

COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 8, 2025
TO: York County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mark L. Bellamy, Jr., County Administrator
SUBJECT: York County Gov Series Update



Development of the “York County Gov Series” continues to progress, with several key milestones having been reached in recent weeks. As you may recall, the Gov Series is a free, 10-week, local government education program designed to inform, engage, and empower residents with a deeper understanding of how York County government functions.

The response from the community has been incredible. Within hours of launching the online application, the Series capacity was reached, and in the days that followed we received a total of 68 applications. While we are encouraged by the strong interest, we are intentionally limiting the class size at 20 participants. This course is designed to be interactive, and a smaller class size better supports meaningful discussion and allows every participant the opportunity to ask questions and fully engage.

Acceptance notifications were sent on August 7th to those who were selected, with selection being made on a first-come, first-served basis. Selected individuals were asked to confirm their participation in the Series, and if anyone declines, we will offer the spot to someone from the waitlist.

Thanks to the coordinated efforts of many Department Directors and staff, the class schedule is now finalized. Sessions will be held at several key locations across the County. Participants will explore a wide range of County functions, including a visit to the York-Poquoson Courthouse to learn about the courts and judicial services, a stop at York Hall to see local government in action, and a behind-the-scenes look at Fire and Sheriff operations. The experience will also include a visit to a firehouse for an authentic firehouse meal and an opportunity to tour the Emergency Communications Center.

We are excited at this opportunity to engage with residents and look forward to building stronger connections between the County and the community.

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