



CHOCTAW CITY NEWS

"Celebrating the Past, Enjoying the Present, and Planning for the Future"

Dec. 2025

Contact Numbers

City Hall	405-390-8198
Public Works	405-983-7569
Code Enforcement	405-281-6869
Court Clerk	405-390-3333
Development Services	405-390-2999
Police (non-emergency)	405-769-3821
Fire (non-emergency)	405-390-8300
Police/Fire Emergency	911
Choctaw Creek Golf	405-769-2431
Waste Connections	405-745-2942

City Hall is open from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM Monday through Thursday, and 7:30AM to 11:30 AM on Fridays. *For emergency water/sewer issues, call: 405-520-8911 or 405-520-8912.*

Choctaw Senior Citizen Center

Seniors! Save on your grocery bill by enjoying a meal at the Senior Center! There is no income requirement, and meals are completely free!

Lunch is served Mon. – Fri. at 11:30 AM. **Reservations are required—please call by 10:00 AM the day before** to reserve your meal.

Address: 14653 Dean St., Choctaw, OK 73020

Phone: (405) 390-8040

Email: choctawseniors@gmail.com

Hours: Monday – Thursday: 9 AM – 3 PM and Friday: 9 AM – 1 PM. **Transportation is Available**

December is an activity filled month at the senior center. See the full calendar at the QR code below. For more details or to sign up for activities call **(405) 390-8040**.

Scan the QR code with your smartphone



Recycling Pickup

Waste Connections picks up recycling every other week. Recycling pick-up will occur in the weeks of: **December 1st, 15th and 29th.**



Road Funding & Projects Update

The City of Choctaw has set aside funds from several sources to continue road repairs and improvements throughout the community, including:

- Remaining TIF Funds: \$1.6 million
- Dedicated Street Improvements (2025–26 Budget): \$1 million
- Penny Sales Tax Revenue for Street Repairs (2025–26): \$500,000
- Unused Harper Road Funds: \$301,686

These funds will support both ongoing and upcoming road projects across the city.

Current & Upcoming Road Projects

- SE 29th Street (Choctaw Rd to Indian Meridian)
- Choctaw Road (NE 10th St to SE 29th St, including intersections)
- Henney (SE 15th St to E Reno Ave)
- Reno Ave (Choctaw Rd to Henney)

Repairs have been made on the following streets in 2025:

- Champions Glen
- Joseph Drive
- Edgewood Drive
- Elizabeth Street
- Indian Meridian (near NE 36th St)
- Triple X Road (SE 15th St to Reno Ave)
- SE 15th Street (Henney to Hiwassee)
- Chisholm Trail
- Silver Chase
- Harper Road- complete tear out and replacement (NE 10th to NE 23rd)

Total road investment year-to-date: \$507,314

Penny Sales Tax Update

Year-to-Date Collections:

Penny Sales Tax: \$719,170

Penny Use Tax: \$149,461

Combined Total: \$868,631

Special Election Results

Voters approved both propositions in the November 18, 2025 Special Election.

Proposition One establishes term limits for the Mayor and City Council, allowing up to three four-year terms in each role.

Proposition Two authorizes the sale of the property currently operated as Optimist Park.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this election!

The Christmas Market at Choctaw Creek Park!

Get into the holiday spirit at this year's Christmas Market at Choctaw Creek Park! The afternoon will be filled with live musical performances from:

The Westfall Elementary Choir
Nicoma Park Intermediate Choir
Choctaw High School Choir

Performances begin at 2:00 PM, and the celebration continues with Southern Sky taking over after the choirs and closing out the event until 6:00 PM.

- Dec. 13 from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Location: Choctaw Creek Park
- Admission: Free to attend

Families can enjoy train rides around the walking trail, participate in games and crafting with cops, and take photos with Santa and the Grinch. Enjoy delicious food, festive entertainment, and so many great vendors selling amazing goods! This is a holiday event you won't want to miss!

Stay Updated!

Scan the QR code to visit our Special Events Facebook page. Be sure to like and follow to get updates on upcoming events, featured vendors, and activities!



Department Highlights

Public Works

Water & Sewer Projects Update
The City has applied for an Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) loan to fund the initial engineering for upcoming water and sewer projects. Loan payments will be made using Penny Sales Tax revenue.

Planned projects include:

Rehabilitation of manholes

Expansion of the wastewater plant

Upsizing sewer mains

Rehabilitation of water wells

Looping water lines

Addition of water wells (as needed)

These projects will help ensure reliable, efficient water and sewer services for the community for years to come.

Development Services

Temporary Sign Guidelines

The **only temporary signs** allowed along roads or at intersections are:

-Political signs (permit and fee required)--

Garage sale signs obtained from the City
Business advertising signs may **only be placed on private property** with the property owner's permission.

Please **do not place advertisement signs** along roadways or at intersections. Signs placed in these areas are not allowed and will be **removed by the City and discarded**, meaning your money will be wasted.

Human Resources

Current City of Choctaw Employment Opportunities

The City of Choctaw is now hiring for multiple positions! To learn more and view full job details, **scan the QR code**.

Current openings:

Golf Course Laborer

Human Resource Director

Utility Laborer

Utilities Superintendent

Part-Time Golf Cart Attendant

Building Inspector



Police Department

Tip-A-Cop at Starbucks

December 6th | 8:00–11:00 AM

Officers will be serving alongside Starbucks staff to raise funds for Special Olympics Oklahoma.

Holiday with Heroes

December 11th | 6:00 PM

Officers will shop with 140 local children referred by school officials for the annual Holiday with Heroes event.

Important Information

City Hall Closures

City Hall will be closed on:
December 24 & 25 for Christmas
January 1 for New Year's Day

Payments can still be placed in the drop box during closures and will be applied on the next business day.

Elmwood Cemetery

If you own a plot at Elmwood Cemetery and have moved, please call the City at 405-390-8198 to update your address.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

The City of Choctaw is currently seeking community members to serve on the:

-Board of Adjustments

-Public Recreation Advisory Board

If you are interested in serving, please contact 405-390-8198 for more information.

Bulk Trash Pickup Schedule

Bulk trash is picked up monthly *based on your regular trash day*. Find your trash day to see when your monthly Curbside Bulk Pick-Up will occur:

Monday=1st Thursday of the month

Tuesday = 2nd Thursday

Wednesday = 3rd Thursday

Thursday/Friday = 4th Thursday

Report a Problem

Use the QR code below to report a problem or concern to the City. Whether it's a pothole, tall weeds, or something that needs attention, your input helps us keep Choctaw running smoothly.



Just scan, fill out the form, and we'll take it from there!

Utility Contract Update

We're asking all residents to update their utility contract. Simply scan the QR code to access the Utility Department page and complete the new form. For more information, please call 405-390-8198.



Reminders

To see current **City of Choctaw** employment opportunities, **scan the QR code**.



Permits, Permits, Permits!



We are trying to make it easier—here is a QR code if you would like to apply for a garage sale permit online.

VETERANS

VA Assistance Program

Veterans can meet with Veterans Affairs the 1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 8:00 – 11:30 AM at the police station for resources, guidance, and support.

American Legion Meetings

Now meeting at Choctaw Creek Golf Course, every 2nd Tuesday at 7 PM. Veterans and supporters are always welcome!

Community Food Pantries

There are community food pantries in the City of Choctaw that provide food to residents in need:

Eastern Oklahoma County Resource Center

**Choctaw Church of Christ
First Baptist Church**

These pantries help ensure families and individuals in our community have access to nutritious food. Please contact these organizations if you are in need of food or if you would like to donate to help those in need.

Weekday golfers, don't miss out!

Green Fees plus a Golf Cart are now just \$25, available Monday through Thursday!

Board / Commission Meeting Dates

(All meetings @ City Hall unless otherwise noted)

City Council, followed by Choctaw Utilities Authority:

First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 PM

Public Recreation Advisory Board:

Second Tuesday @ 7 PM

Planning Commission:

First Thursday @ 6PM



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Did you know?

The City Council agendas as well as all of the back-up information is available on the City's website at:

www.mychoctaw.org

Check it out and subscribe!