

# TOWSON LIVE

December 2024

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## BALTIMORE COUNTY CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6  
6 PM - 7:30 PM**

**OLYMPIAN PARK  
ALLEGHENY AVENUE BETWEEN YORK ROAD  
& WASHINGTON AVENUE**

**FREE PHOTOS WITH SANTA & MRS. CLAUS, THE GRINCH, FROSTY, OLAF & SANTA'S HELPERS**

**ICE SCULPTURES**

**FIRE PITS & S'MORES**

**INFLATABLE DECORATIONS & CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

**PERFORMANCES**

**FREE CHRISTMAS COOKIES & HOT CHOCOLATE**

**LOCAL RESTAURANT GIVEAWAYS**



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TOWSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# CHRISTMAS PARTY

4  
DECEMBER

AT 5 PM

7 WEST BISTRO GRILLE  
7 W CHESAPEAKE AVENUE  
TOWSON, MD 21204

PLEASE RSVP ONLINE  
[WWW.TOWSONCHAMBER.COM](http://WWW.TOWSONCHAMBER.COM)

THIS EVENT IS FOR TOWSON CHAMBER  
MEMBERS & INVITED GUESTS ONLY



# TOWSON WINTERFEST



## Small Business Saturday

**Saturday, November 30**

The holidays are all about giving – and the best gift you can give local businesses is your support. Get out there and Shop Small this Small Business Saturday® to kick off the season in a meaningful way.

## Baltimore County Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

**Friday, December 6, 6-7:30pm**

Pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus  
Music & dance performances  
Hot chocolate, treats, & giveaways  
**Olympian Park at Towson Circle**  
Allegheny Avenue between York Road & Washington Avenue

## Fire & Ice

### Window Decorating Contest

**Friday, December 6, 6-9pm**

View the ice sculptures and decorated windows located around Towson!  
There will be free s'mores, cookies, & hot chocolate.  
Locations at [towsonchamber.com](http://towsonchamber.com) and our Facebook Page @[@towsonchamber](https://www.facebook.com/towsonchamber)

## Cookie Crawl & Tour of Towson

**Saturday, December 14, 12-2pm**

Stroll through town as you collect cookies from participating shops, each offering their own unique holiday treat. Along the way, experience the best of Towson with special offers, seasonal decorations, and holiday cheer!  
Participating Restaurants on [towsonchamber.com](http://towsonchamber.com)

## Holidays at Towson Town Center

**Visit Santa on Level 1 starting November 21!**

**Pet Photos with Santa**  
November 26-27 & December 2-3

**Santa Cares Day**  
December 8

Visit [www.towsontowncenter.com](http://www.towsontowncenter.com)

## Smoke @ The Point

**December 8: Mia Ye-Sounds of the Season Jazz Brunch**

**December 13: Taylor Swift Birthday Bash**

**December 15: Kids Christmas Craft Brunch**

**December 20: Christmas Break Teacher Happy Hour**

**523 York Road  
(443) 991-4293**

## Charles Village Pub & Patio

**December 7: Breakfast with The Grinch**

**December 14: Pets with Santa**

**19 W Pennsylvania Avenue  
(410) 821-8155**

## Barley's Backyard Uptown

**December 8: Breakfast with Ana, Elsa, Santa, & Friends**

**December 22: Santa Paws Brunch**

**408 York Road  
(410) 825-3980**

## Nacho Mama's

**November 23: Home Alone Trivia Brunch**

**November 29: Black Friday Pajama Brunch**

**December 14: Brunch with Santa**

**December 19: Nacho Merry Quizmas**

**2 W Pennsylvania Avenue  
(410) 673-0069**

For more information, visit [www.towsonchamber.com](http://www.towsonchamber.com)



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TOWN CENTER**



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TOWSON CHAMBER  
PRESENTS

# Towson Cookie Crawl

Saturday, December 14  
12:00pm - 2:00pm

Bring the family out for FREE COOKIES and special deals from participating Towson restaurants!

PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES:  
BARLEY'S BACKYARD  
CALIENTE RESTAURANT  
CHARLES VILLAGE PUB & PATIO  
NACHO MAMA'S  
THE POINT  
CHATIME





## Holiday Window Decorating Contest

Windows must be decorated by **December 4** in order to be photographed, posted to Facebook & Instagram to be judged.

**WINDOW JUDGING DECEMBER 6 FROM 6-9**

WINNERS FOR

Most Creative, Best Towson Spirit & Most Festive Windows

A “People’s Choice” Winner will be determined by the most “likes” and “comments” on the Towson Chamber’s Facebook & Instagram Page December 5-December 12



@Towson Chamber of Commerce



@towsonchamber



# Member Breakfast at





# Fall Mega Networking Event





# Best Reflex Spa Ribbon Cutting





# Veterans Day Ceremony





# 2024-2025 Towson Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors



Top Row: Daraius Irani-Towson University, Michelle Ewing-Goucher College, Anthony DiMartino-RS&F, Kaitlin Radebaugh-Radebaugh Florist, Tracy Carroll-Rosedale Federal, Paul Schwab-Azrael, Franz, Schwab, Lipowitz & Solter, Renae Williams-M&T Bank, Tom Gronert, Todd Huff-Brooks Huff Tire & Auto Centers

Bottom Row: Calixta Eraso-Towson Chamber, Melony Wagner-Charles Village Pub & Patio, Mark Shulman, Nancy Hafford-Towson Chamber, Emily Brophy-Blue Vista Real Estate, Brandon Simpson-Palisades of Towson, Christina Kelly-Towson Chamber, Natalie Martz-Chick-fil-A Towson, Lorrie Geiss-Long & Foster



# NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

## Welcome to the Towson Chamber!



### Sit Means Sit Dog Training

Carmen Huneke  
10912 York Rd  
Cockeysville, MD 21030



### Madison Energy Group

Stuart Egerton  
1022 Winsford Rd  
Towson, MD 21204



### Strategic Factory

Ashley Carr  
11195 Dolfield Blvd  
Owings Mill, MD 21117



### A Place at Home

Martins "Adedayo" Ojo  
100 West Road Suite 300  
Towson, MD 21204



# NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

## Welcome to the Towson Chamber!



### Reliable Technology

Krister Dunn

9515 Deereco Rd

Timonium, MD 21093



### OEO Energy Solutions

Lesley Grant

140 Oakwood Rd

Lake Zurich, IL 60047



# Please Join Us!

## Towson Chamber Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 4  
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

### Location:

7 West Bistro Grille  
7 W Chesapeake Avenue  
Towson, MD 21204

Please RSVP Online  
[www.towsonchamber.com](http://www.towsonchamber.com)

This event is for Towson Chamber  
Members & Invited Guests only.

## Advertising & Promotion Opportunities

**One-Page Insert**  
Advertise a special  
sale or promotion with  
an 8.5x11” insert for  
\$50 in our monthly  
newsletter. Advertising  
for  
community events is  
free.

**Email Sponsorship**  
“Sponsor” an email  
that goes out to over  
1500 business contacts.  
Includes your logo and  
a click-through to your  
website. (Costs vary)

**Towson Times**  
Advertise in the Towson  
Times (costs vary)

**Questions?**  
Contact: Nancy Hafford  
[nancy@towsonchamber.com](mailto:nancy@towsonchamber.com)



## Member-to-Member Benefits

Enjoy these specials offered exclusively for members of the Towson Chamber. Businesses may reference the Chamber Directory, or contact the Chamber office to confirm eligibility.

**Aerus of Towson:** 20 percent off any vacuum service (all makes and models and free pick up and delivery). FREE AIR AND WATER QUALITY TESTING. TWO ROOMS OF CARPET CLEANING FOR \$60. 15 PERCENT OFF OF ALL VACUUM, AIR PURIFIERS AND WATER SYSTEMS

**Express Employment Professionals:** First 1/2 day on Express Pros (\$100 Value) – Towson Chamber member organization who use Express for your next staffing need will receive 4 hours of service deducted from your initial invoice for your first Express associate.  
stephen.enoch@expresspros.com

**Dogtopia of Towson:** alexander.davis@dogtopia.com, Two free weeks daycare enrollment for Towson Chamber Members.

**Jazzercise Lutherville:** Joyce Cardwell jazzyjoyce2@yahoo.com  
Towson Chamber Members receive one free week

**Charles Village Pub & Patio:** Melony Wagner melony@cvptowson.com  
20% off to members for food, beverages, and catering. This offer cannot be combined with any other discount or promotion.

**Nancy Hofmann, Compass Realty & Live Towson:** Nancy.Hofmann@compass.com -  
FREE professional home staging when you sell your home with Nancy Hofmann, Compass – Towson Office.

**Integrated Pest Services:** Sandy Jenkins, service@ipspest.com, 10% off of all pest services for Towson Chamber members

**RISE Biscuits and Donuts:** David Brindza, towson@risebiscuitsdonuts.com, Free Sweet Treat Platter (\$31.95 value) to all Catering Breakfast and Lunch orders over \$100. Monday through Friday. Pickup between 7:30 am and 2 pm. Must mention the Member to Member promo.

**The Point in Towson:** Erica Russo, erica@thepointrg.com, 20% off to all members for food, beverages and catering. Cannot be combined with any other discount or promotion

### The 10% Rule

Keep your business local and make 10% of your expenditures stay within Towson. Just think of the impact... If a company grosses \$300,000.00 per year and they see an additional 10% or \$30,000.00, that could mean hiring someone, expanding product lines, or making their interior and exterior look better. Keep business in Towson and create a positive environment for our community!



# BALTIMORE COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER



## Competitive Starting Salary & Benefits!

Starting  
annual Salary  
\$51,961

- ❖ Comprehensive, paid training
- ❖ Opportunity to advance
- ❖ Health care benefits
- ❖ Educational assistance
- ❖ Paid holidays
- ❖ Employee Assistance Program for health & quality of life issues
- ❖ County-paid parking
- ❖ Leave time
- ❖ Retirement benefits

## Hiring Bonuses – Potential to Earn up to \$5,000

- ❖ **\$1000** bonus at your time of hire – an additional **\$2000** bonus if you have 2+ years of 911 Center experience.
- ❖ **\$1000** bonus when you become an independent Calltaker or Dispatcher
- ❖ **\$1000** bonus upon completion of 2 years of employment with the 911 Center

## We are looking for someone who can:

- ❖ Multitask
- ❖ Solve problems under pressure
- ❖ Adapt and respond to quickly changing situations
- ❖ See a task through to completion
- ❖ Work independently—within the team

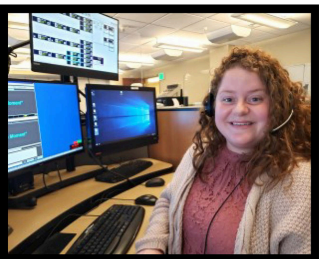
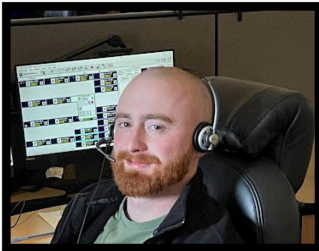
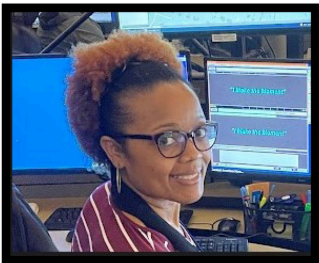
## Apply Online today by following the steps below:

- ❖ Go to [www.baltimorecounty.md.gov/911jobs](http://www.baltimorecounty.md.gov/911jobs)
- ❖ Currently Hiring > Emergency Communications Technician I
- ❖ Select Apply, then follow the screen prompts
- ❖ First-timers will need to create an account

*Apply Now*



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[www.baltimorecountymd.gov/911jobs](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/911jobs)





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# BLOOD DRIVE

## Haven Coworking

200 Washington Ave Floor 5, Towson, MD 21204  
Free parking available at The American Legion  
125 York Road

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 10**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SCAN ME



To show our appreciation, all donors will receive:

1. American Red Cross T-shirt
2. Entry to win a trip for two to Super Bowl LIX in New Orleans! The Winner and guest will get to enjoy Super Bowl LIX in New Orleans, access to day-of-in stadium pre-game activities, tickets to the official Super Bowl Experience, round-trip fare to New Orleans, three-night hotel accommodations (Feb. 7-10, 2025), plus a \$1,000 gift card for expenses.



# NO-COST LED LIGHTING UPGRADES

for Chamber Members



## 4' LED Tubes

To replace existing 4' T8, T12, and T5 fluorescent tubes used in offices, warehouses, retail and more.

## LED Warehouse Fixtures

Replace 400w/1000w metal halide and high pressure sodium fixtures for high bay applications in warehouses, factories, industrial, garages, retail, gymnasiums, and auditoriums.

**To Order Your LED Lights:**

**CLICK HERE**

### Program Details

- OEO Energy Solutions is a registered trade ally with electric utilities around the country, this program is funded by local energy efficiency lighting incentives
- Quantity eligible for upgrade is equal to the number of lights currently in use.
- Free shipping for tube orders over 250 (case pack 25). Free shipping on fixture orders over 30 (individual case packing).
- Lasts 2.5x longer than fluorescents with superior LED lumen quality.
- Availability: Limited quantities. First come, first served, while inventory lasts.
- Applies to ballast bypass, type B LED tubes only
- Minimum order quantity - 8 cases of tubes or 6 fixtures.

**ORDER YOUR FREE LED LIGHTS TODAY!**

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## 2024-2025 TOWSON CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS



Brandon Simpson  
President  
Palisades of Towson



Natalie Martz  
Vice President  
Chick-fil-A Towson  
Town Center



Anthony DiMartino  
Treasurer  
RS&F



Tracy Carroll  
Secretary  
Rosedale Federal



Tom Gronert  
Past President

## BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Blizzard, Signature Properties

Robert Brando, Univest Bank and Trust Co.

Emily Brophy, Blue Vista Real Estate

Jon Christiana, C&E Financial Services

Colin Exelby, Celestial Wealth Management

Michele Ewing, Goucher College

Lorrie Geiss, Long & Foster

Sandy Gurchik, Cummings & Co.

Todd Huff, Brooks-Huff Tire & Auto Centers

Ed Hale, Hale Transport

Daraius Irani, Towson University

Steve Norris, Financial Fitness

Kaitlin Radebaugh, Radebaugh Florist & Greenhouses

Paul Schwab, Azrael, Franz, Schwab, Lipowitz &  
Solter, LLC

Mark Shulman, DDS

Melony Wagner, Charles Village Pub & Patio

Renae Williams, M&T Bank

## Towson Chamber Staff:



Nancy Hafford  
Executive Director



Calixta Eraso  
Marketing &  
Program Director



Christina Kelley  
Membership  
Coordinator



Joseph O'Donnell  
Community  
Ambassador



# TOWSON LIVE

## 2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business as listed in the Yellow Pages: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate values:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1-20 employees: \$325

\_\_\_\_\_ 21-30 employees: \$425

\_\_\_\_\_ 31-45 employees: \$475

\_\_\_\_\_ 46-75 employees: \$525

\_\_\_\_\_ 76-100 employees: \$575

\_\_\_\_\_ Over 100 employees: \$1,000

Plus \$30 one-time application fee

= Total Investment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return this application with your dues

investment made payable to:

Towson Chamber of Commerce

44 W. Chesapeake Avenue

Towson, MD 21204

To pay by credit card, please call the chamber office: 410-825-1144

Add sponsorship opportunities  
for 2024-2025

Winterfest & Baltimore County  
Tree Lighting

Towson Beautification Program

Towson 4th of July Parade &  
Race

Taste of Towson

Chamber Golf Tournament

Gardens Day

For more information on  
sponsorship packages, contact the  
chamber office:

410-825-1144

Please Be Advised:

Internal Revenue Bureau Cumulative Bulletin, No 2, page 105 reads: Membership fees or dues by individuals to a Chamber of Commerce are deductible from gross income as a business expense provided the memberships is employed as a means of advancing the business interests of the individual corporation.





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