

FEBRUARY 2025

City of Odessa, Missouri

# Odessa Outlook

Monthly Newsletter

## City Offices Closed

City offices will be closed on Monday, February 17, in observance of Presidents Day. Emergency services will still be available.



## Voting in the April Election

The annual election of officials of the City of Odessa will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025. Voting locations are the Community Building at Dyer Park and the New Horizons Presbyterian Church on Hwy 131. Please check your voter registration card for your location. The last day to register to vote is March 12, 2025. Visit [https://www.lafayettecountymo.gov/services/county\\_clerk/elections\\_voter\\_information.php](https://www.lafayettecountymo.gov/services/county_clerk/elections_voter_information.php) for more information on elections and how to register. You may even register at Odessa City Hall. Positions up for election are an alderman in each of the three wards, all of which serve a term of two years. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 816-230-5577, ext. 6.

## Odessa Community Clean Up Day

The City of Odessa will be holding a Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. This is a free service for Odessa residents only, and proof of residence is required.

Dumpsters will be available at Dyer Park (601 W Main) for your brush and yard waste, electronic waste, and large household items, up to two loads per household. **Please note that no appliances, hazardous waste, tires, or construction materials will be accepted.** If you have any questions regarding this event please contact Christi Dickey at City Hall at 816-230-5577, extension 2.

The "I Love Odessa" community event is also being held on March 15, 2025. The team is looking for projects in our community that include construction, yard work, service, home repair, etc. In order to qualify, you must submit your project along with the details required to complete it. The project must be able to be completed within two days. You must also reside within the Odessa school district. Visit [www.fbcodessa.org/i-love-odessa](http://www.fbcodessa.org/i-love-odessa) and complete the form online to volunteer or request assistance. You can also contact the First Baptist Church Odessa at (816) 633-5535 for more information.

## CALENDAR

**February 10, 2025**

Board of Aldermen Meeting

**February 11, 2025**

Municipal Court

**February 17, 2025**

City Hall Closed in observance of Presidents Day

**February 19, 2025**

Park Board Meeting

**February 20, 2025**

Planning Commission Meeting

**February 24, 2025**

Board of Aldermen Meeting



## BOARD OF ALDERMEN

### MAYOR

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### WARD TWO

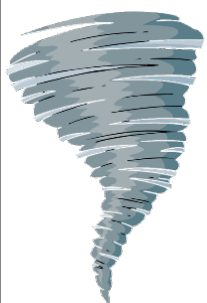
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Alderman Donna Ehlert  
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Alderman Bob Carey  
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**The Community  
of Christ Church,  
located at  
515 S First Street,  
is the community  
storm shelter.**

## Get Help with Heating and Cooling Bills

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps low-income families meet their immediate energy needs. It mainly assists those who spend a large amount of their household income on energy bills.

To qualify for LIHEAP assistance, you must meet each of these requirements:

- Be the person responsible for paying home heating and cooling costs.
- Be a United States citizen or have been legally admitted for permanent residence.
- Have \$3,000 or less in bank accounts, retirement accounts, or investments.
- Meet specific income guidelines that vary according to household size.



LIHEAP can help in two ways:

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) provides a one-time payment for one fuel type for your heating or cooling cost from October-September. The amount is based on your household size, household income, and the type of energy source used in the home.

The Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) can help you pay your fuel bills when your energy is in crisis. The amount of help you receive is based on the amount of money needed to settle your crisis with the energy provider.

To apply online visit [mydss.mo.gov/utility-assistance](http://mydss.mo.gov/utility-assistance), or call 855-373-4636 for more information.