

CITIZENS ACADEMY 2024 SCHEDULE



This 10-week program includes 8 weeks of classes (dinner provided), optional public forum participation, and a recognition ceremony.

WEEK 1. September 3 – County Administration (County Attorney, Finance, Human Resources, Information Technology, and Public Information Office)

Location: Commissioner's Meeting Room, Chesapeake Building
41770 Baldrige St, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Contact: David Weiskopf, County Administrator,
David.Weiskopf@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200
Dinner: 5:30 p.m. **Program:** 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 2. September 10 – Department of Aging and Human Services (DAHS)

Location: Garvey Senior Activity Center
23630 Hayden Farm Ln, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Contact: Lori Jennings-Harris, DAHS Director
Lori.Harris@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 1050
Dinner: 6 p.m. **Program:** 6:30– 9 p.m.

WEEK 3. September 17 – Department of Economic Development (DED)

Location: Tech Port at AeroPark
44185 Airport Rd, California, MD 20619
Contact: Chris Kaselemis, DED Director
Chris.Kaselemis@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 1400
Program: 6 – 9 p.m. **Dinner:** 7 p.m.

WEEK 4. September 24 – Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T)

Location: DPW&T Office
44825 St Andrews Church Rd, California, MD 20619
Contact: Jim Gotsch, DPW&T Director
James.Gotsch@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 3510
Outdoor Tour: 5:30 p.m. **Dinner & Program:** 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 5. October 1 – Department of Emergency Services (DES)

Location: Emergency Operations Center
23090 Leonard Hall Dr. Leonardtown, MD 20650
Contact: Jennifer Utz, Director
Jennifer.Utz@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 2103
Dinner & Program: 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 6. October 8 – Department of Recreation and Parks (R&P)

Location: Wicomico Shores Golf Course
35794 Aviation Yacht Club Rd #2962, Mechanicsville, MD 20659
Contact: Arthur Shepherd, R&P Director
Arthur.Shepherd@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 1812
Dinner & Program: 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 7. October 15 – Department of Land Use & Growth Management (LUGM)

Location: Meeting Room 14, Potomac Building (Level 1)
23115 Leonard Hall Dr, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Contact: Jessica Andritz, LUGM Director
Jessica.Andritz@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 1500
Dinner & Program: 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 8. October 22 – SMCG Partner Night – St. Mary's County Health Department, St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, St. Mary's County Library, Department of Social Services and the Metropolitan Commission (MetCom)

Location: Commissioner's Meeting Room, Chesapeake Building
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Contact: David Weiskopf, County Administrator,
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Dinner: 5:30 p.m. **Program:** 6 – 9 p.m.

WEEK 9. October 29 – CSMC PUBLIC FORUM (*Optional*)

Attend in Person: Commissioner's Meeting Room, Chesapeake Building
41770 Baldrige St, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Watch on SMCG Channel 95 or at youtube.com/@StMarysCoMDGov
Contact: Jenna Guzman, Communications Director
Jenna.Guzman@stmaryscountymd.gov, (301) 475-4200 ext. 1342

WEEK 10. November 5 – Citizens Academy Recognition Ceremony

Held during the Commissioners of St. Mary's County Business Meeting (**9 a.m.**)
Location: Commissioner's Meeting Room, Chesapeake Building
41770 Baldrige St, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Contact: Jenna Guzman, Communications Director
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Reception & Light Refreshments: 8:30 a.m. **Ceremony:** 9 a.m.