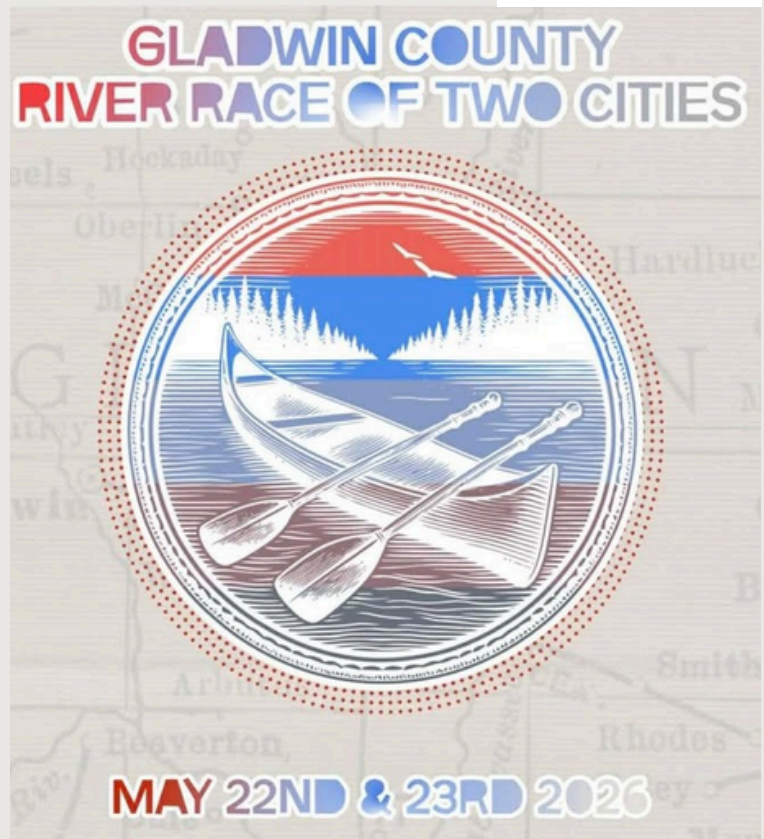
2026 River Race of Two Cities

Registration is now OPEN for the 2026 River Race of Two Cities!!

Registration closes May 9, 2026 at 11:59pm.

Participants will receive a t-shirt commemorating this year's race in their chosen size during sign-up!

If you have any questions about the race or how you can get involved in other ways (sponsoring, volunteering, vendor) please email marah.ranke@macd.org.



BABA Announces 4th of July Theme

The Beaverton Area Business Association has announced the theme for its 92nd Fourth of July celebration: “Let Freedom Ring: 250 Years of Celebration,” honoring the upcoming 250th anniversary of the United States.

Organizers are currently finalizing the full schedule of events and encourage the community to follow their Facebook page for the latest updates and announcements.

This year will also feature the largest fireworks display in the event’s history, made possible through the generous support of local businesses and community members.

Those interested in sponsoring the Fourth of July celebration are encouraged to contact info@beavertononline.com for more information.



Beaverton High School-National Honor Society

SHOE DRIVE

**Keep Shoes Out of Landfills!
Help Those In Need!**

SHOES ACCEPTED IN ANY CONDITION
ATHLETIC SHOES
CASUAL/LIFESTYLE
RUBBER CLEATS
HIKING BOOTS

BHS-NHS is partnering with GotSneakers.com to collect shoes to be recycled or given new life. Wearable shoes will earn NHS money to be used to fund the closet in the School Wellness Center

Collection boxes will be set up at the Beaverton Jr/Sr High School, all home Jr/Sr Track meets, and at the Beaverton Activity Center

For more information:
Contact Riley Sprague
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NOT ACCEPTED
DRESS SHOES
CROCS
WORK BOOTS
FLIP FLOPS
SINGLES

CAMPAIGN RUNS APR 6 - MAY 8 2026

gotsneakers?
A Sneaker Recycling Organization

Community Project Information

The City of Beaverton is hard at work on a variety of exciting projects, and we’re keeping the community informed every step of the way.

Project updates are posted as available on our website—so whether you’re curious about what’s in progress or just want to see the awesome improvements happening around town, visit:

beavertonmi.org/about-city/current-city-projects

City Administration Testifies for Water Improvements

On Wednesday, April 15, 2026, City Manager Shannon Sirpilla and Matthew Lang presented testimony at the Capitol, advocating for critical water infrastructure funding to help close the gap in ongoing municipal water projects for the City of Beaverton.

State Representative Bill G. Schuette has supported this initiative, and City leaders extend their appreciation for his continued assistance in advancing the interests of the City of Beaverton and its residents.



Trail of Two Cities: Final Pouring

The final sections of the Trail of Two Cities have been poured, and the results look fantastic. Wilcox Contracting and its subcontractors have worked diligently to deliver a high-quality finished product the community can be proud of.

An added benefit of the project was the discovery and repair of several underlying drainage issues during construction, which should lead to improved long-term drainage in the area.

We look forward to celebrating the completion of this project with a ribbon cutting in the near future.



May 8th 7:30am to 9am
Rep Schuette and Rep Hoadley
Beaverton Community
Center 142 Saginaw St.

\$15 at the door, coffee sponsored
by Crave Coffee house



Ross Lake and Tonkin Projects Take Big Step Forward

Both the Ross Lake and Tonkin Street infrastructure projects have reached an important milestone. The required environmental assessments have now been completed, allowing both projects to move forward into the final design and engineering phase.

The City and project Engineer's are currently planning a public event in June to provide updates on the project designs and anticipated construction timelines. We're excited to see these projects advance to the next stage, with construction expected to begin in the near future.

Fire Chief Report

The department invites the community to our 4th Annual Pancake Breakfast at the fire station on May 25th from 8:00–11:00 a.m. Join us for a great morning and be sure to find your favorite firefighter to purchase a raffle ticket for a chance at some fantastic prizes.

Thank you for your continued support of this important fundraising effort!

BEAVERTON AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

4TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

Spring Raffle Drawing @ 10 AM!
 -See any BAFD Firefighter to purchase tickets before or at event.

****Breakfast & Drawing Location:**
 Beaverton Fire Department
 4278 M-18 Beaverton MI
Monday May 25th
8AM – 11AM
\$9 All You Can Eat
7 & Under Eat Free

Beaverton Lions Club/Beaverton Fire Dept. Spring RAFFLE
 Monday, May 29, 2023 10am-11 am
 Beaverton Fire Dept. 4278 M-18, Beaverton
 1st Prize: Traeger Pro 34 Pellet Grill
 2nd Prize: Whole Butchered Hog from Elvins Market
 3rd Prize: \$100 Lamberts Market Gift Cert
 4th Prize: Grill Utensil Package
 Tickets \$2/ea
 NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

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Beaverton Receives Community Foundation Grant

The City of Beaverton is proud to announce that it has officially received a \$10,000 grant from the Gladwin County Community Foundation to fund the purchase of a portable outdoor ice rink. This initiative, spearheaded by Chief Brad Davis, marks a significant investment in the year-round health and wellness of residents throughout all of Gladwin County.

The new ice rink will be a winter-season centerpiece in the Violence Prevention Structure, currently under construction in Ross Lake Park. This project is designed to provide a safe, structured, and accessible environment for sheltered outdoor physical activity and social engagement during the winter months, when outdoor recreational opportunities in the region are typically limited.

"This rink is more than just a local project; it is a community asset designed to bring Gladwin County residents together," said Shannon M. Sirpilla, Beaverton City Manager. "By providing a central location for winter exercise and connection, we are promoting the health and well-being of our entire county-wide community."

Enhancing Ross Lake Park as a year-round hub for community-building events that attract visitors and residents from across the region. The City of Beaverton is committed to the project's long-term success, with Beaverton City staff providing the ongoing maintenance and upkeep required to keep the rink operational for years to come.

For this, the City of Beaverton Residents, Council, and Staff extend their sincere gratitude!

Gladwin County Community Foundation (GCCF) is an affiliate of the Midland Area Community Foundation, which provides administrative and staffing support. Since its founding, it has become a central hub for philanthropy in the region, focusing on long-term community transformation.

The foundation's primary mission is to cultivate the power of giving to ensure all residents of Gladwin County thrive. They address community needs through a "Receive, Grow, Give" model—accepting gifts, growing them in endowed funds, and giving back through quarterly grants.



GLADWIN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



Reminder: New Meters on the Way

In April 2026, the City of Beaverton launched a citywide water meter replacement project as part of a larger \$10.3 million water system upgrade. This work is funded through a Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) grant awarded in 2024 and includes a new water tower, updated mains and service lines, and modernized water meters.

Important: If a water meter replacement cannot be completed due to lack of access or non-cooperation, water service may be temporarily disconnected until the replacement is finished. Please be assured that every effort will be made to avoid this situation.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and partnership as we continue investing in Beaverton's infrastructure and future.



Hydro Dam Challenges

April 21st was a shining example of what can be accomplished when our community comes together to tackle a challenge. We are deeply grateful for the swift response from the Beaverton Fire Department, Gladwin County Emergency Management, the Delisle Excavating team, and our outstanding DPW staff. Their coordinated efforts ensured not only their own safety, but also the safety of our dam and the well-being of our community.

While we take pride in our expertise managing our waterways, this situation was a powerful reminder of the importance of collaboration and quick thinking. A large submerged tree had become lodged in one of the dam gates, but thanks to the tireless work of these teams, the obstruction was successfully pulled back and the gate is now closed. Removal of the debris from the water will be scheduled for a later date.



THANKS
FOR READING