



News from Town Hall



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June 19, 2020

A Note from Mayor Gordon Stone:



JUNE 19, 2020 GORDON STONE, MAYOR
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[Click here or click the image above to view a video message from Mayor Stone.](#)

"Friends and neighbors, as we enjoy the active summer season and the opportunities available through the current Safer At Home order, it is more important than ever to be smart, be safe, and be confident. Montgomery County and our region are experiencing an increase in COVID-19 cases, and we each have a responsibility to do all we can to protect ourselves and our neighbors. Throughout this ongoing challenge, we have been amazed and thankful for the ways that each of you have cared for and supported one another and made responsible choices. We strongly encourage you to continue to do so, as making smart, safe choices is the best way to move forward through this situation.

Please continue to stay aware of CDC and ADPH recommendations, which continue to include actively social distancing, avoiding group gatherings, and practicing good hygiene and frequent sanitation. At this time, we are not requiring face masks in the Town of Pike Road, but we do recommend that everyone wear a face mask in public places, such as grocery stores or business, and when interacting with those outside of their household. Face masks and cloth face coverings protect both you and those you come in contact with, and it is important to remember that our actions affect the essential workers and healthcare professionals who continue to serve in our community. Please continue to be thoughtful, cautious, and compassionate in your actions.

With these current challenges in mind, we are excited to invite you to participate in our Week of Patriotism, which will allow us to celebrate our community and country safely during the week of June 28 – July 4. Help us kick off the week with a special cookbook featuring summertime staples from your families! Visit pikeroad.us or email info@pikeroad.us to share your memories and meals, make an appointment to donate

blood, and more. As the week of activity approaches, we encourage you to explore opportunities to share, connect, and celebrate our community and our country by visiting pikeroad.us to learn more.

The Town of Pike Road will continue to operate with limited access to our municipal facilities through July 3. We encourage you to connect with our team via phone and email, and you can also find a variety of municipal resources on our website, pikeroad.us. If you have pressing business that requires an appointment, please do not hesitate to contact our team. We appreciate your understanding and utilization of digital methods as we continue to prioritize safety and access to municipal services.

We remain involved in all EMA, state and federal discussions to stay aware of recommendations, needs and opportunities as this situation continues. Further, we are engaged with community leaders, schools, churches, and service organizations to ensure we continue to meet the needs of our Town. We will continue to monitor recommendations from the Alabama Department of Public Health and Governor Ivey as it relates to COVID-19. We will share any updates on pikeroad.us.

As always, we will continue to pray for you, and we encourage you to pray for each other. Together, we will come through this.

Thank you and God Bless.”

Community Updates & Reminders from the Town of Pike Road

Pike Road, ALA – Please see a few updates from the Town of Pike Road regarding community activities and municipal facilities. These policies reflect the importance of social distancing and the updated statewide Safer at Home Order, issued on May 21. The Town of Pike Road’s top priority continues to be safely serving the people of Pike Road, and we want to emphasize that we are in this together: Each of us has a personal responsibility to be smart and keep our community safe!

- Based on the Safer at Home Order and recommendations of social distancing, Town Hall and all municipal facilities will continue to be closed to public access through July 3, 2020. This policy also applies to Founders Station and the Pike Road Arts Center.
 - The updated Safer At Home Order, issued on May 21, allows for the use of athletic facilities. If you would like to utilize the Community Ball Field at Veterans Park, please note that the regular reservation requirements are in place. You must also follow the guidelines and recommendations for safe athletic activities available from ADPH. Call Town Hall at 334.272.9883 to make a reservation, and [click here to access the ADPH guidelines](#).
- At this time, the Recycling Depot is open for recycling drop-off three days per week: It will open at 8 a.m. on Tuesdays and remain open until 5 p.m. on Thursdays. This schedule is subject to change based on the safety requirements of the ongoing COVID-19 challenge, and we ask that you utilize the Recycling Depot respectfully and with consideration for the Town of Pike Road team that maintains it.
 - As a reminder, the Recycling Depot currently accepts the following items: Plastics #1 & #2, Paper, Cardboard, and Aluminum. All of these items can be placed in any of the receptacles at the Recycling Depot. It is NOT necessary to separate recyclables.
 - In the event that the recycling receptacles are full, please return at another time or utilize another recycling resource. We are excited to share about another local recycling option, RePower South. RePower South provides drop-off recycling receptacles, located at 1551 Louisville Street, Montgomery 36104. RePower has advised that individuals may utilize the Louisville Street receptacles when the Town of Pike Road’s Recycling Depot is closed or full. For more information, please call: (334) 356-5820.
- The Town of Pike Road has extended the suspension of most events at municipal facilities through July 3. Events following July 3 are being evaluated, and any changes or updates to this policy will be based primarily on CDC and ADPH recommendations.

- The Town of Pike Road's facilities are closed to public access, but our team has returned to their offices. Municipal services continue to be accessible via phone and email, and appointments and meetings at Town Hall will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Please contact our team to learn how we can help serve you!
 - Call: (334) 272-9883
 - Email: info@pikeroad.us
 - Visit: www.pikeroad.us to access resources regarding municipal services, local updates, and more.
- **Through June 24, 2020: Pike Road Schools Curbside Meals Program**
 - The Pike Road Schools' curbside meal pickup program has changed to a weekly pickup event. Each Wednesday from 10 – 11 a.m., seven (7) days' worth of meals are available to local youth 18 years and under at Pike Road Middle School (4710 Pike Rd). For more information, visit www.pikeroadschools.org.

Any changes or updates to this policy will be based primarily on CDC and ADPH recommendations. Citizens will be notified via our e-newsletter and normal communications methods, including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Follow this link to register for our weekly e-newsletter, and receive updates in your inbox each Friday: <http://bit.ly/TPRnews>

We want to reiterate that we are here to help. Our team continues to add resources to our website, www.pikeroad.us, as the needs of our community evolve. Visit us online to learn how you can:

- Learn about virtual events and webinars from our ENHANCE initiative, including the 2020 Week of Patriotism!
- Access guidance and Frequently Asked Questions regarding the current Safer at Home Order
- Support local businesses finding innovative ways to safely serve our community
- Access updates from our service and utility providers
- Connect with faith-based community resources from the P.R.A.Y.E.R. (Pike Road Area Your Emergency Response) Team

As the COVID-19 challenge continues in our community and beyond, we encourage you to personally review information provided by trustworthy organizations with recommendations from experts, such as the continuously updated pages available below:

- Alabama Public Health: <http://alabamapublichealth.gov/infectiousdiseases/2019-coronavirus.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

**Share Your Favorite Summer Memories & Recipes as we Kick Off a Very
Special Pike Road Fourth of July!
2020 Week of Patriotism: June 28 - July 4**



MEMORIES & MEALS COMMUNITY COOK BOOK

We can't wait to hear about your family's traditions and summertime staples.

DEADLINE:
JUNE 24

The Town of Pike Road is excited to announce a new way to celebrate America's freedom. The Fourth of July and related activities have always been so important to Pike Road, and we look forward to hosting a [Week of Patriotism from June 28 – July 4](#). This week is designed to engage citizens of all ages in a fun and commemorative series of activities that will allow us to enjoy this uniquely American event in a smart, safe, confident, and celebratory fashion. Share your photos, videos and family fun with #PikeRoad4thofJuly all week long.

- **Sunday, June 28**

- 12 PM - **Memories & Meals: Community Cookbook Release**

Help us celebrate our community and history by sharing your family's favorite summer and Fourth of July recipes, memories, and traditions! Contributions will be released in our community cookbook on June 28. [Click here or email \[info@pikeroad.us\]\(mailto:info@pikeroad.us\) to learn more or submit photos, stories and recipes.](#) Deadline to submit: June 24.

- **Monday, June 29**

- 12 - 1 PM - **Mondays with the Mayor: Pike Road's History of Patriotic Spirit**

This special edition of the monthly Mondays with the Mayor radio show will feature special guests who have been active in the Pike Road community since before our Town was incorporated. We will explore local history, cherished memories, and the evolution of SummerFest, from Founders Station, the location of our first Town Hall (4902 Pike Rd). Tune in on WTXK 107.5 FM / 1210 AM.

- 10 AM - 4 PM - **Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag**

Throughout the week, the community is invited to participate in creating a handprint flag banner. Stop by Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd) to place your print alongside all of our neighbors! The finished masterpiece will be unveiled on July 3.

- **Tuesday, June 30**

- 10 AM - 4 PM - **Pike Road Bleeds Red, White & Blue: Community Blood Drive**

Join us in giving back and contributing to the needs of our neighbors with a Community Blood Drive at Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd) in partnership with LifeSouth Community Blood Centers. [Click here to make an appointment to safely donate blood.](#)

- 10 AM - 4 PM - **Star-Spangled Giveaway: Flag Exchange**

Drop off your faded, weathered Star-Spangled Banners, and pick up a fresh, new flag from our team. With the help of local partners, we will properly dispose of your worn-out flags. Flag etiquette resources will be provided.

- 10 AM - 4 PM - **Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag**

Stop by Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd) to place your print alongside all of our neighbors!

- **Wednesday, July 1**

- All Day - **Scavenger Hunt: Collect Clues Across Our Community**

Fun for all ages - Stay tuned for details, and join us in exploring our hometown.

- 10 AM - 4 PM - **Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag**

Stop by Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd) to place your print alongside all of our neighbors!

- **Thursday, July 2**

- All Day - **Show & Share Your Stars & Stripes**

Start the day by dressing up in your most patriotic outfits - stars, stripes, red, white & blue - and find resources for DIY spirit gear at pikeroad.us. Share your family fun with

#PikeRoad4thofJuly, or email your photos to info@pikeroad.us!

- **Afternoon - Patriotic Characters Tour the Town**

Make plans to head outside and say hello to the Pike Road Schools Patriot himself, Victor E., and a few of his patriotic friends as they travel through Town to share in the spirit. Stay tuned for times & route information!

- **Friday, July 3**

- **9 AM - Hand in Hand: Flag Unveiling**

We'll reveal the completed handprint flag you help create on our social media! This masterpiece will also be on display outside of Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd).

- **11 AM - Paint the Town Patriotic: Virtual Art Class & Demo**

Participate in creating a Fourth of July-themed painting via video demonstration from a local artist. The video will be available on our website and social media. Stay tuned for helpful tips to prepare. For all skill levels.

- **Saturday, July 4**

- **All Day - Songs of Celebration: Virtual Concert**

We are excited to celebrate our country all day with a virtual concert featuring the people of Pike Road. Patriotic music will be shared throughout the day on our social media and website, pikeroad.us. We will also share photos collected throughout the week. We encourage you to explore and enjoy these virtual celebrations with your family!

Due to social distancing recommendations and COVID-19 precautions, the traditional SummerFest evening of music and fireworks will not be part of these events. These activities are designed to allow for safety measures, including social distancing, as guided by both the Centers for Disease Control and Alabama Department of Public Health. Thank you for being respectful of social distancing and other health-related measures as we continue to combat the spread of COVID-19 together.

Exciting Growth Continues in the Town Pike Road



In addition to being named the fastest-growing town in Alabama ([click here to learn more!](#)), we are excited to welcome several new options for gifts and personal services in our area. [Local and Bloom](#) offers fresh flowers and local goods - many of them handmade - and [Nayo's Barber House](#) is just next door. These two new businesses are located alongside several others, including [Pike Road Signs & Graphics](#), in the Mt. Meigs area. Thank you for being part of our community!

ADECA Broadband Survey: Share Your Experience to Help Improve Access to Internet Across Alabama

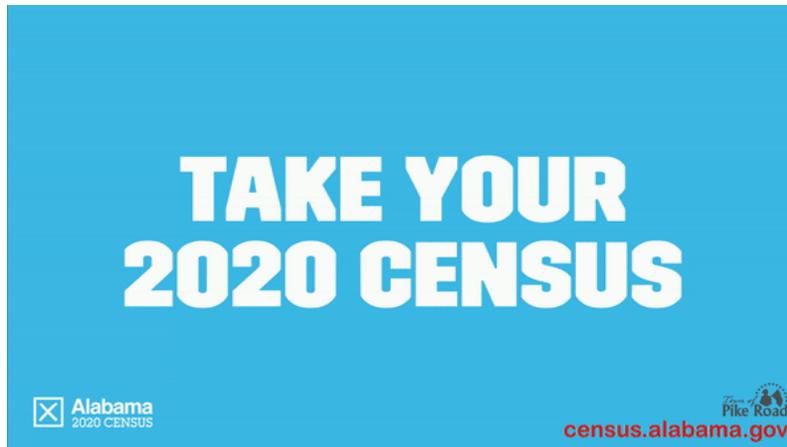


ADECA, the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, is seeking information about internet access and speed from Alabama's citizens and businesses. We encourage you to participate in this brief survey, which will help identify gaps in access to internet service in order to work toward serving these areas. [Click here to learn more and take the survey!](#)

"The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many to work and complete school from home and further highlighted the importance of having access to high-speed internet across the

state," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said. "Taking this speed survey will help us get the data we need to plan our efforts to help close those service gaps."

Alabama is Counting on YOU! Take the 2020 Census Today.



The 2020 Census is HERE! Six minutes of your time is all it takes to say "I Count" by filling out your Census form. There are 10 questions, and the *only wrong answer is no answer at all*.

You may have received a traditional census mailer over the past few weeks, but you can also click here to fill out the census online. The 2020 Census is a vital way that Alabamians say "I Count" and affect the future of our state.

Did you know?

- The 2020 Census will take less than ten minutes to complete, and can be submitted online for the first time in 2020.
- Census results affect funding for a variety of important programs, including highway planning and construction, Pell Grants and student loans, and healthcare.
- The population count derived from the Census determines the allocation of the 435 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives.

[Click here to learn more about the 2020 Census and how your participation makes Alabama count.](#)

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



Flags are flying across the Town of Pike Road, and we appreciate all of you sharing your Flag Day photos with us this weekend. If your Star-Spangled Banner has seen better days, be sure to stop by Town Hall on June 30. Our Week of Patriotism events include a flag exchange, where we will properly dispose of your flag and provide a new one. Thank you, Keith, for sharing your stars & stripes on display!

We continue to encourage you to share your Pike Road pictures using #mypikeroad and tagging @townofpikeroad on social media. Who knows - you may see them somewhere soon!

Save the Date!

Take advantage of digital activities during the ongoing season of social distancing! [Click here to view several upcoming activities on our website.](#)

June 24: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

June 24: Deadline to Share Recipes & Memories for the Community Cookbook [Click here for details!](#)

June 27: [County Cleanup Day](#), 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Pike Road Schools Georgia Washington Campus or County Lot Office (across from The Feed Lot on Meriwether Rd)*

June 28 - July 4: Week of Patriotism to Celebrate the Fourth of July

[Click here for details!](#)

June 28: Community Cookbook Release, 12 p.m. - [Click here to learn more and participate in sharing your memories & meals!](#)

June 29: [Mondays with the Mayor Radio Show](#), 12 - 1 p.m., Pike Road Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd) and LIVE on WTXK the Ticket, 107.5 FM / 1210 AM

June 29: [Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag](#) 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Founders Station

June 30: [Community Blood Drive in partnership with LifeSouth](#) 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd)

June 30: [Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag](#) 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

July 1: [Community-wide Scavenger Hunt](#) - Stay tuned for Details!

July 1: [Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag](#) 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Founders Station

July 2: [Share Your Stars & Stripes](#): Participate in Patriotic Crafts and Share Your Red, White & Blue Outfits with us using #mypikeroad!

July 2: [Make Your Mark: Contribute to the Handprint Flag](#) 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Founders Station

July 2: [Patriotic Characters Tour the Town](#) - Stay tuned for route & timing details!

July 3: [Hand in Hand: Handprint Flag Unveiling](#), 9 a.m.

July 3: [Paint the Town Patriotic: Virtual Painting Lesson & Demonstration](#), 11 a.m.

July 3: Town Hall will be closed in observance of Independence Day

July 4: [Songs of Celebration Virtual Concert](#) - Stay tuned for details!

July 7 - 21: Municipal Election Qualifying Period

July 13: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

July 13: Town Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

July 17 - 19: [Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday](#) - Don't forget to Shop Local!

Please note: All items provided above are submitted to the town and approved for inclusion according to the Town of Pike Road's Communications Policy.

For more events and details, please call 334-272-9883 or email info@pikeroad.us. You can also access our online calendar at www.pikeroad.us. Please [click here for the Pike Road Schools calendar](#).

Show Us YOUR Pike Road

We love to see what is happening in your Pike Road. Use hashtag [#mypikeroad](#) and be sure to tag us in your posts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Your posts could be featured in our newsletter, or even on our digital billboard!

