



CELEBRATE LOWER CASCADES!

Day & Time:

Sunday, September 18
1:00 to 4:00 pm

Location:

Lower Cascades Park
Waterfall Shelter

Who doesn't love a flotilla of rubber ducks! Bloomington Parks and Recreation will celebrate the completion of the wonderful work done at Lower Cascades this past year, as well as its founding as Bloomington's very first park over a century ago! Bring your family and come enjoy interactive games, nature hikes, live music, AND a rubber duck float down Cascade Creek. Cost is FREE!

FIND OUT MORE:

bloomington.in.gov/parks/parks/lower-cascades



LAKE MONROE DAY – SEPTEMBER 18TH DRINKING WATER TREATMENT PLANT TOURS

Have you ever wondered where the water coming out of your kitchen faucet comes from? Join staff from the City of Bloomington Utilities (CBU) for a free tour of the **Monroe Water Treatment Plant**. Learn about the treatment process that turns water from Lake Monroe into our drinking water and how that water gets to taps throughout Bloomington. Tours last approximately 90 minutes and close-toed shoes are required. Capacity is limited so register today at the link below.

Day & Time:

Sunday, September 18
10:00 am, Noon, and 2:00 pm

Location:

7470 S Shields Ridge Road, Bloomington

FIND OUT MORE AND REGISTER FOR YOUR TOUR:

friendsoflakemonroe.org



HAND HOME BUYERS CLUB

Thinking about buying your first home? Bloomington's **Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) Department's Home Buyers Club** offers participants a chance to explore the possibility of affordable home ownership. It includes two sessions held on two consecutive Saturdays, all with the goal of helping first-time home buyers understand and overcome the obstacles to home ownership and know what expect after buying a home.

Dates and Times:

Saturday, September 17, 9:00 am-4:00 pm
AND Saturday, September 24, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Cost:

Free – Registration Required

Location:

All classes will be held virtually.

Class Topics:

- Knowing if home ownership is right for you.
- Developing a household budget and home buying action plan.
- Developing a savings plan, and handling credit issues and credit repair.
- Working with a realtor and locating the right home for you.
- The importance of home inspections and how to assess the value a home.
- Mortgages and finding the right one for you.
- Home maintenance and protecting your investment.
- Accessing community and neighborhood resources.



Income-eligible graduates may qualify for up to \$10,000 in Down Payment Closing Cost Assistance from HAND.

FIND OUT MORE AND REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE:

<https://bton.in/ITDXk>





**Sue's Upcoming
Constituent Meetings:**

Saturday, October 1
Saturday, November 5
1:30 pm | Via Zoom

Connect via the link at SueForCityCouncil.com

**GET INVOLVED:
BOARD AND COMMISSIONS**



Before I was elected to Council, I served on the City's Redevelopment Commission for five years, and it taught me a lot. Most of all, it taught me that very ordinary people (that would be me in a nutshell) can have a lot of influence on how decisions are made, how money is spent, which projects go forward (and which don't), and when. There are currently more than 30 boards and commissions that advise the Mayor and City Council on a wide range of issues. From the Animal Control Commission to the Parks Commissioners to the Historic Preservation Commission to the Environmental Resources Advisory Council, scores of citizens work to influence policy and spending for the City of Bloomington. Check and see if there's a role for you!

FIND OUT MORE AND APPLY TO SERVE:
<https://bloomington.in.gov/boards>



**I HAVE SOME IDEAS TO SHARE ...
ARE THERE PEOPLE ON CITY COUNCIL
(IN ADDITION TO SUE) THAT REPRESENT ME?**

Yes! In fact, every Bloomington resident has FOUR representatives on Council. I am one of six district representatives and it's my role to represent District 2 residents. In addition, Council has three Members At-Large whose role it is to represent all residents of Bloomington. Have some thoughts about city-wide issues? Please share it with them!

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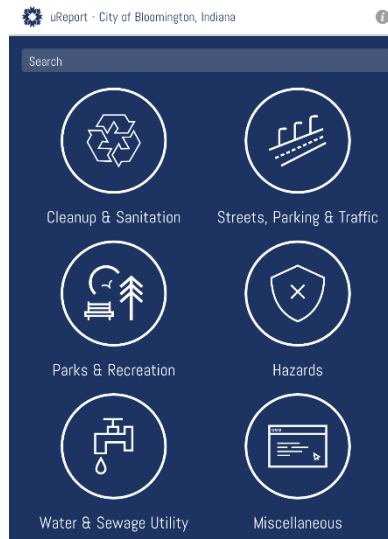
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**UREPORT:
ON LINE REPORTING AND HELP REQUESTS**

See a sidewalk that's blocked by overgrown vegetation? A street light that's not working? A pothole that needs to be patched? Have an idea for a program that you'd like to share with the Parks Department? Have a compliment for a city staff member?

Use UReport!

This online portal is a quick, easy way to communicate with the city about non-emergency issues like those above. The site is easy to navigate with drop-down menus, open fields to record your comments, and even a place to upload your photos of whatever needs attention.



When you submit your reports or comment to the City it will be sent to the appropriate department and you'll hear back from the staff who are working on the issue (generally within a day or two). You may also send an e-mail directly to info@bloomington.in.gov or call the City at 812.349.3400, (but I've found UReport to be a lot faster!)

FIND OUT MORE:
bloomington.in.gov/ureport-about

