

# THIS WEEK IN BLOOMFIELD

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**Hello Brian,**

**Happy New Year, Bloomfield!** As we welcome this fresh chapter, let's embrace the spirit of hope and excitement for all the new changes and opportunities around town. Together, we can make this year one of growth, positivity, and community connection. Here's to a wonderful year ahead for everyone.

**From all of us at the Town of Bloomfield, stay warm!**

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*Don't Forget to Reduce,  
Reuse, and Recycle.*

# 2025 TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE



[Route Map](#)

[Bulk Collection](#)

[Recycling Calendar](#)

[Recycle Street List](#)

[Medication Disposal](#)

*Click the links directly above for detailed trash pickup information, schedules, calenders, and more!*

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# DMV Community Event

@ Alvin & Beatrice Wood Human Services Center

**Tuesday, January 28**

**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**Alvin & Beatrice Wood Human Services Center  
330 Park Ave, Bloomfield, CT 06002**

***Open To The Public***

**Snow Date: Wednesday, January 29**

## **Additional Information**

- Located in the Human Services Center's Multi-purpose Room.
- All regular DMV fees are applicable.
- Cash will not be accepted for fees.
- Debit cards, credit cards, checks, and money orders only

## **Services Offered:**

	Renew/duplicate driver's license
	New/renew/duplicate Non-driver ID
	Disabled parking placards
	Renew vehicle registration
	Fines, tickets, and suspensions
	Real ID License upgrades
	Learner's permit (duplicates only)
	Driver histories

**If you have any questions about this event please contact the Tax Collector's Office: (860)-769-3510**



## FREE FENTANYL TEST STRIPS & NARCAN

Opioids are a class of drugs that include synthetic opioids like fentanyl and prescription pain relievers such as oxycodone and hydrocodone.

Fentanyl is a powerful opioid that significantly increases the risk of a drug overdose and can be difficult to detect.



**✓ Safety** Fentanyl test strips can be used to check for its presence in substances. Narcan is a safe, non-addictive medication that reverses opioid overdoses.

### ✓ Prevention

The **West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District** offers FREE fentanyl test strips and Narcan to prevent overdoses and help keep people in our community safe.



### ✓ Supplies are limited. First come, first serve.

West Hartford and Bloomfield residents can pick up supplies at our Bloomfield location Monday through Friday and West Hartford location Monday, Tuesday and Friday in room 417 from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Just walk in, no questions asked.

Proof of residency is required (ID, addressed mail).

Questions? Please call the WHBHD at (860) 561-7900

\*Source: NIH and CDC.

580 Cottage Grove Road, Suite 100, Bloomfield, CT  
WH Town Hall: 50 S Main St, West Hartford, CT - Room 417

## Virtual Diabetes Self-Management Workshops Winter and Spring 2025 Day and Evening Sessions



Topics include:

- Meal planning and label reading
- Checking your blood glucose and recommended blood glucose goals and A1C goals
- Diabetes medications
- Exercising, sick day guidelines and much more

These **free** workshops are for newly diagnosed individuals with type 2 diabetes or for those who may need an update on managing their diabetes.

Join Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Education and Care Specialist, Paula Leibovitz, for a seven-week series that will focus on managing your diabetes and eating well while following diabetic guidelines. There are opportunities for questions and comments as we share our virtual learning experience via ZOOM.

#### • WORKSHOP 1: Thursday, Day Session

- **January 9, 16, 23, 30** **February 6, 13, 20, 2025**
- Time: 10 am-noon

#### • WORKSHOP 2: Thursday, Evening Session

- **January 9, 16, 23, 30** **February 6, 13, 20, 2025**
- Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

#### • WORKSHOP 3: Wednesday, Day Session

- **April 23, 30** **May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 2025**
- Time: 10:00 am-noon

#### • WORKSHOP 4: Wednesday, Evening Session

- **April 23, 30** **May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 2025**
- Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

These workshops are **FREE** and open to all.

Choose the workshop that works best for your schedule.  
Pre-registration is required! The workshop materials will be mailed prior to the start of the workshop.

→ For more information or to register, please call or email Susan at the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District 860-561-7909, [susan.walsh@westhartfordct.gov](mailto:susan.walsh@westhartfordct.gov)

*This workshop is made possible by a grant received from the CT Department of Public Health.*

**TAX BILLS DUE JANUARY 1, 2025**  
**DELINQUENT AFTER FEBRUARY 3, 2025**

**The Town of Bloomfield Tax Collector's Office will issue supplemental motor vehicle and 2nd installment real estate tax bills on December 26, 2024. These bills are due on January 1, 2025, and will be considered delinquent after February 3, 2025. If you have any questions or have not received a tax bill, please contact our office at 860-769-3510 or [tax@bloomfieldct.gov](mailto:tax@bloomfieldct.gov)**

**Payment options**

**Avoid Lines, Pay Taxes Online!**

Visit [www.mytaxbill.net/Bloomfield](http://www.mytaxbill.net/Bloomfield)

**Convenience fees apply.**

**E-Check (Electronic Check):** \$1.95 flat fee

**Credit/Debit Cards:** 2.99% of payment amount with a minimum fee of \$3.95.

**Pay in Person**

Cash, checks, or money orders are accepted in the office.

**Mail Checks or Money Orders to:**

Town of Bloomfield Tax Collector  
800 Bloomfield Avenue  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

**Drop Box**

You may utilize the drop box when paying with a check or money order, the drop box is located in the roundabout on the Park Avenue side of Town Hall.

**My Tax Bill**



# BLOOMFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT JOIN OUR TEAM

ENTRY LEVEL & CERTIFIED POSITIONS AVAILABLE

## A NUMBER OF SPECIALTY ASSIGNMENTS AVAILABLE:

- K-9 Unit
- Bike Patrol
- North Central Municipal Regional Emergency Response Teams:
  - SWAT
  - Crisis Negotiations
  - Accident Investigation
  - Drone Team

## JOIN THE BPD AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- Salary Range: \$80,857 – \$101,072
- 401k – 10% Employer Contribution
- Education Incentives
- Medical/Dental Insurance
- Paid Time Off  
(Vacation/Personal/Sick/Comp/  
Holidays)
- Life Insurance



For More Information



APPLY AT:  
[WWW.POLICEAPP.COM](http://WWW.POLICEAPP.COM)

# Town of Bloomfield Employment Opportunities

The following employment opportunities with the Town of Bloomfield are now available

[Current Job Openings](#)

## From The Office of The Assessor

### **Governor Lamont Signs Law Establishing Property Tax Exemption for Veterans With Service-Connected Disabilities**

Governor Ned Lamont signed a new law establishing property tax exemption for veterans with **SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITIES**. To receive the exemption, your Department of Veterans Affairs award letter must state exactly: "**YOU ARE CONSIDERED TO BE TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED DUE SOLELY TO YOUR SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITIES: YES**"

If your letter does not state this and you believe you may qualify for the exemption, you must contact the Department of Veterans Affairs to get an updated benefits statement and provide it to the Assessor's Office ASAP.

More information on Law can be found here: <https://portal.ct.gov/office-of-the-governor/news/press-releases/2024/05-2024/governor-lamont-signs-law-establishing-property-tax-exemption-for-veterans>



## STAY INFORMED STAY SAFE

*Sign up to receive emergency alerts and severe weather warnings that could directly impact you and your family*

The Town of Bloomfield is switching from CodeRED to CivicReady as our new Emergency Alert Notification System.

This will allow the Town to better alert the residents during emergencies and other important information. We want to ensure that the Bloomfield community is safe and well informed. The CivicReady mass notification solution is a new communication service available to our community allowing them to receive emergency and other notifications.

Communication can be received through email, text and/or phone call according to your selections and based on address locations that you specify.

**SIGN UP AT [WWW.BLOOMFIELDCT.GOV/STAYCONNECTED](http://WWW.BLOOMFIELDCT.GOV/STAYCONNECTED)**

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# CPR TRAINING

Get trained. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.



Community CPR Classes are held at Bloomfield Volunteer Ambulance, 12 Southwood Drive, Bloomfield. The class is \$75/student. Student manual, CPR facemask and CPR card are included in the cost of the class. Group classes are available as well. Please contact Ellen White at 860-243-3482 ext. 1 or [e.white@pd.bloomfieldct.gov](mailto:e.white@pd.bloomfieldct.gov) if interested.

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HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM, FRI 10 AM - 5 PM



FULL-SERVICE LIBRARY:  
COLLECTIONS, TECHNOLOGY  
CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

## BPL @ the Atrium

1300 Hall Boulevard, Bloomfield

Former MetLife Building, Cigna Campus

↑ TEMPORARY LOCATIONS ↓



- COMPUTERS
- PRINT/COPY
- SCAN/ FAX
- TECH HELP

330 PARK AVENUE, ROOM 117 Human Services Building

HOURS: MON & TUES 10 AM - 6 PM WED & THUR 10 AM -8 PM FRI 10 AM - 2 PM



## Book Voyagers:

**“BEE COOL”**

**Grades 1-2**



A 4-week literacy program for kids in grades 1-2 **AND** their parents/guardians. Dinner will be provided, and each student will go home with the featured book of the week. Laurel Literacy Academy students should register through their school. Other interested families should register on the BPL Events Calendar.

LOCATION:

Laurel Literacy Academy

1 Filley St.  
Bloomfield, CT

DATES:

Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30

@ 5:30 PM



**BPL Tech Classes @ 330 Park**

## INTERNET BASICS

FRIDAYS  
12/6-2/14  
9-10 AM



December 6    January 3    January 24    February 14  
December 13    January 10    January 31    February 21  
December 20    January 17    February 7

If you want to know how to search effectively for information on the web, how to fill out online forms, or learn about computer viruses and scams, this class is for you. Learn the basics of the internet including navigating websites, using tabs, and creating favorites and shortcuts. You'll also learn how to protect your privacy. Sign up for all of the sessions, or pick the dates that work for you. Limited space available. **No class 12/27.**

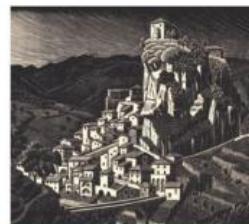
SIGN UP AT [BPLCT.ORG](http://BPLCT.ORG) EVENT CALENDAR,  
BPL TECH SPACE @ 330 PARK (ROOM 117),  
OR BY CALLING 860-769-3560



## WINTONBURY BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY  
JAN 9TH  
5:30 PM

Author Juliet  
Grames will  
be joining us  
for this  
discussion



*The Lost Boy of  
Santa Chionia*

JULIET GRAMES

An immigrant... The Story of Eight Weeks of Tragedy

## STORYTIME ON THE GO!

1st Tuesday of the Month  
5:30-6:00pm @ the Atrium

- Stop by on your way home.
- Best for ages 3-6 but everyone is welcome :)
- Book bundles on popular topics will be available for quick check out!
- Craft to take and make for a time that's convenient for you and your family.



[bpict.org](http://bpict.org)  
More info on the  
Events Calendar





# TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Grades 7-12

**Tuesdays**

**Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28**

**Feb. 4, 11**

**6-8 PM**

**330 Park Ave, Bloomfield**



[bplct.org](http://bplct.org)



# Protecting Our Hemlock Trees

## Nature Lecture Series January

Co-sponsored by: Traprock Ridge Land Conservancy and  
Bloomfield Parks Rec and Leisure Services



**Wednesday, January 8, 2025 6:30 p.m.**

**Presenter:** Dr. Carole Cheah,  
Research Entomologist at CT  
Agricultural Experiment Station  
**Location:** Via zoom, sign up at  
[www.trlandconservancy.org/events](http://www.trlandconservancy.org/events)

Dr. Cheah will give an overview  
of hemlock woolly adelgid  
(HWA) and Connecticut's use of  
the biocontrol agent  
*Sasajiscymnus tsugae* to help  
manage HWA to preserve and  
protect our hemlocks.



# Parent Leadership Training Institute

## Helping You Become The Leader You Want To Be For Children, Families, and Our Community

The Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI) is a FREE 20-session initiative that combines advocacy, leadership, and citizenship skills into a curriculum to foster the best interests of children.

**Who:** PLTI is open to anyone who cares about the well-being of children including parents, grandparents, guardians, or people who live or work in West Hartford or who have children in the West Hartford public schools.

**When:** Class begins with a retreat on Saturday, January 4th from 9am-4:30pm, then continues with regular Wednesday evening classes from 6-9pm beginning on January 8th and concluding on June 4th. There will also be one additional Saturday session on March 8th, 9am-1pm.

**Where:** Classes will be held in-person at the Charter Oak Academy Family Resource Center, 425 Oakwood Avenue, West Hartford

Free childcare for school-age children (4+) and a meal will be provided prior to each class. In the event of inclement weather or a significant outbreak of Covid-19, the classes may switch from in-person to virtual as needed.

For more information contact Kathryn Deane at  
[kdeane@bridgefamilycenter.org](mailto:kdeane@bridgefamilycenter.org)



To learn more about PLTI or to fill out an interest form, visit our website at <https://tinyurl.com/WestHartfordPLTI> or scan this QR code and complete the online form.



# Need Help Paying for PRESCHOOL?

Financial assistance is available for income eligible families who live or work in Bloomfield

For additional information, please contact one of the following programs:

**Laurel School Family Resource Center**  
1 Filley Street  
Bloomfield CT 06002  
860-769-5518

**The First Academy**  
1151 Blue Hills Avenue  
Bloomfield CT 06002  
860-206-1907

**Bloomfield Preschool & Childcare Center**  
10 Wintonbury Avenue  
Bloomfield CT 06002  
860-242-0183

**EDUCATION**

**LEARN**

Funding provided by the Child Daycare Contract in Partnership with the Town of Bloomfield & Office of Early Childhood Education



## FAMILY WORKSHOP SERIES

PRESENTED BY

OFFICE OF FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND  
BLOOMFIELD SOCIAL & YOUTH SERVICES

### THE DETAILS

LOCATED AT BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER  
330 PARK AVENUE  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
FOOD AND CHILDCARE PROVIDED!



TUESDAY,

NOVEMBER 19, 2024

UNDERSTANDING PARENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES IN ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS: Led by mental health professionals to help you understand the signs and symptoms of anxiety and depression in adolescents.

Solutions Counseling Services

TUESDAY,  
DECEMBER 17, 2024

FESTIVE FAMILY WREATH WORKSHOP - CRAFT  
YOUR HOLIDAY SPIRIT: A perfect family activity to kick off the holiday season bring your loved ones together for this hands on workshop.

TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 21, 2025

THE BROTHERHOOD CHECK-IN: This workshop is built around open dialogue and self-reflection. Explores the importance of male involvement in the school system.

Abdul Muhammad

TUESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 11, 2025

SMART SAVING STRATEGIES - UNDERSTANDING IRAs, CDs AND BANK SAVING OPTIONS: Informative workshop led by experts from Windsor Federal Bank to help individuals understand ways to save money.

TUESDAY,  
MARCH 18, 2025

MASTER YOUR MONEY: SHIFTING MIND-SETS AND BUILDING FINANCIAL CONFIDENCE: An engaging and educational workshop designed to help you take control of your financial future!

Freedom Life Therapy and Wellness

TUESDAY,  
APRIL 22, 2025

SUPPORTING YOUNG CHILDREN WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CHALLENGES: Facilitated by child behavioral health specialist to help you better understand and address behavioral health challenges in children under 5th grade.

TUESDAY,  
MAY 20, 2024

PETALS AND MEMORIES - A CREATIVE FAMILY FLORAL EXPERIENCE: Families can come together to create a beautiful, fresh floral centerpiece.

Bloomfield Youth and Social Services

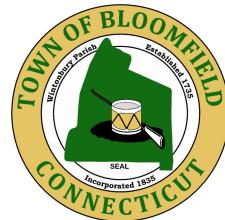
Bloomfield Social & Youth Services



awright@blmfdl.org

(860) - 769 - 4218

scan code to register on our site



Contact  
Us

800 Bloomfield Avenue,  
Bloomfield CT 06002  
Phone: 860-769-3500

[www.bloomfieldct.gov](http://www.bloomfieldct.gov)

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