

Kensington Around Town June 2026

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HISTORIC TOWN OF KENSINGTON

SUN DAY **JUNE 7, 2026** **10 AM to 5 PM**

Upcoming Events in The Town of Kensington

KHS Summer Concert Series

Saturdays 10-11am May thru September

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Warner Memorial Surplus Sale

Saturday, May 30 • 9am-2pm

Kensington Dog Parade

Saturday, May 30 • 12-2pm

Ice Cream Social

Monday, June 1 • 6-7pm | St. Paul Park

MD House & Garden Pilgrimage

-- Kensington Tour --

Sunday, June 7 • 10am-5pm

Kensington Open Studios

Sunday, June 7 • 1-5pm

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Kensington Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 14 • 12-4pm

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KTown Ladies Fitness Pop-Up

Saturday, June 20 • 9-10am

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Visit [TOK.md.gov/events](https://tok.md.gov/events)

Town Election Update

Tracey Furman was the only candidate to file for Mayor, and Nate Engle and Ann Lichter were the only candidates to file for Town Council for the June 1, 2026, Town Election, and in accordance with Article VII, "Registration, Nominations, and Elections", Section 710, "Conduct of Elections", of the Town Charter, Ms. Furman will be reelected as Mayor and Mr. Engle and Ms. Lichter will be reelected as Council Members for the term beginning July 1, 2026. The Board of Supervisors of Elections will declare them elected at the June 4, 2026, Town Meeting.



Tracey Furman

Two years ago, I began my fifth term as your Mayor with a commitment to building strong relationships. These connections remain vital as we navigate state and county economic challenges and the need for affordable housing.

By collaborating with other Montgomery County municipalities, we successfully protected our state highway user funds and preserved county tax duplication reimbursement for parks and road maintenance. At the state level, our unified opposition to a bill removing municipal residential zoning authority failed; and we remain prepared to advocate for better legislation that does not take away our already limited authority should it be reintroduced. Locally, our advocacy through in-person testimony and letter writing, secured the Summit Avenue Extension stayed in the county's Capital Improvement Program, funded the Noyes Children's Library renovation, and attended multiple meetings on the MCPS Boundary Study where the town remained within the Walter Johnson cluster.

Town projects continue to progress, a soon to be completed major storm water project on the north side, the planning of the new Public Works building, removal of the old M&T drive-through building at the new public parking lot and completion of the Town Hall staff office renovation and the St Paul Park ADA Playground improvements.

This year, we look forward to welcoming new residents to the Warner Mansion Condominiums, completing the sale of the new park land on the North side, and seeing at least three more new businesses open. Our council-led committees continue to work hard on pedestrian safety, parking study, best environmental practices, and the Ernest Memorial Park improvements. Coming this fall, we will begin a sector plan "Refresh" with MC Planning. Many thanks to our Town Council & Staff, and the many resident volunteers who remain dedicated to making a difference in our community.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your mayor for a 6th term. Kensington is such an amazing community, it's truly an honor to serve as your mayor. Mayor.Tracey@tok.md.gov, 301-442-4507



Nate Engle

I've been proud to serve as your Councilmember since 2020, and I'm excited to begin a fourth term. My commitment remains the same: striving every day to keep Kensington a great place for families to live, work, and thrive.

Over the past two years, I've continued to help lead the Town's Sustainable Kensington Committee with Councilmember Lichter. Working alongside a dedicated group of volunteers, we launched a Town-wide food waste collection program, which is one of the first in Montgomery County and the region. We've also explored opportunities to bring electric vehicle fast-charging stations to the Town's recently acquired "M&T parking lot," and are advancing efforts to recapture the County's Water Quality Protection Charge so these funds can directly support our growing stormwater management needs. This June, we will apply for "Bronze" re-certification through the Sustainable Maryland program, with a clear path toward achieving "Silver" level certification by 2029.

Town Election Update

I've also remained actively involved with the Mobility and Traffic Committee (MTC) and Pedestrian and Bicycling Access and Safety (PBAS) Working Group, alongside Councilmember Sparker. My focus has been on advancing the recommendations outlined in our Bicycling and Pedestrian Priority Area (BPPA) plan. These improvements are especially urgent considering the recent increase in pedestrian fatalities in our community. In this next term, I will keep pressing the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) to deliver on the safety and access commitments made to Kensington residents and our surrounding community.

This past year, I also had the opportunity to serve as co-Chair of the Development Review Board (DRB) with Councilmember Crimmins. In this role, I advocated for maintaining the Summit Avenue Extension project in the County's Capital Improvements Plan – testifying at hearings and building strong support among County Councilmembers to advance the project toward design and construction. This project will help ease congestion and create new green space, while supporting future development and affordable housing opportunities in our core downtown area. Looking ahead, I will continue to champion this project while helping to guide the Town through the Kensington Sector Plan Amendment process, which is expected to begin later this year.

Thank you again for entrusting me with this responsibility to serve as your Town Councilmember. Please reach out to me with questions or to discuss any interests or concerns: council.engle@tok.md.gov; 484-695-6185.



Ann Lichter

It's been an honor to serve as a Councilmember since 2022 and I look forward to continuing to support the community in my third term. I initially ran for Council because I felt there was an opportunity to engage more residents in Town decision-making, particularly related to issues that affect our quality of life and make it possible for all kinds of people and businesses to call Kensington home.

Early on I joined with Council Member Nate Engle to start the Sustainable Kensington committee. Informed by a community survey and planning sessions, this group has undertaken many important efforts, including obtaining a municipal energy audit, launching a Town-wide food waste collection program, and assessing ways to improve stormwater management. Similarly, the Greenscape Committee has organized tree care workshops, installed new native plant gardens in our business district, and led a redesign of Ernest Memorial Park to honor our veterans. Most recently, I joined Council Members Crimmins and Sparker in starting a Parking Task Force to examine parking pressure near our Town center,

engaging a parking consultant for analysis and recommendations. We've also maintained the Community Budget Forum I started three years ago to better inform and engage residents in our budget decisions.

Our Town remains vibrant thanks to the countless volunteers who bring events to life. That's why I've joined the Mayor and Council in prioritizing funding for community events ranging from Juneteenth and the Back-to-School Block Party to Light Up Ktown and more. Going forward, I'd like to support a continued focus on improving parking management and walkability, preserving our tree canopy and parks, engaging residents in community events and decision-making, and maintaining our diverse housing stock. I invite you to get involved by attending a Town Council meeting and/or joining one of our many Town committees. I look forward to working with you in my third term.

To learn more about how to get involved or to discuss any issues or concerns, please contact me at council.lichter@tok.md.gov, 202-277-2509.

Kensington Juneteenth Celebration



5TH ANNUAL KENSINGTON JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

St. Paul Park • Kensington, MD

Saturday, June 13, 2026

(Rain Date: June 14)

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

FREE • Family-Friendly • All Are Welcome!



Honoring 250 Years of Resilience & Freedom

Join us as we celebrate Juneteenth and commemorate the 250th year of our country, state, and county!

- Live Music & Performances
- Living History Interpreters
- Local Vendors & Black-Owned Businesses
- Food, Beverages & Sweet Treats
- Family Activities & Kids' Zone



Acknowledging the past and charting our future

Share your moments with us: #KensingtonJuneteenth

For info, vendor or volunteer opportunities:

kensington.juneteenth@gmail.com | kensington_juneteenth

Upcoming Events

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JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL

*Kensington
Dog Parade*

SATURDAY, MAY 30 | 12 – 2 PM

Meet Us at Flinn Park
10227 Kensington Parkway, Kensington, MD 20895

- Parade through Antique Row to BabyCat Brewery
- Meet new and old friends and their humans
- Get a picture with your pet
- Win dog prizes
- Enjoy a libation at BabyCat with a portion of the proceeds going to the MCSPCA



May 30
9 AM – 2 PM

**SURPLUS
SALE**

Couches · Bookcases · AV Equipment
Pianos · Office Supplies · Chairs
Tables · Rugs · Books
and more!

Open to the Public · Cash, Check, & Venmo Accepted



Warner Memorial
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10123 Connecticut Ave., Kensington, MD

Parking across street at Connecticut & Prospect



MDTWOFIFTY
250th American Anniversary
1776-2026 Kensington, MD

Get your wheels ready for **Kensington's 31st Annual 4th of July Bike Parade!**

Be part of the Parade, Saturday, July 4 • 10-11am
Decorate your bikes, scooters, wagons, strollers or anything on wheels. Roll over to St. Paul Park by 9:45am to participate in the bike parade. Follow the KVFD Fire Truck through the streets of Town.

Watch the Parade!

Line up along Lexington Street, Farragut Ave and St. Paul Street.



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Kensington Historical Society



Kensington Historical Society (KHS) is getting into full summer-time mode. Here are some highlights of upcoming events:

Summer Concerts: Saturday morning concerts at Howard Avenue Park have started. Enjoy a variety of performers and genres curated by Mike Landis. Thank you to the KHS team who support this weekly effort that benefits all visitors to Town. See the full

schedule at right.

Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage – Kensington Tour June 7: KHS is actively supporting this event in a number of ways including sponsoring a special concert event on the day of the Tour– June 7. Support Noyes, buy your ticket, volunteer for a few hours at your favorite landmark or private home, enjoy the many stops on the Tour, get a fabulous Marathon lunch and take a moment at Howard Avenue Park for these performances:

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| 11:30-12:30pm | Can Ray Play Too - Ray plays original songs and guitar instrumentals, including selections from his new album "Forever Man." |
| 1:15-2:15pm | Rick Franklin - Rick performs Piedmont Blues on Acoustic Guitar with vocals |
| 3:00-4:00pm | Julie Leclercq - Piano-led concert of French and English classic chansons meet modern favorites, all reimagined with warmth and simplicity. |

Juneteenth: Visit the KHS table in the History Zone at Juneteenth on June 13 (rain date June 14) and learn more about Kensington history from the exhibits we will have on display.

Speaker Series – Save the Date: September 23 - Ralph Buglass will present Montgomery Montage – A 250-year Tapestry of Time, People and Place. 7pm - Town Hall. If you missed one of the speakers this year you can catch the recorded program on the Montgomery Municipal Cable YouTube channel or the KHS website (KensingtonHistory.org).

All these initiatives are made possible with your support. Join KHS and get engaged with our programs. KensingtonHistory.org.

NIH - Donate to Save Lives



Platelet donors are URGENTLY needed, especially for the NIH Clinical Center Cancer Patients. And there are different ways to donate - learn which one is right for you -- and your **blood type!**

Schedule your Platelet donation now!

Call 301-496-4321

Email nihplatelets@cc.nih.gov

CC.NIH.gov/bloodbank/platelet-home

Kensington Concert Series

KENSINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2026

Across from the
Farmer's Market at the
Kensington Train Station

Saturdays 10–11 AM
Howard Avenue Park



Please patronize our
sponsors!

www.kensingtonhistory.org/sponsors

Thanks to our supporters!

KHS Members
&
Town of Kensington

kensingtonhistory.org

Become a member:



- May 9 WeaverSmith & Friends: Award-winning singer songwriters performing hometown originals and covers!
- May 16 Ardmore: Named for towns in both Ireland and Scotland, Ardmore ("great height") burnishes traditional Celtic melodies with folk, bluegrass & rock influences.
- May 23 Billy Coulter: 20-time Washington Area Music Award winner Billy Coulter performs rootsy rock with pop melodies, drawing on influences from Dylan to Bowie and everything in between.
- May 30 Isn't That So?: Six-piece band that plays a diverse mix of broadly-defined Americana, including country swing, blues, R&B and folk with a smattering of jazz and American Standards.
- June 6 Idle Moments: Seven-piece band igniting jazz from bebop to modern groove, Silver to Snarky, with lush vocals, powerhouse horns and a hard-swinging rhythm section.
- June 13 The Threestles: Acoustic trio playing music of The Beatles and their solo careers.
- June 20 Janine Wilson and Arch Alcantara: A crazy quilt of American roots music.
- June 27 Spencer J: Sophisticated, syncopated, mystifying folk.
- July 4 Shannon Leigh Reynolds: Acoustic Americana steeped in country and bluegrass.
- July 11 Gravy Soppers: Old Time Appalachian String Band
- July 18 The Lovejoy Group: Jazz and all that Blues. Music to make you smile and keep you swinging!
- July 25 Mystic Ya Ya: Exciting, modern blend of musical sounds, roots rock and current folk standards.
- Aug 1 Blue Spruce: A Kensington-based bluegrass band delivering lively, family-friendly music with strong vocals and rich harmonies.
- Aug 8 Dede & the Do-Rights: A blend of the best elements of vintage country and early rock 'n' roll, all driven by their infectious and energetic performances, dynamic vocals, and tight harmonies.
- Aug 15 Rockville Swing Band: Come out to listen, enjoy and dance to your favorite Big Band music and Swing music from the 1930s and 1940s.
- Aug 22 The ToneDrivers: Brother/sister duo with great guitar work and those stellar sibling harmonies. Folk, country, blues, rock.
- Aug 29 SK Jazz: Quartet playing straight-ahead jazz and tunes from the Great American Songbook.
- Sep 5 Esther Haynes, Keith Grimes, and Dean Dalton: Classic Standards and Modern Americana.
- Sep 12 Silver Strings: Chesapeake Bay area folk, bluegrass, blues, traditional, and contemporary music string band. The band donates all of its net profits to local charities in Silver Spring to help feed those in need in the community.
- Sep 19 The Tipperary Titans: Lively Irish dance tunes (jigs, reels, etc.) and sing songs either from, about, or influenced by Ireland.
- Oct 4 Makeup Date

Town Archives



Discovering Kensington History on the Home and Garden Pilgrimage Route

On June 7, 2026, the Kensington portion of the Maryland Home and Garden Pilgrimage will offer visitors a glimpse of the Town's history through its homes. Research for the tour has been supported by the Kensington Town Archives, drawing on land records, newspapers, photographs, and oral histories to recover details about the first residents of the historic properties featured along the route. Here are a few highlights from the tour:

- Before public water service was established, many Kensington households relied on windmills to draw water from private wells. When the Wright family installed a windmill at 3940 Washington Street in 1904, the Montgomery Press reported it was likely the highest point in town.
- Census records reveal the changing demographics of household residents. In 1910, 36 Black residents lived in Kensington as in-house staff across about 20 households. Many were young, single women employed as domestic workers, including Lydia Davis, a cook at 10304 Montgomery Avenue. By 1920, live-in domestic staff had largely disappeared from census records within town limits, leaving only limited traces of this labor in the archival record.
- Other records reflect moments of tension in the broader community. In 1919, Victor Haugaard, Denmark-born owner of 3929 Baltimore Street, successfully sued a local trolley operator after being accused of being a German spy, an episode that reflects suspicion directed toward immigrants during and after World War I.

Together, these examples illustrate the kinds of stories uncovered through archival research—offering insight into daily life, labor, and change in early Kensington. Additional details like these will be shared at each stop on the tour.

Tickets are available at [MHGP.org/kensington](https://mhgp.org/kensington). Visitors are also invited to attend the Kensington Town Archives open house from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., or to make a research appointment by emailing archives@tok.md.gov.



Photo caption: Kensington children, including John Hartshorn and Anne Burleigh (Atlee) circa 1927, pictured with the water tower that once stood behind 3924 Baltimore Street.

KTown Ladies



The KTown Ladies are teaming up with
Legendary Fitness to host a
Fitness Pop-Up Event!

Join us on Saturday, June 20th at 9am at Kensington Town Hall.

Get ready to jump into summer with a group training class - it promises to be a fun morning with energy, motivation, and a little bit of meditation!

Experience the Legendary Fitness philosophy of fitness: your body, your time, your strength!

The fitness portion will run from 9-10am. Stay afterwards to mingle and enjoy light refreshments.

Please RSVP to KTownLadiesEvents@gmail.com.

If you are interested in joining the KTown Ladies email list to stay in the know, please email us at the address above to be added to our distribution list.



Legendary Fitness is a local, woman-owned, strength and personal training studio in Kensington, MD offering individual and small group personal training. Visit LegendaryFitnessLLC.com for more information.

New Food Choices

In May, the Town welcomed two new small businesses!

Breads Unlimited & Pizza

Breads • Cakes • Quiches

Pies • Rolls • Cronuts

Cookies • Sweets

Pizza • Calzones • Salads

Open Tuesday - Sunday

10303 Kensington Parkway

BreadsUnlimited.com

Marathon Deli & Grill

Gyros • Pitas • Rice Bowls

Subs • Pizza • Burgers

Salads • Desserts • Sides

And Catering!

Open Daily 10:30am-1am

10619 Connecticut Ave

MarathonDeliMD.com

Town Council Summary



Wednesday, April 15, 2026, Town Council Meeting Summary

- Approved the Town Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2026.
- Held a Public Hearing on **Ordinance No. O-01-2026** – An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington to Appropriate and Adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 (**FY27**) Budget and to Levy a Tax on Certain Real and Personal Property under the provisions of §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
TOK.md.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/Ordinance-No.-O-01-2026-Budget-Ordinance-FY27.pdf
TOK.md.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Proposed-Budget-Detail-FY27.pdf
- The Public Hearing will remain open until 4:00 pm on Friday, May 8, 2026.
- The **Budget Forum** was held prior to the Public Hearing.
TOK.md.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/FY27-Budget-Forum-Power-Point.pdf
- **Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Plan**
TOK.md.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/FY27-Operating-Budget-and-CIP-1.pdf
- Approved **Resolution No. R-06-2026** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington Authorizing a Contract with Mulheron Tree Experts, Inc., for Soil Care Fertilization and Tree Pest Management for certain trees within Town Parks and the Public Right-of-Way in an amount not to exceed \$18,750.00.
- Approved **Resolution No. R-07-2026** – A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kensington Authorizing a Contract with Shorb Landscaping for Landscape Maintenance Services at Clum Kennedy Park.

Town Council Meetings are open to the public and are held monthly, except for August when the Council is in recess. Meetings are typically held on the second Wednesday of each month. Please check the Town calendar at TOK.md.gov/events to confirm specific dates and whether a meeting will be held in person or virtually only. In person meetings are also available on Zoom, and recordings can be accessed at TOK.md.gov/council-minutes-recordings.

Building & Town Permits

Please be reminded that both a Town and County permit are needed for any interior or exterior structural changes, with the exception of landscaping and general repairs. Historic District properties will also require a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). Please contact the Town staff at 301-949-2424 with any questions.

3740 University Blvd - Limited Duration Sign
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10011 Kensington Parkway - Fence
10305 Armory Avenue - Fence
10310 Freeman Place - Washington Gas
3505 Frederick Place - Washington Gas
10503 Wheatley Street - Pepco
10549 St. Paul Street - Addition

Kensington Open Studios

The forth annual Kensington Open Studios is Sunday, June 7 from 1-5pm. Visit Kensington's artists and their studios from both the east and west sides of Howard Avenue. Visit [TOK.md.gov/event/kensington-open-studios-2026/](https://tok.md.gov/event/kensington-open-studios-2026/) to learn more about each artist and download the map and gallery/art centers. Follow [@#Kensingtonopenstudios](https://twitter.com/Kensingtonopenstudios)

SUNDAY
June 7
2026
1-5pm

KENSINGTON
Open Studios



1 Seven Window Studios
4251A Howard Ave.
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damonarhos.com

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4 PFA Gallery
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pfa-gallery.com

5 Willow Glass Studio
4088B Howard Ave.
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willowglass.com

6 Adah Rose Gallery
5764 Howard Ave.
Adah Rose
@adah_rose_gallery
adahrosegallery.com

7 5760 Howard Ave., 2nd floor
Ricky Sears
@ricky_sears
rickysears.com

8 Compass Art Center
10535 Kensington Parkway
(multiple artists)
@compassartcenter
compassartcenter.com



online map and directory:



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• Learn more about the artists' creative processes, inspirations and techniques

• See works-in-progress

• Purchase art directly from the creators

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Noyes Children's Library



NOYES LIBRARY UPDATE

The renovation of Noyes Children's Library is moving forward! Montgomery County hosted a groundbreaking celebration on May 9, with representatives from Noyes Children's Library Foundation, State Delegate Jared Solomon, the Town of Kensington, and supporters and patrons of the library. This is the culmination of years of effort by the community, led by volunteers at NCLF, and we are delighted that it is happening. The library will close in late May and will be closed to the public for approximately one year for the renovation.

The County will post updates about the construction on the Department of General Services website: Noyes Library for Young Children Rehabilitation and Renovation - Department of General Services - Montgomery County, MD Bit.ly/3PiluuJ

Information about the project, including renderings of the new floor plans, are available on the NCLF website at NoyesLibraryFoundation.org.

We are excited to MAKE MORE NOYES!



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS, MARYLAND HOUSE & GARDEN PILGRIMAGE

The Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage will take place in Kensington on Sunday, June 7. We are pleased to share our beautiful town with tour goers, including exclusive access to some of the Town's most beautiful historic homes and gardens. Tourgoers also will be able to visit the Warner Mansion, currently undergoing renovation and redevelopment as condominiums. Proceeds from the tour benefit Noyes Children's Library Foundation in the final fundraising for the MAKE MORE NOYES campaign.



There are lots of opportunities to volunteer to support the event. Check out the Sign Up Genius at Kensington Volunteers: Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage (Kensington) Bit.ly/4eugWf2 or reach out to Carrie Storer at cdstorer20@gmail.com with questions. Volunteers also will be able to buy a ticket for the tour at the discounted price of \$40 on the day of the tour.

Spread the word about the Tour, and invite friends and family to attend and/or volunteer! Tickets and information about the Tour are available at MHGP.org/kensington. Don't miss the opportunity to preorder a delicious boxed lunch provided by Marathon Deli, with proceeds benefiting the Brookwood and Avalon Schools. Cutoff for lunch orders is Monday, June 1.

Recycling Guidelines



Recycling Contamination Is Costly

Contamination ruins the quality of recyclable materials, clogs sorting machinery, and can even endanger recycling workers. Contamination causes entire truck loads of recycling to be rejected and diverted to landfill.

What is recycling contamination?

Recycling contamination is when materials that cannot be recycled, or are not properly cleaned, are mixed into the recycle stream. Some examples of common contaminants are plastic bags, soiled cardboard, bottles or jars containing food waste, and hazardous material containers.

Keep It Clean. Keep It Recyclable.

Tips for successful recycling

- ✓ Do not place recyclables in bags. Items must be loose!
- ✓ Paper and cardboard should be clean and dry
- ✓ Use recycling bins for recycling only
- ✓ Food containers must be empty and rinsed
- ✓ Set bins out by 6am to ensure pickup
- ✓ If in doubt, throw it out!

RECYCLE THESE ITEMS

Glass packaging

Bottles and jars, all colors

Metal packaging

Cans and tins

Paper and boxes

Clean paper, cartons, and cardboard

Office paper, envelopes

Newspaper, catalogs, magazines

Boxes, phone books, paper bags

Plastic: bottles, tubs, jars, and jugs

Bottles: water, salad dressing, shampoo

Jars: peanut butter, medicine, hand cream

Jugs: milk, detergent

Tubs: margarine, coffee

THESE ITEMS ARE NOT RECYCLABLE

NO PLASTIC BAGS

NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Bubble wrap, trash bags, newspaper bags, shrink wrap, etc.

Styrofoam® or Polystyrene

"Tanglers" such as hoses, cords, chains, holiday lights, rope, twine, textiles, etc.

Electronics (including computers, keyboards, TVs, etc.)

Food wrappers, box liners, chip bags

Foil and baking tins

Shredded paper

Food containers such as bakery, deli, salad, frozen meal trays, etc.

Home health care / medical supplies (needles/syringes, plastic IV fluid bags, CPAP masks, gloves, etc.)

Cups, plates, or cutlery of any kind

Paper towels, napkins, or wet/dirty paper

Tanks or scrap metal

Batteries of any kind



Ecology Services Refuse & Recycling
www.ecologyservices.com/enr

FY27 Budget Ordinance



Budget Ordinance No. O-01-2026

Introduced: March 18, 2026

Public Hearing: April 15, 2026

Adopted: May 13, 2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF KENSINGTON TO APPROPRIATE AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 – 2027 (FY27) BUDGET AND TO LEVY A TAX ON CERTAIN REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF §6-203 OF THE TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND.

WHEREAS, §5-205 et seq. of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, authorizes the Mayor and Town Council to provide for the control and management of its finances and expend money for any public purpose and for the safety, health, and general welfare of the Town and its occupants; and

WHEREAS, §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as amended), grants authority to municipal corporations to levy a tax on personal property, land, and improvements thereon, within the municipal corporation; and

WHEREAS, Article VIII, “Finance”, Section 801, “Fiscal Year”, of the Town Charter states that the Fiscal Year of the Town shall begin on July 1, 2026, and end on June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, Section 802, “Proposed Budget”, of the Town Charter states that the Town Manager shall submit to the Council prior to the third Monday in April, a Budget of anticipated revenues, proposed operating expenditures, and proposed capital project expenditures, along with a written financial plan for the succeeding fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 803, “Adoption”, of the Town Charter states that prior to adopting the Budget, the Council shall hold a public hearing following due notice and a favorable vote of at least a majority of the total elected membership of the Council shall be necessary for adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington does hereby adopt the following Budget Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 – 2027 (FY27) BUDGET AND TO LEVY A TAX ON CERTAIN REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF §6-203 OF THE TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND.

FY27 Budget - Town of Kensington			
ANTICIPATED REVENUE			
General Property Taxes	\$	1,834,977	
Other Taxes	\$	903,500	
Licenses & Permits	\$	49,000	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$	519,203	
Fines & Fees	\$	3,000	
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$	241,700	
Grants	\$	100,000	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUE			\$ 3,651,380
Re-Appropriation	\$	1,850,554	
TOTAL ANTICIPATED FUNDS AVAILABLE			\$ 5,501,934
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES			
General Government	\$	1,688,533	
Public Works	\$	1,260,158	
Public Safety	\$	337,946	
Parks & Recreation	\$	245,350	
Non-Departmental	\$	25,000	
			\$ 3,556,987
Capital Improvement Budget	\$	1,944,947	
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES			\$ 5,501,934

SECTION 1:

BE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under and by virtue of the authority granted to it by §5-205 et seq. of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, that the budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, be and the same hereby is appropriated and adopted.

SECTION 2:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of One thousand, three hundred twelve ten-thousandths cents (**\$0.1312**) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable **Real Property** located within the corporate limits of the Town of Kensington.

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SECTION 3:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §6-203 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of eighty cents (**\$0.80**) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable **Personal Property** located within the corporate limits of the Town of Kensington.

SECTION 4:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under the virtue of the authority granted to it by §8-101 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VIII of the Kensington Town Charter, hereby levies a tax at the rate of five dollars (**\$5.00**) per One Hundred Dollars of full value assessment on all taxable **Personal Property** set forth by §8-101 of the Tax-Property Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland:

1. Operating personal property of a railroad;
2. Operating personal property of a public utility that is machinery or equipment used to generate electricity or steam for sale;
3. All other operating personal property of a public utility; and
4. Machinery and equipment, other than operating personal property of a public utility, that is used to generate electricity or steam for sale or hot or chilled water for sale that is used to heat or cool a building.

SECTION 5:

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, hereby adopts the imposition of a full-year, one-half year, three-quarter year, and one-quarter year tax levies, authorized pursuant to §10-102, 10-103, 10-104, and 10-105 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and authorizes and empowers Montgomery County, Maryland, to collect and remit the same to the Town of Kensington, consistent with the imposition and collection of such levies on real property by Montgomery County.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council that the transfer of funds by Resolution within the Operating and Capital Improvements Budget may occur.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ORDERED, this 13th day of May, 2026, by the Kensington Town Council, acting under and by virtue of the authority granted to it by §5-201 et seq. of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and Article VI, "Powers of the Council", Section 601, "General Powers" of the Town Charter that:

- (1) If any part of provision of this ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the part of provision held to be invalid shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any remaining part thereof; and
- (2) This ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of July, 2026, provided the following:
 - (a) Posted at Town Hall by the next business day following introduction; and
 - (b) Posted on the official Town website; and
 - (c) Sent to those persons listed on the official Town email list/mail subscription service; and
 - (d) Published once prior to the public hearing in the Town newsletter or sent by substitute regular mail to newsletter circulation addresses.

INTRODUCED by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, Maryland, at the regular public meeting assembled on the 18th day of March, 2026.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of Kensington, Maryland, at the regular public meeting assembled on the 13th day of May, 2026.

EFFECTIVE the 1st day of July, 2026.

ATTEST: TOWN OF KENSINGTON

The Detailed Budget may be viewed at the following link: ***TOK.md.gov/town-budget.***



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June 2026

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