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# District Weekly Bulletin



## CDD Orientation

This valuable program is held on the **second** and **fourth** Thursday of the month at 10:00 AM in 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.



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# CAREER FAIR

## HIRING EVENT



**EZELL  
RECREATION**  
769 Marilee Place

The following full-time  
positions are available:

Staff Accountant  
Senior Accountant

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 27**

**8AM | 10:30AM | 1PM | 3PM**

*Join us for one of the information sessions above*

- ✓ Same day information sessions and interviews
- ✓ Bring a resume or work history & three (3) professional references
- ✓ Complete job application online prior to the hiring event  
Go to [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org) > Quick Links > Current Employment Opportunities or scan the QR Code:



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More Info: 352-753-0421 | [Finance@DistrictGov.org](mailto:Finance@DistrictGov.org) | [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org)

# Save the Date

Water Matters Event — Saturday, April 22, 2023



The graphic features a dark green header with 'SQUARE EVENT' and 'SAVE THE DATE' in white. Below is a large blue 'WATER MATTERS' logo with a fountain icon. To the right, the event details are listed: 'APRIL 22, 2023 9AM - 1PM' and 'Lake Sumter Landing Market Square®'. A box contains logos for 'Jacobs', 'UF IFAS UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA', and 'The Villages WATER WISDOM'. At the bottom, contact information is provided: 'More information: DistrictGov.org | PropertyManagement@DistrictGov.org | 352-753-4022'.

**SQUARE EVENT** **SAVE THE DATE**

**WATER MATTERS**

**APRIL 22, 2023**  
**9AM - 1PM**

**Lake Sumter Landing**  
**Market Square®**

LEARN & GATHER INFORMATION  
from these VENDORS and MANY more!

**Jacobs** **UF IFAS**  
UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

**The Villages**  
**WATER WISDOM**

More information: [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org) | [PropertyManagement@DistrictGov.org](mailto:PropertyManagement@DistrictGov.org) | 352-753-4022

## CDD Orientation

You are invited to attend our “Introduction to your Special Purpose Local Government” informational program. You will learn how the districts operate and learn other important community information about the people, services, and other supporting entities that help make The Villages a premier community.

No sign-ups or fees are required for this presentation. This valuable program is held on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 10:00 AM at the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing.

### Remaining CDD Orientation dates in January:

- **January 26, 2023 at 10:00 AM**

For additional information, please call the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.



# WE'RE HIRING

## JOIN OUR FAMILY



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HONOR IN SERVICE



### ANNUAL COMPENSATION

	Firefighter/Paramedic	Firefighter/EMT	Single Cert Paramedic (Firefighter II required in first year. Provided by the department.)
Starting Salary	\$19.29/Hour (\$56,172 Annually)	\$15.00/Hour (\$43,680 Annually)	\$51,804.48
Transport Stipend Up To:	\$8,736 (\$3/Hour) (\$64,908 Annually)	\$5,824 (\$2.00/Hour) (\$49,504 Annually)	\$8,736 (\$3.00/Hour) (\$60,540.48)

#### EDUCATION INCENTIVES:

- Fire and EMS certifications 100%
- Paramedic school \$6,000 max
- College courses up to 50% reimbursement \$3,000 annual max
- On duty CME's, CPR, ACLS, PALS, EVOC

#### PAID TIME OFF:

- 7-12 paid vacation shifts per year based on seniority
- 72 hours of holiday leave
- 48 hours of personal leave
- 120 hours of sick leave a year
- Employer paid 401(a) retirement account, 18% + 3% match
- Employee health insurance
- Fully paid short and long term disability

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- EVOC 16 HR Certificate EMT & Paramedic
- CPR - EMT & Paramedic
- ACLS - Paramedic
- State of FL Firefighter II Certificate
- State of FL EMT or PM Certificate
- NTN Fire Team Testing
- NTN CPAT for Firefighter



For additional information about VPSD, scan the QR code.



# Architectural Review Committee Vacancies

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HAVE AN EYE FOR GOOD *Design?*

- Do you love the aesthetic beauty and design of your community?
- Do you have experience in architecture, landscaping or reading site plans?
- Do you want to participate in keeping your community beautiful?

COME JOIN YOUR LOCAL  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE AS A *Volunteer!*



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For More Information: [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org) | [ArchReview@DistrictGov.org](mailto:ArchReview@DistrictGov.org) | 352-751-3912

Village Community Development District No. 5 (District 5), No. 6 (District 6), No. 10 (District 10), and the Lady Lake / Lake County portion of The Villages north of County Road 466 are all seeking alternate members to serve on the Architectural Review Committee.

The alternate applicant must be a full time resident of the District they are applying for and have lived in The Villages for at least one year. Candidates are recommended to have education and/or experience in any of the following areas: architecture, ability to read site plans, residential/commercial construction, building management, deed restricted communities, landscaping, county code enforcement, etc.; however, this is not required. The Committee meets weekly, on Wednesdays at 8:00 AM for approximately 2-4 hours.

If you are interested in becoming an alternate member on the Architectural Review Committee, complete the application by clicking one of the following links: [District 5 Application](#), [District 6 Application](#), [District 10 Application](#), [Lady Lake /Lake County Application](#) and returning it to the Community Standards Department, 984 Old Mill Run, The Villages, Florida.

# Lost & Found

## GUIDELINES

All items estimated to be valued under \$50.00 (non-valuable items) will be sent to the following lost and found locations:

**LA HACIENDA REGIONAL RECREATION COMPLEX**  
(North of 466), 352-753-1716

**LAUREL MANOR REGIONAL RECREATION COMPLEX**  
(South of 466), 352-751-7110

**EISENHOWER REGIONAL RECREATION COMPLEX**  
(South of 466A), 352-674-8390

**EVERGLADES REGIONAL RECREATION COMPLEX**  
(South of 44), 352-674-8434

All items estimated to be valued over \$50.00 (valuable items) including but not limited to: gold, jewelry, golf clubs, wallets, purses, electronics (including digital cameras, cell phones, tablets/computers), or other expensive items will be turned over to the appropriate law enforcement agency within 72 hours.

**FRUITLAND PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
352-360-6655

**LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF**  
352-343-2101

**LADY LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
352-751-1560

**MARION COUNTY SHERIFF**  
352-368-3565

**SUMTER COUNTY SHERIFF**  
352-569-1600

**WILDWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
352-330-1355

When items are found at any of The Villages Recreation Facilities the following steps will take place:

**1.** If an individual claims an item he/she is to fill out the Recreation Department Lost & Found Claim Form. Claim report forms will be kept on file at the facility Recreation Service Representative's desk for a period of 6 months.

**2.** No items are to be released without a photo ID, signature and phone number.

**3.** After the end of each month all remaining items will be donated to a local charitable organization as designated by the District. The Recreation & Parks Dept. has partnered with The Villages Auxiliary Hospital, which is a non-profit, charitable organization that serves our community.

*Note: The Villages Recreation & Parks Department takes no responsibility for items left in the Recreation Centers or turned over to Law Enforcement.*

**DistrictGov.org | 352-674-1800**

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### Recreation Room Use

Any unused room may be reserved any time with at least 24 hours notice. If requesting a pre-set room, the room must be put back to its original setup after use. If requesting a banquet room, minimal setups may be provided. Setups for these rooms are limited to staff availability and up to two tables and 16 chairs. The following items are not provided: audio visual including televisions and video equipment, podiums and computers. Table tennis can be set up on request in available meeting rooms. Card rooms are pre-set. We will allow the use of 1 wired microphone, based on availability, in addition to the items listed.

The intent of this service is to provide limited, occasional use by residents and Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Groups. The maximum allotted time is 3.5 hours. For more information, contact the recreation center you wish to use.

### Running of The Squares Lake Sumter Landing 5K Race Results

To view the race results of the Lake Sumter Landing 5K held on Saturday, January 14, 2023, click on the following link — [Lake Sumter Landing 5K Race Results](#). More information on the Recreation & Parks Running of The Squares series can be found by going to [DistrictGov.org](#) > Departments > Recreation > [Running of The Squares Quick Link](#).



### Spring Craft Show

Residents of The Villages — Showcase your homemade crafts at the spring craft show! To view the application, [click here](#) or see the following page.



# Spring CRAFT SHOW

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 11**

**9AM - 2PM**  
Laurel Manor,  
SeaBreeze, Rohan

**Residents of The Villages® – Showcase your homemade crafts!\***

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Last Name</b> (Please print legibly, using capital letters)	<b>First Name</b>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Street Address</b>	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>City</b>	<b>State</b> <b>Zip Code</b>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Daytime Phone</b> (Area Code + Number)	<b>Email Address</b>

Brief Description of Item(s)

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

Because of the overwhelming amount of talented crafters in The Villages, **space is limited** and will be assigned using a "lottery system."  
**One application per person/household.**  
 Unassigned spaces will be removed the morning of the show. There will be 100 tables per venue.  
**Electric access is limited; no guarantees.**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**February 16:** Applications must be **received** at La Hacienda - 1200 Avenida Central, The Villages, FL 32159.  
**February 20:** **Email notification** to applicants whose names were drawn with meeting instructions.  
**February 27:** **Informational meetings at Rohan - 9AM, SeaBreeze - 11AM, Laurel Manor - 2PM**  
 Please be prepared to select and pay for your space. \$20 space fee is payable by cash or check only, payable to VCDD.

The VCDD Recreation & Parks Department recognizes the following categories as approved for the bi-annual Craft Shows:

- Textiles – cross stitch, embroidery, quilting • Wood, Metal or Clay, pottery, carpentry • Basket weaving
- Paper, Canvas – calligraphy, card making, decoupage • Artificial flower arrangements • Other – bead work, glass fusion

The Recreation & Parks Department reserves the right to refuse the sale of items that are not handmade by vendor(s), or that are not true crafts (see examples above). **Food products, live plants, alcohol or flammable items cannot be sold.**

**TERMS & CONDITIONS**

Participation in The Villages Spring Craft Show is reserved for residents of The Villages who have registered, in-person, prior to the event. Focusing on individual creativity, only items crafted by you in your home are appropriate for display and/or sale in this particular show. **Finished craft products bought from suppliers and offered substantially unaltered for resale are not suitable for the Spring Craft Show.** The VCDD Recreation & Parks Department reserves the right to determine which products are appropriate for inclusion in this exhibition. The Recreation & Parks Dept. is not responsible for any damages, loss, theft or injuries as a result of this event. I have read and agree to all the foregoing conditions.

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Resident ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*A CRAFT includes a whole host of activities and hobbies that are related to making things with one's hands and skill.





# Weather Policy

## FOR RECREATION FACILITIES

To provide consistent and uniform guidelines for creating awareness and guidance to staff and participants regarding inclement weather that may impact the health, safety and well-being of staff, volunteers, participants, and facilities.

### **GUIDELINES FOR RECREATION FACILITIES**

The following guidelines are recommended for recreation sponsored activities, leagues, tournaments, and special events in the event of inclement weather.

The Recreation Department has the right to close facilities and/or cancel/postpone or relocate activities at Recreation facilities for public safety in the event of any storm warnings issued by the National Weather Service, Public Safety, or Recreation Department for any tornadoes, hurricanes or other severe storms.

Cancellations, postponements and relocation of activities will be done in a timely manner.

Sponsored activities will be canceled/postponed a minimum of thirty minutes to one hour prior to the scheduled play time depending on the type of activity. Emergency alert warnings may require prompt cancellations.

### **NOTIFICATION PROCESS**

Depending on the type of weather event and impact, staff will communicate via email, word of mouth, posting on the website, or other media sources regarding any cancellation/postponing information. Weather conditions and the type of facility may vary from center to center in The Villages community.

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

Inclement weather is defined as rain, wind, lightning and/or severe conditions (tornado, hurricane, thunderstorm watch/warnings) that compromise the safety of the participants, staff, volunteers and/or the condition of the facility.

- In the event of Inclement weather, the Recreation Department recommends patrons at outdoor recreation areas find shelter and wait at least 30 minutes or longer prior to resuming safe normal activities as deemed advisable by a Public Safety or National Weather Service Advisory.

### **WEATHER TEMPERATURE**

Cancellations/postponements related to Temperature.

### **TEMPERATURE GUIDELINES**

- Outside temperature of 35 degrees or lower.
- Outside temperature with a heat index of 104 degrees or higher.

### **PROTOCOL**

- District Staff will monitor weather conditions through various media sources that include, but are not limited to, WVLG and wunderground.com (La Zamora station).





- District Staff (on-site recreation staff i.e. athletic/recreation assistant) will receive direction from the department manager or supervisor if a cancellation/postponements process is recommended based on the above guidelines.

#### **PROCESS**

- District Staff (on-site recreation staff i.e. athletic/recreation assistant) will notify activity representatives and/or participants via phone and/or in person that the recreation sponsored event(s) is recommended to be canceled/postponed until further notice.
- District staff will notify activity representatives when the temperature allows for safe conditions and whether the event(s) may continue.

#### **FUNSHINE BINGO**

Funshine Bingo will be canceled 30 minutes prior to the start time of the bingo cards being sold based on the following:

- Outside temperature of 50 degrees or lower.
- Outside temperature with a heat index of 104 degrees or higher.
- Rain, wind, lightning and/or severe conditions (tornado, hurricane, thunderstorm watch/warnings) that compromise the safety of the participants or the condition of the facility.

#### **SWIMMING POOLS**

- Recreation staff will be in charge of Family & Sports Pools that are on-site.
- Neighborhood Adult pools off site and other outdoor recreation areas will be self-monitored.
  - For those pools scheduled for 90 minute pool checks, staff is to clear the swimming pool and wait the allotted 30 minutes for the weather to clear. If the weather does not clear, staff is to notify their manager and leave.
- Recreation staff and Community Watch staff who are in the area during inclement weather will use their best judgment to encourage and inform patrons to leave the pool or outdoor recreation areas if they deem necessary.
- If pool temperatures drop below 81 degrees, a sign will be posted at the entrance of the pool informing residents of the temperature change. The pool will remain open.

#### **CANCELLATIONS WILL OCCUR FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:**

- Outside temperature of 35 degrees or lower.
- Rain, wind, lightning and/or severe conditions (tornado, hurricane, thunderstorm watch/warnings) that compromise the safety of the participants or the condition of the facility.





### **LAKE SUMTER LINE – BOAT TOURS, PONTON BOAT TOURS, FISHING EXCURSIONS AND KAYAKING**

Cancellations due to inclement weather will be made by the Recreation staff in charge of the boats an hour prior to the first scheduled trip.

#### **CANCELLATIONS WILL OCCUR FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:**

##### **AIR TEMPERATURE POLICY**

- If the forecast temperature for 12:00 noon will be below 50°F, operations will be canceled.
- If the forecast temperature for 12:00 noon will be between 50°F and 55°F, the decision to cancel will be at the discretion of the scheduled Captains.
- During summer, if the forecast heat index for 12:00 noon will be 95° or higher, operations will be canceled.
- If the decision is to cancel operations, all scheduled crew are to be advised no later than 60 minutes prior to the scheduled start time (earlier if possible).

##### **HIGH WIND POLICY**

- If medium winds are present (10-16 mph), boats may operate at Captain's discretion. (Wind speed measurements are approximate based on the best available information.)
- If high winds are present (above 17 mph), operations will be suspended.
- If very high winds (above 50 mph) are forecast, boats are to be retied in a "sprung out" format to avoid contact with the dock and/or sea wall.
- Rain, wind, lightning and/or severe conditions (tomado, hurricane, thunderstorm watch/warnings) that compromise the safety of patrons, staff and the conditions of boats and docks.

### **OPEN PLAY & RESIDENT SPONSORED ACTIVITIES**

Participants assume full responsibility for any risk of bodily injury arising out of, or in any way connected with, participation or involvement in, or presence at, the activity or program. For the safety and well-being of the public, the Recreation Department may close facilities at any time due to weather conditions.

##### **RAIN DELAYS**

If it is raining before the start of play but stops before the scheduled play time, play will continue as planned if the fields/courts are deemed playable. If rain continues to fall during the scheduled play time, recreation staff/volunteers may declare a rain delay. After a reasonable amount of time, staff will decide whether the weather has improved and will be suitable for play or if the activity should be declared a rain out.

##### **INSIDE FACILITIES**

Will be closed as directed by the Director of Recreation.

##### **DISCLAIMER**

If at any time facility/field conditions or weather conditions are deemed unsafe, the District Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel or postpone any activity. At all times participants play at their own risk.

*For further information and complete activity schedules please visit [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org), check the Recreation News, check the Bulletin boards at each facility, or call your nearest Recreation Center.*

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**RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org**

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# Frequently Asked Questions and Answers



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## The Villages® Community Development Districts Utilities

### **Is your sewer backing up? Is water flowing out of your yard and down the street?**

**If your answer is yes, call District Utilities at 352-750-0000!**

The District Utilities Department and their contractor Jacobs are responsible for maintaining the water and sewer mains that service your home for the majority of areas within The Villages. If you reside in Phillips Villas or Soulliere Villas, please contact Marion County Utilities at 352-307-6000 for sewer issues. For all other residents, please contact the District at 352-750-0000.

For water service, the utility provider's responsibility ends at the brass portion of the water meter and the homeowner's responsibility begins at the PVC connection side of the water meter. For sewer service, the utility provider's responsibility ends at the 6" cleanout located in the utility right of way in the front of your home.

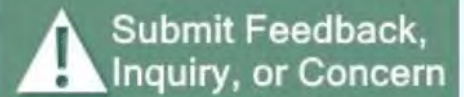
If your lights go out, you typically would call the electric company to confirm whether or not there is a problem with their service. For water or sewer issues, many people tend to call a plumber first. Please call us at 352-750-0000 so that we can evaluate our side of the sewer system and determine where the issue is located. If it is found that the issue is on the District side, we will make repairs. If the issue is on the homeowner's side, we will let you know and then you can contact a repair provider such as a plumber.

Please note that the District will not evaluate any issues with leaking water inside your home, only sewer issues.

If you have any questions, please contact District Utilities Customer Service by phone at 352-750-0000 or by email at [Utilities@DistrictGov.org](mailto:Utilities@DistrictGov.org).



# Frequently Asked Questions and Answers



## The Villages® Community Development Districts Utilities

### Do you have old paint sitting in the garage? An old empty propane tank? Leftover gasoline or used motor oil?

If so, these and other hazardous chemicals and items should not be placed in your regular household trash. The following locations will accept these items and more. Please contact the appropriate disposal site for full details.

#### Marion County

Marion County residents can dispose of the following items at any of the county's 18 recycling centers:

- Used motor oil and oil filters
- Household and automotive batteries
- Latex paint
- Household electronics (accepted at Baseline, Dunnellon, Forest Corners, Fort McCoy, Martel, Newton, and **Weirsdale (13535 SE 164th ST)** recycling centers in the big green compactor boxes labeled "electronics recycling")

In addition, there are four special household electronics recycling events held at the McPherson Complex in Ocala throughout the year. The calendar of dates can be found at [www.marioncountyfl.org](http://www.marioncountyfl.org).



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### Lake County

Lake County residents can dispose of hazardous waste at the Household Hazardous Waste Center located at **13130 County Landfill Road, County Road 561, Tavares** with proof of residency. There are also Mobile Unit Events held throughout the year in various Lake County locations.

- Automotive fluids (Antifreeze, Gasoline, Motor Oil, etc.)
- Paint Products
- Lawn/Garden (Fertilizers, Insecticides, Pesticides, etc)
- Propane cylinders
- Fluorescent lamps
- Household batteries (including rechargeable)
- Pool chemicals

A complete list of acceptable items and the schedule of Mobile Unit Events can be found at [www.lakecountyfl.gov](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov).

### Sumter County

Sumter County residents can dispose of the following items at the Sumter County Citizens Drop Off Area at **819 CR 529, Lake Panasoffkee**:

- Batteries
- Clean Scrap Metal
- Gasoline
- Oil and oil filters
- Tires and Household Electronics are accepted also, however there is a charge to drop off these items.

Sumter County hosts two Household Electronics and Hazardous Waste Mobile Collection events per year, during the Spring and Fall. For more information, please visit [www.sumtercountyfl.gov](http://www.sumtercountyfl.gov).



**Information Provided by Sumter County**  
**Household Electronics & Hazardous Waste Mobile**  
**Collection - Amnesty Day**

**Saturday, January 28, 2023 — 8 AM to 2 PM**

**Location: Lake Okahumpka Park, 6085 E. SR 44, Wildwood 34785**

**What to Bring:**

Automotive fluids and batteries	Herbicides	Propane Tanks (25 lbs)
Cleaners	Household electronics (TVs, VCRs, computers, etc.)	Rechargeable household batteries
Fertilizers	Latex & oil based paints	Smoke detectors
Fluorescent lamps and Mercury containing devices	Paint removers and thinners	Solvents
Fungicides	Pesticides	Wood Preservatives
Gas (old gas & old gas cans)	Pool Chemicals	

**What not to bring:**

Biological/Infectious waste	Explosives	Radioactive waste
Empty paint cans	Tires	

**HOW TO PACKAGE AND TRANSPORT CHEMICALS**

1. Do NOT mix chemicals together.
2. Keep products in original labeled containers if possible.
3. Place containers into cardboard boxes to prevent breakage.
4. Place leaky container in clear plastic bag and transport in box with newspaper.
5. Put boxes in trunk or in back of vehicle away from passengers.

For more information, visit their website at <https://sumtercountyfl.gov/1236/Household-Electronics-Hazardous-Waste-Mo>.

**Where can I find a list of current and future road closures, utility projects and maintenance work on the District website?**

1. To locate information on current and future road closures, utility projects, maintenance work and more, visit [DistrictGov.org](http://DistrictGov.org).

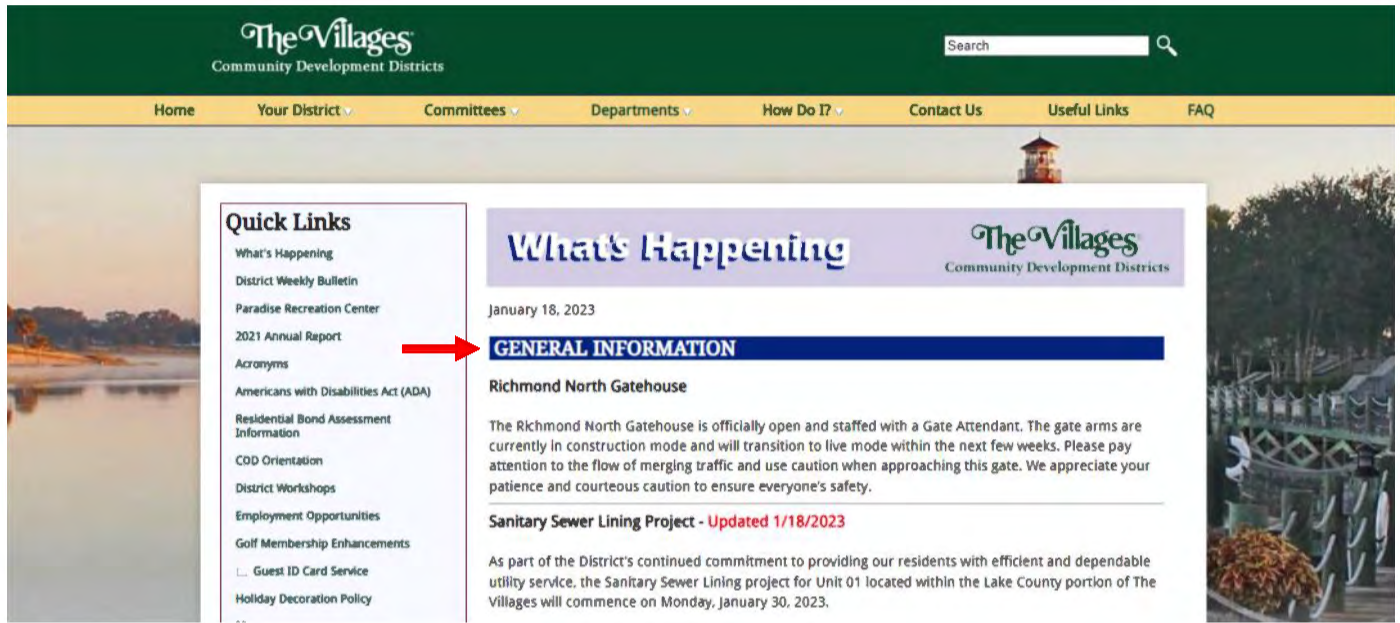


2. On the left-hand side of the page under Quick Links, click on What's Happening.



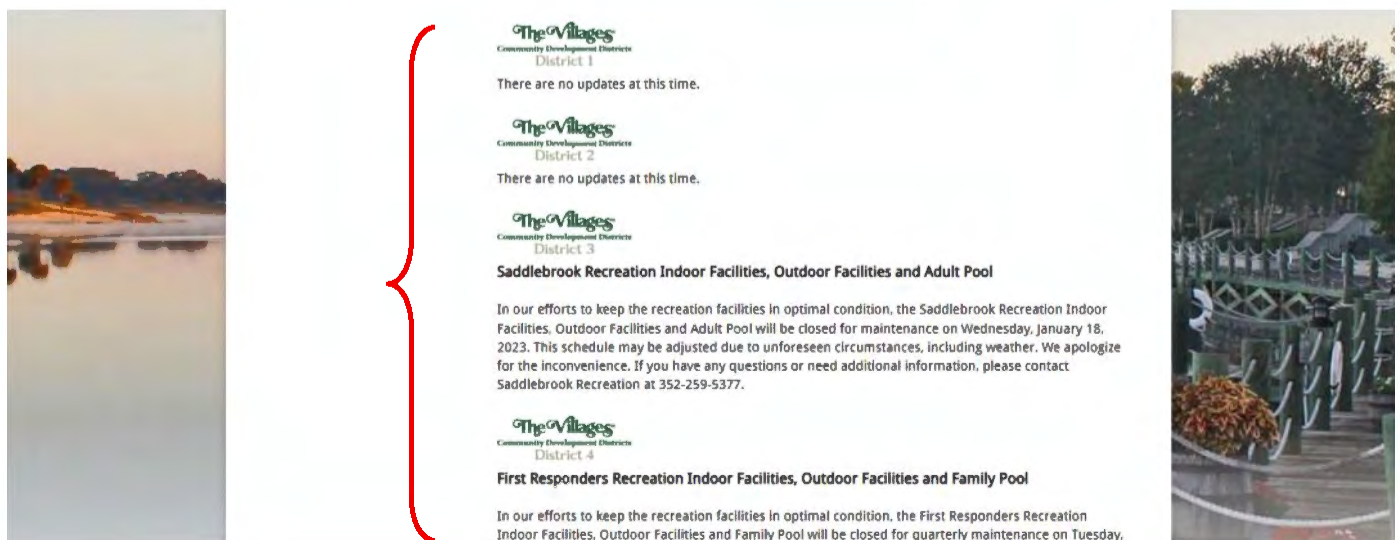


- 3. Any road closures, utility projects or scheduled maintenance work will be listed under General Information at the top of the [What's Happening](#) page.



If details on any project or closure change or if schedule dates are adjusted, the information is updated on this page as soon as it becomes available. Any notices that have been changed will note the date they were last updated in red.

- 4. In addition, any recreation center closures are listed by District below the General Information section on [What's Happening](#). Scroll down to find yours.



## Information Provided By...

### Defensive Driving

It's that time of year when roads are at their most congested as people flock to the beautiful Florida winter weather. With more people on the roads around this time of year, and always, it is important to drive defensively. Defensive driving is essentially driving in a manner that utilizes safe driving strategies to enable motorists to address identified hazards in a predictable manner. Exercising defensive driving techniques can reduce your driving risks by helping you anticipate situations and make well-informed decisions.

### Traffic Crashes

Losses from traffic crashes have both social and personal impacts. Approximately 41,000 people die annually as a result of traffic collisions, with an additional 3,236,000 injuries. About 38% of all fatal car crashes are alcohol-related with another 30% attributed to speeding.

The causes of these crashes, emotional impact and cost in dollars spent on car crashes are typically covered in defensive driving courses. The goal of good defensive driving is to reduce the risk of these accidents by properly educating drivers to exercise caution and good judgment while driving.

### Psychological Factors

On the roadways, drivers have to deal with several factors that can affect their driving. Defensive driving courses tend to focus on how drivers can overcome negative psychological factors such as stress, fatigue, emotional distress and road rage.



The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration conservatively estimates that 100,000 police-reported crashes are the direct result of driver fatigue each year. This results in an estimated 1,550 deaths, 71,000 injuries and \$12.5 billion in monetary losses.



## Information Provided By...

### **Human Factors – DUI**

Driving under the influence (DUI) of drugs or alcohol continues to impact thousands of American drivers each year. While the specific effect of each drug on your body takes place in differing stages, the effect of drivers operating a vehicle while under the influence is disastrous.

Driving under the influence is an offense under Florida law. The offense is proved by impairment of "normal faculties" or unlawful blood alcohol or breath alcohol level of .08 or above.

### **The Dynamics of a Crash**

Vehicle crashes are almost always a preventable result of a series of events. The combination of speed, place of impact and size of the object being impacted can determine the severity of the crash. In every accident, however, the act of one vehicle hitting another vehicle or object is not the only collision that can occur.

The concept of the second collision, in which the driver and other passengers collide with the windshield, seat or other objects within the car when not wearing a seat belt can be just as dangerous as the initial collision.

Defensive driving courses address the issue of vehicle crashes and second collisions by listing the elements of a crash and illustrating how the forces of impact can be avoided or limited.

### **Safety Equipment**

Approximately half of all deaths that are the result of an automobile crash could have been avoided if the victim were wearing a safety belt properly. While safety belts are one of the most commonly thought-of vehicle safety tools, items such as airbags, child safety seats and headrests all serve to protect drivers and passengers and reduce the risk of injury or death in the event of a crash. Defensive driving courses offer tips on how to use these devices properly and ensure your safety when traveling the roadways.

## Information Provided By...

### Crash Prevention Techniques

The key to any good defensive driving strategy is knowing how to avoid traffic crashes and recognize potential hazards before it's too late. In a typical defensive driving course, students learn crucial crash-prevention techniques that include:

- Scanning the roadway and adapting to surroundings.
- Employing the three to four-second rule for following distances.
- Knowing your vehicle's stopping distance.
- Being aware of reaction distance.
- Environment hazards.
- Vehicle emergencies.
- Sharing the road.
- Passing and necessary clear distance.
- Right of way.
- Speed adjustments and railroad crossings.
- Be aware of your surroundings — always pay attention.



### Being a defensive driver is being a good driver

Buckle up, and never drive impaired — whether it be alcohol, prescription medications, anger or fatigue. Share the roadways but know the right of way. Always scan the roadways and be aware of your surroundings. Do not make sudden decisions that could potentially cause a wreck. Never tailgate. There should always be a vehicle length between you and the car ahead of you. Defensive driving techniques should also be practiced when in a golf car, not just a vehicle.

Source: [https://www.safemotorist.com/Articles/Defensive\\_Driving/](https://www.safemotorist.com/Articles/Defensive_Driving/).



# Information Provided by the Wildwood Police Department

## WILDWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS



# SCAMS AND FRAUD INFORMATION SESSION OUTSMARTING SCAMMERS

Together we can  
**STOP**  
the criminal

### Presentation 1:



01/18/23

Wildwood Community Center  
6500 Powell Road,  
Wildwood, FL 34785

### Presentation 2:



01/25/23

Everglades Recreation Center  
5497 Marsh Bend Trail,  
Wildwood, FL 34785

### Presentation 3:



02/01/23

Lady Lake Public Library  
225 West Guava Street  
Lady Lake, FL 32159

OR...

OR...

**All three presentations are the same-doors open 9:30 am/event begins 10:00 am**  
Seating is limited, registration required for in-person and Zoom attendance.  
Call Humana to RSVP at (407) 342-8821. (Zoom codes will be emailed 1-day prior to event)

### Topics covered:

- Credit Card Scam
- Grandparent Scam
- IRS Scam

- Tax Identity Theft Scam
- Utility Company Scam
- Fake Debt Collector Call Scam
- Identity -Theft Scam

- Social Security Imposter Scam
- Tax Identity Theft Scam
- Fake Amazon Email Scam & more!

Includes: Free guides and resources for scam/fraud prevention, tips from professionals

- 10:00 - 10:15 am Welcome & Announcements  
Wildwood PD Sgt David Perry
- 10:15 - 10:45 am Seniors vs Crimes Stephen Renico:  
Telephone & Computer Safety
- 10:45 - 11:45 am State of FL CFO Jimmy Patronis & Zane Ertel  
and Lady Lake PD Detective Jonathan Goehring  
Insurance Fraud/Phone Scams
- 11:45 am - 12:45 pm **LUNCH BREAK -  
FREE Lunch provided by Humana**
- 12:45 - 1:15 pm Community Watch Chief Nehemiah Wolfe  
The Villages Community Watch Dept Role/No Solicitation
- 1:15 - 2:00 pm Q & A:  
Detective Sgt David Clarkson,  
Lady Lake PD Detective Matthew Duryea - Cryptocurrency Scams  
and 5th Judicial District State Attorney's Office



**RECOGNIZE FRAUD, REJECT IT & REPORT IT!**



# Information Provided By...

## **Sanitary Sewer Lining Project — Updated 1/18/2023**

As part of the District's continued commitment to providing our residents with efficient and dependable utility service, the Sanitary Sewer Lining project for Unit 01 located within the Lake County portion of The Villages will commence on Monday, January 30, 2023. Sewer lining is performed in-place and essentially results in a new pipe being installed inside of the existing pipe with no reduction of capacity. The rehabilitation of the system will improve the sewer system and reduce the potential for leaks.

**This project will temporarily impact roughly 87 homes along the following streets:**

- **Aloha Way**
- **Vermont Avenue**
- **Paradise Drive**
- **Owen Drive.**



All construction is anticipated to be completed within three weeks, ending around February 20, 2023. While a specific section of sewer pipeline is being lined, the affected residents' sewer connections will be out of service. The contractor will perform work during normal business hours. We ask that affected residents minimize their water use during these hours and please DO NOT shower, bathe, use dishwashers or washing machines during this time. We also ask that affected residents keep all toilet flushing to an absolute minimum. Service will likely be restored within 4 – 8 hours or by end of each day. All affected residents will receive at least 24-hour notice of their scheduled outage via door hangers.

The safety of our residents and construction personnel is of the utmost importance. We are requesting everyone to abide by all barricades and warning signs and to avoid the active construction areas for anything other than access to your property. Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we improve our wastewater system. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact District Utilities at 352-753-4022.



## Information Provided By...

**The Villages®**  
Community Development Districts  
**Property Management**

### **Upcoming Roadwork — Updated 1/18/2023**

District Property Management has scheduled upcoming asphalt rejuvenation. If you live in a villa where work is scheduled, signs will be posted at both your villa entry and local postal stations approximately 1 week before work begins. Door knockers will also be hung at each residence 24 hours prior to work commencing. The first roads are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Any updates to the schedule on the following pages will be made as soon as they become available. Delays may occur due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather.

**EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: DO NOT RUN IRRIGATION OR CAR WASH THE DAY BEFORE, THE DAY OF OR THE DAY AFTER TREATMENT. ROADS MUST BE COMPLETELY DRY FOR THE PRODUCT APPLICATION TO BE SUCCESSFUL. AVOID DRIVING ON THE ROAD FOR 30-45 MINUTES AFTERWARD.**

Roadwork normally causes temporary inconveniences. We always strive to minimize difficulties. Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation! We strongly recommend you follow all instructions provided here (below) and any directions given by workers in your villa. We rely on your cooperation for this project to be completed quickly and smoothly.

#### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

- Remove parked cars from the roadway between the hours of 7:30 AM to 5 PM.
- You will have access to your driveway at all times during the application period.
- Drive SLOWLY if you accidentally enter a freshly treated area (i.e. 5 MPH).
- Sand cover will be swept up within 2 days of the work completion. Use caution when driving on loose sand.
- Keep children and pets out of treated areas to avoid tracking into houses.
- Product tracked onto driveways will disappear within in 3 weeks or less following product application and will leave no stain.
- Product is not meant to noticeably change the roadway's color.
- Any work crew member can assist you during the application.

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## Upcoming Roadwork – Updated 1/18/2023

### Why is this process necessary?

We shouldn't buy a new car and never perform an oil change on it. Those oil changes are considered part of preventative maintenance to help keep your car in good condition for many years. Asphalt roads are not much different! Without timely preventative maintenance, an asphalt road will deteriorate faster than necessary. The asphalt rejuvenation product is replacing vital binding ingredients that have been lost over time due to exposure to the sun's UV rays and wet weather. When applied to brand new pavements, the product protects asphalt from future damage, protecting one of our most important assets. Extending the life of your roadways helps ensure a smooth ride for years to come and reduces overall maintenance costs. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact District Property Management at 352-753-4022.

### Tentative schedule:

*Delays may occur due to unforeseen circumstances, including weather.*

#### District 3

- 1/26/23 – Amelia Villas
- 1/26/23 – Fernandina Villas

#### District 4

- 2/7/23 – Belle Meade West
- 2/7/23 – Gate Areas Phase 2
- 2/8/23 – Gate Areas Phase 1
- 2/8/23 – Unit 66

#### District 5

- 1/26/23 – Hialeah Villas
- 1/26/23 – Cherry Hill Villas
- 1/27/23 – Inglewood Villas
- 1/27/23 – Ezell Villas
- 1/27/23 – Heritage Villas
- 1/27/23 – Clifton Villas
- 1/30/23 – Swainwood Villas
- 1/30/23 – Clayton Villas
- 1/30/23 – Bellamy Villas



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## Upcoming Roadwork — Updated 1/18/2023

### District 5 Cont.

- 1/30/23 – Jasper Villas
- 1/31/23 – Eagle Ridge Villas
- 1/31/23 – Mount Vernon Villas
- 1/31/23 – Chesterfield Villas

### District 6

- 1/23/23 – Cherry Vale Villas
- 1/23/23 – Virginia Vine Villas
- 1/23/23 – Stillwater Villas
- 1/23/23 – Elizabeth Villas
- 1/24/23 – Richmond Villas
- 1/24/23 – Hampton Villas
- 1/24/23 – Carlton Villas
- 1/25/23 – Alexa Villas
- 1/25/23 – Janeann Villa
- 1/25/23 – Natalie Villas

### District 7

- 1/19/23 – Kenya Villas
- 1/19/23 – Allendale Villas
- 1/19/23 – Crestwood Villas
- 1/19/23 – Double Palms Villas
- 1/19/23 – Holly Hill Villas
- 2/9/23 – MMP - Canal/Stillwater
- 2/9/23 – MMP - Winn Dixie
- 2/9/23 – MMP - Tunnel M6

### District 11

- 1/20/23 – Jackson Villas
- 1/20/23 – Leo Villas
- 1/20/23 – Reagan Villas

### Brownwood Paddock Square

- 2/3/23 – Brownwood Blvd
- 2/3/23 – West Torch Lake Dr
- 2/3/23 – Meggison Rd
- 2/6/23 – Kiessel Rd
- 2/6/23 – Shady Nook Run

### Spanish Springs Town Square

- 2/1/23 – Paige
- 2/1/23 – Main St
- 2/1/23 – Alonzo Ave
- 2/2/23 – Alvarez Ave
- 2/2/23 – Caballero Ct
- 2/2/23 – Del Mar Dr
- 2/2/23 – La Grande Blvd
- 2/2/23 – La Plaza Pkwy
- 2/2/23 – Bichara Blvd

## Information Provided By...



## Villa Road Underdrain Construction Information — Updated 1/5/2023

Underdrains are being installed underneath roadways at Soulliere, Atwood, Belle Glade, and Callahan Villas for the purpose of extending the lifetime of the road pavement. The underdrains will serve to move moisture from underneath the road base and route water into the existing stormwater drainage system. The installation process involves saw-cutting a 2-foot-wide trench down the center of the roadway. Existing material will be removed for installation of filter fabric and 3 inches of #57 limerock gravel, which will be placed in the trench. The underdrain pipe will be installed in the trench and encased with #57 limerock and filter fabric. The road base will be replaced up to the grade of the existing asphalt. The trench can then be safely driven on until the road is repaved.

Ciraco Underground will begin construction at the following locations during the dates indicated:

### Soulliere Villas

- SE 74th Soulliere Ave (from Cole Loop to Gage Street): 1/17 – 1/24
- SE 169th Gage Street: 1/25 – 2/1
- SE 73rd Tim Terrace: 2/2 – 2/9
- SE 168th Depietro Lane: 2/10 – 2/17
- SE 73rd Lynn Court (from Depietro Lane to Mitzi Street): 2/20
- SE 168th Mitzi Street: 2/21 – 2/28
- SE 73rd Lynn Court (from Mitzi Street to Zina Lane): 3/1 – 3/8
- SE 167th Zina Lane: 3/9 – 3/16
- SE 74th Soulliere Ave (from Gage Street to road end): 3/17 – 3/24

Approximately 60 days total for underdrain installation

Repaving: 3/27 – 4/24 (approximately 28 days)



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## Villa Road Underdrain Construction Information — Updated 1/5/2023

### Atwood Villas

- Essex Court/Beadle Place (from Essex Court and Torch Point Lane to Beadle Place and Farrell Ave): 4/3 – 4/7
- Farrell Ave: 4/10 – 4/14
- Beadle Place (from Farrell Ave to Torch Point Lane): 4/17 – 4/21
- Torch Point Lane: 4/24 – 5/5

Repaving: 5/8 – 5/31 (approximately 23 days)

### Belle Glade Villas

- Wickham Court: 6/2 – 6/9
- Wekiva Street: 6/12 – 6/16
- Venetian Lane: 6/19 – 6/23
- Belle Glade Ave: 6/26 – 6/30

### Callahan Villas

- Universal Ave: 7/3 – 7/7
- Ybor Lane: 7/10 – 7/14
- Xanthus Court: 7/17 – 7/21
- Vagabond Street: 7/24 – 8/4

Repaving for both Belle Glade and Callahan: 8/7 – 8/29 (approximately 22 days)

Milling and resurfacing will be performed in the same sequence as the underdrain installation. Dates may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances such as inclement weather or asphalt material shortage. Everything possible will be done to minimize your inconvenience.

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### **Villa Road Underdrain Construction Information – Updated 1/5/2023**

Please do NOT run your irrigation or wash your vehicle while construction is performed on your roadway as it will increase the work time. 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.

For the safety of our crews and all residents, we ask that you reschedule any work or deliveries to your residence until the underdrain installation (or the paving to follow after underdrain installation) is complete, as they may be denied access. Only residents and emergency vehicles will have immediate access during the construction. 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. When traveling through the construction, please drive slowly and watch for and listen to directions provided by the construction workers.

Please be aware that in some cases, residents have installed decorative curbing, pavers, landscape, and other features within the District road right-of-way area or decorative curbing over the top of the asphalt. While our contractor is diligent in performing operations and will take all precautions to protect your property, these improvements which are in the road right-of-way areas or encroaching into the street are subject to damage or destruction without compensation to the resident. Residents may wish to remove items from the road right-of-way areas in advance of repaving to mitigate the potential for damage. The District will not make repairs, restoration or restitution for items within the road right-of-way that are inadvertently damaged during construction.

Our goal is to give you a new road that will last a maximum lifespan, with the least amount of inconvenience. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. For additional information, please contact District Property Management at 352-753-4022.



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**CURRENT  
 OPEN POSITIONS**

<b>Community Watch</b>
Dispatcher - Full Time, Revolving 12 Hour Shift
Dispatcher Substitute - 8 hour shifts *
Gate Attendant - 6 hour shifts, regular & substitutes *
Patrol Driver - 8 hour shifts, regular & substitutes *

<b>Public Safety</b>
Firefighter EMT
Firefighter Paramedic
Single Certification Emergency Medical Technician

<b>Finance</b>
Staff Accountant - General Ledger
Accounting Technician - Revenue Specialist
Senior Accountant

<b>Purchasing</b>
Purchasing Manager

<b>Human Resources</b>
Human Resources Administrator

<b>Recreation &amp; Parks</b>
Recreation Assistant *
Recreation Service Representative *
Recreation Leader - Fitness *

\*= Part-Time



**Apply online by scanning the QR code or go to:  
 DistrictGov.org > Departments > Human  
 Resources > Current Employment Opportunities**



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

⇒ **Chula Vista Recreation Buffalo Bill and Hiawatha Rooms**

The Chula Vista Recreation Buffalo Bill and Hiawatha Rooms will be closed for maintenance January 24th through February 2nd.

⇒ **First Responders Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**

The First Responders Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool will be closed for quarterly maintenance on January 24th.

⇒ **Pimlico Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**

The Pimlico Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool will be closed for quarterly cleaning on January 25th.

⇒ **Caroline Recreation Adult Pool**

The Caroline Recreation Adult Pool will be closed for maintenance January 27th through February 17th.

⇒ **Amelia Recreation Adult Pool**

The Amelia Recreation Adult Pool will be closed for maintenance January 6th through January 27th.

⇒ **Coconut Cove Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**

The Coconut Cove Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool will be closed for maintenance on January 26th.

⇒ **Truman Recreation Shuffleboard Courts**

The Truman Recreation Shuffleboard Courts will be closed January 16th through February 6th.

⇒ **Bradenton Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**

The Bradenton Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool will be closed for quarterly cleaning on February 6th.