



# The Central Lines

December 2024



*Pictured above: Award recipients from City of Gastonia*

## Albemarle & Gastonia Recognized for Cross- Community Collaboration

On October 9, 2024, Centralina hosted a Fall Celebration and Awards Ceremony at Atrium Ballpark in Kannapolis, NC. This event highlighted the work of our organization and member communities, in addition to several **people and programs that have made an exceptional impact in our community** over the last fiscal year.

The first **Region of Excellence** category awarded was Cross-Community Collaboration. These awards are given to those who demonstrate the value of partnerships across communities in order to achieve better outcomes.

[How Albemarle Engaged  
Local Students](#)

[How Gastonia Reduced  
Barriers to Healthy Food](#)

## Upcoming Events

*Click on each event to learn more.*

**Regional HR Officials Meeting**  
December 10, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

**Info Session: FEMA Helene Recovery**  
December 18, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

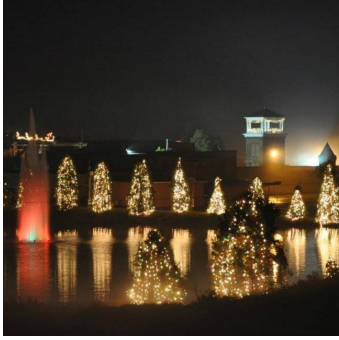
**Office Closed**  
December 24 - 26  
January 1

**Centralina Workforce Development Board Meeting**  
January 14, 12 - 1:30 p.m.

[All Events](#)

## Home for the Holidays

Cooler air and the region's first snow fall have



officially ushered in the holiday season! Get to know the region better by visiting the sites and events that make this time of year feel extra warm and fuzzy, like the Town of McAdenville!

[Our favorite ways to celebrate](#)

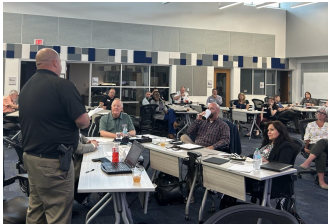


## Capitol Corner: Introducing the Department of Government Efficiency

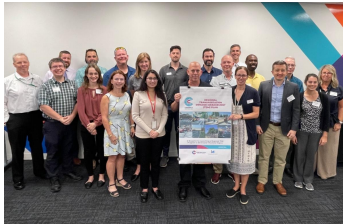
The commission will be charged with identifying duplicative programs, functional inefficiencies and unnecessary regulations.

[Learn more](#)

# DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



Preparing for Disasters in Union County



Centralina Launches Region's First TDM Plan



Providing Vital Respite for Family Caregivers



Mooreville Fall Fest Introduces Employers to Job-Seekers



Grant Spotlight: Water & Waste Disposal



ARPA Allocation Deadline Approaching

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