

# HONEY BROOK BOROUGH

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Fall/Winter 2021

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## Honey Brook Food Pantry

Neighbors Helping Neighbors – Honey Brook Food Pantry provides monthly food support to over 700 neighbors in need within the Honey Brook community. Our mission is to serve them with respect while empowering them toward food security and independence.

Mid-summer has brought the return of some greater food insecurity in the Honey Brook area. July yielded an increase of 18% in served individuals and 12 new families registered.

As a result of surveying over 100 random families in need, we have also initiated a special food package for individuals with diabetes and are providing Senior care items in our recently opened “Wellness Tent.”



Supplemental Kids’ Food bags were distributed to each child at every distribution this summer.

For additional information, call 610-273-6102 or email [kross1414@aol.com](mailto:kross1414@aol.com). Also, visit the Honey Brook Food Pantry website at [www.honeybrookfoodpantry.org](http://www.honeybrookfoodpantry.org) for information on how to volunteer, donate, or get help.

## CHRISTMAS IN HONEY BROOK

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Christmas in Honey Brook to be held Friday, December 10, 2021. Check your mailbox in December for flyers with full details. Bring the family out for some great deals at our local businesses.

## Borough Events 2021

**October 22**

Make a Difference Day

**October 25**

Halloween Parade 7:00 pm  
(Rain Date October 26)

**October 31**

Trick-or-Treat 6 pm – 8 pm

**November 15 – December 20**

Police Toy Drive

**November 26 - December 8**

Deck the Brook

**December 5**

Christmas Tree Lighting

**December 10**

4th Annual Christmas in  
Honey Brook

**January 16, 2022**

Fire Department Wedding Dinner

**March 2 – April 14**

Lion’s Club Fish Fry,  
Fridays 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

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- Estate Administration & Planning
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- Trusts & Estates
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# HONEY BROOK BOROUGH

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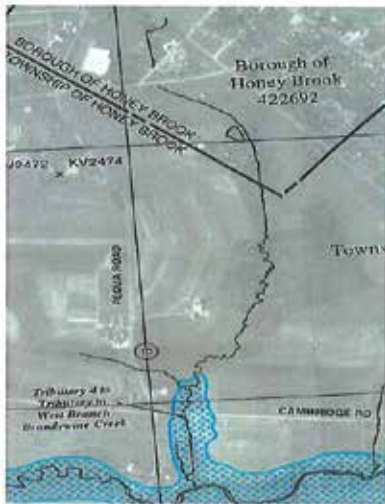
**Borough Council Meetings:  
1st Monday of each month at 7:00 pm**

**Council Business Meetings:  
3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm**

## Honey Brook Community Partnership



In May, the Honey Brook Community Partnership held a contest to find a name for an unnamed stream which runs through our community. Residents submitted several different names, all of which recognized an aspect of the history of Honey Brook. The winning name is SWEET WATER RUN, referring to the fact that Honey Brook was once a part of Nantmeal, meaning “sweet valley” in Welsh. The winning name will be submitted to the United States Geographic Names Board. Thanks to everyone for voting!



The Partnership will also be participating in National Make a Difference Day which is held each year on the 4th Saturday in October. Collection boxes will be set up at local businesses, please see our website, [www.hbpartnership.org](http://www.hbpartnership.org), for drop off locations and for an announcement of the organizations to be recipients for this year.

The Partnership will again sponsor “Deck the Brook”, an annual program where local businesses and community residents participate in decorating their doors, lawns, and offices to celebrate the holiday season. Registration will begin on November 26th through December 8. Voting begins on December 9 to December 18th. There will be both paper voting ballots and online voting, please see our website, [www.hbpartnership.org](http://www.hbpartnership.org) for drop off locations and more information. The Partnership also will join in “Christmas in Honey Brook”, which is sponsored by local businesses. It provides an opportunity to do all your holiday shopping locally and get discounts and free gifts, as well.

The Honey Brook Community Partnership was founded in 2008 to bring together Borough and Township partners to facilitate communication, share resources, and work together to enhance the community. The Partnership’s vision is to support a thriving main street, maintain safe neighborhoods, preserve historical elements, and sustain Honey Brook’s rural charm. The

Partnership includes an energetic mix of former and current public officials, representatives of retirement communities, members of service organizations and local churches, and resident volunteers. Everyone is welcome to be a part of our organization and its activities. Also, local businesses and non-profit organizations can become supporting Partners. Partnership is an excellent way to enhance the visibility of a business or organization. Details about becoming a Community Partner are available at the Partnership’s website: <https://www.hbpartnership.org/>.

## PARKS AND RECREATION

The annual Christmas Tree lighting will be on Sunday, December 5, 2021 7:00 PM at Borough Hall. Santa will arrive by Fire Truck to greet the children, be sure to bring your singing voice for our caroling!



# Honey Brook Library

Check out our library website <https://www.honeybrooklibrary.org/>. On our website, you can view upcoming events, search the card catalog to place items on hold for pickup, and you can log into your account to renew items or see when your items are due. You also use the Chester County Library app to maintain your checkouts and holds. All library events can also be found on our Facebook page under the events tab or on our newsfeed.

You can stop in and find flyers in our front lobby and back table about our fun events and programs. Some of the year-round programs include Story Time, Chatty Crafters, D & D Club, Sewing with Ms. Nancy, and our Mystery Book Club.

On our website, you can also donate to the library through PayPal to our Capital Campaign which kicked off August 2019 to expand the library. We will be adding meeting rooms and a community room and of course shelving areas for more books. We have raised \$106,000 so far, and we need you to help make this expansion happen for the community.

At the library you can use our computers, WIFI, scanner, make copies and send faxes. We have books, magazines, CDs, audio books, e-books, DVDs, TV series, and mobile hot spots for lending.

Looking for a way to volunteer in your community? The Honey Brook Community Library is looking for Board of Trustee volunteers for three-year terms. The Board of Trustees is responsible for fundraising for the library and guidance for the budget. If interested, please email your resume to [jspade@ccls.org](mailto:jspade@ccls.org).



## Library hours:

Monday.....	11 am – 6 pm
Tuesday.....	11 am – 8 pm
Wednesday.....	11 am – 6 pm
Thursday .....	11 am – 8 pm
Friday .....	11 am – 5 pm
Saturday.....	10 am – 5 pm
Closed Sunday	

# Honey Brook Fire Company

The annual Turkey Raffle will take place in November and the Wedding Dinner in January 2022, check the Fire Department website at [www.honeybrookfire.org](http://www.honeybrookfire.org) for dates. These fundraisers are very important to the operation of the Department and your support is greatly appreciated!

**Keep a look out** - the new Pierce Tanker truck is expected for delivery in September.

## Fire Company Safety Reminders

The officers and members of the Honey Brook Fire Company hope that all Honey Brook residents had a wonderful and safe summer. The fall season is upon us and winter is fast approaching. We would like to remind residents of some fall and winter fire safety tips.

### HEATING SAFETY TIPS:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment like furnaces, wood stoves or portable space heaters.
- Have a three foot “Kid-Free Zone” around open fires or space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to local codes and manufacturer’s instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the correct kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure your fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the ash container a safe distance from your home.
- Test smoke detectors once per month.
- Test carbon monoxide detectors regularly and check expiration dates.

## Smoke Alarms

**SMOKE ALARMS SAVE LIVES!** Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out.

### HERE’S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sound, they all sound.



- Large homes may need extra smoke detectors.
- Test your smoke alarms at least once per month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- When a smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside!
- Replace all smoke alarms in your home every 10 years.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## CALL 9-1-1

It is important that **ALL** police related requests, emergency and non-emergency, go through the County Dispatch Center in order for proper police logging and reporting to occur **RESIDENTS WHO CALL THE BOROUGH OFFICE TO REQUEST POLICE RESPONSE WILL BE DIRECTED TO CALL 911.**

### Honey Brook Police Department Toy Drive

The Honey Brook Police Department is collecting NEW, UNWRAPPED toys for their 2021 Christmas Toy Drive from November 15 to December 20, 2021. Toys can be dropped off at Borough Hall, the Police Department, Eby's Market, Suburban 322 Taproom, M&T Bank, Honey Brook Presbyterian Church, Honey Brook Methodist Church, Living God Lutheran Church, Honey Brook Early Learning Center, Brandywine Martial Arts Academy, September Farms and Honey Brook Elementary Center.



Monetary donations are also appreciated to help the Police Department provide Christmas dinners for residents in need. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the Police Station or Borough Hall. The Police Department accepts cash or checks made out to the "Honey Brook Police Department Activity Fund". Checks can also be mailed to "Honey Brook Police Department, 91 Pequea Ave, Honey Brook, PA 19344".

### TIPS FOR HAVING A SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN

Trick-or-Treating is one of the highlights of Halloween for kids. Here are a few tips to make your family's Halloween fun and safe:

- Parents should always supervise young children while Trick-or-Treating.
- Older children should Trick-or-Treat in groups and establish a "return home" time with parents.
- Trick-or-Treat only in familiar neighborhoods. Children should wait to eat treats until after they are thoroughly inspected by parents.
- Children should carry light sticks, flashlights or use reflective tape on costumes so motorists can see them on dark streets.
- Trick-or-Treat only during the designated hours established by Honey Brook Borough.
- Trick-or-Treat is scheduled for Saturday, October 31st from 6:00-8:00 pm.



### Ten Tips to Avoid Credit Card Fraud

What can you do to avoid becoming a victim of credit card fraud? Don't be paranoid, but be AWARE!! Here a few tips:

1. Shop with companies that you know and that have a solid reputation. Always determine the company's return and refund policy before you place an order.
2. Create strong passwords for your accounts.
3. Never give your credit card information via email. It will not be secure.
4. Never lend a credit card to someone else or write down the numbers on a piece of paper.
5. Never give a credit card number over the telephone, unless you have initiated a transaction and know without a doubt that the business you have called is reputable.
6. Never sign a blank receipt. Draw a line through any blank spaces above the total and keep copies of your receipts to compare with the transactions on your monthly billing statements.
7. Review credit card statement every month. Contact your creditor in writing about any questionable charges as soon as you notice them.
8. Be cautious if you're asked to provide personal information, such as your Social Security Number. It is rarely necessary and should raise a red flag.
9. When making a payment over the Internet, use only a secure web browser. Watch for the lock icon and/or "https" in the address bar. These can indicate that your payment information will be encrypted (scrambled) in transit.
10. Keep your eye out for scams. If something doesn't seem right, trust your instincts.



## MS4

### MCM... What's That?

A Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) is any municipal-owned stormwater conveyance or system of conveyances. i.e. Borough roads, ditches/swales, and stormwater pipes. Honey Brook Borough has to comply with the NPDES MS4 permit through 6 Minimum Control Measures (MCMs):

**MCM #1**—Public Education & Outreach - Honey Brook Borough has made efforts to educate the public about the Stormwater Management Program through several methods, including: the Borough website, the Borough newsletter, Mile Marker, and the partnership with the Brandywine Valley Association (BVA).

**MCM #2**—Public Involvement/Participation - Honey Brook Borough encourages the public to participate in the stormwater management program decision-making process and routinely communicates with the BVA. The Borough's MS4 Annual Reports are available to the public for review by request.

**MCM #3**—Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination - Honey Brook Borough maps all of its stormwater features, including: outfalls, surface waters, roads, inlets, pipes, basins, etc. Illicit discharges to the MS4 are prohibited in Honey Brook Borough. Outfalls are inspected regularly to verify that there are no illicit discharges and to take the appropriate actions if an illicit discharge is discovered. Examples of illicit discharges include: substances (such as used motor oil, etc.) that have been dumped into a storm sewer or waterbody, wastewater piped directly from a home to the storm sewer, failing septic systems, etc.

**MCM #4**—Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control - Honey Brook Borough and the Chester County Conservation District (CCCD) ensure that construction sites have adequate Erosion and Sedimentation (E&S) Control Best Management Practices (BMPs) and maintain them throughout the duration of the project to prevent accelerated erosion and sedimentation to the MS4.

**MCM #5**—Post Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Re-Development - Honey Brook Borough and the CCCD ensure adequate Post Construction Stormwater Management (PCSM) BMPs are proposed and installed properly. Once construction of these BMPs is complete, Honey Brook Borough regularly inspects the PCSM facilities to ensure that they are functioning properly.

**MCM #6**—Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping - Honey Brook Borough has identified all Borough-owned facilities and activities (fleet vehicle maintenance, winter de-icing, etc.) that have a potential to impact stormwater and developed an Operations and Maintenance Program to prevent stormwater pollution. Borough employees are regularly trained in all aspects of the Stormwater Management Program.



### MILITARY BANNER PROGRAM

The Military Banner Program has been expanded to include the Vietnam War, Persian Gulf War, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom (War in Afghanistan). If you would like to sponsor a current or past resident of Honey Brook Borough who served our nation as a Military Veteran visit our website at [www.honeybrookborough.net](http://www.honeybrookborough.net) for information. Banners are displayed along Horseshoe Pike (Route 322) from May through November.

## The Borough Is Looking To Establish Historical Preservation Committee

In an effort to preserve the rich history of Honey Brook Borough and the surrounding area, Honey Brook Borough Council is interested in establishing a Honey Brook Historical Preservation Committee, comprised of residents interested in Honey Brook history. Historical artifacts, documents and photographs are an important record of Honey Brook's past and will be lost if we do not create a place where they can be safely stored and enjoyed by all.

Borough Council has designated a space in Borough Hall to display donated or loaned artifacts. The committee will work on curating the current collection of historical items for display. We are hoping that additional items will be donated or loaned to the Borough to add to the collection. Presently, a collection of Honey Brook Herald newspapers which were converted to microfilm are being stored at the Chester County Historical Society. The goal is to have the microfilm digitized to make them accessible to the public, as microfilm is fragile and can be damaged with use. If you are interested in becoming involved with the historical preservation of Honey Brook Borough and surrounding area, or have items to donate or loan to the collection for display, please contact Tricia Swinty, Borough Clerk, at 610-273-2020 or stop by Borough Hall M-W-F 8:00am - 1:00pm.

# PUBLIC WORKS

It has been a busy summer in the Borough with many projects being accomplished. The Borough was issued a Grant by Chester County to replace the sidewalks on North Maple Street and North Chestnut Street. All of North Chestnut Street was milled and repaved.

The water line on James Street was connected to the water line on Nevin Drive to improve the water system. This project was also a Grant from Chester County.

Several inlet boxes throughout the Borough have been rebuilt and swales have been cleaned out to keep storm water from flooding Borough streets and properties.

If you see an issue on the streets, please call the Borough Office and leave a message with your name, address and phone number.

- ✓ Please check to see if you have trees or shrubs hanging out over the roadway as this can cause damage to equipment, passing vehicles and also cause sight distance issues for vehicles trying to pull out from stop signs onto busy roads. Trees and shrubs should be a minimum of 2 feet off of the roadway. Also keep in mind trees with snow on them will hang out further and lower than normal.
- ✓ Check your mailbox to ensure it is not hanging over the road or curb. The Borough is not responsible for mailboxes that are damaged due to road maintenance and snow removal.
- ✓ Do not place trash bags or recycling containers on the street, they should be placed on the sidewalk or curb, away from vehicle traffic. If a recycling container is damaged it is the responsibility of the resident to have it replaced.
- ✓ Green trash bags can be purchased at the following locations for \$3.00 – Borough Hall (cash only), Honey Brook Express Gas (Route 10), Eby's Market, Honey Brook Hardware.
- ✓ **Fall is approaching...** which means the leaves will be falling. When cleaning up leaves do not sweep or rake them into the street. Leaves can be put in brown biodegradable bags and set at your curb for pick up on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from April through November at no cost to the homeowner.
- ✓ **Winter is coming...** remember to move your cars off the streets when a snow emergency is declared. When 3 or more inches of snow or an ice storm is predicted a snow emergency will be declared. Check the Borough website, Facebook or sign up at [ReadyChesCO.org](http://ReadyChesCO.org) for snow emergency alerts.



**Please remember...**  
**by Borough Code you have 24 hours after a snow  
or ice storm to clean your sidewalk.**



## ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

**Borough Hall • Polls are Open 7am til 8pm**

***DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! YOUR VOTE COUNTS!***



### Yard Waste

Last day for Yard Waste pickup is  
Wednesday, November 17, 2021.  
Pickup will resume in  
April 2022.



### Christmas Tree Pick up

***January 5 and  
January 19, 2022***



# CODES ENFORCEMENT

With winter approaching please remember it is the responsibility of all residents to clear their sidewalks of snow. Do not shovel or plow snow from your sidewalk or driveway into the street; and it is best to plow your driveway after the Borough has plowed your street in order to keep your driveway free from snow.

Recreational firepits are permitted in the Borough. All rules and regulations according to Borough Code of Ordinances 7-105 **MUST** be followed. You can find the Borough Code of Ordinances at our website on the Codes Enforcement page.



**As a reminder...** burning of leaves and other yard waste materials is not permitted.

## SNOW EMERGENCY DECLARATION... WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Snow Emergencies are declared in accordance with Section 15-502 of the Borough Code are typically declared for 3 inches or more of snow. Section 15-502 provides as follows:

“In order to facilitate the movement of traffic and to combat the hazards of snow and ice on all streets, except for State highways, in the Borough, the Mayor of the Borough, in his or her sole discretion, may declare a snow and ice emergency (designated in this Part as a “snow emergency”). Information on the existence of a snow emergency shall be given by the Borough through radio, newspaper or other available, and information on the termination of the emergency may be given by use of the same media. Before the Mayor declares said emergency, it is Councils desire that he or she contact the Chief of Police or the snow removal crew to obtain their input on the same.”

Information on the existence of a snow emergency will be posted on the Borough website, on the Borough’s Facebook page, and by calling Borough Hall at 610-273-2020. Residents should also be aware of Section 15-504 of the Borough Code which is applicable during a snow emergency.

### Section 15-504, Removing, Impounding and Returning of Vehicles

“Members of the Borough police department are authorized to remove a vehicle or to have it removed from a street when:

- A. The vehicle is parked on a part of a street in which a parking prohibition is in effect.
- B. The vehicle is stalled on a street on which there is a parking provision or other operating restriction in effect, and the owner or person who is or was operating the vehicle does not appear to be removing it, or it appears that the operator is not able to remove it.
- C. The vehicle is parked in violation of any parking provision of the law or of this Part and is interfering with or is about to interfere with snow removal operations.”

### Being a Good Neighbor During Snow Emergencies

Since parking in the Borough is at a minimum, we would like everyone to help those in need, such as:

- If you have a driveway and your neighbor does not have a driveway, please extend an offer to your neighbor to park in your driveway during a snow emergency. They might help you shovel!
- Check on your elderly neighbors to make sure they have enough food, see if they need assistance moving their vehicles off the streets and if they are generally OK.

***WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!!***

### READYCHESCO.ORG

This is a free subscription based serviced that sends emergency alert calls, text messages and emails to your registered devices including cell phones, pagers and email addresses. You must sign up to receive alerts at ReadyChesCO.org or visit the Police page on the Borough website and click on the link.



# HONEY BROOK BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY

## WATER NEWS

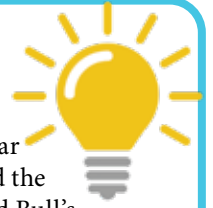
Beginning in 2022 the Honey Brook Borough Authority will be charging their distribution service fee for all unmetered consumer units on our public water system. A consumer unit is any separate apartment, mobile home, commercial or industrial businesses on one property. Each separate consumer unit will be charged an additional distribution service charge of \$36.10. For an example, if a building with 2 apartments and a storefront business with one service line, currently would be charged one service charge of \$36.10 per quarter. But after January 1st 2022, this example will now receive three service charges of \$36.10 each quarter. The building total will now be \$108.30 a quarter. If you own a single-family home or have no separate units attached to your premises, your service rates will not change in 2022. Any questions or concerns about this change in our Rules and Regulations please contact our office (610) 273-7830 or email hbb@verizon.net for more information.

As always, continue to keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, shower heads and toilet flappers. Don't forget to also disconnect and remove your outside garden hoses. Fixing these easily corrected household water leaks can save you \$\$\$\$. Free Toilet Dye Strip Packs are always available at our office.

Do you want to know what is in your water? Visit our website [www.hbbawater.com](http://www.hbbawater.com) and click on the Water Quality Report 2020 link.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Bull's Head Tavern, opened in 1735, was the first hand dug well in Honey Brook. This hand dug well was in the rear of the bar room. It served the tavern and the cattle drovers coming into town. The old Bull's Head Tavern is now known as the Waynebrook Inn.



### RECYCLE THESE ITEMS

**CANS**  
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**GLASS**  
Bottles & Jars

**CARDBOARD**  
Dry & Flattened  
No Food Contact

**CARTONS**

## TRASH & RECYCLING

Consider buying in bulk and purchase previously owned items – According to the Chester County Solid Waste Authority at the current rate of trash disposal, the Authority predicts that the current permitted capacity at Lanchester will be filled by 2034

Honey Brook Borough offers a weekly trash and recycling program with “pay as you go” bag system and provided recycling cart. TRASH WILL ONLY BE PICKED UP IN A GREEN HONEY BROOK BAG. Trash cans set by the curb will not be emptied even if they are lined with a green Honey Brook bag.

Trash and recycling collection is every Wednesday morning, items need to be placed at curb side by 6AM. Please ensure your bags are tied to prevent trash from blowing or animals getting into it.

\*Yard waste, tires, electronics, TV's, and construction debris will not be collected.

### WHEN IN DOUBT → THROW IT OUT

- |                 |                   |                  |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| NO Plastic Bags | NO Shredded Paper | NO Medical Waste |
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# Mysteries of Medicare: Creating a MyMedicare Account

A MyMedicare account is a helpful online tool that you, as a Medicare beneficiary, can access easily.

There are a number of useful features of these accounts:

- Probably the most frequently used feature is the ability to enter, save, and edit a list of your prescription drugs and preferred pharmacies. This simplifies using the Medicare Plan Finder to compare Part D (prescription) and Part C (Medicare Advantage) plans during the Annual Open Enrollment Period (Oct. 15 through Dec. 7). Without an account, you must enter your drug list each time you want to check your coverage. Even if you aren't a regular computer user, having this available will be a big help to an APPRISE counselor or other person helping you shop for your next plan.
- You can print out a copy of your Medicare card if yours is damaged or lost.
- Your current plans, including the subscriber number, are available to you on line.
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- You can choose to receive email notifications from Medicare with information about preventive services and account alerts.



To set up an account, go to [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov), click on the "Log in/Create Account" button near the top of the screen and follow the instructions. For more guidance, SHINE, Massachusetts' version of PA MEDI, has produced a helpful short video on how to set up a MyMedicare account: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ubkMZBNr8-I>. And of course, PA MEDI counselors are always available to assist you.

Pennsylvania Medicare and Decision Insight, PA MEDI is Pennsylvania's statewide program of free, unbiased insurance consultation under the auspices of the Chester County Department of Aging Services and the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). To reach a counselor about this topic or other Medicare services, call the PA MEDI Help Line 610-344-5004, option 2. Leave a message and a certified counselor will call you back, usually within one business day.

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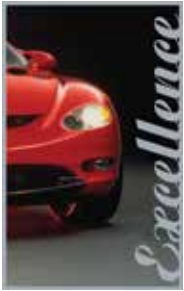
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