



Upper Uwchlan Township

News

Update: Sanitary Sewer System Improvement

Remember to VOTE!

★ NOVEMBER 8, 2022

The Township and Municipal Authority have long held a joint goal of providing public sewer to those areas of need within the community. We currently have eight distinct sewerage systems within the Township. At present and on behalf of the Township, the Municipal Authority is completing three major sewer expansion projects which will impact our Route 100, Lakeridge, Meadow Creek and Greenridge sewerage systems. There has been much discussion, planning, "stops and starts" of the projects over the past four years primarily due to the influence of grant funding and the direct and ancillary issues caused by the pandemic. We wanted to provide an update of the projects as we have cleared most of the obstacles and are moving toward completion.

Our first project, known as the Byers Road Sewer Extension, is substantially completed. This project is part of our Route 100 System and extends sanitary sewer from a point at the entrance of the Acme shopping center flanked by Liberty Union Bar and Grille and Starbucks, east along Byers Road to a crown in Byers Road between Eagle Farms Road and Senn Drive. This is the first in a planned series of extensions in that direction to serve Byers Road east as well as extending north and south of Byers Road to serve residential and commercial customers. This project was partially State grant-funded with the balance paid by the Township/Municipal Authority. The main has been constructed and with just a few corrections by the contractor needed. This has been a slow process as numerous agencies are involved in the approval process of any change or progress. However, letters permitting connection starting Monday, September 12, 2022, have been sent to all prospective connectors. The next six months should see the connection and completion of all customers the main was intended to serve.

Our second project, known as the Milford Farms Sewer Extension, is ready for public bidding for construction. This project is a two-part project. The first, a part of our Route 100 System, extends a sanitary sewer from the intersection of Font Road and Black Horse Road, east to Griffith Lane. Then north along that route to service Carriage Drive and Surrey Lane. The project design is complete and has been permitted for construction by the State. We are currently finalizing the last



of our facility Rights-of-Way with property owners along the route. Nonetheless, we intend to advertise this project for bid in November, award over the winter months and be prepared to begin construction as the weather allows in the very early Spring. This project should take approximately nine months to reach substantial completion whereas we can begin to connect homes along the route. Therefore, home connections may begin in the late Fall of 2023.

The second part of this project, which will be bid as part of the overall project package, is an extension in our Lakeridge System. For years, we have been examining a method to serve homes struggling with septic systems along Moore Road and Walter Court. Obstacles at our Lakeridge treatment plant, changing regulatory requirements and funding have all played a part. By coupling it to a much larger project in Milford Farms, we see an economy of scale to make this affordable and have finally managed to clear the other regulatory and treatment plant limitation obstacles. This project will extend an existing sewer on Walter Court, north along Moore Road to a connection point with the existing sewer between the two entrance points of Ivystone Drive. The design has been completed and we are finalizing the construction permits with the State. This will follow essentially the same schedule as the work on the first part of the project to the start of construction. But as a much smaller component, we anticipate completion and house connections to begin in late Summer of 2023.

The final project is part of both our Meadow Creek and Greenridge Systems. With the extension of the Sunoco pipeline across the turnpike and along Meadow Creek Lane, the Township insisted Sunoco participate in providing public sewers to the entire Meadow Creek development and the adjacent part of Styer Road. There is currently a treatment facility on Meadow Creek Lane, but it has

limited capacity, serving just nine homes. This size facility could not support the additional homes (69 in total), nor could it be expanded to do so. After study, the Township/Municipal Authority determined the adjacent Greenridge treatment plant could be expanded to accommodate the additional homes. This project includes service to all of Meadow Creek Lane, Quail Run Lane and North Wertz Lane, a portion of Styer Road between the two entrance points of Meadow Creek Lane and Revere Lane. This project becomes more complex as it involves not just the sewer installation, but the expansion of a treatment plant (Greenridge) and the decommissioning of another treatment plant (Meadow Creek). At present, the design of the sewer extensions and decommissioning of the Meadow Creek treatment plant is substantially complete. The design of the Greenridge treatment plant is in process and our required review with the State ongoing to obtain construction permits. Once that is complete, design can be completed followed by bidding and construction. The interesting wrinkle is the Greenridge treatment plant expansion must be completed first, so we have somewhere for the additional sewage to go. We anticipate design and permitting for the Greenridge plant to be complete by late January 2023, bidding and construction initiation in the Spring of 2023. Unless supply chain deliveries for equipment improve, this expansion will take, at best guess, one year. We would expect to construct the sewer system simultaneous to the treatment facility but will not be able to connect homes until the plant is substantially complete. At present, we believe we will be able to begin connecting homes in the Summer of 2024.

This is the schedule of the projects as we see them today. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to our Municipal Authority Administrator at authority@upperuwchlan-pa.gov.

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Boards & Commissions News

We'd like to bid Fond Farewell to

TOM KELLY, 12 years on the Emergency Management
Planning Commission;

SHANNA LODGE, 5 years as Asst. Township Manager

Thank you
for your dedication and service to UUT!

Welcome

JOHN EBLACKER, **GERRY STEIN** and **MUZAFFER MOHAMMED**

to the Historical Commission,

GREGG HEIMER and **RIZWAN JAGIRDAR**

to the Technology Advisory Board,

and **BABETTE MAAS** Township Staff, Accounts Payable.

From the Township Manager:

Dear Upper Uwchlan Residents,

Summer is winding down and as I type this article schools are gearing up to start another school year. Please drive carefully and be aware of bus stops and children entering and exiting school buses.

A few new developments should be breaking ground in the next few months. The commercial portion of the Byers Station subdivision is finalizing plans for a preschool and a few shops to be located at the corner of Station Blvd. and Route 100. The developer hopes to have the school open by next spring. Fieldstone at Chester Springs, located at the intersection of Byers Road and Graphite Mine Road, is finalizing all their necessary developer agreements, and should be starting with earth moving in the near future. The project will include 101 senior living apartments and offer assisted living and memory care.

The Township is saying goodbye to Assistant Township Manager Shanna Lodge. Shanna's last day with Upper Uwchlan was Tuesday, August 30th. She will be moving onto Willistown Township, serving them as Township Manager. The Township staff and Board of Supervisors wish Shanna well in her new endeavor. She was responsible for the creation of the Township's Environmental Advisory Council, the Township's social media correspondence, played a major role in updating the Township's employee handbook and much more.

Please take the time to read this newsletter as it is full of important information. Thank you for your interest in the Township and please contact me if there is anything that I can do to assist you in the future.

Tony Scheivert

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Mark your calendar!

13th ANNUAL

Block
Party

JUNE 17, 2023

Block Party Wrap-Up!

The 12th Annual Block Party was a great success!

Local vendors, Clowns, Magician, Musicians and Inflatable Bounces were some of the attractions at the Community Block Party event, held on Saturday, June 18, 2022. The live music, face painters, character artists, great food from local vendors and wonderful fireworks added to the fun for kids and parents alike!



On behalf of Upper Uwchlan Township's Board of Supervisors, the Administrative Staff, Public Works and Police Department, we would like to **THANK** all of our business sponsors for their contributions, volunteers, local fire companies and all of our residents, families and friends that came out to show their support of our Annual Community Block Party. Again, thank you for your generous support and participation of our event and we look forward to another successful event in 2023!

Thank you!

★ **Fireworks Sponsor**
McKee Group

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Marsh Creek Signs
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Upcoming Events

★ **SAVE THE DATES!**

Sunday, September 18, 5–7PM
at Upland Farm Park

Fall Concert in the Park

The Park and Recreation Board is pleased to announce a special new event, a Fall Concert at Upland Farm Park! Eclectic folk-rock blues tunes by The Moondawgs Trio and food by Epicurean Garage –bring the whole family for a fun-filled night.

Saturday, October 29, 3–5PM
at Hickory Park

Trunk-or-Treat

To register your vehicle to participate email lyeager@upperuwchlan-pa.gov. Children in costumes do not need to register for the event.

Halloween Note from the Municipal Administrative Offices: Halloween is on Monday, October 31, the customary evening for trick or treating. Upper Uwchlan Township does not regulate dates or times for Halloween trick or treat activities. If you live in an HOA, please check with your association for any trick or treating guidelines.

Saturday, November 26, 3:30–6PM
at Upland Farm Barn

SIXTH ANNUAL Upper Uwchlan Township Tree Lighting & Fireworks

Join the Township Board of Supervisors and Park and Recreation Board for the Township's Annual Tree Lighting and Fireworks. Santa will arrive at Upland Farm Barn at 4:00PM. Tree will be lit at 5:00PM. Fireworks will start at 5:45PM, fireworks will be set off from behind Pickering Valley Elementary. There will be caroling, refreshments and crafts for children at Upland Farm Barn.

Recycle Right!

Curbside Single Stream Recycling

Toss these items directly into your Recycling Toter. **DO NOT** use plastic bags.

PAPER Newspapers, cardboard, paper bags, magazines and junk mail, phone books, home/office paper, paper egg cartons, rinsed milk and juice cartons, clean pizza boxes, and boxboard food packaging. Break down and flatten.



PLASTIC Containers marked #1—#5 and #7. Throw away caps and lids. Rinse thoroughly.



METAL Food and drink cans, pie plates, clean aluminum foil. Rinse thoroughly. Empty aerosol cans.



GLASS Clean food and drink bottles and jars. Throw away lids. Rinse thoroughly.



For the Garbage Toter



TRASH Food waste; light bulbs; mirrors, plate glass, window glass, drinkware and crystal; ceramic cups and plates, flower pots, ovenware; caps/lids from recyclable containers; empty paint cans, empty oil cans and bottles; plastic food wrappers, plastic bags; wax or plastic coated boxes/paper, plastic and Tyvek envelopes; straws, tissues, towels, napkins, plasticware; Styrofoam/polystyrene; shoes and clothing; metallic wrapping paper.



E-Waste Recycling & Shredding Event

Saturday, October 22

9AM to 12noon

UUT Public Works Building

132 Oscar Way, Chester Springs

See details on page 7!

Residents **MUST** register prior to event.

This event is for Upper Uwchlan Township residents only.

RULES on Extra Recycling:

EXCESS MATERIALS MUST BE BAGGED OR BOUND: Any recyclables that do not fit in your Toter must be placed in paper bags. Cardboard boxes must be broken down and bound with twine.

CARPETS MUST BE CUT UP AND BOUND INTO 3' SECTIONS and no more than one room at a time collected on **bulk day**.

NOTE: ALL BOX SPRINGS and MATTRESSES MUST be placed in plastic bags (separately) and put out at curbside the night before a Bulk collection day. If they are not in plastic bags, they WILL NOT be taken. Mattress Bags are sold at hardware stores and online.

Compost Leaves and Yard Waste: 36 Collections Annually - Wednesdays

Place leaves, grass clippings and yard waste in biodegradable paper bags or open containers. **DO NOT** use UUT Toters. **DO NOT** use plastic bags; these collections are composted. **DO NOT** overload bags. Tree limbs (no larger than 3" diameter and 3' long) must be bundled with string/twine. Place yard waste at the curb the night before collection to ensure it will be picked up.

Sept 14, 21, 28 Oct 5, 12, 19, 26 Nov 2, 9, 16, 30 Dec 14, 28

Trash & Recycling

UUT Toters are your **PRIMARY** containers for trash and recycling collection. Place Toters at the curb the night before your collection day, and at least 3 feet apart and away from mailboxes, cars and other obstacles.



Recycling
96 Gallon Toter
Blue Lid

Trash
96 Gallon Toter
Black Lid

Bulk pick-up is the 3rd pick-up of the month.

DO NOT PUT CLEAN RECYCLING INTO PLASTIC BAGS – THEY ARE NOT RECYCLABLE!

Recycling is to be put directly into the recycling toter, **UNBAGGED**. If you put in plastic bags, it does not go into the single stream recycling, it's contaminated and goes to **TRASH**, **DEFEATING** the purpose of recycling and not helping the environment. Styrofoam is not recyclable.

SEE Chart for proper handling of recycling!

Bulk trash reminder: No construction material will be collected at any time. Do not put out for trash or bulk.

Box Springs and Mattresses must be placed in plastic bags (separately) for bulk collection, they will not be collected if they are not in bags.

All recyclables are to be placed directly into the recycling toter.



Recyclable materials include: aluminum products, glass, plastic, cardboard, newspaper, magazines, periodicals, bulk mail, phone books.

Reminder: The Township is no longer legally allowed to collect e-waste such as televisions, computers, etc.

Please note: Yard waste is not considered trash and should **NOT** be put in with your trash. Use open containers (NO Attached lids) or brown compost bags. If yard waste is put in trash toter, it will not be taken.

The burning of recyclable materials, to include yard waste, trees, shrubs, leaves, garbage, etc. is strictly prohibited. Burning permits are no longer issued.

Township Bulletin Board



Save the Date!
13th Annual Block Party
Saturday, June 17, 2023
 Volunteers, Vendors &
 Crafters Needed!
 Contact: Kathi McGrath
 610.646.7001
www.upperuwchlan-pa.gov

Residential Re-Sales
 When selling your home, the Township requires a Use and Occupancy Re-Sale Inspection at least two (2) weeks prior to your settlement date.
 The owner of the property or their Realtor, must contact our office to obtain the Certification Request form.
The fee for this is \$100.00.
 Your trash/sewer certification is also included. Once the signed Certificate is returned to the Township, we will automatically transfer the service(s) account to the new owner's name.
www.upperuwchlan-pa.gov

Plan Ahead for Any Emergency!
 Sign up for Smart911 so first responders will be aware of important information to help when you call 9-1-1.


Prescription Take Back Box
 is available again and located at the Upper Uwchlan Police Department
 140 Pottstown Pike

Sign up for the LATEST NEWS!
 Check your Notify Me profile by entering your email address at
upperuwchlan-pa.gov/NotifyMe

Holiday Tree Lighting with Fireworks!
 November 26, 2026
 Upland Farm Park
 301 Pottstown Pike, Chester Springs

Holiday Hours
 The Township offices will be closed on the following dates:
 ★ November 24 & 25
 In observance of Thanksgiving;
 ★ December 26
 in observance of Christmas;
 ★ January 2, 2023
 in observance of New Year's Day

Election Day!
 Remember to **VOTE!**
Tuesday November 8
 Polls Open 7am-8pm



Reminder: No Open Burning is permitted in Upper Uwchlan Township.

Suicide Prevention

The **SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE** has simplified how it may be reached.
 The number to dial is now **988**, in Pennsylvania and anywhere in the United States. If you are struggling, make the free call and talk with someone.



November 12, 2022
10AM-1PM at Upland Farm Park

GreenDrop™ CHARITABLE DONATIONS Donation Drive

Join Upper Uwchlan Township and the EAC for an Environmentally mindful donation drive.

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.

Time to clean out, declutter, help the Earth and help the Red Cross! A GreenDrop truck will be at Upland Farm Park for this donation Drive accepting bagged or boxed clothing and household items. These charitable donations will benefit the American Red Cross.

The GreenDrop driver will have tax receipts for donors. Thank you for your support!

WHAT WE NEED: clothing, shoes, accessories, blankets & bedding, flat screen TVs, kitchenware, small appliances, electronics, sporting goods, toys & games

We cannot accept the following: large appliances, mini refrigerators, air conditioners, tube TVs, computer monitors, food items, exercise equipment, mattresses, foam pads, large furniture, recyclables (*cans, paper, magazines*).

Donations at this event will benefit the American Red Cross.

Solicitors in the Township



The police department receives many inquiries regarding soliciting. Upper Uwchlan Township has an ordinance that regulates soliciting in the community.

All solicitors must register with the Police Department before they are permitted to solicit. There is an application process that must be completed.

Those working for the soliciting companies are issued an identification card from the Upper Uwchlan Police Department. This card verifies that the company and the employee are permitted to conduct the solicitation. Companies or individuals that are approved will also receive a list of properties that they are not permitted to solicit.

You can contact the Police Department to be placed on this list. Because there are no clear boundaries of municipalities, solicitors may not know they are outside of an adjoining municipality where they did receive approval. To keep yourself safe, we advise you to follow these guidelines.

- Never open your door to a solicitor.
- Don't be lured by cheap prices.
- Never provide personal information.
- Never allow a solicitor in your home. If there is more than one solicitor, there are times when the homeowner is distracted, and items are stolen during the distraction.
- Compel the solicitor to display their township issued identification card.
- Always contact the police department by calling 911 to ensure the solicitors are permitted to conduct business.

Safe Driving

Don't Drive Impaired.

- Plan ahead for a sober driver if you plan to use an impairing drug - including prescriptions;
- Don't let friends get behind the wheel if they're under the influence of drugs or alcohol;
- If you're hosting a party where alcohol or other substances will be used, it's your job to make sure all guests leave with a sober driver; and
- Always wear your seat belt – it's the best defense against impaired drivers.

#DriveSober #DontDriveImpaired #BeSafePA



Volunteer!

Would you love to help out? We are always in need of Volunteers.

Just say Yes!

Become a Member?

To volunteer to become a member of one of the Township's boards or commissions, please complete a Volunteer Position Application, found on our website and submit it to Upper Uwchlan Township by mail or in person.



Leaf Season is Upon Us!



This fall as you are preparing to clean up your lawn, please do not rake leaves or other debris into storm drains.

Leaves are to be placed into brown compost bags or open containers for collection on designated yard waste days. The leaves clog the drains which causes flooding.

This act violates Township Code §155-24.

Nothing but untainted rain water should flow from your yard into storm drains. Lawn clippings, leaves and other debris often clump, which can contribute to a larger problem underground in the pipe system. The best option, ecologically speaking, is to re-mow your yard several times so the clippings will sink down into the lawn and break down quickly, providing valuable fertilizer.



Environmental Advisory Council E-Waste Recycling and Shredding Saturday, October 22, 2022

UUT Residents ONLY; Sign-Up Required



Electronics Recycling



On-Site Shredding



upperuwchlan-pa.gov/eac

9AM to 12noon • UUT Public Works Building
132 Oscar Way, Chester Springs

Upper Uwchlan Township is pleased to offer residents a chance to recycle obsolete electronics AND securely dispose of documents at this event.

- Sign Up for e-Waste Time Slot: upperuwchlan-pa.gov/2022eWaste
- We will accept all electronic devices with a plug, NO SMOKE DETECTORS or LARGE APPLIANCES will be accepted.
- All data media will be destroyed or wiped.
- Fees for the following:
TV or monitor: \$30; wooden console or projection TV: \$100;
microwave, dehumidifier or A/C unit: \$10.
All other accepted items will be taken for FREE!

On-site shredding by Wiggins Shredding

- Limit 4 boxes per household.
- The shredding truck will close when full.

This event is for Upper Uwchlan Township residents only; businesses and contractors will be turned away.

Winter Weather Updates



Upper Uwchlan Township Public Works Department is responsible for plowing and salting over 59 miles of roadway and would like to take this opportunity to issue several friendly reminders:

- Please make sure trees along the roadway are trimmed to a minimum of 12'-14' above the sidewalk. Tree branches hanging in the street prevent plow trucks from cleaning the entire street.
- Please be patient as our crews are working long hours in harsh conditions to keep roads clear and residents safe.
- There is No Parking on the roadway during snow and ice events. Vehicles parked on the streets interfere with plowing and salting operations.
- Wait to shovel. As we plow the roads, we have no place to push the snow except to the curb line. If you shovel your driveway, sidewalk or mailbox before we have completed you will need to clear those areas again.
- Please do not deposit snow into the roadway when clearing your driveway or sidewalk.
- Please remove trash and recycling totes from the roadway as soon as possible so they do not interfere with plowing or salting operations.
- Property owners are required to remove snow or ice from sidewalks and fire hydrants if located on your property.
- Please inspect your mailbox and post prior to winter weather. Snow that is thrown from plows can damage mailboxes if they are not properly prepared and secured. Homeowners should also check the placement of their mailbox to ensure that it is not leaning into the street. The door of the mailbox should be 6 to 8" behind the curb. Please make sure the mailbox is installed according to USPS specifications which can be found at www.usps.com/manage/mailboxes.htm

When Paying Township Utility Bills by Check



We have noticed some confusion and hope we can help you.

The Township bills residents for refuse (trash and recycling), while the Municipal Authority operates and bills for the sewer system. They are two separate legal entities with **separate bank accounts**. Therefore, we can't accept one check for both services. In writing your checks, please note the following to prevent some of the errors we have seen recently:

- Payee: UUTMA for sewer;
Upper Uwchlan Township or UUT for trash
- The amount in number form: please use a decimal and include the cents. NO "/" please.
- Include your account #; we do not need the PIN
- Please write legibly, in blue or black ink.
- Please sign your check.

Following these tips will help us update your account quickly and accurately!

Upper Uwchlan Township Virtual Toy Drive



Toys for Tots runs from October to December each year. With the help of our community, we assisted over 15,000 children last year.

Chester / Montgomery County Toys for Tots serves families with children up to the age of 18. We appreciate all donations, but every year we run short on toys to serve the youngest and oldest children.



Scan this code to shop online and purchase gifts for children this holiday season!

We find our largest gaps every year are in the age ranges of 0-2, and 11+. Toys for children in these age ranges are greatly needed, and prevent us from having to purchase them.

Thank you

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