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Customer Service
(352) 753-4508

Administration
(352) 751-3939

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(352) 674-1920

Community Standards
(352) 751-3912

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(352) 753-0550

Property Management
(352) 753-4022

Finance Customer Service
(352) 750-0000

Human Resources
(352) 674-1905

Public Safety
(352) 205-8280

Purchasing
(352) 751-6700

Recreation Administration
(352) 674-1800

Risk Management
(352) 674-1828

Utility Operations
(352) 751-3939

District Weekly Bulletin



CDD Orientation

This valuable program is held each Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing. For additional information, please contact the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.

CDD Orientation is currently cancelled.

Information Provided by...



District Administrative Offices

As the safety of residents, guests, staff and visitors in The Villages community continues to be of utmost importance to the District, all District Administrative Offices will continue to be open on an appointment only basis until further notice. Appointments can be made by emailing or contacting the appropriate District Department.

- Administration- 352-751-3939 or CustomerService@districtgov.org
- Bonds- 352-751-3900 or Bonds@districtgov.org
- Community Standards- 352-751-3912 or DeedCompliance@districtgov.org
- Customer Service- 352-753-4508 or CustomerService@districtgov.org
- Human Resources- 352-674-1905 or HumanResources@districtgov.org
- Recreation- 352-674-1800 or RecreationDepartment@districtgov.org
- Risk Management- 352-674-1828 or RiskManagement@districtgov.org
- Utilities- 352-750-0000 or Utilities@districtgov.org

If you do not know which department to contact, please call the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.

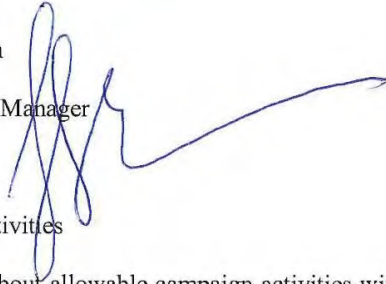
Masks are required for all appointments at all District Administrative offices, due to the nature of the transactions being less than 6 feet apart.

There is a drop box available in the breezeway outside of the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run. If you need to drop off correspondence, please utilize the locked drop box.

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Community Development Districts

To: Candidates for Election
From: Richard Baier, District Manager
Date: February 26, 2020
Subject: Political Campaign Activities



Each election period raises questions about allowable campaign activities within the Village Community Development Districts. In order to assist all candidates, we have prepared the following overview. However, any questions with regard to activities allowed or prohibited should be directed to District Administration at (352) 751-3939.

Signs:

1. As it relates to political signage, the Declaration of Restrictions provides that no exterior signs will be permitted without the express written consent of the Developer. The Developer provided consent for properties north of C.R. 466 for the placement of one (1) professionally prepared sign not exceeding 24"x24" affixed to an exterior window of a residence. The Developer provided consent for properties south of C.R. 466 for the placement of one (1) professionally prepared "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign not exceeding 12"x12" affixed to an interior window of a residence. As information, the Board of Supervisors for Village Community Development District No. 1 elected not to enforce the deed restriction prohibiting signage within their respective District boundary.
2. Signs may not be affixed to the exterior walls of District-owned property.
3. Signs may be affixed to golf carts or Low-Speed Vehicles. Signs may be held by candidates or their supporters.
4. Signs may not be placed on District property. Signs placed on District property will be removed and the District is not liable for the return of removed signs.

Election Day Polling Places:

1. Activities at polling places shall be in accordance with the interpretation of state statute or local ordinance by the applicable Supervisor of Elections. The Supervisor of Elections is the entity to interpret the statutes and local ordinances.
2. Persons in support of candidates or issues shall not interfere with any member of the public accessing/using District property or voters attempting to enter a polling place located on District property.

Community Development District Public Facilities

1. Candidates and their supporters are allowed to stand on the exterior of District-owned facility property (i.e. postal facilities, recreation centers and at public events) in compliance with the Rules of the District.
2. Candidates and their supporters are not allowed to interfere with persons attempting to access District facilities and/or activities.
3. Candidates and their supporters are not allowed to implant or affix, in any way, any signage at these facilities. Signs may be affixed to golf cars, Low-Speed Vehicles or held by candidates or their supporters.

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Per District Legal Counsel, a reminder as to:

- Fla. Stat. s. 102.031(4)(a): No person, political committee, or other group or organization may solicit voters inside the polling place or within 150 feet of the entrance to any polling place, a polling room where the polling place is also a polling room, an early voting site, or an office of the supervisor where vote-by-mail ballots are requested and printed on demand for the convenience of electors who appear in person to request them. Before the opening of the polling place or early voting site, the clerk or supervisor shall designate the no-solicitation zone and mark the boundaries.
- Fla. Stat. s. 102.031(4)(e): The owner, operator, or lessee of the property on which a polling place or an early voting site is located, or an agent or employee thereof, may not prohibit the solicitation of voters outside of the no-solicitation zone during polling hours.

What You Can do if You are at Higher Risk of Severe Illness from COVID-19

Are You at Higher Risk for Severe Illness?



Based on what we know now, those at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 are:

- Older adults

People of any age with the following :

- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
- Serious heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Here's What You Can do to Help Protect Yourself



Limit contact with other people as much as possible.



Wash your hands often.



Avoid close contact (6 feet, which is about two arm lengths) with people who are sick.



Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.



Avoid all cruise travel and non-essential air travel.

Call your healthcare professional if you are sick.

For more information on steps you can take to protect yourself, see CDC's [How to Protect Yourself](#).

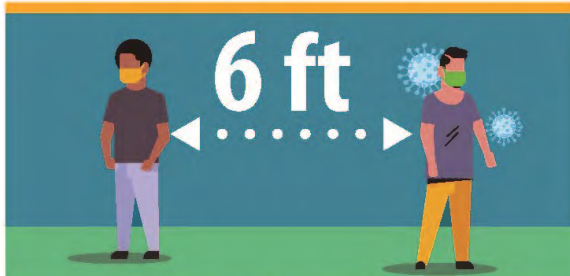


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cdc.gov/coronavirus

Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.



Stay at least 6 feet
(about 2 arms' length)
from other people.



Cover your cough or sneeze with a
tissue, then throw the tissue in the
trash and wash your hands.



When in public, wear a
cloth face covering over
your nose and mouth.



Do not touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth.



Clean and disinfect
frequently touched
objects and surfaces.



Stay home when you are sick,
except to get medical care.



Wash your hands often with soap
and water for at least 20 seconds.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Information Provided By...

The Villages®
Community Development Districts
Recreation & Parks



EFFECTIVE MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

For the safety of all participants
and staff the **FITNESS CLUBS** will be
CLOSED until further notice.

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Recreation & Parks

Recreation Code of Conduct

Recreation is an integral part of the lifestyle of The Villages community, providing our residents with outlets for leisure, exercise, socializing and entertainment. So that your programs and activities remain enjoyable for everyone, it is important that we respect our recreation facilities and fellow residents who utilize them. When using the recreation facilities, please adhere to the code of conduct. If issues arise, we request that you work towards a resolution, taking advantage of the following mechanisms which are in place to assist you.

The use of obscenity, profanity or vulgarity in any conversations involving participants or department staff will not be tolerated.

It is everyone's responsibility to maintain a safe, pleasant and comfortable playing atmosphere.

Every individual who participates in any program has the right to be treated with respect. The Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," prevails.

Information Provided By...

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Community Development Districts
Recreation & Parks



Weather Policy -

In the event of tornadoes, hurricanes, other severe storm watch or warnings or weather conditions, the Recreation Department has the right to close facilities and/or cancel/postpone or relocate activities at Recreation facilities for public safety. Depending on the type of weather event and impact, staff will communicate via email, word of mouth, posting on www.DistrictGov.org or other media sources regarding information. Weather conditions may vary from center to center in the community.

Weather Policy

for Recreation Sponsored Activities

The Villages®
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Recreation & Parks

For the safety and well-being of participants, staff, volunteers and/or condition of the facility



INCLEMENT WEATHER

Recreation Department recommends patrons at outdoor areas find shelter and wait at least 30 minutes or longer as deemed necessary by Public Safety or National Weather Service Advisory prior to resuming normal activities.



TEMPERATURE

Recreation sponsored activities will be cancelled or postponed under the following conditions:

- Outside temperature heat index of 104° or higher.
- Outside temperature of 35° or lower.



For complete weather policy and heat guidelines, visit www.DistrictGov.org

Saddlebrook Recreation Center Adult Pool Furniture

In our efforts to keep the recreation facilities in optimal condition, the Saddlebrook Recreation Center Adult Pool Furniture was recently replaced! Please stop by and enjoy! If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Saddlebrook Recreation Center at 352-259-5377.



Information Provided By...

The Villages®
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Recreation & Parks



Lake Sumter Families

Back to School Supply Collection

July 28 - 30
10AM - 12PM



**Community-Wide Drive-by
SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

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Drop off at the Eisenhower Picnic Pavilion

For more information contact:

Bridget Brown | bridgbrown@gmail.com | 321-436-7852

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Information Provided By...

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Community Watch

Marsh Bend Gate Opening

The gate operation at the entrance to the Village of Marsh Bend will be upgraded from construction mode (the gate automatically opens upon approach) to the user activated system (requires the vehicle operator to use their gate access card or push the RED button to activate the gate). These changes will take effect Saturday, August 1, 2020. In an effort to exceed the needs and expectations of all residents and visitors, the gate will be staffed with experienced Gate Attendants from 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. Gate Attendants are there to welcome and assist all residents and visitors. Please reduce your speed and use caution when approaching all gates. If you have any questions or need additional information on gate operations, please contact Community Watch at (352) 753-0550.

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers



Submit Feedback,
Inquiry, or Concern

The Villages® Community Development Districts Community Watch

What types of calls do Community Watch Patrol Drivers respond to?

Patrol drivers have many different responsibilities, many of which involve responding to incidents as they occur. The primary purpose is the patrol of neighborhoods with attention to safety throughout. Below is a sample patrol zone log with the types of service calls we may receive in one day. Please note this list is not all inclusive.

- ◆ Traffic control assistance @ accident scenes
- ◆ Assistance to the 7 law enforcement agencies within The Villages
- ◆ Malfunctioning gates & gate strikes
- ◆ Report malfunctioning street lights to applicable utility
- ◆ Unsecure doors – District buildings
- ◆ Open garage doors
- ◆ Abandoned vehicles & parking complaints
- ◆ Report suspicious persons, vehicles or packages
- ◆ Water main breaks
- ◆ Solicitation & noise complaints
- ◆ Fishing in unauthorized ponds or lakes
- ◆ House check responses
- ◆ Medical emergency assistance to The Villages Public Safety Department & Emergency Management Services
- ◆ Assistance to Community Standards
- ◆ Recreational Vehicle (RV) Storage Facility patrols
- ◆ Water conservation violations
- ◆ Short term gate attendant replacement duties
- ◆ Assistance to Recreation Department pool checks
- ◆ Assistance to Recreation on select holidays



Information Provided By...

The Villages®
Community Development Districts
Executive Golf

De La Vista Executive Golf Course Update

The fairway renovation project is underway at De La Vista Executive Golf Course. Crews are beginning the process of demolition on the existing fairways to prepare for grade work and re-grassing. We thank you for your patience during this time.



Disturbance areas have been clearly defined.

Agronomic practices are being carried out to soften up areas for construction.



Executive Golf Information

EXECUTIVE GOLF GUEST PLAY CARD

With a valid Guest ID Card, guests can now play at their choice of our Executive Golf Courses by purchasing a Guest Play Card for \$44. This card is valid for 4 rounds of golf on any Executive Course North of SR 44 and it includes greens fee and trail fees. Guest Play Cards can be purchased at any of our Regional Recreation Centers or our Customer Service Centers.

Get yours today!



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For more information: email CustomerService@DistrictGov.org | DistrictGov.org | 352-753-4508

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District Board Information

The Village Community Development District No. 7 Board will hold a special meeting for the purpose of interviewing candidates to fill a vacancy on the Board and to discuss the Project Wide Fund on Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center.

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District 7

The Project Wide Advisory Committee will hold a special meeting on Monday, August 3, 2020 at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center at 8:30 a.m. to review and discuss the decision made by The Village Community Development District No. 7 Board as it pertains to the funding of the District 7 portion of the Project Wide Fund cost allocation.

The Village Community Development District No. 4 Board will hold a special meeting for the purpose of discussing resident modifications in the District right-of-ways and easements on Friday, August 7, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center.

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District 4

Information Provided By The City of Wildwood



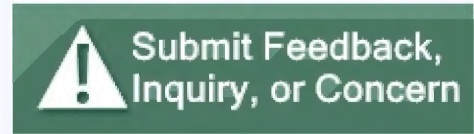
The City of Wildwood has contracted with Pavement Technology Inc. to apply a pavement preservation treatment to your roads. This treatment has been used by agencies throughout the country to extend the life of asphalt roadways. The product will protect the pavement by providing an in-depth seal and revitalizing the asphalt to withstand the effects of aging. There will be some minor inconvenience during the construction process. Typically, the work takes less than an hour while the product is being applied. Residents will have access to their driveways at all times.

Prior to any construction you will receive a door notification 24 hours in advance with additional instructions and information.

For more information on the product or the construction process you can visit the City of Wildwood website at www.wildwood-fl.gov and click on "Street Repaving" or you can visit the contractor's website at www.pavetechinc.com and click on Neighborhood FAQ's.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this process.

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers



The Villages® Community Development Districts Community Standards

Can I park a truck or RV on the street?

The District's adopted rule (Rule) for **home** units state: No trucks over $\frac{3}{4}$ ton size, boats or recreational vehicles shall be parked, stored or otherwise remain on any lot or street except for service vehicles located thereon on a temporary basis while performing a service for a resident.

What does that mean? If a vehicle is parked in the street and does not meet the aforementioned criteria, there would not be a violation of the Rule. However, if a resident is parking a vehicle in excess of $\frac{3}{4}$ ton in size, a boat or recreational vehicle in the street, it would be a violation of the Rule and the Community Standards Department would follow the process of bringing the property into compliance.

What happens if a resident parks a recreational vehicle on the street, moves the vehicle, brings the vehicle back and then moves it again? Each District Board has adopted their Rule to address this type of situation. The Rule states:

The term "Re-Occurring Violations" means a violation of a provision of the Rule by an owner who has been previously notified to have violated the same provision of the Rule within twelve (12) months prior to the current violation. If the Community Standards Department receives a complaint regarding a re-occurring violation, staff is not required to provide the owner a reasonable time to correct the violation. Instead, staff would send a notification of a public hearing to be held before the District Board of Supervisors within the district they reside. The case may be presented to the Board even if the re-occurring violation has been corrected prior to the public hearing. If the re-occurring violation is brought into compliance prior to the public hearing, the Board may make a finding of guilt but shall not impose a fine.

If you have any questions, please contact the Community Standards Department at 352-751-3912.



Information Provided By...

The Villages®
Community Development Districts
Property Management

Nick Sanchirico, Supervisor, District Property Management (DPM) Water Resource Division, recently obtained a commercial pilot license by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Small Unmanned Aerial Systems (SUAS); also known as a drone. This will enable DPM to conduct efficient and safe aerial inspections of the District's vertical and horizontal assets, such as preserves, basins and structures.

Congratulations, Nick, on becoming an FAA Certified Remote Pilot!



Information Provided By...

The Villages®
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Property Management

Water Retention Areas

The water retention areas in The Villages all play an integral part of the water management system throughout The Villages community. During extremely warm temperatures, fish kills are not uncommon in Florida and the causes can vary. Temperature inversion, a rain event pulling the oxygen from the water is one example that can occur in our community. Other factors such as fertilizer / pesticide runoff into the water retention areas can also impact local wildlife. District Property Management will continue to monitor the maintenance of the water retention areas and we urge you to contact the District to receive factual information pertaining to incidents or rumors you may have heard. You can contact the District Property Management at 352-753-4022.



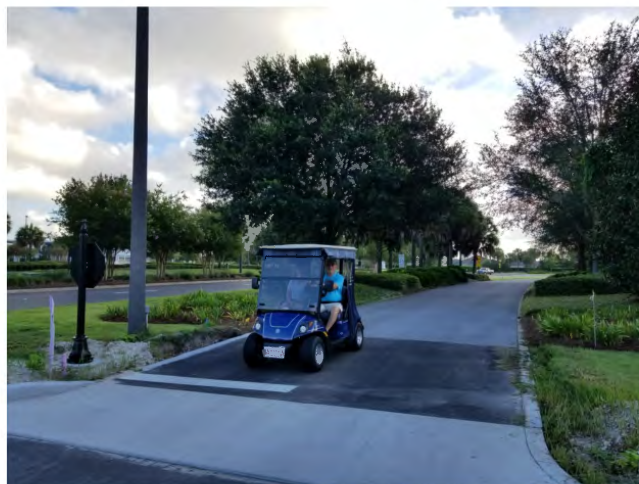
Construction Update

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Property Management

Brownwood Woodshop

The steel erection is near completion and the roof decking is being installed. The contractor has installed the stairs to the mezzanine. In the coming weeks, the interior work will begin.

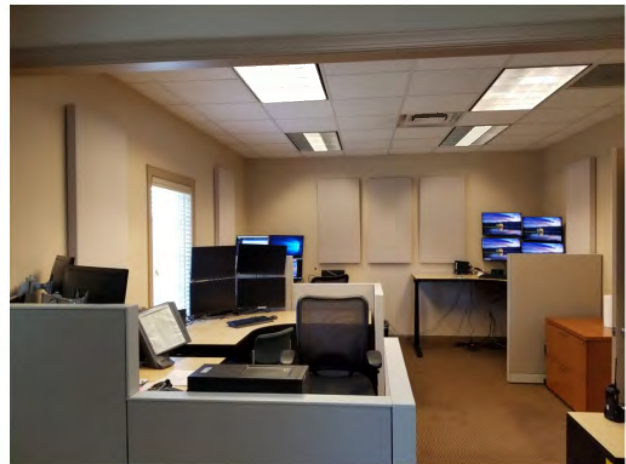
Please note that the contractor felt comfortable enough to remove the barricades at the intersection of Hillsborough and the multi-modal path (MMP) as the vast majority of the heavy equipment work had been completed or could be completed with minimal interruption of the MMP. The MMP stop signs at the new Brownwood Woodshop driveway have been installed. Please cross with **caution**. There are two slight bumps when crossing that will be eliminated once the second layer of asphalt is installed.



Construction Update

Key Largo Community Watch Building

The technology and communications upgrades to the Gate Operations Center are up and running.



Rio Grande Air Gun Range

The concrete tile roof is complete and the buildings trim work is moving along. The sidewalks and grading will begin shortly. The existing range will remain open until the new facility is completed, adhering to the COVID – 19 District Action Plan & Health Department guidance.



First Responders Recreation Center

The architects and engineers are working to produce a complete set of review bid plans for the project by the middle of August 2020. The selections for the interior and exterior finishes are underway.



The following facilities will be temporarily closed or have scheduled maintenance:

⇒ **Coconut Cove Recreation Center, Outdoor Courts and Family Pool**

The Coconut Cove Recreation Center, Outdoor Courts and Family Pool will be closed for maintenance July 26th.

⇒ **Canal Street Recreation Center Pool**

The Canal Street Recreation Center Pool will be closed for maintenance July 27th.

⇒ **Truman Recreation Center**

The Truman Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance August 1st.

⇒ **Pennecamp Recreation Center Pool**

The Pennecamp Recreation Center Pool will be closed for maintenance July 30th.

⇒ **Manatee Recreation Center**

The Manatee Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance July 26th.

⇒ **Captiva Recreation Center Billiards Room**

The Captiva Recreation Center Billiards Room will be closed for maintenance July 22nd through July 24th.



Construction Update

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Property Management

Rainey Construction Company is tentatively scheduled to begin resurfacing roads in the following area-

- **Cameron Villas**– August 3, 2020

Dates may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather.

Everything possible will be done to minimize your inconvenience. For the SAFETY of our crews and all residents, we ask that you reschedule any work or deliveries to your Villa until the paving is complete as they may be denied access. Only residents and emergency vehicles will have immediate access during the construction.

PLEASE DO NOT run your irrigation, wash your vehicle or empty your pool during the week, as it will increase the work time.

ALL vehicles and trailers must be parked OFF of the roads and the overflow parking areas must be empty, as to not impede the work.

Please be advised that newly paved roadways will take approximately one hour to cure and should not be driven on while hot! Driving before this time could result in tracking asphalt onto your driveway and damaging the new roadway.

If you must travel through the construction, PLEASE drive slowly and watch for and listen to directions provided by the contract workers.

Our goal is to give you a new road that will last a maximum life with the LEAST amount of inconvenience. Your cooperation is GREATLY APPRECIATED. If you have any questions during the work there will be someone on site to help. For additional information, please contact District Property Management at (352) 753-4022.



The Villages®
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Risk Management

While Florida is known as the Sunshine State, it is notorious for thunderstorms, lightning strikes and fatalities.

Thunderstorms are a common occurrence during the summer months, in part due to Florida's warm temperatures and oceans (that provide the moisture for thunderstorms to occur). Did you know that Florida experiences thunderstorms 75 to 105 days per year? With these thunderstorms there is always a chance for lightning to strike. In fact, most lightning occurs during the summer months - which is also the peak of hurricane season. To protect yourself, always monitor the weather and take precautions to minimize the potential of being affected by lightning.

Be Prepared!

What are the signs?

- A darkening cloud is often a sign that lightning may strike.
- If you can hear thunder you are close enough to be struck by lightning.
- Increasing winds and rapidly growing cumulonimbus clouds are also early signs a thunderstorm/ lightning is approaching.



Preparedness Tips

- If outside, seek refuge in a nearby building and move to the interior of the building away from doors and windows. If you cannot get inside, never lie flat on the ground, and stay away from any sources of water.
- Avoid seeking shelter under trees, as they may become damaged and fall if struck by lightning
- **When it roars, go indoors.** Seek shelter immediately, whether a building, a house or a car. You are safer inside than outside.
- Be sure to get rid of any dead or rotting trees/branches that could fall and cause injury.
- If indoors when lightning occurs, stay away from water or wet items and metal objects.



The Facts

- Lightning's unpredictability increases the risk to individuals and property.
- Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles away from any rainfall.
- "Heat lightning" is actually lightning from a thunderstorm too far away from thunder to be heard. However, the storm may be moving in your direction.
- Most lightning deaths and injuries occur when people are caught outdoors in the summer months during the afternoon and evening.
- Lightning strike victims carry no electrical charge and should be attended to immediately. Most people struck by lightning are not killed but are injured significantly.

Watches vs. Warnings

The National Weather Service may issue severe weather watches or warnings.

- A watch means that conditions are favorable for development, and you should be aware and monitor weather information.
- A warning means that activity has been sighted or detected by radar and you should take protective actions.



Florida Statistics

- On average, Florida has 3,500 cloud to ground lightning flashes per day and 1.2 million flashes per year occur, during a recent 10-year study according to Vaisala.
- Florida ranks fourth in the nation for lightning flashes behind Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.
- Because of the dense population and the amount of people that spend a great deal of time outdoors year-round, **more people are struck and killed by lightning in Florida than any other state**, according to Vaisala and the National Weather Service.



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Risk Management

- An average of 10 people in Florida are killed by lightning strikes annually and 40 are seriously injured. Many of the survivors suffer severe lifelong disabilities.
- The chance of being struck by lightning in Florida is 1 in 3,000 over the course of a lifetime.

If you observe someone that is struck by lightning:

- **Call 911 immediately**
- Check if the victim is conscious—gently shake and call their name, if there is no response, roll them onto their back and check for breathing
- If they are not breathing perform CPR until paramedics arrive using the ABC's of CPR
 - Airways**: clear obstructed airways
 - Breathing**: perform mouth-to-mouth
 - Circulation**: start chest compressions

Source: <https://www.usf.edu/administrative-services/emergency-management/hazards/lightning-safety.aspx#:~:text=When%20it%20roars%2C%20go%20indoors,wet%20items%20and%20metal%20objects.>

<https://www.accuweather.com/en/weather-news/why-florida-ranks-highest-for-lightning-fatalities-in-the-us/350561>

Information Provided by...



Preventative maintenance is occurring on the potable water system field valves throughout many areas of The Villages. Those customers serviced by Village Center Service Area (VCSA), Little Sumter Service Area (LSSA) and North Sumter Utilities (NSU) that will be impacted will be notified 24 hours in advance of a temporary interruption in service and will receive the following notification:

THE PUBLIC DRINKING WATER MAINS IN YOUR AREA WILL BE SHUT DOWN TEMPORARILY FOR NEEDED MAINTENANCE.

*AS A PRECAUTION, UPON RETURN OF WATER SERVICE, WE ADVISE THAT ALL WATER USED FOR **DRINKING, MAKING ICE, AND COOKING BE BOILED**, **FOR ALL OTHER HOUSE HOLD USES THE WATER IS ACCEPTABLE**. A ROLLING BOIL OF ONE MINUTE IS SUFFICIENT. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, BOTTLED WATER MAY BE USED.*

THIS "PRECAUTIONARY BOIL WATER NOTICE" WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL THE MAINTENANCE TASK HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND A BACTERIOLOGICAL SURVEY SHOWS THAT THE WATER IS SAFE TO DRINK. THIS USUALLY CONSISTS OF A TWO DAY SAMPLING PERIOD TO INSURE SAFE DRINKING WATER.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CONTACT DEANNA SIMMONS, FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT AT (352) 259-2802 (NSU WWTP).

A notice with the addresses of the affected area along with this information will be left at the door of all impacted addresses. We appreciate your patience and cooperation in order to maintain the continued integrity and safety of the District Infrastructure.

A tentative schedule of the areas impacted in the upcoming week:

640 Shalimar St 7/27/20
Wyatt Ave Cul-de-sac 7/28/20

The Villages®
Community Development Districts

**SAFETY TIPS FOR DRIVING
AND CYCLING IN
THE VILLAGES® COMMUNITY**

Sharing the road or multi-modal path? The Villages offers endless opportunities to enjoy the community. The roadways and multi-modal paths offer a variety of uses for residents.

Cyclists, walkers, runners and motorists all co-exist in these areas. For the safety of all users, please be mindful of your speed and use areas accordingly.



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TIPS FOR SHARING THE ROAD

Tips For Motorists

Drive cautiously. Reduce speed when encountering cyclists. Don't tailgate, especially in bad weather. Recognize hazards cyclists may face and give them space.

Yield to cyclists. Bicycles are considered vehicles. Cyclists should be given the appropriate right of way. Allow extra time for cyclists to traverse intersections.

Be considerate. Scan for cyclists in traffic and at intersections. Do not blast your horn in close proximity to cyclists. Look for cyclists when opening doors.

Pass with care. When passing, leave three feet between you and a cyclist. Wait for safe road and traffic conditions when you pass. Check over your shoulder before returning to lane, so not to cut the bicyclist off.

Watch for children. Children on bicycles are often unpredictable. Expect the unexpected and slow down. Children can be harder to see.

Tips For Cyclist

The same laws that apply to motorists apply to cyclists. Obey all traffic control devices, including stopping at gates, and use hand signals to indicate stops and turns.

Always wear a properly fitted helmet. Wear a helmet, no matter how short the trip.

Ride on the right. Always ride in the same direction as traffic. Use the furthest right lane that heads to your destination. Slower moving cyclists and motorists stay to the right.

Ride predictably. Ride in a straight line and don't swerve in the road or between parked cars. Check for traffic before entering street or intersection. Anticipate hazards and adjust your position accordingly.

Be visible. Ride with brightly colored clothing that provides contrast. Use blinking lights or reflectors during the day and lights at night. Announce yourself by making eye contact with motorists.

Be Street Smart... Get Educated

The League of American Bicyclists has designated The Villages, Florida a bicycle-friendly community at the Gold Level in recognition of outstanding efforts to encourage bicycling in The Villages. The award is current for four years 2018-2022.



League of American Bicyclists
www.Bikeleague.org



Safety Office
Florida Department of Transportation
www.dot.state.fl.us/safety