



Watch Your Water Usage With EyeOnWater

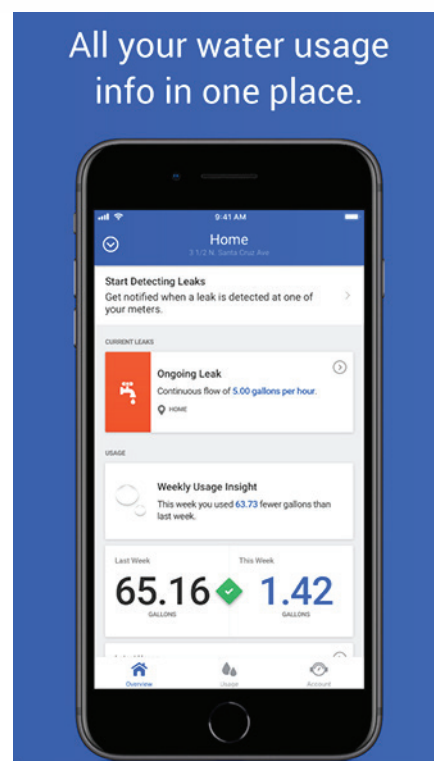
EyeOnWater is a web-based tool that gives customers their water usage data gathered by SRU's "smart meters." It is also available as a phone app.

Interested in the ability to track your water usage on your smartphone? Receive an alert in the case of a potentially expensive water leak in your home? Or view trends of when you use water the most?

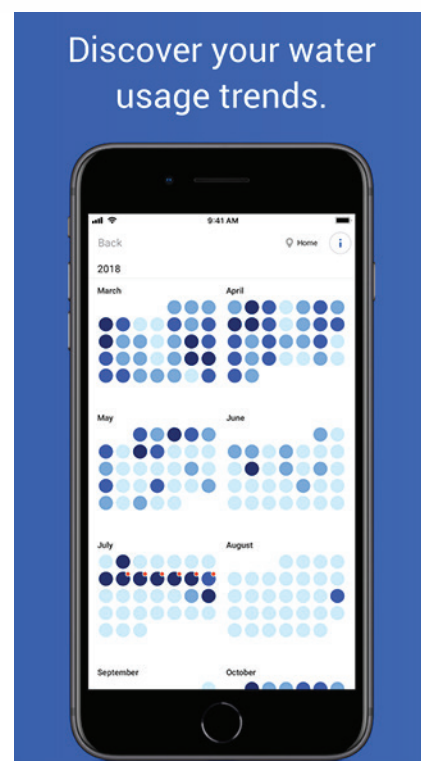
Salisbury-Rowan Utilities (SRU) recently debuted its new, web-based customer service tool called EyeOnWater. Available as an app in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store, EyeOnWater gives customers their water usage data gathered by SRU's "smart meters" in near real time so they can manage their accounts down to the week, day, or even hour.

Perhaps the most useful feature of EyeOnWater is its Leak Alert tool. Customers can set up their account to warn them if their usage runs high, allowing them to quickly catch potentially expensive leaks.

EyeOnWater is easy to view, understand, and use. Clean icons and bar graphs clearly break down a customer's water usage. Registered



All your water usage info in one place.



Discover your water usage trends.

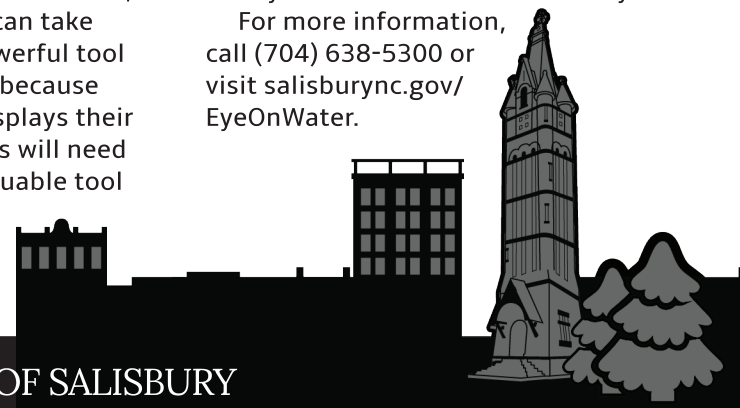
SRU customers can see their consumption and immediately adjust their usage to lower their bills.

EyeOnWater is a FREE service; every SRU customer can take advantage of this powerful tool at no cost. However, because the secure system displays their usage, SRU customers will need to sign up for this valuable tool

at eyeonwater.com. After customers register, they are instantly given access to their account information.

Download the app or register on the eyeonwater.com website today.

For more information, call (704) 638-5300 or visit salisburync.gov/EyeOnWater.



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THE LAMPLIGHTER

City of Salisbury Newsletter

MAY 2019 EDITION

EVENT CALENDAR: MAY

Spring Clean '10

Help us clean up the streets! Drop by city hall to get a block assignment to pick up litter for an hour or so. The #Trashtag Challenge is here! **Saturday, May 11** - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. City Hall, 217 S. Main St.

EVENT CALENDAR: JUNE

City Council Meetings

Attend public city council meetings to find out what's happening in your city. **Tuesday, June 4 and 18** - starts at 6 p.m. City Hall, 217 S. Main St.

Movies in the Park

Watch free showings of popular movies at City Park with your friends and family. Bring your own blanket or chair. **Incredibles 2 - Friday, May 31**
A Dog's Way Home - Friday, June 14
Hotel Transylvania 3 - Friday, June 28
Movie begins at 9 p.m. City Park

Woofstock

Every snout counts! The Salisbury Fire Department will be providing free demos on how they use rescue masks on pets. There will also be live music, food, vendors and the annual Fur Fun 5K at 10 a.m. \$20 entry fee for the 5K, proceeds go to the Dog PAWs dog park. **Saturday, June 15** - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Salisbury Civic Center, 315 S. MLK Jr. Ave.

Gallery Gallop Artist Showcase

Stroll throughout downtown and enjoy artisan vendors, live artist demonstrations, evening shopping, dining, gallery tours, live music and more! For more information visit downtownsalisburync.com **Friday, June 21** - 5 to 9 p.m. Downtown Salisbury

A Look Behind The Scene

The Salisbury Citizen's Academy, a 10-week academy in which residents learn firsthand about city operations, is now accepting applications for class members.

The Citizen's Academy, now in its sixth year, is held on Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Thursday, Sept. 5 through Thursday, Nov. 7. Participants will receive hands-on, inside views of various city departments each week, discovering greater understanding of how and why Salisbury provides its municipal services. Some of the experiences will include learning how the city budget is created with the finance department, using the Jaws of Life at the fire department and playing recreational activities offered with parks and recreation. Dinner is served at each class.

"Seeing the citizens interact with our employees is one of the most rewarding aspects of the program," said Kelly Baker, director of administrative services. "Not only do citizens get to see how their services are provided but who actually provides them. From Administration to Zoning and everything in between, departments have been able to build relationships with participants and the impact has been more valuable than we could have anticipated." The deadline for applications for the City of Salisbury Citizen's Academy is Friday, July 19 at 5 p.m.

Applications are available online at www.salisburync.gov/citizensacademy, by contacting the administration office at (704) 638-5233, or via email at kbake@salisburync.gov. Participants must be at least 16 years of age and class size is limited to 20 participants. Priority will be given to residents of Salisbury.



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Festival Lineup

Salisbury is set to host the Third Annual Cheerwine Festival, named after its favorite hometown soft drink, Saturday, May 18, in downtown Salisbury from noon to 10 p.m. Cheerwine fans will enjoy great Southern food, shopping for Cheerwine merchandise, the F&M Bank Kids Zone, the Food Lion Carolina Brands Sampling Area, a beer garden and local craft vendors, thanks to sponsors: F&M Bank, Food Lion, Hotwire Communications, Sharonview Credit Union, Rowan County Tourism Development Authority, Novant, CARMazone, Champion Windows and Home Exteriors, Trellis Supportive Care, Mean Mug Coffee Company, Renewal by Anderson, Backcountry & Beyond, and of course, Cheerwine!

No festival is complete without rockin' live music. Four bands and multiple Buskers (street performers) are scheduled to perform along the midway and on the Hotwire Communications stage throughout the day at the Festival:

Band Lineup

- Stella Rising - 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- The Southern Gothic - 5 to 6 p.m.
- LiveHouse - 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- Smash Mouth - 8 to 10 p.m.

Be sure to visit the Cheerwine Festival website at cheerwinefestival.com or follow the hashtag #CheerwineFest on social media for more details on the event schedule, FAQs and weekend road closures in Salisbury.

BlockWork Project *Accepting Applications*

BlockWork is a grass-roots program developed in 2010 by the Community Appearance Commission's Neighborhood Leaders Alliance (NLA).



The Salisbury Community Appearance Commission and Salisbury Housing Advocacy Commission will be accepting BlockWork applications from Salisbury city neighborhoods beginning now through Friday, June 14. The 2019 BlockWork event has been set for Saturday, October 26, on, "National Make a Difference Day."

BlockWork is a grass-roots program developed in 2010 by the Community Appearance Commission's Neighborhood Leaders Alliance (NLA). The event strives to bring residents and community volunteers together to build cleaner and safer neighborhoods, one block at a time. Working together with property owners, residents, city staff and other support groups, participants help neighborhoods establish a proactive approach with stewardship of housing resources. Projects include carpentry, painting, landscaping and general clean-up in a one-block area. Long-term maintenance responsibility is assumed by block property owners, residents, and neighborhood participants.

Eight successful BlockWork events have been held since its founding, including the initial event on S. Shaver St., which earned a National Make a Difference Day award and a \$10,000 prize. Last year, volunteers worked in the 400 block of S. Lee St.

The BlockWork application and guidelines can be found at www.salisburync.gov/Blockwork. Applications can be submitted online, by postal mail, email, or accepted in person with Alyssa Nelson at the City Office Building, 132 N. Main Street, Salisbury NC 28144 by Friday, June 14, 2019. For further information, please call (704) 638-5235.

Criteria for selection:

- Project feasibility
- Project impact in its neighborhood
- Ability for project to be completed in one day
- Project illustrates strong neighborhood involvement

Past BlockWork Neighborhoods:

- 2011 – Brooklyn South Square
- 2012 – Fulton Heights
- 2013 – Park Avenue
- 2014 – West End
- 2015 – Chestnut Hill
- 2016 – West End
- 2017 – North Main
- 2018 – Municipal Service District/Brooklyn South Square



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

STEPHEN BROWN, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT & PROJECT MANAGER

Stephen Brown, a third generation landscaper, is living his childhood dream as the public services landscape architect and project manager for the City of Salisbury. He applies his love for landscape to his work with communities, contractors and city staff.

Stephen performs various functions through the city ranging from designing landscapes, navigating the city codes and the permitting

process, and project management. His most recent work includes the landscape design for the renovated parking lot at the visitor's center, assisting with the West End wall project, and planting designs for Downtown Innes Street and the new greenway section. Before serving in his current role, Stephen was the maintenance manager for the Salisbury Parks and Recreation Department.

"Horticulture is my dream and I get to live it out here in the City of Salisbury. I enjoy working on the wide range of projects and the uniqueness of each one. It brings me joy knowing that when I sit down to construct landscape plans it's something that residents can enjoy now and future generations will be proud to have in our City."

#FeelingCuteChallenge

Our city employees were feeling cute for this viral social media challenge!

