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**This Week in Westland February 20, 2021 - February 28, 2021**

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Scheduled Upcoming Civic Meetings – Residents are invited to attend the upcoming City Meetings via zoom. Please visit [www.cityofwestland.com](http://www.cityofwestland.com) for the – links to join the meetings. Below is a list of the meetings with their date and time:

- The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board will hold their meeting via zoom on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. Please click [here](#) the agenda.
- Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee will hold their meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be held in person at 32150 Dorsey Road and zoom. Please click [here](#) for the agenda.
- The Great Lakes Water Authority will hold a Public Hearing for Proposed FY 2022 Water and Sewerage Service Charges on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Please click [here](#) for the agenda.
- The Downtown Development Authority will hold their meeting on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 8:00. Please click [here](#) for the agenda.

The following Warming Centers will be open during below freezing temperatures throughout the City:

- Westland City Hall, located at 36300 Warren Road – Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5 p.m.
- Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center, located at 32150 Dorsey Road, – Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Fire Station #1, located at 35701 Central City Parkway – 7 days a week 24 hours a day
- Police Station, located at 36701 Ford Road – 7 days a week 24 hours a day

Please remember to shovel your sidewalks at your home and business. Your cooperation is necessary to keep the sidewalk safe for pedestrians. Just a reminder when the City issues a snow emergency it is important to remove your vehicles from the streets in order for the plow trucks to remove the snow.

**Gleaners Free Food Distribution** – Families and individuals in need of food are encouraged to attend this distribution provided by Gleaners Community Food Bank. On **Tuesday, February 23rd from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.** at Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center located at 32150 Dorsey Road, 30 pounds of groceries, items like milk, fresh fruits, vegetables, lean protein and other shelf-stable foods will be distributed. There is no appointment needed, nor identification or proof of eligibility to receive food. You may pick up for another household as well without their presence in the car.

**Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center** located at 32150 Dorsey Road is offering several free programs.

- Free Distance Learning Support at JBCVC Open to Wayne/Westland Students only. To participate in this program complete the registration form at [jblnorwayne.com](http://jblnorwayne.com) or text JBLL to 313-277-3937. Drop in is not available. Hours are Monday – Thursday 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- The Library Hours are Monday and Friday 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Wednesday 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Pickleball is open Wednesday – Friday 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Winter Tax Extension** – The due date for the winter taxes has been extended until **March 1, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Free Mask Give Away** – The City of Westland has partnered with Wayne County for a free mask giveaway. Westland residents can come to Westland City Hall, located at 36300 Warren Road, **Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** and request a pack of 5 free washable masks and also receive a COVID educational packet. Additionally, if you can't make it up to Westland City Hall Monday through Friday please contact Mayor Wild's Office at 734-467-3200 so arrangements can be made for delivery.

**William P. Faust Library** located at 6123 Central City Parkway is in Phase II of their reopening this includes borrowing a wireless hotspot, browse/check out new and popular materials, one 30-minute computer session per day, printing and photocopying, pick up holds/other items from collection, register/renew your library card, help from librarians and take home activities for all ages. The library hours are Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. For more information please visit [www.westlandlibrary.org](http://www.westlandlibrary.org)

**Westland Partners with Wayne County for Free Drive Thru COVID-19 Testing Clinic** – The City of Westland has established a free drive thru COVID-19 testing clinic to assist in the Wayne County COVID Testing. Residents will have no out of pocket expenses for testing. However, if insurance information is available, it will be collected for the laboratory testing fees. There is no pre-registration or appointments needed. Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Residents can expect to receive their results within 2-3 days, which will be shared via email, phone call or text message. The testing will take place in the parking lot of Westland Friendship Center located at 1119 Newburgh Road. The testing hours are Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Westland Businesses Promote Job Opportunities through Westland Works** – Are you

looking for a job? There are many job opportunities with businesses throughout Westland. Please visit <https://www.cityofwestland.com/Jobs.aspx> for the businesses hiring.

**The Westland Police Department** is offering all eligible residents an opportunity to win a new Ring doorbell camera. Please visit [www.cityofwestland.com](http://www.cityofwestland.com) for details and terms.

**Mike Modano Ice Arena Open Skate** – the Mike Modano Ice Arena, located at 6210 N. Wildwood, has open skating every Sunday from 1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m. The capacity is limited to 50 people and masks are required at all times. The cost is \$6 for children and \$7 for adults with a \$4 skate rental fee for Westland Residents and \$5 skate rental for non-residents. For more information please call (734) 729-4560.

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Westland, Michigan is the state's 10<sup>th</sup> largest municipality, with a population of over 84,000.

Westland has been recognized as one of 24/7 Wall Street's America's Best 50 Cities to Live, offering residents and visitors an ideal blend of single – family affordable homes, apartments and condominiums, great schools, and access to numerous outdoor activities. Public safety is delivered by full-service, professional law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

Westland is well known as a premier destination for shopping and dining in Wayne County with hundreds of shops and restaurants anchored by the Westland shopping Center, one of the country's original four regional malls.

The City is served by two public school districts; Wayne-Westland Community Schools serving 12,000 youth was recently named one of the best schools in Michigan by WXYZ-TV and is the proud recipient of 14 Golden Apple and two Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Awards. Livonia Public Schools, educating nearly 15,000 students, is proud of their MEAP/MME scores that exceed State averages and the district has also earned Golden Apple and Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School awards.

The City provides competitive incentives for those who are interested in investing in Westland, making it one of the hottest investment markets in the region. Westland's Fast-Track to Business Team, which consists of key decision makers who work diligently to “cut the red tape” and expedite the approval process for new business development.