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HALLSVILLE NEWS & VIEWS



Is it a bird? Is it a plane? Nope, it's SANTA!

Hold onto your stockings, Hallsville! We've got the scoop on the jolly man himself. Santa's rolling into town with a sleigh full of candy and oranges for all the well-behaved kiddos with their porch lights shining bright! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, December 18th**, because Santa and his merry crew will be cruising your streets. Keep those porch lights on, and you might just get a magical doorstep visit!

December 2025

- December 3rd: Emergency sirens are tested the first Wednesday of every month at noon!
- December 8th: The Board of Aldermen will have their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- **December 10**th: Accounts signed up for automatic withdraw payments for City water and/or trash will have payments removed from your checking account. **SEE ACH INFO UNDER NEW BILLING SOFTWARE**
- **December 11th:** A 5% penalty is added to all water and/or trash accounts that are unpaid.
- December 22th: A \$35 nonpayment fee will be added to all water and/or trash accounts that are unpaid. Services will be discontinued. Needing help with your bill? Call City Hall before the 22nd to make a payment arrangement.
- December 25th & December 26th: City Hall will be closed for the Christmas Holiday.

City Anniversaries & Birthdays - December

Huge birthday cheers to Alderwoman Krisan Lewis on December 5th! But don't stop the party train just yet! On December 10th, we're tipping our hats to Part-time Police Officer Stephen Sherer for his first anniversary with the Hallsville Police Department, only to crank up the fun again for his birthday on December 17th! And there's more excitement in the air! December 17th also shines a spotlight on Public Works Assistant/Mechanic Tyler Spears, celebrating a whopping 7 years with the City of Hallsville! Now that's what we call dedication!



Hallsville Area Chamber of Commerce

Tuesday, December 9th: Rise and shine with the Hallsville Area Chamber of Commerce at the monthly Coffee Chat! Get the scoop on local business buzz and schmooze with fellow early birds while sipping on steamy coffee and nibbling on breakfast treats. Swing by City Hall from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., or until you need to hightail it to work!

H.C.D.A 4th Annual Festival of Trees

December 13, 2025, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Bob Lemone Building Hallsville Fairgrounds 500 E Hwy OO Hallsville, MO

Embark on this whimsical walk that'll sprinkle joy in your heart and slap a mega-watt grin on your face! Gaze at the dazzling lights, enjoy showstopping performances, have a merry chat with Santa, explore the jolly Santa shop, and so much



The Police Foundation of Hallsville

Get ready to sprinkle a little holiday magic! Need a gift that'll jingle all the bells? How about a shot at winning a Springfield Armory Prodigy DS. 9mm, 2011, complete with a snazzy RMR sight, PLUS a CCW1: Carrying a Concealed Firearm course gift certificate from Tactical-Specialties? And here's the kicker—you're also helping to build the Veterans Memorial in Tribble Park! Tickets are a jolly \$20 each, with the grand prize draw on December 22, 2025, at 12:30 p.m.—just in time to stuff your stocking! Grab your tickets at City Hall or from a Police Foundation of Hallsville Board member, and don't forget to check their Facebook page for the exciting drawing video!







City of tallswille Annual Christmas Donation Drive

The City of Hallsville annually collects donations to purchase clothing and toys for children in the Hallsville area for Christmas that would otherwise not have one!

If you enjoy shopping you can adopt an angel and purchase their Christmas gifts instead!

Come by or call City Hall at 573-696-3885 to make a donation or come by City Hall or email cityhall@hallsvillemo.org to adopt an angel for Christmas!

To give the elves enough time to shop for the left over angels and wrap, please have donations to City Hall by December 12, 2025

> "No one has ever become poor by giving."

- Anne Frank



Sign up for delivery or pickup



Last day to sign up for the food drive is Friday, December 19th!

Sign up by coming into Hallsville City Hall or calling 573-696-3885 Saturday, December 20, 2025: Deliveries will start between 11:30 a.m. and noon; pickup will be available between 12:30 and 2:00 p.m.

THE CITY OF HALLSVILLE TRANSITIONS TO NEW BILLING SOFTWARE

The City of Hallsville has officially transitioned to a new utility billing software system. After 13 years with our previous provider, the annual cost increased by more than \$9,000.00. To avoid this significant increase and remain fiscally responsible, the Board of Aldermen voted to move to a new software company.

We went live with Frey Municipal Software on Tuesday, November 18th. As we continue integrating the new system, there will be some bumps in the road! This months bill will not reflect the **ACH-DO NOT PAY** message but that does not mean your payment is no longer set up with automatic withdrawal. Your payment will still come out on December 10th or 11th as normal!

With the new billing software residents can look forward to several enhancements — including the ability to view your past water usage.

We appreciate your patience as staff works through the learning curve. If you notice anything with your bill please contact City Hall at 573-696-3885 and we will be glad to investigate any issues!

Reminder of Annual Consumer Notification of Service Line Material Requirements

The City of Hallsville is mandated by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to inform our water customers about any known or potential lead-containing service lines. According to 40 CFR 141.85(e), water systems are required to notify their customers annually if they have lead service lines, galvanized lines requiring replacement (GRR), or lines with an unknown status, following the submission of their Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI). You will receive letters before the end of the year detailing whether your service line is composed of lead, galvanized materials, or falls into the category of unknown status.



After the 5th Annual Brews & BBQ, the Police Foundation of Hallsville finally paid the last penny on the memorial's monument! Keep an eye on their Facebook at year's end to see what is left to complete the memorial. Plus, next month's newsletter will spill the beans! Huge thanks to everyone who's been cheering them on in this monumental quest!

