

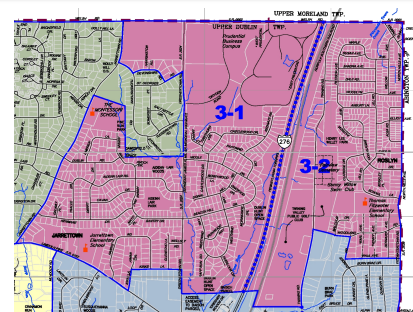


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Upper Dublin Township Ward 3 Commissioner



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Working Together!

I am officially announcing that I am running for re-election as your UD Ward 3 Commissioner in 2023. Thank you for voting for me on Primary Day!

It is a privilege to serve as your Commissioner and I value your support.

Working together we have accomplished a great deal! When issues are raised we work together to solve them. I see the role of commissioner as two-fold: one, to point Upper Dublin toward the best future, and two, to solve constituents' problems/issues. The suggestions you have brought to me have improved our quality of life in Upper Dublin.

While serving as your Commissioner my guiding principle has been doing the best job I can for our community, working to find the best solutions for today's challenges and the challenges of the future.

JES Sidewalk Construction

The Limekiln Pike sidewalk from Jarrettown Elementary School to the Dreshertown Plaza is in the construction stage. The Contractor has dug test pits and some other staging tasks to get ready for the main push of construction that will begin around Memorial Day. Their schedule is to have the project completed before the end of this year.

Dreshertown Road Improvements Project

The project is at the end of Preliminary Engineering and will be in the Final Design through 2024.



Township Building Special Meeting

A special Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 7 pm** at the UD Library Auditorium on 520 Virginia Drive. This meeting will review and take action on the bids for the Public Works Building Phase 2 Renovation.

Township Building Update

It is anticipated that the demolition of the township building would begin in December 2023/January 2024. Bids will go out for the township building and public works bays at about the same time. The goal is to have the building open to the public by February 2026.

UDT Awarded \$105,000 Grant for Twining Valley Park Phase 2

UDT has been awarded a \$105,000 grant for the construction of five pickleball courts at Twining Valley Park. Continuing Phase 2 Park improvements: The bike playground is fully funded by grants with work projected to start in Fall 2023 and the pickleball courts are now 50% funded. Phase 1 work (trails, dog park, sitework & stormwater management) are nearing completion. UDT was only one of seven Montgomery County municipalities to have received this highly competitive funding. To date, **UDT has received over \$1,140,000 in grants.**

Hurricane Ida Relief Fund

Upper Dublin Township is pleased to announce the newly-created Hurricane Ida Relief Fund (HIRF), financed by a \$1.5 million grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development. This grant was secured by State Senators Maria Collett and Vincent Hughes to ease the financial strain experienced by property owners and residents impacted by the tornado and flooding of Hurricane Ida. Upper Dublin shares this grant with Horsham Township.

For full program information, eligibility guidelines, and application materials, please visit www.upperdublin.net/hirf. Paper application materials are available at the Township Offices at 370 Commerce Drive. Upper Dublin residents should contact hirf@upperdublin.net or call 215-643-1600 ext. 3138

Cross County Construction: Feb 2023 through Summer 2024

Construction for the Fort Washington Cross County Trail & Road Diet – Middle Section Project began February 2023. Areas along Delaware Drive & Virginia Drive from the Commerce Drive traffic signal to the Rapp Run culvert will be undergoing construction. The road will be reconstructed adding drainage and narrowing the existing four-lanes to three-lanes (one lane in each direction and a common center turn lane). The Cross County Trail will connect with completed sections on either side. Construction will continue into Summer 2024.

For questions, please contact Kurt Ferguson, Municipal Authority Executive Director at kferguson@upperdublin.net or 215-643-1600.

The PFAS Study

More than 1,000 residents have had their blood tested to help scientists understand more about the health effects of PFAS. The study, funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, began more than a year ago across seven sites in the U.S.

The CDC says those exposed to PFAS have a higher risk for high cholesterol, kidney cancer, testicular cancer, and damage to the immune system. The health risks have led to dozens of lawsuits against companies like DuPont, which manufactured the chemicals.

Interest in the Montgomery and Bucks study was so high that researchers increased capacity from 1,000 to 1,500 adults, and extended the application process until the end of Feb 2023. Recruiting children has been more challenging, however, with researchers meeting only 23% of the goal of 300 children.

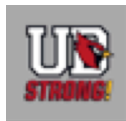
Fire Co. Grant

The Fort Washington Fire Company was awarded a FEMA AFG Grant in the amount of \$139,200.00. Chief Rathfon completed the grant application in 2021. This grant will allow the fire company to replace the entire complement of hydraulic rescue tools.

Congratulations Chief Rathfon!

Arbor Day

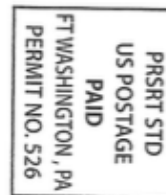
The UD Shade Tree Commission's annual **Arbor Day Observance** was on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at Upper Dublin High School. Four trees were planted. One was planted in the rear of the High School and 3 were planted on the Fort Washington Avenue Side of the building. We are proud to have been designated a Tree City USA annually since 1997.



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