



CODE Connection



Director Gregg Fields

IT'S BUILDING SAFETY MONTH!

May has arrived and that means its time to celebrate Building Safety Month! This year's themes include Mentoring the Next Generation of Building Officials; Building Design Solutions for all Ages; Manage the Damage Preparing for Natural Disasters; and Investing in Technology for Safety, Energy and Water Efficiency.

We hope you will join us for our Fifth Annual Building Safety Month Kickoff! Events include the signing of our Building Safety Month Proclamation by Mayor Silberberg, recognition by City Manager Mark Jinks, training provided by Simpson Strong Tie and other exciting surprises. Of course there will be small gifts and free food! As always, we will be supported by our partners in a number of city agencies, the construction industry and local vendors. I want to thank all of our many supporters and sponsors who help to make this event such a great success each year! Thank you!



Agenda for Building Safety Month Kick Off Event on Friday May 5, 2017
Market Square at City Hall - 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314

9-9:30 a.m. **Training Registration**

Market Square, Sister Cities Conference Room (1101), and lobby outside of Sister Cities conference room

9:30-11a.m. **Training session** – (2 hour) *Sister Cites Conference Room (1101)*

Simpson-Strong Tie representative Mike Wolfe – Deck Building Essentials

11 a.m. **Opening Ceremony**– *Market Square*

11:30 a.m. **Speeches** – City Hall: *Vola Lawson Lobby*

- ◇ National Anthem
- ◇ Introduction - Gregg Fields, Director Code Administration
- ◇ Welcome - Mayor Silberberg
- ◇ Signing of the Building Safety Month Proclamation
- ◇ Comments - City Manager Jinks
- ◇ Sara Yerkes, International Code Council, Senior Vice President,

Noon **Lunch is served** - *Market Square*

12:15 p.m. **Door Prizes** – Phil Pugh and Gregg Fields - *Market Square*

2 p.m. **Closing remarks** - Gregg Fields, Director Code Administration

City of Alexandria's Fifth Annual

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH KICKOFF EVENT

Friday, May 5
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Market Square
301 King St.

Building Safety Month MAY 2017

Theme: Code Officials – Partners in Community Safety
and Economic Growth



Week One: May 1 – 7 / Mentoring the Next Generation of Building Professionals
Week Two: May 8 – 14 / Building Design Solutions for All Ages
Week Three: May 15 – 21 / Manage the Damage -- Preparing for Natural Disasters
Week Four: May 22 – 28 / Investing in Technology for Safety, Energy & Water Efficiency





2018 ICC RICHMOND PLANNING CORE COMMITTEE

Pictured left to right: Gregg Fields, Doug Morrow, Sandi Morris, Pete Mensinger, Cindy Rogers, Emory Rogers, Steve Shapiro, Brian McGraw (kneeling), James Anjam, Paula Johnson, and Bill Dupler. Photograph by George Hollingsworth (not shown)

CODE ADMINISTRATION CONDUCTS THE 2nd ANNUAL INSPECTORS APPRECIATION



2017 Code Administration Inspector Appreciation Breakfast

Every year, the Code Administration Senior Management Team takes time to appreciate and honor some of this city’s hardest working employees, building inspectors. During this time, we acknowledge all their hard work by serving our inspectors breakfast with congratulatory messages from City Manager, Mark Jinks and Director of Code Administration, Gregg Fields.

Clean Land, Safe Water, Healthy Lives

Enforcement Month: Illegal Dumping 2017 Participation Confirmation

This April marks the 7th Annual Litter Enforcement month! The annual litter and illegal dumping enforcement month (LEM 2017) increases awareness of littering, illegal dumping, and related crimes through public education, inspector education, and enforcement. This year the Alice Ferguson Foundation is focusing on getting inspectors, police officers and other field staff involved in cleanups, posting of litter prevention campaign posters, and reporting illegal dumping.

In partnership with the Alice Ferguson Foundation, the Department of Code Administration's Property Maintenance inspection team will participate in the program, conducting trash related inspections, enforcing City ordinances related to trash and collecting data throughout the month of April. At the end of the month the inspection team will report the number of trash inspections, illegal dumping investigations and reporting the number of violation notices and civil fines issued during the campaign.

In years past the City of Alexandria's Police, Fire and Transportation and Environmental Service departments have all contributed to the continuing effort to enhance the quality of life in the City of Alexandria through litter enforcement and community awareness.

LEM is organized by the Alice Ferguson Foundation (AFF). Contact AFF with any questions at 301.292.5665 or potomaccleanup@fergusonfoundation.org.

To report illegal dumping and trash related violations please contact at 703.746.4357 or by email to

callclickconnect@alexandriava.gov



Code Administration Inspector Donald Demaree conducting a mechanical inspection at a residential home.

ALEXANDRIA FIREFIGHTERS TOY DRIVE



Code Administration Senior Management team and staff members participated in the 2016 Alexandria Firefighters Toy Drive.

Code Administration's New Employees



Code Administration has a new Administrative Assistant II. Quanice is a Alexandria resident and a T.C. Williams graduate. She has worked in the administrative field for more than 10 years as a federal contractor for the Department of Homeland Security, and also has a degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice! Welcome aboard, Quanice!



Code Administration has a new Permit Plan Technician. Felicia Alford is a Alexandria resident and has four years of previous experience with the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. She is also a huge Dallas Cowboys fan Welcome aboard, Felicia!



Code Administration has another new Permit Plan Technician. Qinmei Ciner has worked as a teacher for the past 12 years while also training in the remodeling business. Qinmei says that she enjoys working for Code Administration because everyone is friendly and helpful. Welcome aboard, Qinmei!

FY17 Code Administration Activity Report

	FYTD	Previous FYTD	% Change FYTD
Total # of Permits/Licenses Issued	8,765	8,445	4%
Total Fees Collected	\$4,102,013	\$3,067,550	34%
Estimated Const. Cost	\$211,418,571	\$184,683,594	14%
Total Revenue Received	\$3,913,933	\$2,733,588	43%
ENGINEERING REVIEWS			
Take in Plan Reviews	3,453	3,189	8%
Walk-Thru Shops	4,393	3,391	30%
One Stop Shops	133	180	-26%
Site Plans/MPA/BAR/BZA etc.	253	195	30%
Fire Protection Systems	568	515	10%
INSPECTIONS: NEW CONSTRUCTION			
Building	9,570	8,148	17%
Certificate of Occupancy	837	879	-5%
Demolition	58	84	-31%
Electrical	5,572	6,400	-13%
Fire Protection Systems	1,828	2,114	-14%
Mechanical	3,186	3,227	-1%
Plumbing	2,888	2,748	5%
Sign	159	125	27%
Stop Work Orders	57	29	97%
Complaint Investigations	270	241	12%
INSPECTIONS: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE			
Pro-Active	3,956	3,090	28%
Complaints	2,212	2,000	11%
Residential Rental Inspections	804	80	905%
Violations Issued	2,126	981	117%
Rodent Complaints	99	136	-27%
Nuisance Abatement Hotline Calls	74	45	64%



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