

**WELCOME
TO THE
CHESTER GROVE ASSOCIATION**

CHESTER GROVE ASSOCIATION, INC

WELCOME PACKAGE

Dear Homeowner:

The Board of Directors welcomes you to the Chester Grove Community. Congratulations on the purchase/rental of your home. We are glad that you chose this neighborhood and hope that you have many, many years of homeowner bliss. We have provided some information to help you become familiar with your new community. Included with this package you will find information about:

- By-laws of Chester Grove Association, Inc.
- Declaration of Covenants
- Schedules
- Board of Directors
- Important Telephone Numbers/Contact Information

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

CHESTER GROVE ASSOCIATION, INC

SCHEDULE

- **ASSESSMENT FEES:** An assessment fee is collected annually for the upkeep, and maintenance of the common areas in the community including the picnic area on West Grove. A 60-day notice will be sent to remind homeowners when the assessment is due. All assessment fees are due **within** 30 days of due date or additional late fees will be added.
- **MEETINGS:** An “Annual” meeting is held for Homeowners. Notices will be sent prior to the meeting date.

The **Association’s Board of Directors (BOD)** meetings are held ten months out of the year:

January
February
March
April
May
June
September
October*
November
December

(*Annual homeowners' meeting)

Meeting time is 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm and will be held virtually (via Zoom) until further notice. All homeowners are invited to attend the BOD meetings. Please *confirm* your name, address and your current email address to the Board via the email at president@chestergroveassociation.com.

- **TRASH:** Household trash and recyclables are collected by Prince George's County once on week WEDNESDAY (unless a federal holiday falls on Wednesday). Your TRASH AND RECYCLE BINS should be placed on the curb the **evening before Tuesday after 6 pm** for pick-up. **Trash bags must be placed in TRASH CANS with lids** (NOT the RECYCLE BIN). The Recycle Bin is ONLY for **recyclable items** NOT **household trash** otherwise the **trash** will be taken out of the recycle bin and placed on the street. **YARD WASTE** must be placed in appropriate bags and placed on the curb and will be **picked up on Mondays**. **Please pick up any trash around your property after trash collection and remove your trash bins from curbs.** The areas around the outside of your home should be kept neat and clean at all times.
- **PETS** – If you have a dog(s) you must “scoop the poop” whenever/wherever your animal defecates. Maryland law

prohibits leaving your pet waste on public or private property. (see attached **P.G. County Pet Waste Pamphlet**).

- **PARKING:** Vehicles (cars, etc.) should be parked in the direction of the traffic. No vehicle should be parked too close to driveways (**ingress/egress** is not a parking space), this hinders the neighbors from being able to enter/exit their driveway freely and without complication. All cars parked in a “cul-de-sac” (dead-end) should be parked in the **direction of the traffic and not vertically parked**. Vertical parking is prohibited. (see attached **P.G.C. Parking Regulations**)
- **PICNIC AREA:** The picnic area on West Grove is only available for use by residents of the Chester Grove Community. The park can be reserved if you are current on your HOA Assessment fees. You can contact the Association at president@chestergroveassociation.com.
- Would you like to make a difference in your community? Why not consider joining the Association’s Board of Directors or a committee. The Board is a group of homeowners whose purpose is trying to maintain and manage the community in an effective way that supports the community as a whole. If interested, please send an email to president@chestergroveassociation.com.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Willie Wannamaker
President

North Grove

Jacquelyn Graham
Secretary

East Grove

Ava Murray
Member-at-Large

East Grove

Effie Hinton
Member-at-Large

East Grove

Alsonia "Kim" Hall
Member-at-Large

North Grove

Jasmine Barnes
Member-at-Large

North Grove

**CHESTER GROVE ASSOCIATION, INC.
CONTACT INFORMATION**

Chester Grove Association, Inc.:

Address: P.O. Box 47819

District Heights, MD 20753

Email: president@chestergroveassociation.com.

Prince George's County:

**General County Information, Bulk Trash, Animal
Management, Community Standards Services, Abandoned
Vehicles, etc.: 311**

Police (non-emergency): 301-352-1200

Dept. of Environment Resources: 301-883-5810

Dept. of Public Works & Transport.: 301-499-8520

Health Department: 301-883-7879

**Dept. of Housing & Community Development:
301-883-5531**

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BLOCK CAPTAINS

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Ava Murray
Member-at-Large

East Grove & West Grove

Effie Hinton
Member-at-Large

East Grove
Chester Grove Court

Alsonia "Kim" Hall
Member-at-Large

North Grove

Jasmine Barnes
Member-at-Large

South Grove

Parking Regulations

September 17, 2024

Parking Regulations

Parking codes exist to:

Improve "curb appeal" in your community, help maintain property values and keep our county attractive to new businesses and residents.

Here are the basics that everyone needs to know...

Private Property:

Even on your own property, all vehicles must have current valid registration. Vehicles with expired tags, or that are abandoned or dismantled, may not park anywhere for more than 48 hours.

Vehicles must be parked on paved surfaces. **No grass!**

When parked in a driveway, your vehicle cannot obstruct the sidewalk in a way that would force passing pedestrians into the street.

Never park in a fire lane, or other area designated by a sign, or yellow, or red curb.

Only vehicles with proper handicapped plates or placards may park in a handicapped space. It is illegal to duplicate a handicapped placard.

Commercial vehicles (busses, trailers, trucks, etc.) may be parked on private property as long

as they abide by the same parking codes any other motor vehicle is subject to (outlined in the rest of this document).

Home businesses may park their company vehicle on residential streets or their own property only with a "Use & Occupancy" permit. This can be obtained from the county Department of Permits, Inspections, and Enforcement.

Public Streets:

Your vehicle must always have valid registration. Be sure to display both front and back license plates.

You can park your vehicle in the same spot for up to 72 hours. Be sure to move your vehicle at least every 3 days.

Always park your vehicle with the flow of traffic. *Tip: pull over with the passenger side to the curb*

You must park at least 30 feet away from traffic signals or stop signs.

You must park at least 15 feet away from any fire hydrant.

You must park at least 3 feet away from any private driveway (unless you have permission from the property owner or tenant).

Commercial vehicles (busses, trailers, trucks, etc) may be parked on public roadways as long as they abide by the same parking codes any other motor vehicle is subject to (outlined in the rest of this document).

May not be parked on private roadways (streets or highways outside the corporate limits of any municipality)

Vehicles actively executing their commercial purpose may park up for up to two hours.

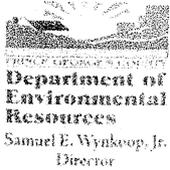
Visit the Following Web Sites for More Details on Pet Waste:

- **EPA: Pet Waste Management**
http://cipub.epa.gov/hpdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm?action=factsheet_results&view=specific&bmp=4
- **University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service**
--- **Pet Waste and Water Quality**
<http://extension.umd.edu/publications/pdfs/fs703.pdf>
- **Clean Water Campaign** --- **Properly Disposing of Pet Waste**
<http://www.cleanwatercampaign.com/html/639.htm>
- **Pet Waste Outreach Campaign**
http://www.des.state.nh.us/organization/divisions/water/wmb/coastal/scoop_the_poop.htm
- **Snohomish County, WA** --- **Pet Waste**
http://www1.co.snohomish.wa.us/Department/Public_Works/Divisions/SWM/Services/Water_Pollution/Pet_Waste.htm

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Department of Environmental Resources
Environmental Services Division
9400 Peppercom Place, Suite 610
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www.princegeorgescountymd.gov
DERcares@co.pg.md.us

Water Pollution Line: (301) 95-CLEAN

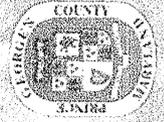
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Pet Waste
Improving Water Quality
in Our Community



RUSHERN L. BAKER, III
County Executive

The Straight Scoop

Common Myths about Pet Waste

MYTH: Pet waste doesn't hurt the environment.

FACT: Sooner or later, pet waste left on the ground will find its way to our storm drains, streams and rivers. When pet waste washes into streams, it decomposes and produces substances called nutrients that consume the oxygen in the water that fish and other aquatic animals need to live. Most importantly, pet waste contains disease-causing germs and parasites that can make our streams and rivers unsafe for swimming. Children, gardeners and other pets that come in contact with pet waste also are at risk of infection.

MYTH: Pet waste decays quickly.

FACT: Pet waste breaks down extremely slow, causing un-scooped waste to accumulate faster than it breaks down. In the wintertime, abandoned pet waste freezes and remains for several weeks or even months! That's plenty of time for rain or melted snow to wash the waste into a storm drain, where it flows into our streams and rivers.

MYTH: Waste from my ONE dog can't hurt.

FACT: The average dog defecates about three-quarters of a pound of feces each day. In one year, Prince George's County issued around 16,300 dog licenses; that amounts to almost 6 tons of pet waste daily, which is equal to 215 dump truck loads every day. If everyone decided to stop picking up his or her pet's waste, imagine the amount of pet waste that would pile up in one month!

MYTH: No one cares if I pick up after my pet or not.

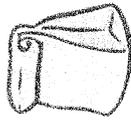
FACT: No one likes to smell, look at or step in pet waste! Most complaints about pets arise when their owners don't pick up the waste. More complaints are received for pet waste than for aggressive dogs, barking or dogs running loose. Leaving pet waste in our parks, on our neighbors' lawns or on sidewalks gives some people one more reason to dislike pets and their owners. In Prince George's County, it is also against the law to leave your pet's waste on public or private property and may result in fines up to \$250. Picking up your pet's waste sets a good example for other pet owners, and your neighbors will appreciate it, too.

MYTH: Picking up after my dog is too inconvenient and messy.

FACT: It is no one's favorite job, but it has become easier. Since so many dog owners have recognized the importance of scooping up pet waste, the market has responded with some inexpensive, easy-to-use tools. These tools include tiny bags to fit in your pocket or clip onto your dog's leash, waste scoopers with long handles and scoopers that bag the waste as you pick it up. After picking up the waste, you can flush it down the toilet or double-bag it and put it in the trash. There are even pet waste digesters you can install in your yard that work like a septic tank. These products can be found at many pet stores or online, and plastic grocery bags and newspaper bags are still a free alternative.

Pick up after your pet!

It's easy as A-B-C



A. Bring a bag



B. Clean it up



C. Dispose of it properly (toilet or trash)

