



"Merry Christmas, Pike Road! We wish you a joyful holiday spent with family and friends and filled with holiday magic. As we celebrate this special season, we celebrate the greatest gift of all, and we are reminded of our many blessings. We want to thank you for all you do, from engaging in ENHANCE initiative activities to caring for one another and supporting the local businesses, to make the Town of Pike Road such a special place to call home.

We also want to say thank you for your contributions to the Season of Giving Holiday Collections Drive, this year and every year! Through your generosity, we were able to provide --- to local veterans served by the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System and neighbors in need served by the Woodland UMC Food Pantry. Thank you for helping make the holidays a little brighter for so many in our community!

With 2023 just around the corner, we want to help you achieve your New Year's Resolutions through the ENHANCE initiative! Learning a new skill or hobby and spending more time with family and friends are consistently some of the most popular New Year's Resolutions, and we're here to help. Explore upcoming events and workshops from the Pike Road Arts Council and more on our website, [www.pikeroad.us](http://www.pikeroad.us).

Once again, we wish you a very Merry Christmas! What makes the holidays special for your family? Share your photos with us using #mypikeroad or by emailing [info@pikeroad.us](mailto:info@pikeroad.us) to be featured in our e-newsletter or on our Chantilly Parkway billboard!

As always, we will continue to pray for you, and we encourage you to pray for each other.

Thank you and God Bless."

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## Dangerously Cold Temperatures Across Alabama All Weekend - Stay Warm, Be Safe!



Overnight last night, dangerously cold temperatures moved into our area. These sub-freezing temperatures are accompanied by wind gusts up to 40 MPH, which can cause damage to trees and power lines. Frigid weather is forecast to continue throughout the weekend and into next week. Please be safe, stay warm, and don't forget the four P's of winter weather: People with special needs, such as the

elderly, Pipes in and outside of your home, Pets (if you're cold outside, they're cold, too!), and cold-sensitive Plants.

For those in need of shelter from the cold for any reason, the [Montgomery City/County Emergency Management Agency](#) will operate a Warming Center at 3446 LeBron Road (open daily at 4 p.m. through Tuesday, Dec. 27). The EMA also encourages those in need of shelter during the day to warm up at Montgomery City/County Library locations. To learn more, please contact the EMA by calling (334) 625-2339.

To report a power outage:

- If your power is provided by Alabama Power, call 1-800-888-2726 to report an outage or visit <https://www.alabamapower.com/residential/outages-and-storm-center.html>
- If your power is provided by Dixie Electric Cooperative, call 1-800-239-1367.

For cold weather safety tips, including for the safe use of space heaters, [please click here to visit the National Weather Service Birmingham on Facebook](#).

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**Dec. 26 - Jan. 8: Christmas Tree Recycling in Partnership with Alabama Power**



Beginning Monday, Dec. 26, there will be a designated Christmas Tree Recycling area in the parking lot of Pike Road Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd) near the intersection of Pike & Meriwether Roads for residents to drop off their UNDECORATED, LIVE trees. Trees will be recycled for future use in animal habitats! We are pleased to provide this service in partnership with Alabama Power.

Since 1993, Alabama Power has re-purposed and re-cycled over 60,000 Christmas Trees to build fish habitat for its Fish Habitat Enhancement program on Alabama Power Company managed

reservoirs. In addition to using trees, artificial structures have been utilized as well. All habitat locations are marked with GPS and provided to the public, [which can be viewed here.](#)

## Pike Road Arts Council Kicks Off Another Year of Events & Activities



The Pike Road Arts Council is ready to start the new year right! We can't wait to see you at these upcoming art shows, classes, and more. Whether your New Year's Resolution is to learn a new skill or get involved in our community, you don't want to miss what's coming up in January!

- Jan. 22: ["Everyday People" Art Show](#) Opening Reception, 2 - 4 p.m. - Artists are invited to submit up to four pieces for this show! There is no cost to participate.

- Jan. 26 & 26: [Watercolor Boot Camp](#) with Durinda Cheek - Whether you're a beginner or an experienced artist, this

two-day workshop will prepare you to paint with confidence and ease! The workshop costs \$145 per person, and all supplies are included.

- Jan. 29: [Art Talk & Afternoon Tea with Sculptor Corey Rowswell](#) - Don't miss renowned sculptor Corey Rowswell at the first Art Talk & Tea of 2023! We'll get to know Corey and his creative process while enjoying afternoon tea-style refreshments and fellowship. This is a free event, but registration is requested.

Register now, or learn more about these events: Contact Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne by [emailing patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us).

## Thank You for Your Generosity, Pike Road - Successful Season of Giving Holiday Collections Drive

Thank you, Pike Road, for your generosity! With your help, the 2022 Season of Giving Holiday Collections Drive was a huge success. Your donations of non-perishable food, household necessities, warm clothing, and personal hygiene items will make this Christmas a little more merry and a little more bright for many of our neighbors. Yesterday morning, we had the privilege and the pleasure of handing

your donations off to be distributed.

Through the [Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System](#), your donations will help serve the needs of local veterans. In addition, through the Food Pantry at Woodland UMC, your donations will help fill the tables of families in our community this holiday season! Thank you, Pike Road, for your commitment to caring for one another and for your generosity during this special time of the year.



Pictured: Community Development Specialist Jennifer Arnold and Mayor Stone hand off donations to Erica Moore, Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System Chief of Development and Civic Engagement.



Pictured: Community Development Specialist Jennifer Arnold hands off donations to volunteers from the Food Pantry at Woodland UMC: Stacy Dickinson and Jennifer & Regan Frazer.

### Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



Dancing into the Christmas weekend... Holiday memories come in all shapes and sizes, and they warm our hearts all year long! Thank you, Kathleen, for sharing your family's holiday fun at the Pike Road Dance Academy's Holly Jolly Festival and your visit to the PRS PTAs' Festival of Trees with us using #mypikeroad!

What are YOU thankful for this year? Let us know with #mypikeroad! Share your photos with us by using #mypikeroad and tagging [@townofpikeroad](#) on social media to be featured on our billboard, in our e-newsletter, and on our social media! Reminder: Posts must be set to "public" for our team to see them.

**Save the Date!**

Don't miss upcoming events from the Town of Pike Road & our community. [Click here to view several upcoming activities on our website.](#)

*Dec. 23: Town Hall Closed in Observance of the Christmas Holiday*

*Dec. 26: Town Hall Closed in Observance of the Christmas Holiday*

Dec. 26 - Jan. 8: [Christmas Tree Recycling](#), Pike Road Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd)

*Dec. 30: Town Hall Closed in Observance of the New Year's Holiday*

*Jan. 2: Town Hall Closed in Observance of New Year's Holiday*

Jan. 9: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Jan. 9: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Jan. 14 - 21: [Call for Artists - Submit Your Work for the "Everyday People" Art Show!](#) Jan. 22 - Feb. 19, Pike Road Arts Center

Jan. 22 - Feb. 19: ["Everyday People" Art Show](#), Weekends at the Pike Road Arts Center

Jan. 23 - Feb. 10: Valentines for Veterans Card Drive, Pike Road Town Hall

Jan. 25: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Jan. 26 - 27: [Watercolor Boot Camp with Durinda Cheek](#), Pike Road Arts Center

Jan. 29: [Art Talk & Afternoon Tea featuring Sculptor Korey Rowswell](#) 2 - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center

*\*Please note: All items provided above are submitted to the town and approved for inclusion according to the Town of Pike Road's Communications Policy. To submit an event, please email [info@pikeroad.us](mailto:info@pikeroad.us).*

For more events and details, please call 334-272-9883 or email [info@pikeroad.us](mailto:info@pikeroad.us). You can also access our online calendar at [www.pikeroad.us](http://www.pikeroad.us). Please [click here for the Pike Road Schools calendar](#).

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We love to see what is happening in your Pike Road. Use hashtag [#mypikeroad](#) and be sure to tag us in your posts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Your posts could be featured in our newsletter, or even on our digital billboard!

