



## DECEMBER MAYOR'S MESSAGE - TOWN OF FREDERICK

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you, Frederick!

Good news, Frederick! The Colorado & Tipple intersection reopened on schedule on November 11 after a necessary full closure. It looks so nice and will be much safer for our commuters. While completing the full intersection closure is a big step, more action items still need to be executed until this project is complete. Please be aware there will be construction crews working on the intersection. Let's do our best as a community to keep them safe. Stay up to date with Road Work Updates at [FrederickCO.gov/Roadwork](https://FrederickCO.gov/Roadwork).

I know traffic concerns our residents' hearts, and many of you recently shared your sentiments with the Board of Trustees regarding the intersection of Tipple and Ridgeway. We hear your concerns and are actively working on a solution to provide a safer crossing for all modes of travel at that location. In addition, our Capital Improvement Projects for 2023 include MANY transportation improvements. I look forward to working with our community to make these much-needed changes that we have all worried about for far too long.

'Tis The Giving Season! One of our best-loved community programs, Santa Cops, is the perfect opportunity to give back to the community. Each year, the Frederick Police Department accepts donations and helps families that may not be able to provide Christmas gifts to their children. You can help the Frederick Police Department buy gifts for local families in need! Donate (cash, check, or credit cards accepted) at 333 Fifth Street, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm. Call 720.382.5700 for more information.

Please join us for the Festival of Lights on Saturday, December 3, in Downtown Frederick. The "highlight" of your evening might be the parade along Fifth Street at 5:30 pm. But there is a ton of holiday magic to experience from 5 pm to 8 pm. In addition to the lighting of the trees, this event will be full of festive cheer with free carriage rides, local vendors, a food truck, ice sculptures, selfies with Santa, holiday music, and carolers. See the full schedule at [FrederickCO.gov/FOL](https://FrederickCO.gov/FOL).

For the last 20 years, the Weld County Sherriff's Office has provided Victim's Assistance services to municipalities in Weld County, including Frederick. In July 2022, we were notified that the Sherriff's Office would no longer provide this service as of January 2023. Our PD researched and weighed several options to best meet the needs of our community. The option that best serves Frederick is collaborating with other south Weld law enforcement agencies in starting a Victim's Assistance Unit. This unit will serve the Frederick, Firestone, Dacono, and Mead communities. The unit will be a section of the Frederick Police Department, and the other agencies will share in the cost of running the unit. Providing adequate Victim Assistance is crucial to the role of our department and providing a service that our citizens need. We are proud to lead the way!

The Town of Frederick Economic Development Office is currently involved in several programs to continue the Downtown revitalization process that is included as part of the Community and Economic Vitality section of the Strategic Plan. As part of these continued efforts, the Economic Development team is beginning the necessary steps for the Town to become an official Colorado Main Street Community. Please be on the lookout for opportunities to share your stories and suggestions for revitalizing our historic and lovely downtown. This project is solely focused on how we can continue to make Downtown Frederick a place for all to gather and celebrate our community and heritage.

*Mayor Tracie Crites*