



City of Janesville  
Community Advocate  
Update  
April 2023

## Dear Community Partner,

We hope you enjoy the April edition of the City of Janesville's Community Advocate Update, filled with the latest information about exciting happenings here in Janesville!

**Roadmap to Fun:** The Spring & Summer Activity Guide from Janesville Parks and Recreation is here! With 47 pages full of events, programs, and services, this guide is guaranteed to have fun for everyone. Learn more at [www.janesvillewi.gov/activityguide](http://www.janesvillewi.gov/activityguide)! Additional physical copies of the guide are available at the Recreation Division office in City Hall.

**Fiber Expansion Project:** As our world continues to become more interconnected, the availability of broadband services has become more critical than ever before. This development is partly why in 2019, the City applied for grant funding through the State's Broadband Expansion Grant Program. The resulting fiber expansion project installed 144 new strands of fiber stretching over four miles. Over 1,200 Janesville businesses can now connect to the newly installed fiber at one of the network's many access points. Learn more on the City's [website](#).

**Fair Housing Advocacy:** This April, the City is celebrating Fair Housing Month, a time dedicated to advancing equity in housing and increasing public awareness of everyone's right to fair housing. Throughout the month, the City will share information on #FairHousingFriday to help highlight important safety and equity topics in housing. For additional information on protections and how to file housing discrimination complaints, visit [www.janesvillewi.gov/fairhousing](http://www.janesvillewi.gov/fairhousing).

**Pothole Patching:** Potholes are an inconvenient side effect of spring in Wisconsin. The Operations Division works diligently to efficiently clear potholes of debris and fill them with patching material. In fact, in 2022, City crews filled 6,968 potholes throughout Janesville. Residents are encouraged to help crews fill even more by reporting potholes to the City. To report a pothole, contact the City Services Center at (608) 755-3110 or visit [www.janesvillewi.gov/potholes](http://www.janesvillewi.gov/potholes).

**Bunny Paw Print Trails:** A magical rabbit has returned to Janesville, leaving paw prints on three special trails! Community members can follow these tracks to find unique items and trading cards. Participants may also discover special letters, which, when de-scrambled, reveal a mystery phrase they can submit to [recreationmail@ci.janesville.wi.us](mailto:recreationmail@ci.janesville.wi.us) for a chance to win fun prizes! Find out more on the City's [website](#).

**Swim Lesson Grant:** The Recreation Division was chosen as one of 69 youth swimming programs to receive grant funding from the USA Swimming Foundation. The grant will go toward the City's continued efforts to provide free or reduced-cost swim lessons. "I believe swimming is a critical life skill, and understanding safe water practices can make the difference between life and death," said Recreation Programmer Elaena Noffsinger. For more information on swim lessons, visit the City's [website](#).

### Upcoming Events:

- **Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Ceremony:** Sunday, April 16, marks the start of National Volunteer Week! The City is excited to celebrate by hosting its 2022 Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 20, at 3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. The community is encouraged to attend and help thank the over 600 individuals who freely contribute their time and talents to supporting the City's mission. Ceremony details are available on the City's [website](#).
- **Arbor Day Celebration:** The City will hold an Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 28, at Optimist Park, beginning at 4 p.m. Joined by the Optimist Club and Janesville Urban Forest Alliance, volunteers will help plant new trees in the park. This celebration is open to the public, and the community is encouraged to attend to assist in the planting. For more information, contact the Parks Division at (608) 775-3025.

Questions? Contact Nick Faust, Communications Specialist at [faustn@ci.janesville.wi.us](mailto:faustn@ci.janesville.wi.us) or (608) 755-3094

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# EARTH DAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.  
ROTARY BOTANICAL GARDENS

# FIBER EXPANSION

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