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Charleston County to Celebrate National Public Works Week, May 15-21

Media opportunities: Book donation presentation on May 17 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library and Charleston County Council recognition of Public Works Director Jim Neal on May 24 at 6:30 p.m.

[Charleston County Government](#) will celebrate National Public Works Week May 15-21 by highlighting the services provided by the Charleston County's [Public Works Department](#). This year's theme, "Public Works Always There," showcases how the men and women of Public Works are always there to help improve the quality of life.

The Public Works Department will be doing outreach to grow awareness and educate the general public about the value, necessities and careers of Public Works in our daily lives: planning, building, managing, and operating at the heart of our local community to improve everyday quality of life. Below are the scheduled events and outreach efforts:

- Display cases will showcase Public Works services at the Public Services Building (PSB), located at 4045 Bridge View Drive in North Charleston.
- Public Works equipment/machinery will be on display outside the PSB.
- County Council will recognize Public Works Director Jim Neal at the May 24 County Council meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. for being named one of American Public Works Association's (APWA) Top Ten Leaders.
- Public Works will make presentations to the after-school program participants of Charleston County public libraries. The dates and locations are below:

Dorchester Library after-school program
Tuesday, May 17 at 4:30 p.m.
6325 Dorchester Rd.
North Charleston

John L. Dart Library after-school program
Wednesday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m.
1067 King Street
Charleston



- Public Works will donate books of "Chipper's Adventures in Public Works," published by the American Public Works Association, to the 16 Charleston County Public Libraries on May 17.
- Public Works is also working with the Charleston County School District to make presentations to students about the work they do including roads, drainage and water quality. Below is a schedule of visits:

Baptist Hill Middle & High School
Tuesday, May 17, 9 a.m. - Noon
5117 Baptist Hill Rd, Hollywood

Lincoln Middle/High School
Wednesday, May 18, 10 a.m. - Noon
714 Lincoln Rd, McClellanville

St. James-Santee Elementary – Career fair
Friday, May 20 from 8:45 -1 pm
8900 N. Highway 17, McClellanville

Edith L. Frierson Elementary School
Friday, May 20 from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
6133 Maybank Highway, Wadmalaw Island

Public Works will host a coloring contest for the school by age groups: Kindergarten & 1st grade, 2nd & 3rd grades, 4th & 5th grades. The Field Ops crew will be voting on Monday, May 16 for the top three in each grade category.

Representatives will perform a story time reading of "Chippers Adventure in Public Works" for Kindergarten and first grade and host interactive activities with Stormwater and Mosquito Control for grades 2nd through 5th grades.

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