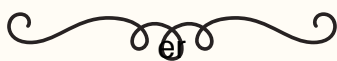




CITY OF ONEIDA

December

NEWSLETTER



109 N. MAIN ST. :: ONEIDA :: NY



MEETING SCHEDULE

DECEMBER-2025

02

COMMON COUNCIL

6:30PM | Common Council Chambers

09

WATER BOARD

3:30PM | Water Department Conference Room

09

PLANNING COMMISSION

6:00PM | Common Council Chambers

16

COMMON COUNCIL

6:30PM | Common Council Chambers

31

COMMON COUNCIL-YEAR END

9:00AM | Common Council Chambers

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Public HEARINGS



11-18-2025 | 6:30pm

109 N. MAIN ST.- ONEIDA, NY

Public Comment Time



- Must sign up to speak
- Limited to 3 minutes each



For More Information

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- Miscellaneous Utility Billing
- 2026 City Budget
- Local Law-Tax Cap Levy
- City Manager-Supermajority Vote Requirement





Job Postings

The City of Oneida is actively seeking to fill the following positions:

-  Lateral Transfer Police Officers
-  Code Enforcement Officer
-  Assistant City Engineer
-  City Assessor

CONTACT US





CITY MANAGER MESSAGE

Neighbors and friends,

As we close out the year, I want to thank our residents, businesses, volunteers, and employees for the steady work that keeps Oneida moving forward. December is a time to reflect on what we've accomplished together and to look ahead with optimism for the year to come.

Year in review, highlights

- Infrastructure and utilities. We advanced the long-term modernization of our Wastewater Treatment Plant, a vital project for public health and economic growth. Our water operation continues to serve Oneida and partner communities reliably, with strong attention to quality and resiliency.
- Public safety and service. Police, Fire, and DPW teams answered the call day and night. From quick emergency responses to storm cleanup and routine maintenance, their professionalism shows in measurable service and in the small kindnesses residents share with me every week.

- Downtown and community spaces. We kept momentum on the DRI project portfolio, including the Kallet Theater revitalization, Veterans Park enhancements, family recreation improvements, and ongoing planning work that sets up visible progress in 2026.
- Technology and security. City Hall and all departments made significant upgrades, including multi-factor authentication, new servers, improved backups, secured Wi-Fi, and the start of a hardware refresh to Windows 11. These behind-the-scenes improvements strengthen cybersecurity and help our staff serve you more efficiently.
- Partnerships and growth. We continued strengthening relationships with regional partners, local businesses, and developers to encourage responsible growth and investment in our community. Collaboration remains the cornerstone of sustainable progress for Oneida.

Winter readiness

- Snow routes and parking. Please review seasonal parking rules and keep streets clear so plows can do their work. Moving vehicles off the street speeds service for everyone.
- Sidewalks and hydrants. Clearing sidewalks helps children and seniors travel safely. If you can, keep the area around hydrants visible and accessible for our firefighters.
- Be seen, be safe. House numbers visible from the street help first responders find you quickly. Check porch lights, replace dim bulbs, and consider a reflective number sign.



Budget and stewardship

We remain focused on essential services, responsible long-term planning, and clear communication with the community. My team continues to pursue grants and smart financing so that Oneida can invest wisely in infrastructure, public safety, and neighborhood improvements while respecting taxpayers.

Season of gratitude

This time of year reminds us that Oneida's greatest strength lies in its people. Whether you serve on a committee, volunteer at an event, check on a neighbor, or simply show kindness in your day-to-day life, you make a difference. I am proud to work alongside such dedicated and caring residents who bring heart and spirit to our city.

From my family to yours, and on behalf of all our City employees, I wish you a joyful holiday season filled with peace, warmth, and good company. May the new year bring health, happiness, and continued progress for the City of Oneida.

With gratitude and good cheer,

Kyle P. Lovell
City Manager, City of Oneida





CONGRATULATIONS

CITY OF ONEIDA

Mayor Rick Rossi

Councilor-Ward 1 Lynne McHugh

Councilor-Ward 2 Dave Cimpi

Councilor-Ward 3 Nathan Smith

Councilor-Ward 4 Janet Jones

Councilor-Ward 5 Bill Pagano

Councilor-Ward 6 Tom Simchik

**Supervisors Ward 1-2-3 Matt
Roberts and Mary Cavanagh**

**Supervisors Ward 4-5-6 Brandee
Henderson and Michelle Kinville**

**City Judge-Todd Dexter (FT) and
James Betro (PT)**

WELCOME TO THE TEAM



Paul Kodya

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER

Oneida Police Department is pleased to welcome Community Service Officer Paul Kodya as the newest member of our team! As a CSO, Paul will play an important role in supporting our officers and assisting with a variety of community-oriented tasks that help keep Oneida running smoothly. His addition strengthens our department's ongoing efforts to serve and connect with the residents of our city.

We're glad to have him on board and look forward to the contributions he'll make to both the department and the community. Please join us in giving CSO Kodya a warm welcome!

Website Launch

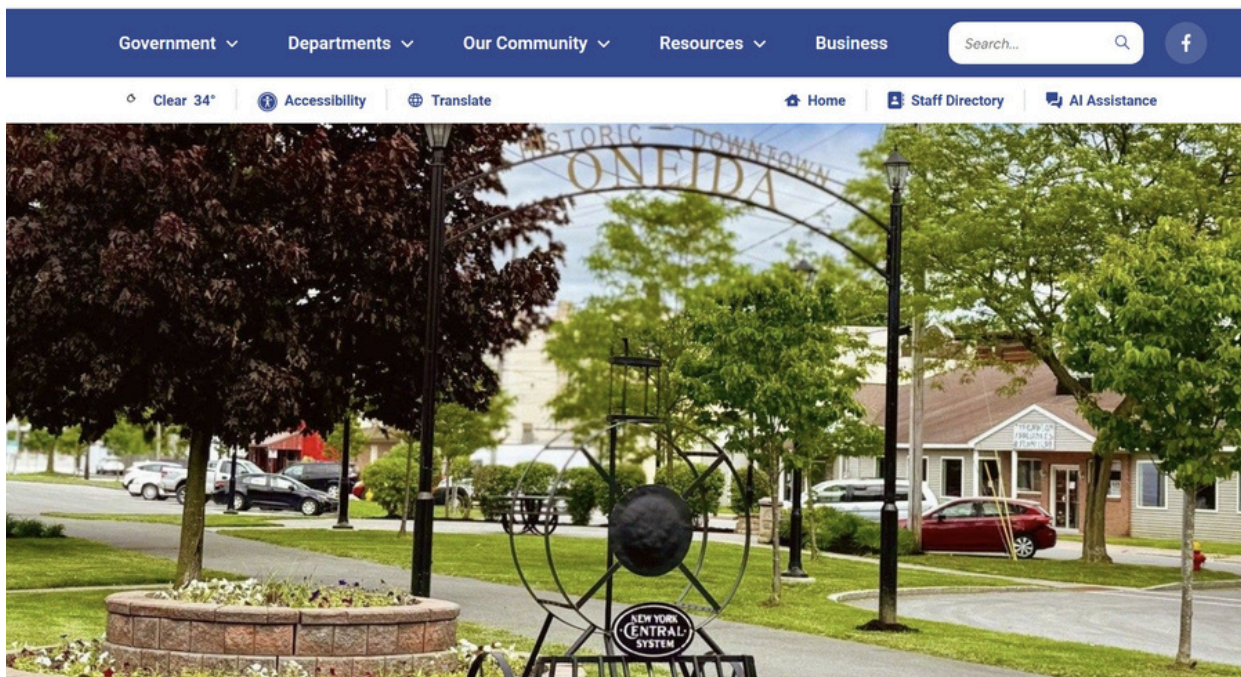
We're thrilled to introduce our brand-new online space designed just for you. We can't wait for you to explore it. Stay tuned for more information and the launch date!

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A Historic Community Moving Forward



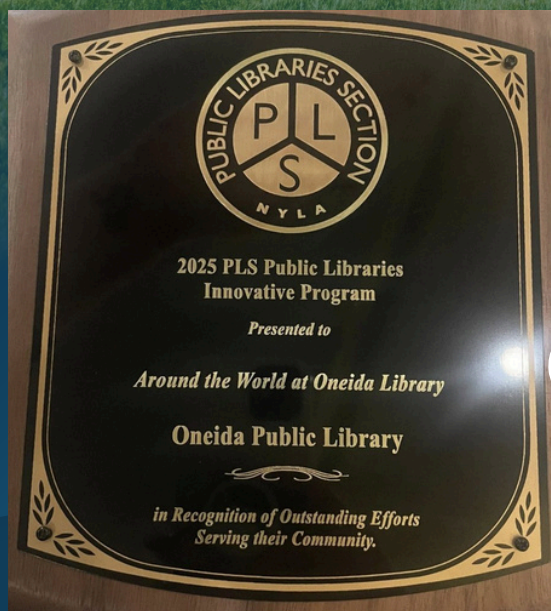
COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

WORTHY BOUTIQUE GIVES BACK!

A heartfelt thank-you to Jennifer Bailey, owner of Worthy, for her incredible generosity and community spirit! During Worthy's annual sale weekend, Jennifer and her team raised and donated \$1,520 to the Oneida Health Foundation's Cancer Care Fund — directly benefiting 60 local patients receiving cancer treatment.

The Cancer Care Fund helps ease financial burdens by covering urgent expenses like food and gas, allowing patients to focus on healing. Jennifer's kindness and leadership continue to make a meaningful difference right here in our community.





CONGRATULATIONS

Oneida Library

So proud of this amazing achievement! Here's to even greater success and milestones ahead — thank you for all you do for our community!



www.oneidapubliclibrary.org



315-363-3050

ONEIDA COMMUNITY MANSION HOUSE



“Get ready for an exciting new era! The Inn at the Mansion House will be temporarily closed for a seasonal shutdown and revitalization from November 3, 2025, to May 1, 2026.

This is more than just a closure—it's a transformation! We're refreshing many guest rooms and community spaces to bring you an even better, fresher, and cozier retreat. We can't wait for you to experience the exciting changes we have in store when we reopen on May 1, 2026!”

Visit their Facebook Page today!

TRICK OR TREAT STREET-2025





MISTLETOE & MUTTS



CAPTURE THE MERRY, THE FURRY, AND THE BRIGHT!

JOIN WANDERERS REST HUMANE ASSOCIATION, ECLECTIC CHIC, AND SHELTER UP PHOTOGRAPHY FOR A PHOTOSHOOT EVENT FULL OF WAGGING TAILS AND HOLIDAY MAGIC! YOU CAN EITHER GET A COZY HOLIDAY PHOTO, OR EVEN ONE WITH SANTA! DON'T MISS OUT!

THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD AT
2044 GLENWOOD SHOPPING PLAZA- ECLECTIC CHIC
NOVEMBER 23RD
11 AM-3 PM



**THE
ECLECTIC CHIC**
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COTTAGE LAWN WINTER FARMERS' MARKET

December 2nd

Madison County Historical Society
435 Main Street Oneida

 THE
GORMAN
FOUNDATION

12:00PM to 4:00PM





CITY OF ONEIDA'S

CHRISTMAS PARADE OF LIGHTS!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH AT 7:00 P.M.

DOWN HISTORIC MAIN STREET FROM
RAILROAD STREET TO WASHINGTON AVE!





Madison County, NY Toys For Tots

Welcome to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program of Madison County,
New York

MORE INFO

TOYS FOR TOTS

“You can find our trademark collection boxes at one of these local supporting businesses.

This is where you can donate and drop off a new, unwrapped Toy.”

ONEIDA CITY HALL

ONEIDA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Check out their website by clicking on the link above for other locations within the city!

2025



'TIS THE SEASON



HOW CAN I HELP?



DONATE TOYS

Stuff the Bus is a powerful way to spread holiday cheer—every toy donated helps brighten a child's season. All toys collected go directly to our Giving Tree families and to charities across nine local counties, ensuring your generosity reaches those who need it most. Help us fill the bus and bring joy to our community!



*Inside the Cafe and at the
Emergency Entrance with Security*



DONATE TODAY

Supporting members of our Giving Tree family through donations can greatly impact their well-being. Every contribution, no matter the size, matters significantly.

- \$10: Lunch for one
- \$25: Food basket for two
- \$50: Holiday meal (1–2 people)
- \$100: Holiday meal (3–4 people)
- \$150: Holiday meal (5–6 people)
- \$200: Holiday meal + gifts for 2 kids

Donate or Learn More
@ **OHGivingTree.org**



Receive **confidential** support with **meals**, food assistance, or **gifts for children** this holiday season.

APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE



Oneida Health
Foundation



If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance, please reach out to one of the organizations listed on the following pages. These local partners are dedicated to ensuring that no one in our community goes hungry.



Madison County Food Pantries


Facility name:	Days/hours of operation:	Address:	Contact Phone #
Bridgeport Food Pantry	3rd Wednesday 9:30AM-11:30AM & 4:00PM-5:30PM Fresh food 4th Wednesday (January-October)	7820 Minoa Road Bridgeport NY (St Francis Church)	Rachelle @ 315-546-4304 Jack @ 315-633-8676
Brookfield Food Pantry First Baptist Church	3rd Wednesday 10:00AM-Noon & 4:00PM-6:00PM Emergency assistance 8AM - 6PM daily	2416 Beaver Creek Road Brookfield, NY 13314	Heather 315-725-9041
Caz Cares Food Pantry	Mon, Tues, Thurs 9:30AM-Noon Fresh Foods: 2nd Tuesday of the month starting @ 4:15pm	101 Nelson Street Cazenovia, NY	Gigi or Casey @ 315-655-3174
Friendship Inn Cazenovia	Every Monday 5:30PM - 6:30PM First come First served until food runs	21 Lincklaen Street Cazenovia, NY 13035	Duane @ 315-952-6685 or Deb Wilcox @ 315-506-0478
Church on the Rock	Tues, Wed, and Thurs 11:00AM - 2:00PM	164 Madison Street Oneida, NY 13421	Wendy @ 315-280-4044
DeRuyter Community Services Food Pantry	Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00AM-11:00AM	735 Utica Street DeRuyter, NY 13052	Jean or Shelley @ 315-852-9696
Earlville Food Cupboard	Tuesdays 5:00PM - 6:00PM	First Baptist Church 9 West Main Street Earlville, NY 13332	Thuvia 607-373-0971
Hamilton Food Cupboard	Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00PM - 6:00PM	4000 Wings Way Hamilton, NY 13346	Suzanne @ 315-824-2832
Friendship Inn Hamilton	Every Monday, 5:00PM - 6:00PM First come First served until food runs out.	12 1/2 Madison St. Hamilton, NY 13346	Carol @ 315-825-9076 Hannah @ 315-750-5106
Holy Family Food Pantry	Fridays 9:00AM - 10:30AM Mondays by appointment only. Fresh Foods 4th Thursday of each month starting @ 3PM	4352 Peterboro St Vernon, NY 13476	Barbara 315-829-2486
Karing Kitchen KaringKitchen@yahoo.com	Soup kitchen open last full week of the month Mon-Fri 11:00AM -12:30PM	116 West Grove Street Oneida, NY 13421	Melissa 315-280-0869 Other times by appt.
Madison County Office of the Aging Food Cupboard	Monday - Friday 8:00AM -3:00PM Seniors 60+ only	138 Dominic Bruno Blvd Canastota NY 13032	315-697-5700

Facility name:	Days/hours of operation:	Address	Contact name/Phone #
Mobile Food Truck @ Great Swamp Conservancy	Dates & Times vary monthly. You can check updates on their Facebook page or @ GreatSwampConservancy.org	8375 N. Main Street Canastota, NY 13032	Rusty 315-697-2950
Mobile Food Truck @ Munnsville Family Health Center	2nd Wednesday of the month 4PM until gone Date/time may vary monthly.	5180 Main Street Munnsville, NY 13409	Food Bank of CNY 315-437-1899
Morrisville Community Church Food Pantry Morrisvillechurch.org/foodpantry	Tues & Thurs: 10:00AM-Noon First Saturday 10:00AM-Noon	3824 Swamp Road Morrisville, NY 13408	Suzanne (Sue) 315-684-3698
Morrisville Friendship Inn	Thursdays 5:30PM-7:00PM. Dine in or take out For take out orders please call ahead	6 Brookside Drive Morrisville, NY 13408 (St Joan of Arc Church)	Judy Parker 315-824-2164 315-684-3860
Munnsville Congregational Church	3rd Monday of the Month between 6:00PM-7:00PM Prepared box	6139 Williams Road Munnsville, NY 13409	Mary Conklin 315-495-3926
Mustard Seed Pantry	Wednesdays only; 9:00AM-Noon & 5:00PM-8:00PM	Rte 80 next to Elementary School Georgetown, NY 13072	Helen 315-837-7000 or 315-655-3441 ext 103
New Hope Christian Community Church	Last Sunday of the month @ 12:30PM	1904 West Rd, Route 46 Oneida NY, 13421	Pastor Bill 315-363-8227
New Life Assembly of God	Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:00PM-3:00PM	4704 Ste Rte 365 Oneida, NY 13421	Pastor Dan 315-363-8531
St Joseph's Food Pantry	Saturdays 9:00AM - 10:00AM	121 St Joseph's Place Oneida, NY 13421	Anne 315-363-3280
St Patrick's Food Pantry	Monday and Friday 3:30PM - 4:30PM	347 Main Street Oneida, NY 13421	Kate @ 315-447-7334
Sullivan Food Cupboard Facebook: Sullivan Food Cupboard	Monday 4:00PM-6:00PM Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri 10:00AM-1:00PM 1st & 3rd Saturday monthly 10:00AM-Noon Closed Sundays	206-1/2 Tuscarora Rd Chittenango, NY 13037	315-687-3290 Laurie 315-750-6313 Tina 315-395-7130
The Opportunity Shop	Monday and Wednesday 9:00AM - 11:30AM	128 East Center Street Canastota, NY 13032	Carol 315-697-3140
The Way Ministries	Mondays 9:00AM - 3:00PM Wednesdays Noon - 6:00PM	2657 Seneca Turnpike Canastota, NY 13032	Linda 315-697-2866
Mobile Food Truck Pantry FBCNY.org/findfood	Dates/Times vary at most locations. Please check their web- site for your areas monthly date/time.	Varies	315-437-1899 Food Bank of CNY



HOLIDAY HOURS

Tuesday December 23	CLOSE AT 3:30PM
Wednesday December 24	CLOSED
Thursday December 25	CLOSED
Wednesday December 31	CLOSE AT 3:30PM
Thursday January 1	CLOSED





HAPPY
HOLIDAYS