



GLASTONBURY AT A GLANCE

JUNE 2023

Upcoming Events

The list below is a SAMPLING of upcoming events. Please visit www.glastonburyct.gov/events, review the Sharing Tree (Senior) Newsletter, www.glastonburyct.gov/sharingtree, or visit the WTML website at www.wtmlib.info, to view a full list of scheduled programming, as well as registration requirements, fees, and other program details.

- [6/1 - Spring into Summer Celebration](#) - 3:00 PM at the Glastonbury Boathouse - Come hear the "Brownfields to Boathouse" story of Riverfront Park as relayed by former Town Manager, Richard Johnson.
- [6/3, 6/10, 6/17, and 6/24 - Saturday Matinees](#) - 11:00 AM @ the RCC
- [6/5 - CT River Valley Chamber of Commerce's 8th Annual Classic Golf Tournament](#) - 11:00 AM at Glastonbury Hills Country Club
- [6/8 - Art of the Book](#) - 6:30 PM @ WTML (teen program)
- [6/9 - Birds, Bees, and Bogeys Golf Tournament](#) - 3:00 PM at Minnechaug Golf Course. Event will benefit Glastonbury Pollinator Pathways
- [6/13 - Summer Luncheon at the RCC](#) - 11:45 AM - Enjoy lunch and music!
- [6/14 - U.S. Submarine Force Museum and Ship \(USS Nautilus\) Trip](#) - 10:45 AM departure from RCC
- [6/17 and 6/19 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events](#) - [See details or schedule your appointment here.](#)
- [6/27 - Cheesecake Factory and Shopping Trip](#) - Departs RCC at 11:30 AM
- [Greater Glastonbury Veterans and Allies Coffeehouse](#) - Meets at the RCC every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 9:00 AM. Please call Glastonbury Senior/Social Services for more information at **(860) 652-7638**.

Join the Ensemble for the SpongeBob Musical with Y&FS!

It's not too late to join the ensemble of The SpongeBob Musical! Glastonbury Youth and Family Services (Y&FS) is producing 'The SpongeBob Musical' for residents ages 7 and up. Registration is open until June 12th and the cost is \$45/participant. The production will be performed on August 3, 4, and 5 at the Glastonbury High School. To register, please visit www.ourplay.org and contact Y&FS with any questions.

Glastonbury Farmers Market

The Glastonbury Farmers Market will be open every Saturday from June 3rd through September 30, 2023 (excluding September 2nd and 9th). The Market will be held at Hubbard Green (18 Hubbard Street) from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM (noon), and will feature a variety of vendors as well as family-friendly activities. For more details, including weekly special programs, please visit www.glastonburyfarmersmarket.com.

Riverfront Concert Series begins 6/21!

The first concert of the Riverfront Music Series will be held on June 21st at the RCC Fairgrounds. Head down to enjoy great music by the Town Band, as they present "Jazz Night". [More details here.](#)

Police (GPD) Events Supporting Special Olympics Connecticut

Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run - June 1st - The 23-mile run starts in Enfield and travels through East Windsor, South Windsor, and East Hartford before being taken over by GPD officers and Glastonbury Special Olympics Athletes at the Glastonbury/East Hartford town line. All Glastonbury residents and visitors are invited and encouraged to line Main Street around 1:00 PM to cheer us on as we run the torch to the finish line at the Police Department.

Tip-A-Cop Fundraiser - June 14th - Head to Giovanni's Brick Oven Pizzeria (113 Hebron Ave.) from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM on Wednesday, June 14th to support the Special Olympics. Several GPD officers will be on-site helping waitstaff, serving customers, and engaging with the public. Tips (donations) can be made using cash, credit card, or check and 100% of funds collected will be donated to the Special Olympics. Giovanni's will also be donating a portion of the event's proceeds to the Special Olympics CT!

Summer Reading Surf Club begins June 12!

Ride a “title” wave at WTML by joining the Summer Reading Surf Club! With programs for children, teens, and adults, everyone is invited to read to receive a T-shirt. The club encourages reading throughout the summer in all formats – book, e-books, and audiobooks, individually or together as a family. Prizes and incentives will be available for all ages! Hop on your board and begin reading on June 12. The club continues through August 12. [Learn more here](#). This program is generously supported by the Friends of Welles-Turner Memorial Library.

Fitness Programs at the Riverfront Community Center (RCC)

Parkinson’s Mobility Class - Thursdays from 9:00 - 10:00 AM - Designed specifically for people with Parkinson's Disease, this class is appropriate for all with mobility concerns. Sessions will focus on balance, strength, speech, and power. You will use some traditional and unique equipment to gain positive outcomes!

Get Up & Go - Thursdays from 10:15 - 11:15 AM - This fun, easy-to-follow class will provide strength & resistance moves for a full body workout. You'll use bands, chairs, walls, and weights to work on increasing strength and endurance!

Registration is required for both programs. Please contact **(860) 652-7638** for more information, including a free trial session!

We're Hiring!

The Town is currently seeking candidates for the position of Controller. View the full job description on our [employment website here](#), and please share this opportunity with anyone who may be interested. To view all current openings within the Town organization, visit www.glastonburyct.gov/employment.

July Tax Bills

Tax bills will be mailed June 30, 2023. The first installment of Real Estate and Personal Property taxes on the Grand List of October 1, 2022 are due July 1, 2023 and payable by August 1, 2023. The Motor Vehicle tax is due July 1, 2023 and payable by August 1, 2023.

Questions may be directed to the Revenue Collection Department at **(860) 652-7614**.

Keep our Playgrounds Safe from Food Allergens! *Please help protect our community members*

Did you know that 1 in 13 children have food allergies? In many cases, these allergies can be life threatening, and exposure can lead to anaphylaxis, shock, and even death. This reality can make public parks and facilities a scary place for children with food allergens, (and their parents!) due to the risk of contamination and exposure. Please help protect your neighbors by following these simple guidelines and ensure our parks, playgrounds, and community are safe for all!

ALWAYS...

- Eat at designated picnic areas to avoid contamination of playground equipment
- Avoid bringing common food allergens to playgrounds - e.g. nuts, dairy, egg products
- Wash hands or use a wet wipe after eating. Hand sanitizers do NOT remove food allergens!
- Properly dispose of food trash, especially items containing potential allergens

NEVER...

- Eat in the playground area
- Offer food to others without a caregiver’s permission

**Bonus Tip! When dining at a restaurant, please alert your server of any food allergies within your party. Staff who have been trained to be aware of food allergies can then take the necessary steps to prepare and serve your food safely.*

The Town of Glastonbury has installed educational signage at public playgrounds to help educate community members on food allergen safety, and is currently running an informative social media campaign to help spread this knowledge. Please share the tips above with your neighbors/fellow parents and visit <https://foodallergy.com> to learn more.



4 What's Next is a universal program that was designed to resonate with every Junior and Senior preparing for the transition beyond high school.

PROGRAM GOALS

By learning and applying the 4 What's Next Framework to their own lives, students will

- ✓ Identify individual manifestations of distress
- ✓ Understand how internal and external stressors impact mental health
- ✓ Build resilience by learning specific actions to improve mental wellness

4 What's Next is a primary prevention program that builds psychological resiliency by giving students the tools to handle stress and distress now and in their future.

84% of pilot participants said they were more prepared to handle stress and distress after 4 What's Next

Groups are expected to begin Summer 2023

Developed By



If you, or a student you may know, could benefit from this interactive group, contact us (860) 652-7660

Glastonbury Youth and Family Services

Y&FS Recruiting Junior & Senior Students for '4 What's Next' Program

4 What's Next is a universal program designed to resonate with Junior and Senior students preparing for the transition beyond high school. The program framework is structured to help students:

- Identify individual manifestations of distress
- Understand how internal & external stressors impact mental health
- Build resilience by learning specific actions to improve mental wellness

Local groups are expected to begin in the Summer of 2023, and Glastonbury Youth & Family Services (Y&FS) is currently recruiting Junior and Senior students for the program. If you are interested in participating, please contact Y&FS at **(860) 652-7660**. Please also share this valuable opportunity with any parents/students who may be interested.

This program was developed by the Jordan Porco Foundation.

June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month!

June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month, an opportunity to celebrate and commemorate individuals who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender, and the impact they have had, and continue to have, on our world. This Pride Month is particularly special for the Town of Glastonbury, as we announce the recent designation of the Riverfront Community Center as an LGBTQ+ Moveable Senior Center (MSC)! The MSC model was established by the CT Healthy Living Collective, and provides training, programming, and other support to Senior Centers to foster inclusive environments and improved access, engagement, and connection of local LGBTQ+ community members. The RCC is proud to have achieved this designation, and the many opportunities it will create for Town residents. To learn more about this initiative, [visit the CT Healthy Living Collective Website](#).

Commercial Property for Sale on Western Blvd.

The Town has a commercial property for sale and development in the desirable Eastern/Western Boulevard area. The site is located in the Planned Employment Zone, and surrounding properties are primarily medical offices, including an assisted living/memory care facility. [Click here to view the property field card](#).

The Town is actively seeking proposals to purchase and develop the parcel. Interested parties should please submit their questions or proposals to Glastonbury Town Manager, Jonathan Luiz at jonathan.luiz@glastonbury-ct.gov.

Chamber trip to Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast

The CT River Valley Chamber of Commerce is hosting a trip to Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast. Your trip includes round-trip airfare, first class hotel accommodations, 10 meals, sightseeing, a professional tour manager and more. Trip begins on October 26, 2023!

For more details, visit www.crvchamber.org/tours or contact the Chamber at **(860) 659-3587**.

This adventure is presented by the CT River Valley, Tolland County, Greater Manchester, and South Windsor Chambers of Commerce.