



# News Release

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## City of Durham to Observe Independence Day

DURHAM, N.C. – The City of Durham will observe the upcoming Independence Day holiday on Friday, July 3, meaning many employees who are now teleworking due to COVID-19 will be unavailable on that day.

Police, fire, and rescue services for life-threatening or in-progress emergencies may be reached by calling 911. Non-emergency problems or concerns may be directed to (919) 560-4600.

The [Solid Waste Management Department](#) will collect curbside yard waste carts for Tuesday/Wednesday customers on July 3. The Waste Disposal and Recycling Center, located at 2115 E. Club Blvd., will also be open during normal business hours on July 3. However, the Center will be closed on Saturday, July 4. Curbside garbage and recycling collections, which normally take place Mondays through Thursdays, will occur as scheduled June 29 through July 2 and will not be impacted by this holiday observance.

[City lakes](#) will be open for the July 4 weekend with limited operations and capacities in order to meet state and local social distancing requirements. A lottery system will be in place to access permits at each lake. [City parks](#) will be open as well. The [City of Durham Independence Day Celebration](#) has been canceled due to COVID-19. The Eno River Association has also canceled its 2020 iteration of the Festival for the Eno at West Point on the Eno. In the place of the popular event, a new celebration named "[OneEno – EnoFest 2020](#)" has been announced.

[Durham One Call](#) will also be closed on July 3. Residents may submit a service request using the free Durham One Call smartphone app available in the [Apple](#) and [Google Play](#) stores, complete and submit an [online service request](#), or leave a message at (919) 560-1200. Durham One Call will forward all requests for City services to the appropriate department on the next business day.

[Water main break](#) and [sewer overflow](#) calls for service placed after-hours, weekends or on City-recognized holidays should be directed to the department's after-hours emergency phone number at (919) 560-4344, which will dispatch on-call crews.

Many City staff working in non-public safety departments will resume teleworking on Monday, July 6. As a reminder, all City facilities, playgrounds, etc. remain closed to the public due to COVID-19.

For COVID-19 updates on City operations, programs, and services, visit <https://durhamnc.gov/covid19> and follow the City's [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [Nextdoor](#), and [YouTube](#) pages.

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