



Mayor:

Melinda Smith

Council Members:

Vince Pacelli

Jennifer Miller

Chris Cuneo

Ryan Nazelrod

Steve Miller

Town Administrator:

Matt Leister

Town Office:

Kelly Baldwin, Director

Michelle Wilder

Tracy Brooks

Danielle Owens

Department of Public Works:

Rodney Kuhns, Director

David Brown

Brandon Martz

Ken Black

Delbert Green

Bill Black

Caleb Matthews

DJ Mancha

Peck Burmeister

Jaden Miller

Colin Adams

Clay Forster

Wastewater Treatment Plant:

410-239-7900

Maintenance Shop:

410-374-6097

Police Department:

John Hess, Chief

Martin Runk, Sgt.

Zeb Rohrback, Cpl.

Ronald Garner, Cpl.

Spencer Volland, Pfc.

Phoenix Russell, Pfc.

Kat Yox, Pfc.

Oaknotes

“SUMMER 2025”

Welcome to summer everyone! It has finally arrived after a cooler and wet spring. Speaking of welcome's, I would like to introduce myself to the Town. My name is Matt Leister and in February I was hired as the Town Administrator. I've been a lifetime resident of the area and look forward to working with everyone.

Now that summer is here there are so many great things to see and do. Pine Valley Park has been reopened from the storm damage. It's a great place to take a walk, fish in the pond and just enjoy nature. Christmas Tree Park is also a great place to enjoy an afternoon picnic. In the evenings, don't forget about our local fire department carnival! Rides, games and really good food. Help support the ones who help you.

As always, have a safe and fun summer.

---Matt Leister

Manchester Town Administrator

Find the Town of Manchester on Facebook and on our website!

www.Manchestermd.gov

Resident Info

To Do List

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- 5.



Water Bill Due Dates:

January 30th
April 30th
July 30th
October 30th

You can pay your water bills online! Visit our website and click on the "Pay Your Bill" tab. There is a \$3.95 charge for credit card charges.

Don't forget the dropbox located outside the main entrance at Town Hall!



Town Election was held on May 20th.

Incumbents Chris Cuneo & Vince Pacelli each received 50 votes while Steve Miller earned 70 votes.

The Mayor and Council Members serve a 4 year term.

MAYOR'S MEMO

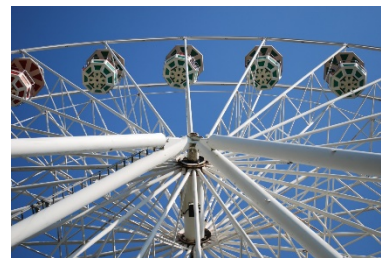
"Hello Everyone and Happy Summer!! It's been a busy first half of the year.

Now that we are having nice weather, we will be working on getting our town looking its best with some code enforcement to make it even better than the wonderful place we already love. Please work with us to get the town we live in the best it can be by doing your part.

Thank you to everyone who already keeps their property looking great!

As always, thank you for your support and I look forward to seeing you during our summer events and around town."

--Mayor Smith



Manchester Vol. Firemens Carnival June 30 – July 5

Kitchen Opens @ 5pm

TIME: 6PM – 11PM

RIDES: 6PM – 10PM

WHERE: 3279 YORK STREET

PARADE: TUESDAY, JULY 1

FIREWORKS:

THURSDAY, JULY 3RD

Rain Date: Saturday, July 5th

Plus so MUCH MORE – Pit beef/ham/turkey, funnel cakes, hamburgers, pizza, fries and more.....

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Monday: Great Train Robbery

Tuesday: Half Serious

Wednesday: Reagan Years

Thursday: Boot Leg

Friday: Roadrunners/Elvis

Saturday: Red Dirt Revolution

Beer Garden – Must be 21 to enter

TRASH PICK UP INFO

The Northern Landfill lists the following as holidays that they will be closed:

January 1st
Memorial Day

July 4th

Labor Day

Thanksgiving Day

Christmas Day

It is when these days fall on a Monday that our trash pick-up will be pushed back one day.

KITCHEN SCHEDULE

Served with 2 sides

Monday: Meatloaf

Tuesday: Roast Turkey w/Gravy

Wednesday: Roast Beef w/Gravy

Thursday: Ham

Friday: Fried Haddock

Saturday: Pork Chop w/Sauerkraut



Fireworks Night – Thursday 7/3rd



BULK TRASH INFO

October 15th

If you are interested in bulk trash pick-up, you must first call Hughes Trash Removal.
410-374-6467.



Construction of all **decks, pools & sheds** require a building permit issued by Carroll County Permits. The County will then submit to the Town of Manchester. *Sheds LESS than 150 square feet, contact Town Hall for a Zoning Certificate.* ****Fee for Zoning Certificates are now \$50.00****

Dwellings, lots, and yards with **trash, debris, and high grass** are violations of the Town Code. Violation of this ordinance is \$50 for the first offense and \$100.00 for each repeat offense.

UNLICENSED VEHICLES

In accordance with Code §233-1 it is unlawful to keep any motor vehicle inoperable, without registration plates or having expired tags on any property within the Town unless it is enclosed in a garage or other building.

FENCE INFO!

All fences must be approved for allowed material, location & height by the Town **before** installation. Please bring a copy of your plat to the Town Hall to receive a zoning certificate. No chain link fences. **** \$50 Fee for Zoning Certificates**

OCTOBER PICK-UPS

Brush pick-up will be on **THURSDAY October 16th.** Remember that your pile must be no larger than four feet in height, four feet in width and eight feet in length. Each property will receive ONE pick-up.

Bulk trash pick-up is scheduled for **October 15th.** Call Hughes one week prior to get on their list. 410-374-6467.

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We Have The Perfect Setting For Fun!!

Christmas Tree Park is THE place to host a birthday party, graduation or a simple get-together! Check us out!!

Small pavilion = \$90
Large pavilion = \$120

Call 410-239-3200 to book your special day!



ATTENTION!! When the State puts the Snow Emergency Plan in effect, it shall be effective on all municipal streets as well as Main Street. That means there is NO parking on the streets.



If you should experience a water or sewer emergency, please call our **Emergency Number: 410-861-3130.**



SNOW INFORMATION

Please remember that ALL Town streets are snow emergency routes. When the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect, parking is prohibited.

If you live in a development with a use-and-common driveway, the Town is NOT responsible for plowing.

Please park your cars in the driveway so that our snow plows can clear our streets quickly. We suggest driveways be cleared AFTER our street clearing has concluded so that all snow is pushed back from the curb.

Sidewalks are to be cleared of snow & ice within 10 hours after the snow has stopped falling.



CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

Please check our website, Facebook page or call 410-239-3200 for updated information.



Yard Waste Pick Up On Wednesdays!!

HUGHES TRASH will run through December 17th.

Yard waste consists of grass clippings, leaves and small branches not in excess of 3 feet and/or 4" in diameter. Branches must be bundled in arm-full loads. Yard waste should not be mixed with mulch, dirt, or any residential refuse, including pest waste. Residents should place lawn waste curbside on **Tuesday evening** for **Wednesday's** pickup.

All yard waste must be placed in large Kraft paper bags or in a container that is labeled "**YARD WASTE**" to be dumped.

NO PLASTIC BAGS!

ALL paint cans must be free of paint. (Please soak paint in kitty litter to dry up before setting out).

For Info: 410-239-3200

WATER METER TOUCH PAD INFO

Please keep your water meter touch pad on the outside of your house free of vegetation and flowers. Thank You!

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MANCHESTER HISTORICAL CENTER

3208 York Street

Open the 1st Sunday and the 3rd Saturday of each month. Hours are 1pm – 4:30pm or by appointment.

For individuals who have questions, please call 410-239-3247 or visit their Facebook page.

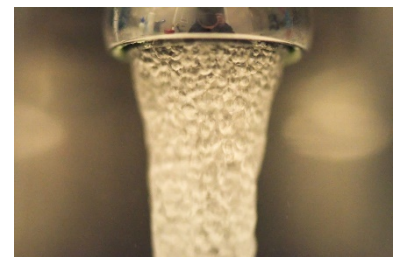


RECYCLING INFORMATION

PLEASE break down and stack all cardboard boxes.

Hughes will not pick up boxes that have blown away from your property.

Thank you!



Do Not Wait if you hear running and/or roaring water!!

Call the Town Office immediately at 410-239-3200. If it is after 4:30pm, please call 410-861-3130.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

Animal Control (Humane Society) 410-848-4810
 Carroll County Health Dept. 410-876-2152
 Carroll County Office Building 410-386-2400
 Charlotte's Quest Nature Center 410-374-3395
 Comcast/XFINITY 410-861-4989
 Director of Public Works 410-239-1482
 Ebb Valley Elementary School 410-386-1550
 Firemen's Activities Building 410-374-4259
 Hughes Trash Removal 410-374-6467
 Lineboro/Manchester Lions Pool 410-374-2570
 Maintenance Shop 410-374-6097
 Manchester Elementary School 410-751-3410
 Manchester Fire Department Non-Emergency 410-239-2286
 Manchester Police 410-239-6900
 Manchester Town Office 410-239-3200
 Manchester Valley High School 410-386-1673
 Maryland State Police 410-386-3000
 Sewer Treatment Plant 410-239-7900
Water/Sewer Emergency 410-861-3130
(After Hours Number)



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!!

AUGUST 5th

NEW TIME!!! 5:30PM -7:30PM
 Manchester Activities Building

Come out and meet your local firefighters, law enforcement and neighbors!

WATER/SEWER FEE REMINDER

The Mayor & Council approved Ordinance No. 265 which increased the water rates by \$.77 per 1,000/gal & Ordinance No. 266 increasing sewer rates by \$1.20 per 1,000 gal. Copies of these ordinances are available at the Town Office or online at manchestermd.gov.

2025 CHARLOTTE B. COLLETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER!!

A big congratulations to Brady Bonney for winning this year's award!!! He completed an astounding 1173 community hours. He is planning to attend NC State this fall. Best wishes from the Town!



TOWN OF MANCHESTER MAYOR'S AWARD

The Town would also like to congratulate Madalyn Kilgore for her outstanding work ethic and 1002 hours of community service. She will be attending Stevenson University.

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2024
Town of Manchester
PWSID #MD006-0006

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre su agua potable. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

We are very pleased to present to you this year's **Annual Water Quality Report**. This report is designed to inform you about the water quality and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the highest quality of your water.

The **Town of Manchester** routinely monitors your drinking water for contaminants according to Federal (EPA) and State (MDE) regulatory requirements. The Water Quality Data provided in this report will provide you with the results from our monitoring for the period of **January 1st to December 31st, 2024**. **We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets EPA and MDE drinking water standards.** The following report is provided in compliance with Federal regulations and is provided annually. This report outlines the quality of our finished drinking water and what that quality means.

SOURCES OF DRINKING WATER:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Drinking Water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of certain contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the **EPAs Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791**.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. ***The source of Manchester's water supply is an unconfined fractured rock aquifer, known as the Upper Pelitic Schist. The system currently uses eighteen groundwater wells and one spring to obtain its drinking water. All of these Wells and the Walnut Street Spring are in the Gillis Group Formation Aquifer, with the exception of the Bachman Road Well which is in the Sam's Creek Formation Aquifer.***

A source water assessment was performed by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) and is available on their website:

https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/water_supply/Source_Water_Assessment_Program/Pages/by_county.aspx

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the **Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791)**.

INFORMATION STATEMENT FROM EPA ON LEAD:

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The **Town of Manchester** is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact **Rodney Kuhns, Director of Public Works** at (410) 239-1482. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

An initial Service Line Inventory was submitted to the Maryland Department of the Environment on 10/16/2024. As a result, the Service Line Inventory requirement was fulfilled. "The report is available upon request".

Manchester has completed the service line inventory required by U.S. EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (initial inventory due October 16th, 2024).

For more information on our service line inventory please call (410) 239-1482.

Through completing a records review, it has been determined it has no Lead or Galvanized Replacement (GRR) service lines in its distribution system. This includes all system owned and customer portions of all service lines regardless of actual or intended use. Construction records, meter replacements, and distribution maps were used to help us determine the composition of our systems service lines.

Manchester has reviewed all applicable sources of information to complete the inventory and will continue to identify and track service line materials as they are encountered during normal operations. If, in the future, a Lead or Galvanized requiring replacement (GRR) service line is found within our system, we will prepare an updated inventory and submit to the Maryland Department of the Environment and in addition, the inventory will be made publicly available for water customers to view, and customer will be notified of any change in the service line material, if applicable. For more information on our service line inventory please call (410) 239-1482.

Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen) in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of the rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

The Maryland Rural Water Association's State Circuit Rider assisted with the completion of this report.

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you have any questions about this report or concerns with your water quality, please contact Rodney Kuhns, Director of Public Works at (410) 239-1482 between the hours of 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Monday - Friday. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Town Council meetings. They are scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7PM at the Town Hall.

In the **Water Quality Data table** shown on the following page, you will find many terms, units and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (ng/L) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique (TT) – a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water

ND – not detected.

NA – not applicable

WATER QUALITY DATA								
INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS								
Regulated Contaminants	Units	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Violation	Typical Sources
Barium	ppm	2024	0.052	0-0.052	2	2	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium	ppb	2024	2	0-2	100	100	NO	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Mercury	ppb	2023	0.2	0.2-0.2	2	2	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate {as nitrogen}	ppm	2024	6	0-6.1	10	10	NO	Runoff from fertilizer us; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS								
Regulated Contaminants	Units	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Violation	Typical Sources
Combined Radium 226/228	pCi/L	6/4/2024	0.7	0.2-0.7	0	5	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross Alph Excluding Radon & Uranium	pCi/L	2024	ND	ND	0	15	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
DISINFECTION AND DISINFECTION BY PRODUCTS								
Regulated Contaminants	Units	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Violation	Typical Sources
Chlorine	ppm	2024	0.7	0.6-0.7	4	4	NO	Water additive used to control microbes
Total Trihalomethanes	ppb	2024	9	8.5-8.5	NA	80	NO	By-products of drinking water disinfection process
Haloacetoc acids	ppb	2024	1	1.4-1.4	NA	60	NO	By-products of drinking water disinfection process

LEAD AND COPPER									
Regulated Contaminants	Units	Date of Sample	90th %	Range of Results	Sites Over Action Level	MCLG	AL	Violation	Typical Sources
Lead	ppb	2020	3	(ND)<5-3	0	0	15	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching of from wood preservatives
Copper	ppm	2020	0.79	(ND)<0.05-0.79	0	1.3	1.3	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching of from wood preservatives

Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

PFAS – short for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances – refers to a large group of more than 4,000 human-made chemicals that have been used since the 1940s in a range of products, including stain- and water-resistant fabrics and carpeting, cleaning products, paints, cookware, food packaging and fire-fighting foams. These uses of PFAS have led to PFAS entering our environment, where they have been measured by several states in soil, surface water, groundwater, and seafood. Some PFAS can last a long time in the environment and in the human body and can accumulate in the food chain. The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) conducted a PFAS monitoring program for Community Water Systems from 2020 to 2022. PFAS results are made available on MDE’s website: <https://mde.maryland.gov/PublicHealth/Pages/PFAS-Landing-Page.aspx>.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized regulations for 6 PFAS compounds in drinking water in April 2024. The MCLs for PFOA and PFOS are each 4.0 parts per trillion (ppt). The MCLs for PFNA, PFHxS, and HFPO-DA (GenX chemicals) are each 10 ppt. Additionally, a mixture of two or more of the following chemicals (PFNA, PFHxS, HFPO-DA, and PFBS) will be regulated with a Hazard Index of 1 (unitless) to determine if the combined levels of these PFAS pose a risk and require action.

The 5th Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR5)

UCMR5 began testing for 29 PFAS compounds and lithium in 2023. The UCMR5 should test all community water systems with populations of at least 3300 people. Three randomly selected systems in Maryland with populations less than 3300 people will also be tested under the UCMR5. Detections greater than the minimum reporting levels for each constituent should be reported in the CCR. UCMR5 sampling occurred for the Town of Manchester water system in 2024, the results are below.

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR5) Results					
Contaminant	Year Sampled	Unit	Average Level	Range Detected	Typical Source
PFBA	2024	ppt	0.26	ND-5.7	Discharge from manufacturing and industrial chemical facilities, use of certain consumer products, occupational exposures, and certain firefighting activities.
PFBS	2024	ppt	4.82	ND-16.8	
PFHpA	2024	ppt	ND	ND	
PFHxA	2024	ppt	1.65	ND-3.6	
PFHxS	2024	ppt	0.14	ND-3.1	
PFOA	2024	ppt	0.97	ND-4.7	
PFOS	2024	ppt	ND	ND	
PFPeA	2024	ppt	1.5	ND-3.7	
6:2 FTS	2024	ppt	ND	ND	
Lithium	2024	ppb	ND	ND	Naturally occurring element

Calendar

July

4 Office Closed - Holiday
1-5 *MVFD Carnival!*
8 Town Council Mtg
15 Planning & Zoning Mtg

August

5 *National Night Out*
12 Town Council Mtg
19 Planning & Zoning Mtg

September

1 Office Closed - Holiday
9 Town Council Mtg
16 Planning & Zoning Mtg

October

13 Office Closed – Holiday
14 Town Council Mtg
15 **BULK PICK UP**
16 **BRUSH PICK UP**
21 Planning & Zoning Mtg
31 Leaf Pick Up Begins
31 *Trick or Treating – 6pm -8pm*

November

11 Office Closed - Holiday
11 Town Council Mtg
18 Planning & Zoning Mtg
27 Office Closed – Holiday
28 Office Closed – Holiday

December

1 Leaf Pick Up Ends
9 Town Council Mtg
16 Planning & Zoning Mtg
17 Last Day of Yard Waste
24 Office Closed - Holiday
25 Office Closed - Holiday

All meetings begin @ 7:00pm
Remember to you can view the meeting on Channel 23.