

Residents and City Employees of Newport News Given Free Admission to All Attractions with Ambassador Pass

Newport News, VA, Dec. 15, 2017 – The Newport News Ambassador Pass program, now in its 19th year, encourages Newport News residents and current City of Newport News employees to be “visitors” in their own hometown. Ambassador Pass holders receive free one-time admission to seven city attractions, valid for two adults and two children. It is valued at nearly \$235.

The goal is to give pass-holders an opportunity to learn more about the wealth of activities available in Newport News so the information can be shared with visiting friends and family. Those requesting a pass will be asked to show proof of current residency or city employment. Ambassador Passes will be honored at the following attractions each week throughout the month of January:

January 2-8, 2018

Peninsula SPCA & Petting Zoo
Virginia Living Museum

January 16-22, 2018

Endview Plantation
The Mariners’ Museum

January 9-15, 2018

Lee Hall Mansion
Peninsula Fine Arts Center

January 23-29, 2018

Virginia War Museum

The passes will be available for pickup from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily beginning Monday, Dec. 18, at the Newport News Visitor Center, 13560 Jefferson Ave. Please note that on Christmas Eve, the Visitor Center closes at 1 p.m. and it will be closed Christmas Day and Jan. 1. The passes can also be picked up between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays from Newport News Tourism, 702 Town Center Drive. The Tourism Office closes at 1 p.m. Dec. 22 and will remain closed through Dec. 26. It is also closed Jan. 1. For those in the Southeast Community, passes can be picked up at the City Manager’s Office on the 10th floor of City Hall. The City Manager’s Office will close at noon Dec. 22 and remain closed through Dec. 26 (it is also closed Jan. 1). Passes will be available at the three locations for the duration of the program, which ends Jan. 29, 2018.

The yearly Ambassador Pass program is underwritten by those attractions that typically charge admission. City residents and employees are also encouraged to visit our free attractions – The Newsome House Museum & Cultural Center, Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center, the U.S. Army Transportation Museum, and all of our city’s parks – while exploring Newport News. The James A. Fields House also participates in the program, but it is closed for repairs at this time. For more information about the 2018 Newport News Ambassador Pass, call the Newport News Visitor Center at 757-886-7777.