



# Between the LIONS

U City Community Update

May 3, 2024

**POLICE ANNEX &  
COURT TRINITY  
RENOVATION**

# TOWN HALL

THURS., MAY 30 @ 6 P.M.  
975 PENNSYLVANIA AVE.

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A project more than 44 years in the making is coming to University City - the renovation of the Police Annex and Court Trinity Buildings. But in order for this project to be successful, we need to hear from you! Join City Manager Gregory Rose on May 30 at 6 p.m. for a comprehensive overview of the plans for the renovations and have your questions answered.

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University City Memorial Day Run  
Sun., May 27



Register today for the 50th Anniversary of the U City Memorial Day Run. All are welcome to participate in the 10K, 5K or family fun run. The University City Memorial Day Run has grown into one of the most popular and largest family races in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Proceeds from the event benefit the U City Public Library, The Green Center and U City in Bloom.

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### SIP AND PAINT

The U City Recreation Division is hosting a "Sip and Paint" event on Fri., May 10 from 6 - 9 p.m. Participants will be led in an instructional painting class by Theresa Davis. All materials provided. Register in person at Centennial Commons.

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### GREEN CENTER

The Green Center is hosting an online plant sale. All plants are in pots and have been grown in their greenhouse. From basil plants and Snapdragons to Black-Eyed Susans and more, there are a variety of plants to choose from.

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### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT DONATIONS

On Aug. 6, the School District of University City, City of University City and the University City Police Department will host the 12th annual National Night Out and Back to School Rally. With more than 4,000 attendees anticipated to attend, UCPD is seeking donations to provide food and drinks for the event.

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# WE'RE HIRING

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## Severe Weather Safety Tips

As severe weather incidents continue throughout our area this spring and into summer, the [University City Fire Department](#) wants you to be prepared and ready for threats such as flooding, tornados and more.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Storm Water Commission

Tues., May 7 @ 3:30 p.m.

### Urban Forestry Commission

Wed., May 8 @ 6 p.m.

### Green Practices Commission

Thurs., May 9 @ 6 p.m.

### Arts & Letters Commission

Thurs., May 9 @ 7 p.m.

[View the full listing of U City events here](#)



## TORNADO SAFETY FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

### BEFORE

✓ **BE WEATHER-READY:** Check the forecast often to see if a tornado is coming. Listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay informed about tornado watches and warnings.

✓ **SIGN UP FOR NOTIFICATIONS:** Know how to get warnings. Media broadcasts and smart phones can alert residents of severe storms capable of producing tornadoes.

✓ **CREATE A PLAN:** Have a family plan that includes an emergency meeting place and shelter spaces. Pick a safe room in your home, such as a basement, storm cellar or an interior room on the lowest floor with no windows.

✓ **PRACTICE YOUR PLAN:** Conduct a drill regularly so everyone knows what to do if a tornado is approaching. Make sure all family members know where to go when a tornado warning is issued. Don't forget pets if time allows.

✓ **PREPARE YOUR HOME:** Consider having your safe room reinforced. You can find plans for reinforcing an interior room to provide better protection at [fema.gov/safe-room-resources](http://fema.gov/safe-room-resources)

✓ **HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR:** Encourage your loved ones to prepare for the possibility of tornadoes. Take CPR training so you can help if someone is hurt.

### DURING

✓ **STAY WEATHER-READY:** Continue to listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay updated about tornado watches and warnings.

✓ **AT YOUR HOUSE:** If you are in a tornado warning area, go to your basement, safe room or an interior room away from windows. Don't forget pets if time allows.

✓ **AT YOUR WORKPLACE OR SCHOOL:** Follow your tornado drill and proceed to your tornado shelter quickly and calmly. Stay away from windows and do not go to large open rooms such as cafeterias, gymnasiums or auditoriums.

✓ **OUTSIDE:** Seek shelter inside a sturdy building immediately if a tornado is approaching. Sheds and storage facilities are NOT safe.

✓ **IN A VEHICLE:** Being in a vehicle during a tornado is NOT safe. The best course of action is to drive to the closest shelter. If you are unable to make it to a safe shelter, either get down in your car and cover your head, or abandon your car and seek shelter in a low lying area such as a ditch or ravine.



If you don't have a tornado shelter, stay in an inside room or hallway and cover your head. Photo: NOAA

### AFTER

✓ **STAY INFORMED:** Keep listening to local news or NOAA Weather Radio for updates about more tornado watches and warnings that may be coming. The next round of thunderstorms may bring more tornadoes.

✓ **CONTACT YOUR FAMILY AND LOVED ONES:**

Let your family and close friends know you are okay so they can help spread the word. Send text messages or posts updates on social media. These posts are more reliable forms of communication than phone calls.

✓ **ASSESS THE DAMAGE:** After the tornado threat has ended, check for property damage. When walking through storm damage, wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and sturdy shoes. Contact utilities if you see power lines down and stay away from them. Stay out of damaged buildings. Be aware of insurance scammers.

✓ **HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR:** If you see someone injured, call 911. Then, if you are trained, provide first aid until emergency responders arrive.



After a tornado, watch out for personal debris such as sharp metal, glass or shattered debris from. Photo: NOAA

For more information, visit [weather.gov/safety/tornado](http://weather.gov/safety/tornado)

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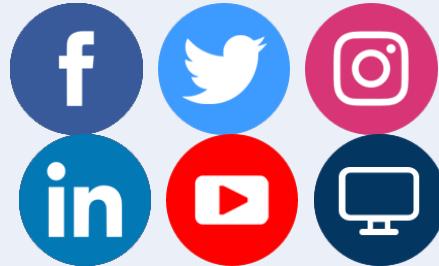
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