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Fairfax City Awards Grants to Six Local Nonprofits

The City of Fairfax has awarded grants totaling \$199,509 to six nonprofit human services organizations through the city's nonprofit grant program. The organizations, which serve clients of various ages and provide a range of vital human services and support, are all located in Fairfax City and/or provide services to city residents.

"Fairfax City has prioritized the delivery of needed services to our community through important relationships with area nonprofits," said Fairfax City Mayor Catherine Read. "Local government cannot create programs for every critical service needed by our most vulnerable residents, but we can substantially impact services by providing funding to those organizations already delivering support services. These grant dollars are an investment in the overall health of our city."

Grant recipients are:

- **Britepaths**, which helps individuals and families build resilience and financial stability (\$40,000).
- **The Heart Leaf Center**, which aims to expand the accessibility of mental health services to children (\$40,000).
- **Pathway Homes**, which processes non-time-limited housing and supportive services to adults with serious mental

illness and other co-occurring disabilities (\$40,000).

- **The Chris Atwood Foundation**, which provides free life-saving recovery support and resources to people impacted by substance use and helps prevent substance use disorder (\$39,509).
- **Fairfax Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)**, which advocates for children referred by Fairfax County court who are experiencing abuse and neglect (\$25,000).
- **The Lamb Center**, a daytime drop-in shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness (\$15,000).

"Fairfax City greatly appreciates and values our nonprofit partners, who play a critical role within our community, providing support to many of our most vulnerable residents," said Lesley Abashian, human services director. "This nonprofit grant program supports and expands their important work."

The city funded the grant program for \$200,000 in fiscal year 2026. Ongoing funding for the nonprofit grant program is approved as part of the city's annual budget process.

AMAZING EXPERIENCES



New Spring Break Outdoor Adventure Camp



Get ready to step into the wild!

The City of Fairfax is thrilled to host our very first outdoor adventure camp – Wild Explorers! This weeklong camp is full of discovery, creativity, and exploration. Campers will spend their spring break out in nature visiting some of Northern Virginia's most exciting parks and nature centers. They'll learn about local wildlife, become junior rangers, and

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CITY NEWS

Holiday Closure and Service Information

Monday, Feb. 16: Presidents Day

- Closed: city government offices, DMV Select, General District Court, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center
- CUE Bus: modified weekday service

Holiday Refuse and Recycling Collection Schedule

- Feb. 16: no service
- Feb. 17: Monday and Tuesday routes collected. Please leave items at the curb until they are collected. *Info: fairfaxva.gov (search "Refuse Holiday"), 703-385-7837*

Historic Blenheim Closed in February

Historic Blenheim and the Civil War Interpretive Center are closed through February or later for routine maintenance and operational planning. *Info: fairfaxva.gov/blenheim*

Public Safety Classes, Feb. 7

Take a free public safety class offered by the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department with the Fairfax City Fire Department. Topics include hands-only CPR/AED, stop the bleed, fire extinguisher use, and more. Classes are offered at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on the first Saturday of the month through May at Fire Station 3. Enrollment is limited, so sign up today. *Info: 703-385-7940, fairfaxva.gov/news*

Worm Composting Workshop, Feb. 7

Build your own worm composting bin and take it home! Learn the basics of worm composting, see a bin in action, and get your questions answered from 2-4 p.m. Feb. 7 at Green Acres Center. Cost is \$10 and includes bins, bedding, and red wiggler worms. Space is limited. *RSVP: tinyurl.com/yc795bjv*

Recycle String Lights, through Feb. 14

Keep string lights out of the trash by recycling them! Remove all decorations, then drop them off at Fairfax City Hall or Fairfax Ace Hardware during business hours through Valentine's Day.

Info: fairfaxva.gov/recycling

"A New Perspective on Aging and Senior Living," Feb. 20

The 2026 season of the Fairfax Village in the City Friday Morning Speaker Series begins Feb. 20 at the Sherwood Center. Steve Gurney, publisher of the Positive Aging Sourcebook, will speak on "A New Perspective on Aging and Senior Living." Join us for coffee at 9:30 a.m., and the presentation will begin at 9:45 a.m.

Info: fairfaxva.gov/village

Women of Influence Nominations, through March 5

Recognize and celebrate outstanding women making a significant impact in Fairfax City: nominate them for the Fairfax City Commission for Women's Women of Influence Awards. New this year: a category to celebrate young rising stars. Nominations will be accepted through March 5. *Info: fairfaxva.gov/woi*

Northern Virginia Housing Expo, March 7

Learn more about local and regional housing options at the Northern Virginia Housing Expo from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 7 at Fairfax High School — hosted by Fairfax City. Explore dozens of exhibits showcasing apartment rentals, government assistance programs, home-buying opportunities, mortgage resources, and more. Anyone seeking housing assistance can ask questions and review resources with housing professionals, nonprofit organizations, lenders, and local government representatives via free workshops and one-on-one consultations. *Info: novahousingexpo.org*



HOME COMING CITY CRAWL

FEBRUARY 6
Check in 6–8 pm
Old Town Square
Liquid Chocolate Tent

RSVP at
Homecoming.GMU.EDU/CityCrawl



Home Heating Crisis Assistance Available, through March 15

City residents who need help with heating bills this winter may apply for Fairfax County Family Services Crisis Assistance through March 15. These funds can be used for equipment-related assistance and security deposits, heating fuel, and security deposits. *Info: fairfaxcounty.gov, search "crisis assistance"*

Year-Round Drug Disposal Available

Visit the U.S. Department of Justice webpage to find the closest year-round drop-off location: tinyurl.com/4zwx8vk7

Composting: Turn Food Waste into Soil Nutrients

Composting is the most efficient and earth-friendly way to rid your household of rotten food, leftovers, and food scraps. The City of Fairfax Composting Center (open 24/7 adjacent to City Hall) accepts nearly all food, thanks to a special process that breaks down bones, oils, and other foods not typically recommended for backyard composting. Use compostable bags for your food waste, which are available at the center. *Info: fairfaxva.gov/composting*

COUNCIL REPORTER



PLEASE NOTE

Summaries have been edited. To read the full Council Reporter, visit fairfaxva.gov and click on "City Meetings" or scan the QR code at left.

COUNCIL ACTIONS OF DEC. 9, 2025

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- Mayor Catherine Read acknowledged the city's police, fire, and emergency management teams for achieving national accreditation. She also presented proclamations acknowledging the 20th anniversary of the Friends of Accotink Creek, and Doug Church Jr. for his years of service to the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce.
- Justin Wilson, executive director, NOVA Parks, presented an update on regional parks and the plan to renovate Gateway Regional Park in Fairfax City.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approved, unanimously, the minutes of the Nov. 8, 2025, special council meeting; Nov. 13, 2025, special council meeting; and the Nov. 18, 2025, special and regular council meeting minutes.
- Adopted, unanimously, a resolution amending previously adopted City Council Rules of Procedure.
- Approved, unanimously, introduction of an ordinance amending the city code, pertaining to sanitary sewer connection fees, frontage charges, and wastewater lateral repair and replacement charges, and pertaining to connections to public sewers.
- Approved, unanimously, introduction of an ordinance adopting printed Supplement Numbers 16 to 26, inclusive, to the city code. The code was last recodified in 2000.
- Approved, 3-2-1, introduction of a supplemental appropriation resolution for \$4.6M from Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession Funding for the George Snyder Trail project. (In favor: Councilmembers Amos, Bates, and Hardy-Chandler. Opposed: Councilmembers McQuillen and Peterson. Abstained: Councilmember Hall.) A public hearing is scheduled for Jan. 13, 2026.
- Approved, unanimously, introduction of an ordinance amending the city code pertaining to required financial disclosures by certain enumerated officers and employees of the city.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Held a public hearing on the Jermantown Road Improvements Project. (No council action.)

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING A PUBLIC HEARING

- Approved, unanimously, that the city council accept the City of Fairfax FY 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.
- Approved, unanimously, that the city council adopt a resolution approving the 2026 City of Fairfax Legislative Program with the incorporation of any amendments made at the Dec. 9 city council meeting. Further moved to direct the legislative liaison to forward the city's approved legislative program to Senator Salim and Delegate Bulova.



MEET CITY OF FAIRFAX SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT DR. DUSTIN WRIGHT



When Dr. Dustin Wright walks into one of City of Fairfax's four schools, he isn't just visiting as superintendent — he's visiting as a neighbor, a parent, and a proud city resident. For 17 years, Dr. Wright and his family have called the City of Fairfax home, and now he leads

City of Fairfax Schools with the same care and commitment he once brought to his first classroom as a middle school music teacher and band director. That early experience in the arts still shapes his belief in the power of creativity, strong relationships, and high expectations for every student.

With nearly two decades of experience as a teacher, principal, and division leader in both Fairfax County Public Schools and Falls Church City Public Schools, Dr. Wright brings deep knowledge of how schools work — and how communities help them thrive. He is proud of the city's close-knit, "small division with big aspirations" spirit and often says that our greatest strength is that every student is known, challenged, and supported. As he leads City of Fairfax Schools' "Fairfax Forward," Dr. Wright is committed to collaboration, transparency, and keeping students at the center of every decision. He invites families, staff, city partners, and community members to stay engaged, share ideas, and join him in building a bright future for every child who calls the City of Fairfax home.

"Thank you for your partnership, your trust, and your ongoing support of the City of Fairfax Schools. I look forward to learning with you, listening to you, and building a bright future together for every student in our city," he said.

City of Fairfax Schools will host three Community Listening and Learning Sessions in February. These sessions are designed to allow families, staff, students, and community members an opportunity to share what makes our schools strong, where they see opportunities for growth, and what hopes they have for the future.

- Feb. 4, 6:30 p.m., Fairfax HS Library
- Feb. 11, 6:30 p.m., Katherine Johnson MS Library
- Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m., Virtual (link to be provided)



DARDEN PURCELL & MASON JAZZ VOCAL NIGHT

8 p.m. Feb. 6. Attend this free Chocolate Lovers Festival concert and dessert reception at the Sherwood Center.

TOM TEASLEY & CHELLE FULK

8 p.m. Feb. 20. Enjoy a Celtic fiddle and world percussion performance at the Sherwood Center. The Bonita Lestina Old Town Hall Performance Series is sponsored by the City of Fairfax Commission on the Arts.

THE ROTARY ART GALLERY: "LIFE IN BLUE"

Jan. 20 through April 17. Sherwood Center. In this exhibition curated by The Rogue Art Project, every piece of artwork is composed of at least 70% blue! The opening reception will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Feb. 25. Open during business hours. Please call ahead. 703-385-1695

FRIDAY MORNING MUSIC CLUB CONCERT

Noon Feb. 27. Sherwood Center. Free.

VIRGINIA OPERA: ARIAS & DUETS

7 p.m. Feb. 12. Sherwood Center. Free.

Performances sung by our Herndon Emerging Artists. *Supported in part by a grant from the City of Fairfax Commission on the Arts.*

THE CATHEDRAL BRASS: DAY OF BRASS IV STUDENT CLASSES

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 28. Green Acres Center. Free. Registration required. Open to all middle and high school brass players. Students will rehearse as a large ensemble and receive instruction from guest clinicians. Concluding concert at 4 p.m. for the public. *Supported in part by a grant from the City of Fairfax Commission on the Arts.*

CITY OF FAIRFAX THEATRE COMPANY: "ONCE ON THIS ISLAND"

Feb. 13-22. Katherine Johnson Middle School. \$30/adults; \$15/children.

FAIRFAX ACADEMY MUSICAL THEATRE & ACTORS STUDIO: "HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING"

7 p.m. Jan. 30 through Feb. 1 (2 p.m. Feb. 1, 7; 7 p.m. Feb. 5-7)

Fairfax HS Auditorium. \$15 online; \$20 at the door.

This irreverent and tuneful romp, jam-packed with sly, swift, and sharp jabs to the funny bone is a surefire hit!

MASON JAZZ STUDIES DEPARTMENT/ GEORGE MASON DEWBERRY SCHOOL OF MUSIC: "MASON JAZZ ENSEMBLE WITH VAUGHN WIESTER"

8 p.m. Feb. 26. George Mason University Harris Theatre.
\$19/adults; \$14/seniors; \$9/students

Find more things to do at fairfaxva.gov



NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTION PROGRAM

The Hill Street Connector Trail opened in late 2022. This short trail allows Fairchester Woods residents to walk to restaurants and businesses located on Fairfax Boulevard. The trail was installed as part of the city's Neighborhood Connection Program, which improves off-street connections between neighborhoods, commercial centers, and transportation facilities.

Although a destination may only be a short distance away, without a connector trail, residents must walk out of their way or drive to get there. The Transportation Division asks residents to help identify missing connections that could be built on public property. The city will consider suggestions annually or as funding allows. Approved projects could be completed in two to three years. Share your connection ideas with the Transportation Division at transportation@fairfaxva.gov.





5 MINUTES WITH...

STEPHANIE GERSON

TOURISM AND PLACEMAKING SPECIALIST, FAIRFAX CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



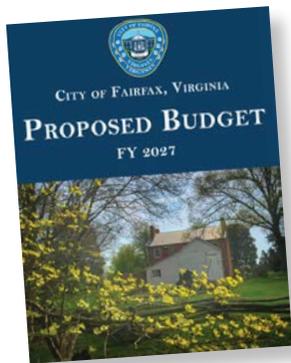
I joined FCED as a tourism and placemaking specialist in September 2024. I was drawn to Fairfax City's many wonderful assets, including Old Town Fairfax, our coffee shops and restaurants, our historic resources, and our proximity to George Mason University. I was excited to be the city's first dedicated tourism professional.

At its core, my role is about storytelling: uncovering and elevating the city's identity, building local pride, and creating shared experiences for its residents, businesspeople, and visitors. We strengthen our economy by supporting local businesses and hotels, ultimately contributing to a sustainable revenue stream that benefits residents.

I am excited to create something new for residents and visitors, like Main Street's "Fox and Flowers" mural, a bright spot for pedestrians and passersby that adds to the city's character. I enjoy working with other city departments, the mayor and city council, local business owners, and George Mason University partners. I'm also excited to team up with Old Glory as they play their first season of major league rugby at Mason's stadium.

We're currently developing a tourism brand for the city, something residents can wear, share, and rally behind, with a strong online and social media presence. Plus, we're looking to install a LOVE sign at Old Town Square and reinvigorate the visitor center, the only center representing city and county attractions.

FCED supports the vitality of the city and its overall quality of life. Tourism isn't about bringing in crowds for the sake of it — it's about thoughtfully showcasing what makes Fairfax City special and creating opportunities that benefit the people who live here.



City Budget Review Begins Feb. 24

The budget is a detailed description of how taxpayer money is spent. It explains the city's goals, proposed programs, and activities for that fiscal year. Help the city council determine the city's financial priorities by participating in the annual review of the proposed annual

budget. The review begins when the FY 2027 proposed budget is presented during the Feb. 24 city council meeting. The proposed budget will be available at fairfaxva.gov/budget on the evening of Feb. 24. The city continues to seek public input until the city council adopts the final budget on May 5.

Download a copy of the proposed budget and provide feedback to the mayor and city council via publichearing@fairfaxva.gov, by speaking at council meetings, by submitting a video at council public hearings, or via eComments (details at fairfaxva.gov/citymeetings).

City council meetings and work sessions are held at Fairfax City Hall. They are livestreamed and archived on the city website and televised live and replayed on Channel 12 (Cox/Verizon).

FY 2027 BUDGET REVIEW SCHEDULE

Feb. 24: FY 2027 proposed budget presentation

March 3: Budget work session; FY 2027 Schools budget presentation

March 10: Budget public hearing; consideration of real estate tax rate to be advertised

March 24: Budget public hearing

April 7: Budget work session

April 14: Budget public hearing; introduction of proposed C&I, wastewater, stormwater utility, and Old Town Service District rates; introduction of FY 2027 budget appropriations; budget work session

April 28: Public hearing for proposed real estate tax rate, C&I, wastewater, stormwater utility, and Old Town Service District rates; FY 2026 quarterly financial review; budget work session

May 5: Public hearing on proposed FY 2027 budget appropriations; budget adoption



BUSINESS MARKETING GRANT

GRANT OPENS JANUARY 2
DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FEBRUARY 13

FAIRFAX CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

POWER UP YOUR MARKETING: BUSINESS MARKETING GRANT IS NOW LIVE

The Fairfax City Business Marketing Grant program is live. This grant is designed to help Fairfax City businesses strengthen their brand, reach new customers, and compete more effectively. The program will award a total of \$25,000 across at least five businesses, giving recipients access to professional marketing services tailored to their specific goals. By pairing locally owned businesses with experienced marketing experts, the grant provides practical tools and strategies that enhance visibility, refine messaging, and foster long-term growth. Applications close on Feb. 13. Info: gofairfaxcity.com/business-assistance/incentives-grants



Be Prepared for Winter Weather

Have a plan to manage snowfall, ice, utility outages, property damage, and other weather-related issues on your property. Sign up for Fairfax City Alert at fairfaxva.gov/FairfaxCityAlert. Check the city news webpage, fairfaxva.gov/news, for information during weather events.

Park cars off-street. When snow and ice are forecast, park off-street, when possible, in driveways and community parking lots, so crews have easy access to treat and plow the roads.

Clear sidewalks for safety. Remove snow from along your property promptly to help pedestrians, including school children, travel safely to bus stops and around the neighborhood.

Driveway shoveling tip. Pile snow off the street, to the left of the driveway (facing the driveway from the street). If possible, wait to shovel the driveway apron until after plows clear your street (and in front of your driveway) to avoid shoveling any snow unintentionally moved by plows.

Clear hydrants. Please clear a three-foot area around your neighborhood fire hydrants so firefighters can access them immediately in an emergency.



ASPHALT PATCH MARKERS

Have you ever noticed one of these small plastic markers embedded in the street? When utility companies excavate an area in the roadway to perform work, they are responsible for repairing it. Once the permanent asphalt patch is installed, city inspectors monitor it for any possible settlement and ensure the repairs meet city standards. The markers, which are about the size of a silver dollar, tell inspectors and contractors which utility is responsible for the patch.



WINTER 2026 FAIRFAX CITY RESTAURANT WEEK FEB. 27 - MARCH 8

Work up an appetite for Fairfax City Restaurant Week, Feb. 27 through March 8. Find participating restaurants and meal deals at fairfaxcityrestaurantweek.com.

THE CITY NEEDS PEOPLE LIKE YOU

SERVE ON A CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION

Board of Building Code Appeals (four vacancies: one mechanical or plumbing vacancy, one architect vacancy, one fire protection vacancy, and one for city resident); **Board of Zoning Appeals** (one vacancy for city resident); **Commission on the Arts** (three vacancies for city residents); **Continuum of Care Board** (one vacancy for city resident); **Environmental Sustainability Committee** (two vacancies for city residents); **Grievance Panel Board** (five vacancies for city residents); **Historic Fairfax City, Inc.** (two vacancies for city residents); **Human Services Committee** (one vacancy for city resident); **NOVA Parks** (two vacancies for city residents); **Planning Commission** (one vacancy for city resident).

To apply, visit fairfaxva.gov and search "boards and commissions," or call 703-385-7935.



CURIOUS CITIZENS

How close to the property line can someone plant a tree?

Follow these general planting guidelines, which vary by tree species, size, and site conditions:

- 10-15 feet from a fence, patio, walkway/sidewalk, or underground utility
- 10-15 feet from a foundation
- 20-30 feet from overhead lines, except small-sized trees can be closer

Please be considerate of neighbors when planting trees near the property line, and remember:

- If more than half the tree trunk measured at 4.5 feet from the base of the tree crosses the property line, it becomes a shared tree.
- A neighboring property owner may prune anything overhanging their property line so long as it doesn't significantly harm or kill the tree.
- Tree parts that damage neighboring property are typically the tree owner's responsibility.

and adventure in the heart of Fairfax! Wild Explorers is for kids aged 6-10 years and runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 30-April 4. The cost is \$350.

Visit fairfaxva.gov and search "out-of-school programs" to find more exciting school day-off programs for spring break, such as My First Lemonade Stand, Silver Knights Chess Academy, Laskar Tennis and Pickleball camps, and Fairfax Surf Shop Skate Camp.

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MAKING History

Un/Bound Free Black Virginians, 1619-1865, through March 9

Explore the lives of free Black Virginians from the arrival of the first captive Africans in 1619 to the abolition of slavery in 1865. Visitors will discover how the commonwealth's people of color achieved freedom and persevered with a legal system that recognized them as free but not equal. Free. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center.

Museum Explorers, Feb. 5, 19

Youngsters aged 2-4 can explore an object from our exhibits or collections, then enjoy an activity, game, or song connected to the object. 10 a.m., free, registration required. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center. Info: fairfaxva.gov/visitors

Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House Tours, Feb. 7, 8

Take a sweet opportunity to learn more about Fairfax City by touring our oldest residence, the Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House, during the Chocolate Lovers Festival. Guided tours will be offered from noon to 4 p.m. Feb. 7 and 1-3 p.m. Feb. 8. Free. Info: fairfaxva.gov/chocolatelovers

Museum Skills: Historic Artifacts, Feb. 16

Kids ages 9-13 will focus on learning different museum/history-related skills and the importance of historical objects by viewing and discussing examples of objects housed at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture for the Un/Bound Free Black Virginians Exhibit. 10 a.m., free, registration required. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center. Info: fairfaxva.gov/visitors



SPRING BREAK CAMP

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search for hidden critters under rocks and logs.

Each day brings a new outdoor adventure — from exploring the boardwalk at Huntley Meadows Park and uncovering the secrets of the wetlands, to discovering trails and visiting nature centers filled with live animals and hands-on exhibits.

Back at camp (Sherwood Center), creativity takes center stage with nature-inspired crafts! Campers will make pressed leaf stickers, bird feeders to help our feathered friends, and more fun spring-themed projects to take home.

This program takes place primarily outdoors and includes outdoor field trips (rain or shine, unless dangerous weather conditions arise) — perfect for curious campers who love being outside, getting a little messy, and exploring the world around them! So, pack your water bottle, lace up your sneakers, and join us for a week of outdoor fun, friendship,

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Fairfax City
Chocolate Lovers Festival
VA 250 CELEBRATION

ENJOY AN ENTIRE WEEKEND OF EVENTS!

- TASTE OF CHOCOLATE * (SEE NOTE BELOW)
- LIQUID CHOCOLATE
- MAKE-YOUR-OWN CHOCOLATE BAR
- CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, GAMES, CRAFTS, AND PERFORMERS
- MUSICAL CAKES
- HISTORIC SITES AND TOURS
- EYE CANDY
- GOLDEN TICKET
- HOT CHOCOLATE BAR

PLEASE NOTE Due to renovation work at Old Town Hall, the Taste of Chocolate event will be held at the Sherwood Center. Take the free shuttle to and from Old Town Fairfax to enjoy all things chocolate.



FAIRFAX CITY

Sweet treats for a sweet cause!

FEBRUARY 6TH
 - FEBRUARY 8TH

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 10415 NORTH ST., FAIRFAX

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250TH CHOCOLATE COIN CHALLENGE

It's America's 250th celebration this year, and the Chocolate Lovers Festival is kicking off the festivities! Pick up a copy of the 250th Chocolate Coin Challenge map, and as you're enjoying all the various chocolate-themed activities in the city, collect stickers for each location. Participants who collect at least five stickers are eligible to receive their commemorative 250th Chocolate Coin at the Liquid Chocolate tent in Old Town Square!

THE SWEET MILE

Pre-registration is open!
 Sign up now!
 Chocolate Lovers Festival: Sweet Mile