



City of Janesville
Community Advocate
Update
March 2023

Dear Community Partner,

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

City Manager Recruitment: Following an extensive recruitment process, the City Council is excited to announce the selection of Kevin Lahner as Janesville's eleventh City Manager. Mr. Lahner currently serves as the City Administrator for the City of Waukesha, WI, a role he has held since 2015. He has managed eight consecutive city budgets that have increased the City's fund balance and improved Waukesha's financial stability. Learn more and hear from Janesville's next City Manager on the City's [website](#).

Legislative Roundtable: The City will host its biennial Legislative Roundtable with state legislators tomorrow, Friday, March 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The roundtable will allow staff to present priorities from the City's 2023 Legislative Agenda and provide a forum for legislators and community leaders to work toward change. The community is encouraged to attend the event and gain valuable insight into these conversations. Review the City's legislative priorities at www.janesvillewi.gov/legislative.

WSCC Announcement: The Woodman's Sports and Convention Center celebrated a milestone last month when Governor Tony Evers announced the inclusion of funding for the project within his 2023-2025 Capital Budget. "I'm glad to be here today to announce that we are making a major investment right here in Janesville by providing \$15 million to construct the Woodman's Sports and Convention Center," said Governor Evers. As a community initiative and public-private partnership, the State's contribution of \$15 million will be a critical component of the project's funding. Learn more at bit.ly/3Z7n4ix!

Celebrating History-Making Women: March is Women's History Month! The City is proud to celebrate the many contributions made by women over the course of Janesville's rich history. Throughout the month, the City's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) Committee is highlighting a few of these remarkable women through a poster exhibit in the lobby of City Hall. If you have questions, suggestions, or ideas for the City's newly established DEIB Committee, reach out by e-mailing DEIBCommittee@janesvillewi.gov.

Bunny at the Square: Bunny at the Square is hopping back to Janesville on Saturday, April 1! This annual community event combines the classic fun of an egg hunt with unique activity stations full of fun surprises! Janesville Parks & Recreation is seeking businesses and organizations interested in sponsoring their own stations for the event. Station sponsors hand out treats of their choice and provide a fun activity for young event attendees. To learn more and complete a sponsorship application, visit the City's [website](#).

Sustainable Janesville Awards: The City is now accepting nominations for the 2023 Sustainable Janesville Awards! These honors granted by the Sustainable Janesville Committee promote local innovation and leadership in environmental sustainability. The community may learn more about the awards and submit nominations on the City's [website](#).

Upcoming Events:

- **Rec. Seasonal Hiring Event:** Janesville Parks & Recreation will host a Seasonal Hiring Event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 19, in City Hall. The community is invited to meet with staff and learn more about available summertime employment opportunities. The City will also offer walk-in interviews for attendees during the event. Learn more at bit.ly/3YGiZC5.
- **Sustainable Living Fair:** Discover sustainable living and how you can take action for the environment at the annual Sustainable Living Fair on Saturday, March 25, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hedberg Public Library. The free fair is open to all ages, with presentations and interactive activities focusing on reducing waste, supporting wildlife, improving water quality, and more! For details, visit the City's [website](#).

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

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Assistant to the City Manager

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