

CONOVER NEIGHBOR



May
2020

North Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program

Be a voice for
the children in
our community

Volunteer with us.

- Volunteers are trained as child advocates for abused and neglected children.
- Child advocates and attorneys work together to champion for children's needs in court.
- Child advocates promote a safe and permanent home for children.



North Carolina
GUARDIAN AD LITEM
A CHILD'S ADVOCATE IN COURT

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NC Guardian ad Litem District 25



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NC Guardian ad Litem



The Guardian ad Litem Program exists to recruit Community Volunteer Advocates to be the voice for children that are in care of the Department of Social Services as a result of abuse or neglect. Currently, we have 282 children in care that do not have a voice. These children live in our communities; they are children in our schools, our local churches, participating in our local youth programs and live among us, but are so often unheard because of circumstances outside of their control. It is our objective to find each of these children an advocate, someone willing to stand in the gap and be their voice. Please visit www.volunteerforGAL.org to find out more and like our Facebook Page, NC Guardian ad Litem District 25.

COVID-19 Business Relief Resources

In order to assist those businesses in need during this difficult time, the City of Conover has put together a list of resources for small businesses. Visit conovernc.gov/businessresources or the websites below for additional information.

Business Counseling & Assistance

The SBTDC's Appalachian State University-affiliated regional office is located in Hickory. Work with their team of counselors who have extensive experience working with businesses recovering from disasters to develop your overall COVID-19 Recovery Plan. Visit <http://www.sbtdc.org/erfc/> for assistance in the following areas:

- Assess the financial impact on your business
- Develop strategies for your business continuity and recovery
- Analyze your cash flow
- Evaluate options with creditors
- Prepare your SBA economic injury loan application (if appropriate)

NC COVID-19 Rapid Recovery Loans

Rapid Recovery Loans are a vital resource to help North Carolina small businesses be resilient and adaptive in the face of the coronavirus crisis. These loans are primarily designed to be a timely source of bridge loan financing until businesses can access SBA Disaster, or other federal disaster, funding. For more information please visit <https://www.mountainbizworks.org/small-business-loans-financing-sba/nc-covid-19-rapid-re-loan/>

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL)

The Small Business Administration is providing low-interest federal loans for working capital to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of COVID-19. Applicants are encouraged to apply. Visit <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance> for more information and to submit an application.

US Chamber's Small Business Guide and Checklist for the Payroll Protection Program

The CARES Act allocated \$350 billion to help small businesses keep workers employed amid the pandemic and economic downturn. The Guide can be found at:

https://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/023595_comm_corona_virus_smallbiz_loan_final.pdf

Conover Farmers Market



The Conover Farmers Market is still opening this month, but one week later than expected. The 2020 season begins on Saturday, May 9th and is held from 8:00 a.m. until 12 Noon at the Conover Post Office parking lot (RAIN OR SHINE). In a continued effort to provide our community with fresh, locally grown produce, meats, cheeses and other products from area farmers, the market will remain open. While visiting the market, visitors are required to follow CDC recommendations including, covering your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover, avoiding close contact, and cleaning your hands often. There is still time to submit an application to be a vendor. Please see our website at conoverfarmersmarket.org for more information.

Planning Ahead:

City Council:	Meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Conover City Hall
Planning Board:	Meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Conover City Hall

For more information regarding the City of Conover and our services please visit www.conovernc.gov and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

“This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”