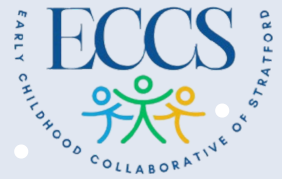




# December FREE Family Activities



- **Mommy Poppins: 20 Free Holiday and Christmas Events in Connecticut for Kids**

<https://mommypoppins.com/connecticut-kids/holidays/free-things-to-do-in-connecticut-with-kids-this-holiday-season>

- **Mommy Poppins: Best Neighborhood Christmas Light Displays and Holiday Lights in Connecticut**

<https://mommypoppins.com/connecticut-kids/christmashanukkah/best-christmas-lights-on-connecticut-homes>

- **White Oak Baptist Church Drive-Thru Nativity Experience**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/Kvuo8gc4BHLSAKN4/?mibextid=9l3rBW>

- **December at the Stratford Library**

<https://stratfordlibrary.libcal.com>

- **Bass Pro Shop**

<https://www.basspro.com/shop/en/santas-wonderland>

- **Holiday Assistance**

**If you need assistance this season please contact:**

[211CT.org](https://www.sterlingcommunitycenter.org/our-services) (search Holiday)

<https://www.sterlingcommunitycenter.org/our-services>

**For more information or resources please call  
Stratford Parents' Place at (203) 381-6992**



# STRATFORD COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

## Boothe Memorial Park & Museum



*Holiday  
At the  
Homestead*

**Celebrate the season in the beautifully decorated Homestead!**

Decorated wreaths for sale and 3 ft trees for auction

SANTA will visit Sat. and Sun. afternoon in our Visitor Center

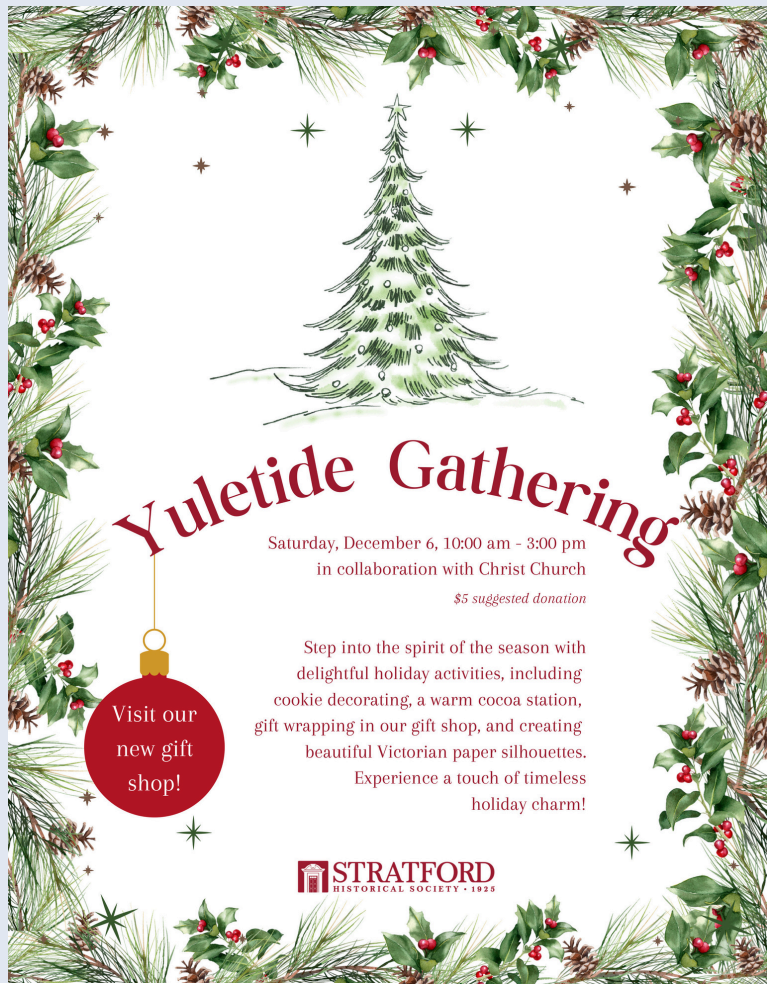
Friday, Dec. 5 6:30– 8:30pm

Saturday, Dec. 6 and Sunday, Dec. 7 1:00 – 4:00pm and 6:30– 8:30pm

Monday, Dec. 8 6:30 – 8:00pm

ADMISSION \$5.00/CHILDREN FREE

<https://buytickets.at/friendsofbootheparkinc/1923881/share/3911b8528954a858444a4d2845344ca4>



## Yuletide Gathering

Saturday, December 6, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
in collaboration with Christ Church  
*\$5 suggested donation*



Visit our  
new gift  
shop!

Step into the spirit of the season with delightful holiday activities, including cookie decorating, a warm cocoa station, gift wrapping in our gift shop, and creating beautiful Victorian paper silhouettes. Experience a touch of timeless holiday charm!



## Holiday events you don't want to miss!

- Nov 29**  
 At our **Holiday Open House**, grab a cocoa with Mrs. Claus and enjoy festive activities 
- Nov 29**  
 Pick out the PERFECT Christmas Tree at our **Tree & Wreath Sale** (open while supplies last) 
- Until Dec. 17th**  
 Brighten a neighbor's holiday! Donate toys to our **Community Christmas drive** 
- Until Dec. 19th**  
 Drop off a **letter to Santa** in the bright red mailbox on Sterling House's front porch! 
- ANY TIME**  
 Double your impact with a gift to our **Sterling Friends Campaign** 

## WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

**Food Pantry Hours:**  
 Monday: 10:00am–12:00pm  
 Tuesday: 1:00pm–3:00pm  
 Thursday: 3:00pm–5:00pm

☎ 203.378.2606  
 🌐 [sterlingcommunitycenter.org](http://sterlingcommunitycenter.org)  
 📍 2283 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615

LEARN MORE >



# STRATFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## LIMITED FLU VACCINE SUPPLY — UPDATED CLINIC DATES

Due to limited inventory of seasonal flu vaccines, the Stratford Health Department will now be offering **ONLY** three flu clinic dates in December.

### DATES

**12/4/25** Birdseye Municipal Complex 10:00am-1pm

**12/9/25** Birdseye Municipal Complex 3:30pm-6:30pm

**12/16/25** Birdseye Municipal Complex 3:30pm-6:30pm

- Flu vaccine are limited, and we cannot guarantee availability after these clinic dates.
- High-Dose Flu Vaccine for adults 65+ is extremely limited. Residents needing high-dose vaccine should plan to attend one of the above dates as soon as possible.

**FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED WHILE SUPPLIES LAST**

**APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED**

**203-385-4090**



# Stratford Eats!

FOOD PANTRIES - COMMUNITY MEALS

Effective September 2025

### MONDAY

- Baldwin Center Lunch | 1000 West Broad St., Stratford, CT | Reservations Required (475) 450-3974 | 11:45am | 60+
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5:30am-9pm
- Sterling Community Center Food Pantry | 2283 Main St., Stratford, CT | 10am-12pm
- The Lord's Kitchen Supper Christ Church | 2000 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5pm-6pm
- Holy Name of Jesus Church Pantry | 1950 Barnum Ave., Stratford, CT | Every Other Mon 9:15-10:15am

### TUESDAY

- Baldwin Center Lunch | 1000 West Broad St., Stratford, CT | Reservations Required (475) 450-3974 | 11:45am | 60+
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5:30am-9pm
- Sterling Community Center Food Pantry | 2283 Main St., Stratford, CT | 1-3pm

### WEDNESDAY

- Baldwin Center Lunch | 1000 West Broad St., Stratford, CT | Reservations Required (475) 450-3974 | 11:45am | 60+
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5:30am-9pm
- South End Community Center | Temporary Location: 468 Birdseye St., Stratford, CT | (203) 377-0689 | 9:45-11:30am
- St. James Church Food Pantry | 2110 Main St., Stratford, CT | 10am-12pm
- The Lord's Kitchen Supper Christ Church | 2000 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5pm-6pm

### THURSDAY

- Baldwin Center Lunch | 1000 West Broad St., Stratford, CT | Reservations Required (475) 450-3974 | 11:45am | 60+
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5:30am-9pm
- Sterling Community Center Food Pantry | 2283 Main St., Stratford, CT | 1-3pm

### FRIDAY

- Baldwin Center Lunch | 1000 West Broad St., Stratford, CT | Reservations Required (475) 450-3974 | 11:45am | 60+
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 5:30am-7pm

### SATURDAY

- Stratford United Methodist Church Breakfast | 2600 Main St., Stratford, CT | 1st & 3rd Sat 8:30am-10am
- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 7am-6pm
- Covenant Life Ministries Pantry | 959 Main St., Stratford, CT | Appt. Required: (203)386-9854 | 3rd Sat 8:30-10am

### SUNDAY

- YMCA Self Serve Pantry | 3045 Main St., Stratford, CT | 8am-4pm

For food emergencies, please call the Baldwin Center at 203-385-4050 between 8am and 4:30pm Monday - Friday  
Call 2-1-1 for after hours assistance



Early Start CT is our new state-funded early care and education system focused on ensuring families' access to high quality early childhood experiences.

## Announcing the Launch of:

## The Early Childhood Collaborative of Stratford

Supporting the needs of Stratford families with children Birth to 5

### What is the Early Childhood Collaborative of Stratford?

A Local Governance Partner to the CT Office of Early Childhood, the Early Childhood Collaborative of Stratford, serves as a community hub bringing together partners to address the needs of families with young children.

### Looking for ways to get involved?

#### Community Table Meetings

Held every other month  
Contact Suzanne Clement  
ECCS Liaison at [clementseccstratford.org](mailto:clementseccstratford.org)

We are hiring **Parent Ambassadors!**  
Learn more and [Apply here!](#)

### Looking for resources for your family?

Contact Family Liaison, Amanda Joy,  
at Stratford Parents' Place at  
203-381-6992

### Early Start CT spaces available NOW!

Affordable tuition on a sliding scale  
Infant/Toddler and Preschool  
\*example: a family of 4 earning 100,000 pays \$154 per week for a full time preschool space and \$183 per week for an infant/toddler space  
*Honey Bear Learning Center*  
203-375-1866  
*Lindsey's House Early Learning Center*  
203-873-0088  
\*Other Early Start CT program with no current openings:  
*Victoria Soto Preschool*

### Follow us on Social Media!

[@ecc\\_of\\_stratford](#)

[@Early\\_Childhood\\_Collaborative\\_of\\_Stratford](#)



Stratford Recreation

# WINTER PROGRAMS

December 1 - January 20



**Kitchen Kids Holiday Foods!**  
Mondays  
Dec 1-22

**The Giggling Pig Holiday Gift Workshop**  
Mondays  
Dec 1 - 22

**Dance Stars**  
Tuesdays  
Dec 9-Jan 20

**Girls Basketball League**  
Tues/Wed/Thurs  
Dec 2-Mar 11

**Intro to Pickleball**  
Wednesdays  
Dec 10-Jan 14

**Soccer Strikers**  
Fridays  
Dec 12-Jan 16

**Winter Break Clubhouse**  
Mon-Fri  
Dec 23-Jan 6

**Holiday Teen Night**  
Friday  
Dec 19

**Kids Night**  
Friday  
Jan 2

Register NOW at [townofstratford.recdesk.com](http://townofstratford.recdesk.com)