

# Downtown Guide

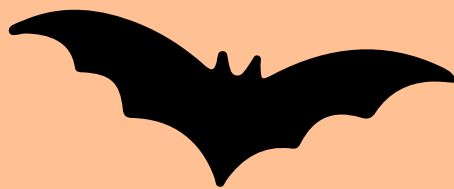
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**BONE BONE!**  
**2023**

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**Tuesday,  
October 31**

**5:00-7:30 PM**



# **Boone BOO!**

**2023 marks the 23rd celebration of Boone BOO! The Town of Boone and the Downtown Boone Development Association are excited to carry on this festive, family-friendly Halloween tradition. And what really makes it all possible is you!**

**The following Downtown Guide to Boone BOO! gives some additional information about event day logistics and procedures such as road closures, parking, trick-or-treating, restrooms, and more. As the event draws closer and event details are finalized, please be on the lookout for additional updates.**

**Thank you for all you do for Downtown Boone and the entire community! Happy Halloween!**

# Date and Time

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 31**  
**5:00 - 7:30 PM**



- **Here are a few other area events and happenings you should be aware of when planning your Halloween weekend.**
  - **Saturday, October 28 (3-9 p.m.)**
    - **Blowing Rock Halloween Festival**
  - **Saturday, October 28 (Time TBD)**
    - **ASU Homecoming Football Game**
  - **Sunday, October 29 (5-7 p.m.)**
    - **Watauga Rec Center Trunk-or-Treat**
  - **Tuesday, October 31 (5:00-6:30 p.m.)**
    - **Boone Mall Trick-or-Treating**

# Road Closures



- **Road closures:**
  - **King Street (from Appalachian to Burrell)**
  - **Depot Street (from Howard to Queen)**
  - **Grand Blvd (up to Jones House lot)**
- **Vehicular access will be restricted beginning at approximately 4:55 p.m.**
- **Street will remain closed until 8:00 p.m. or once the road is safely cleared of pedestrians and objects.**
- **Through traffic should use Rivers Street.**
- **Howard Street and Queen Street will remain open, but vehicles should pay extra attention to watch for pedestrians.**

# Parking



- **Paid metered parking will be available in downtown metered spaces or lots up until the time of the road closure.**
- **Any vehicles remaining on the closed portion of King/Depot Street at the start of the event will not be allowed to move until the street reopens. In the case of emergency, speak with Boone Public Works staff (in the yellow vests) and they can guide you to an appropriate exit.**
- **Queen Street will continue to remain open for parking throughout the event.**
- **Beginning at 5 p.m., additional public parking will be available at the First Baptist Church lower parking lot and Austin and Barnes Funeral Home.**

# Trick-or-Treating



- **Participating downtown merchants should provide candy and treats beginning by 5:00 p.m. and up until 7:30 p.m.**
- **Businesses are encouraged to move their treat stations to the street or store front so that trick-or-treaters are not required to go indoors.**
- **Businesses that are not along the closed portion of the street are invited to participate. Town staff will help ensure pedestrians remain on sidewalks and use designated crosswalks.**
- **To limit the spread of germs, treat station attendants should directly hand items to trick-or-treaters instead of allowing them to reach in themselves.**

# Allergies

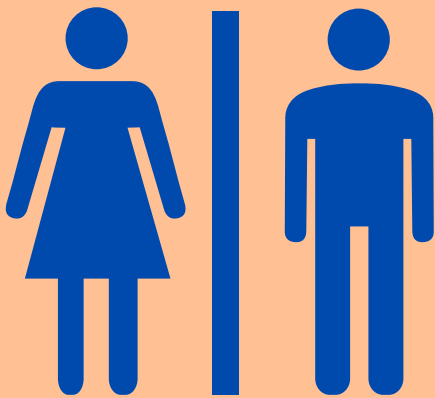
- **As a part of the Teal Pumpkin Project, some businesses are encouraged to hand out allergy-friendly and non-candy treats to trick-or-treaters with food allergies.**



- **These businesses will be designated by a teal pumpkin treat container, along with corresponding signage.**

# Restrooms

- **Public restrooms and porta-potties are available at these downtown locations:**
  - **Jones House**
  - **Watauga Library**



- **Businesses are encouraged to make hand sanitizer available at their respective treatment stations.**



# Downtown Activities



- **Halloween activities will take place at the Watauga County Public Library from 4-5 p.m.**
- **Trick or treating with downtown businesses is scheduled from 5-7:30 PM**
- **The Jones House will host its annual haunted house, with additional spooky and silly fun on the lawn.**
- **The Downtown Boone Development Association will be hosting a costume contest along King Street at 6 p.m. If your business would like to contribute a prize for the winners, please notify Lane Moody ([lane.moody@townofboone.net](mailto:lane.moody@townofboone.net))**
- **First Baptist Church of Boone will host a Trunks 'N Treats in their upper lot.**

# Halloween Inflatables

- Halloween inflatables are available for decorating the entire downtown district.
- If your business would like an inflatable to set up at your store front, please contact the Jones House at 828-268-6280.



- Businesses can arrange to pick up inflatables at the Jones House on Monday, October 30.
- Tell staff if you have any additional needs such as an extension cord, rope, or stakes.
- Inflatables should be returned to the Jones House on any week day following the event.
- Feel free to use your own Halloween inflatables and decorations.

# Additional Information



- **General Boone BOO! information can be found at [joneshouse.org/booneboo](http://joneshouse.org/booneboo)**
- **Please like the Boone BOO! Facebook event and share on social media platforms.**
- **If you are willing to place a poster in your store front, let us know and one can be brought to you.**
- **Boone BOO! is hosted by the Town of Boone and the Downtown Boone Development Association, in conjunction with other community organizations.**
- **Questions can be directed to Downtown Boone Coordinator Lane Moody at [lane.moody@townofboone.net](mailto:lane.moody@townofboone.net)**

