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## Vienna offers two programs to assist furloughed federal workers

The Town of Vienna is offering two programs to assist federal employees who are furloughed during the federal government shutdown.

Payment due dates for Town of Vienna water bills due January 31 will be extended for furloughed federal employees only until after the federal government reopens. Any late fees will be waived. To apply for the payment extension, furloughed Town of Vienna water customers must show proof of federal employment (via a badge or pay stub) at the finance counter at Town Hall from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The Town also is offering limited part-time employment opportunities for furloughed federal employees over the next four weeks in its parks and public works departments. Using funds available due to job attrition, the Town is offering part-time employment in areas where the Town currently has gaps. Tasks include assisting at the community center front desk, parks maintenance work, and filing and scanning.

Furloughed employees living in the Town of Vienna will receive hiring preference. Federal employees interested in these part-time opportunities may apply online at [viennava.gov/employment](http://viennava.gov/employment) or in person at Town Hall or call Human Resources at 703-255-6362.

“News outlets report that approximately 78% of federal employees live paycheck to paycheck, and many of those are hourly workers,” says Human Resources Director Maggie Kain. “If the Town can contribute just a bit to the cause of helping our neighbors, why not do it?”

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