BLLC Community Connection

A Community Engagement Newsletter from the Baltimore City Liquor Board

March 2022

COVID-19 March Update

For the latest information, <u>view</u> the COVID-19 section of our website.

Office Remains Closed to General Public

Currently, the BLLC requests that all applications, correspondence, and related materials be mailed in to the office at 1 North Charles St., Suite 1500, Baltimore, MD, 21201. Phone lines will remain open from 8:30am to 4:30pm each day, though no one will be available in person at the offices. A new drop box is available for documents, please click here for more information.

COVID-19 Restrictions

On Tuesday, March 1, 2022, Mayor Brandon M. Scott officially lifted the Baltimore City Indoor Masking Mandate, citing recent data trends relating to COVID-19.

Mayoral Press Release: Baltimore City Masking Order Rescinded

Although the Masking Order is rescinded, the State of Emergency for Baltimore City, declared on March 19, 2020, will remain in place. The BLLC strongly encourages all of our licensees to continue to be cognizant of the health and safety of the public and their employees.

Virtual Hearings:

The BLLC held its first virtual hearing on May 7, 2020. All hearings are available for viewing on CharmTv. The next hearing will be March 17, 2022, click here for more information.

2022 CIAA Tournament in Baltimore

The BLLC would like to thank our staff, City partners, and community stakeholders for their collaboration in welcoming the CIAA Tournament to Baltimore. BLLC Inspection Division was out monitoring permitted events during the tournament, shown below:







2022 License Renewal Reminder

Every year license holders are required to submit a renewal application in order to continue operating for the new license year. The renewal period is from March 1 – March 31. BLLC's Renewal Webpage. Remember: Applications filed after March 31st will be subject to a late penalty of \$50 per day.

St. Patrick's Day – Permitted Pub Crawls

Baltimore celebrates St. Patrick's Day in many areas and on different days. This year, pub tour events have been permitted to be held in Federal Hill, Fells Point, and Canton. BLLC inspection staff will be present for the Baltimore Shamrock Crawl in Fells Point and the Federal Hill Irish Stroll, both occurring on Saturday, March 12th, and monitored the Canton Irish Stroll on March 5th. Inspection staff will visit participating establishments, and ensure rules and regulations are followed, and work with other City agencies to monitor operations.

Pub crawls require a special permit process that ensures City agencies coordinate and provide proper support for such events.

Information on these processes can be found online here and below:

Pub Tour Promoter's Permit — Frequently Asked Question Sheet [PDF]

Pub Tour Promoter's Permit [PDF]





Partnership Highlight -

BPD Western District and City Council 9th District

Recently, BLLC Chief Inspector John Chrissomallis and Community Liaison Matt Achhammer joined Neighborhood Coordination Officers (NCOs) Morales and Sykes of the Baltimore Police Department's Western District, (coordinated along with Ms. Linda Lomax and the office of Council Member John Bullock, 9th District), to visit Class A licensees to discuss requirements for surveillance cameras and create connections with the NCOs and our licensees.