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## Citizen Input Requested on Dockmaster Building Design

Recently, citizens considered the options for a new facility to replace the current dockmaster building and adjacent bathrooms. A survey form was posted online and the County held an information session in the Freight Shed on Thursday, January 18. The input we received was overwhelmingly in favor of the design that



is 23' tall with straight sides and large dormers. This design also had a 10' tall cupola. However, several citizens requested the removal of the cupola and the addition of windows so that the view to the river was not obstructed. The new design is now available [online](#) and is awaiting public review. Please look over the drawings and complete the survey. Your input is appreciated! No changes are currently proposed for the Waterfront Operations building to be located just behind the top deck of the Riverwalk Landing parking terrace.



## Visit Yorktown Offers Suggestions for Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is right around the corner, and we've come up with [eleven sweet ideas](#) in Historic Yorktown that will put a smile on your loved one's face. Whether you are celebrating a sweetheart, a family member, or a furry companion, we've done the work for you! Trust

us when we say they'll make even Cupid's heart melt. On an equally fun note, find out more about the latest trend to hit the travel industry: *bleisure* travel. It's a combination of business and leisure travel where employees extend their stays in a scenic locale. If your business is looking for a unique way to host a meeting or conference, [check out our blog post](#) to find out why Historic Yorktown is the perfect destination!

## AARP Tax Assistance Available at the Senior Center

It's tax season. Once again, AARP is offering free tax preparation assistance at the Senior Center of York to those who schedule an appointment. Visit the Senior Center tomorrow (1/27) or Tuesday (1/30) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to pick up a tax packet and schedule your appointment with a tax representative. Free tax preparation services begin February 2. This program is available to seniors age 55 and up. The Senior Center of York is located in the Washington Square Shopping Center (5314 George Washington Memorial Highway). For more information, please call 757-890-3444.



## VDOT Installs Crosswalk on Bypass Road for Increased Safety

This week, VDOT installed a High Intensity Activated Crosswalk or HAWK on Bypass Road. This signal will improve pedestrian safety while maintaining traffic flow for drivers. This is the first HAWK installed in the Hampton Roads region. Additional information about this signal is available [online](#).

## Child Safety Seat Round-Up Begins February 1

Drive Safe Hampton Roads (DSHR) has partnered with Walmart, AAA Tidewater Virginia, Hoffman Beverage Co., Waste Management of Virginia, and the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters to encourage everyone to "round-up" their old child safety seats and turn them in for a "reward" throughout February. The goal is to convince parents and caregivers to turn in old, used, or potentially dangerous safety seats so they are not given or resold for use by others. As an incentive, Walmart is providing a \$5 gift card for each seat turned in (limit of two per person). Visit their [website](#) for location information.



**Additional Notes for the Week . . .** Be sure to check out this week's [press release](#) about "Take Your Child to the Library Day!" coming up next Saturday (2/3) with events at both branches of the library. There will be fun for all ages as well as the great books and materials that are always available at your library. The **Senior Center of York** offers a variety of programs for seniors age 55 and up. The February [calendar](#) is now available and full of fun events and health programs. HRSD plans to begin work on the **Tabb Pressure Reducing Station & Offline Storage Facility** on Monday (1/29). HRSD has created a [project page](#) with maps of the project, FAQs, and more. The facility will be located behind Tabb High School.



# Participate in the Budget Process

Public input is a vital part of the development of the FY2025 Budget.

Watch a series of videos produced in response to your questions: assessments and tax rates, school funding, curbside collection fees, and more.

Submit your Questions on [www.yorkcounty.gov/budget](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/budget)

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