

The Villages® Community Development Districts

DISTRICT WEEKLY BULLETIN

May 8, 2025

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Join us in spreading the word about hurricane safety and preparedness during <u>National Hurricane</u> <u>Preparedness Week</u> (HPW), May 4-10, 2025.

Each day has a theme to help everyone prepare and stay safe during hurricane season:

<u>Know Your Risk: Water & Wind</u>
 <u>Prepare Before Hurricane Season</u>
 <u>Understand Forecast Information</u>
 <u>Get Moving When a Storm Threatens</u>
 <u>Stay Protected During Storms</u>
 <u>Use Caution After Storms</u>
 <u>Take Action Today</u>

The themes and messaging can be found in the <u>social</u> <u>media plan</u> and content is also available in <u>Spanish</u>, <u>Chinese</u> and <u>Vietnamese</u>. Videos aligning with the themes are available in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u>.

• Information provided by the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)







THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT PARTICIPATED

IN THE 2025 HURRICANE EXPO.







Thanks to your participation, we were able to provide much needed monetary donations to local food banks:

Wildwood Soup Kitchen \$ 800.00

Salvation Army	\$ 300.00		
Christian Food Pantry	\$ 350.00		











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Hospitality **♦** Stewardship **♦** Creativity **♦** Hard Work 3035 S. Morse Boulevard, The Villages, FL 32163



Turf fertilization in Florida during the spring is crucial for maintaining a healthy and vibrant lawn throughout the growing season. As Florida's climate is characterized by warm temperatures, especially in the spring, it is essential to use fertilizers tailored to warm-season grasses, such as St. Augustine, Bermuda, Zoysia, and Bahia. These grasses thrive in the heat and humidity of Florida, but they require proper nutrition to remain lush and green. The primary nutrients needed are nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium, with nitrogen being particularly important for encouraging healthy growth and deep green color. Choosing a fertilizer with a balanced nutrient ratio, such as a 3:1:2 ratio (nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium), helps to address the specific needs of Florida turfgrass during this time.

The timing of fertilization is just as important as the type of fertilizer used. Spring fertilization should typically occur between late March and early May, when the soil temperature reaches around 65-70°F, signaling the onset of the growing season. Applying fertilizer too early or too late can lead to ineffective nutrient absorption or nutrient runoff, which can harm the environment. Early spring fertilization helps the turf recover from the cooler winter months and stimulates growth as the grass begins to actively grow. It's best to apply fertilizers when the grass is dry, followed by watering to ensure the nutrients reach the soil and are absorbed by the root system.

In Florida, it's vital to follow a proper fertilization schedule to prevent overfertilization, which can result in excessive growth, disease, or increased vulnerability to pests. Over-fertilizing can also lead to nutrient runoff, which pollutes local waterways and contributes to harmful algae blooms. To avoid these issues, homeowners should use slow-release fertilizers that provide a steady supply of nutrients over time, reducing the risk of burning the grass or causing nutrient imbalances. It is also advisable to avoid fertilizing during periods of drought or extreme heat, as the grass may not effectively take in the nutrients. By adhering to a balanced fertilization schedule and applying the right type of fertilizer, Florida residents can enjoy a healthy and thriving lawn throughout the spring.

If you have any questions or would like more information, you may contact the Property Management Department by email at <u>PropertyManagement@DistrictGov.org</u> or by phone at 352-753-4022.

The Villages® Community Development Districts Executive Golf

To ensure the Executive Golf courses are kept in optimal condition the following courses are under refurbishment. Please note, this scheduled closure may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to weather and materials supply.

Thanks so much for you cooperation during this time. For information on this project please contact District Property Management at 352-753-4022.

Executive Course Closures

- Bacall- under renovation
- Bogart- under renovation
- De La Vista- under renovation
- Hawkes Bay- bunker renovation
- Palmetto- bunker renovation
- Pelican- reopening soon
- Pimlico- reopening soon 5/28/2025
- Walnut Grove- renovation starts 5/12/25



Celebrate Moms this Sunday!

This Mother's Day treat the mom in your life to an exclusive scenic boat excursion on the waters of Lake Sumter.





<u>Memorial Day Holiday</u>

All Recreation offices will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2025 in observance of Memorial Day. The recreation centers, outdoor facilities, swimming pools and fitness clubs will be open for your enjoyment.

Guest ID Cards, Executive Trail Fees and Activity Registration will be available at Lake Miona, Eisenhower, Rohan and Everglades At Your Service Centers from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 24th, Sunday, May 25th & Monday, May 26th, Regular services will resume on Tuesday, May 27, 2024.

Enjoy your Memorial Day!

Recreation Center Emergency Address Information

Our dedicated staff is here to help you get the most out of your unique Villages lifestyle. When enjoying your choice of activities, we ask that you remember participating in recreational activities always involves some degree of risk. Participants assume full responsibility for and risk of bodily injury arising out of or in any way connected with participation or involvement in or presence at the activity or program. To assist you with emergency situations, the recreation & parks department has provided all outside recreation areas with a bulletin board that has important 911 information including the address/county/phone number you are calling from. Emergency 911 phones are located at all equipment buildings and pools with pertinent emergency information. We encourage all residents to become familiar with their recreation centers and 911 information. Please when visiting any recreation center or swimming pool take a moment to locate these helpful areas.

Courtesy Phones AT RECREATION FACILITIES

IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 911

- All outside recreation facilities have important 911 information posted in case of an emergency.
- The information provides you with the:
 - Address of your location
 - · County of your location
 - · Phone Number of your location
- Emergency 911 phones are located at all equipment buildings and pools with important emergency information.
- When visiting any recreation center or swimming pool, please take a moment to locate this important 911 information and the location of 911 emergency phones.

COURTESY PHONES

- Courtesy phones are available for use by residents and guests in case of an emergency or to reach a Recreation team member.
- Courtesy phones are available at all pools and equipment sheds with the facility name and address posted on the wall by the phone.
- For non-emergency matters you can call Community Watch at 352-753-0550.

The Villages Recreation & Parks

More information: DistrictGov.org | RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org | 352-674-1800



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OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

It is important to remember not to irrigate just because it is your scheduled day. Irrigation systems should only be operated when the lawn begins to show signs of stress, some examples are:

- Lingering footprints or mower tracks
- Grass blades or leaf blades begin to close lengthwise
- The top inches of soil feel dry

The amount of irrigation varies depending on the time of year, rainfall and soil conditions.

Turn your irrigation timer off after rainfall events and let your lawn "tell" you when you need to turn the timer back on.

Recommended Zone Run Times

If a particular zone begins to show signs of stress, only set the irrigation system to irrigate the stressed zone, don't run the entire system.



Irrigation Zone Type	Winter Dec-Feb		Spring & Summer March-Sept		Fall Oct–Nov	
	Run Time	Frequency	Run Time	Frequency	Run Time	Frequency
Plants	OFF	OFF	15 min	1/week	10 min	1/week
Turf by Rotors	30 min	1/week	40 min	1/week	30 min	1/week
Turf by Sprays	15min	1/week	25min	1/week	15min	1/week

The Villages Community Development Districts Utilities OUTDOOP W/ATER

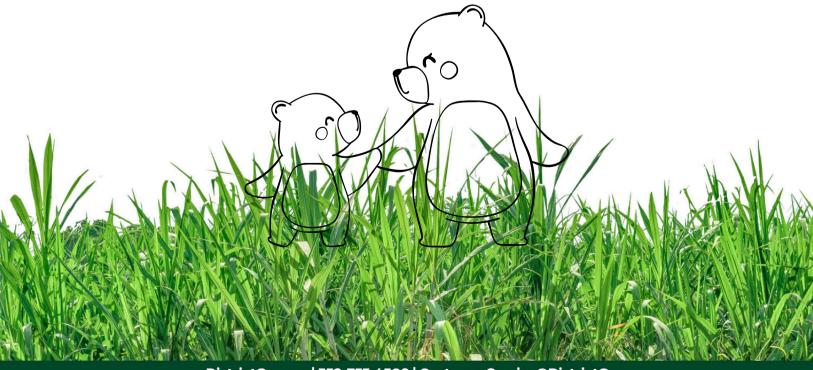
OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

- Use a hose with an automatic shutoff nozzle to water flower beds and dry spots.
- Learn to operate your irrigation system properly and check yours settings monthly to be sure that it is operating on the right day and time. Also, verify that no extra start times are turned on.
- Check rain sensors monthly to ensure they're not clogged.
- Follow Florida Friendly Landscaping Principles - visit
 FloridaYards.org.

- Cut your grass at the highest recommended height (4" for St. Augustine or Bahia, 2" for Empire Zoysia).
- Mow regularly, cutting no more than 1/3 of the grass length.
- Keep mower blades sharp. Dull blades tear grass, opening it to disease and causing grass to appear tan and ragged.

Visit TheVillagesWaterWisdom.

com for more conservation tips!



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How can I save money adjusting my irrigation timer?

Turn your irrigation timer off after rainfall events and let your lawn "tell" you when you need to turn the timer back on. If a particular zone begins to show signs of stress, only set the irrigation system to irrigate the stressed zone, don't run the entire system. Rain sensors should be checked monthly to ensure that they are not clogged with debris. Your irrigation system settings should also be checked monthly to be sure that it is operating on the proper day and time and to verify that no "extra" start times are accidentally turned on. Know and follow your watering restrictions and don't water just because it's your day!

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The amount of irrigation needed varies depending on the time of year, rainfall, and soil conditions. Irrigation systems should only be operated when lawns begin showing signs of stress, such as:

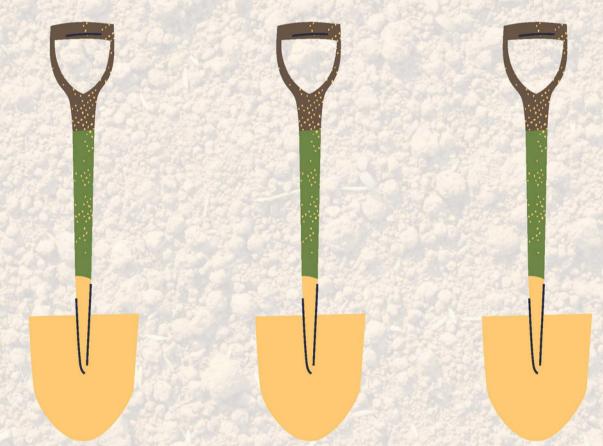
- Lingering footprints/mower tracks
- Grass blades or leaf blades begin to close lengthwise
- The top few inches of soil feel dry

Lawn and landscape watering is limited to two days per week during the hours of 12 AM–10 AM or 4 PM–12 AM. To find the correct irrigation schedule for your residence, along with other helpful topics, click on the graphic below!



Water Reclamation Facility GROUNDBREAKING

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 9:00 a.m.



Join the City of Wildwood in celebrating the construction of its new state-of-the-art facility at 1290 Industrial Drive.



Open to the Public Click Here for More Information



FACILITY CLOSURES



- Allamanda Recreation Shuffleboard Courts, resurfacing Monday, May 26 – Monday, June 9 Atlas Recreation Dog Park Monday, May 12 – Sunday, June 1 Bridgeport Recreation Billiards Hall, table recovering • Wednesday, May 21 - Friday, May 23 Burnsed Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool • Wednesday, June 4 Creekside Neighborhood Recreation Area and Family Pool, pool refurbishment • Friday, May 16 - Friday, June 6 Dudley Recreation Dog Park, sod replacement Monday, May 12 – Sunday, May 25 Duval Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool • Friday, May 16 Everglades Recreation Sports Pool • Tuesday, May 20 • First Responders Recreation Lawn Bowling/Croquet Green, rest and relaxation Friday, May 2 – Friday, May 9 Hibiscus Recreation Shuffleboard Courts, resurfacing Monday, May 12 – Monday, May 26 Hibiscus Recreation Indoor Facilities, wallpapering and lighting Monday, May 26 – Saturday, June 21 Mulberry Grove Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing • Thursday, May 15, 7am-12pm La Hacienda Regional Recreation Center, HVAC replacement • Friday, April 4 – Sunday, July 13 La Hacienda Recreation Pickleball, Tennis Courts and Sports Pool Monday, May 19 – Friday May 23 Lake Miona Recreation Shuffleboard Courts, resurfacing Monday, April 28 – Sunday, May 11 Lake Miona Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool • Tuesday, May 13
- Laurel Manor Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool
 Thursday, May 15
- Odell Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 Wednesday, May 14
- Rohan Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing
 Tuesday, May 27, 7am-12pm
- Rupert Dog Park
 - Monday, April 28 Sunday, May 11
- Spanish Moss Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing
 - Monday, May 19, 7am-12pm



NOTICE OF VACANCY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE



NOTICE OF VACANCY VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Village Community Development District No. 6 Board of Supervisors is seeking applicants who are interested in filling Seat 5, which was recently vacated due to the resignation of an existing Board Supervisor. The remainder of the existing four (4) year term for the vacated Seat will expire in November 2026.

Any interested applicants must be a qualified elector which is defined by Florida Statute 190 as "any person at least 18 years of age who is a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of Florida and of the district, and who registers to vote with the Supervisor of Elections in the county in which the district land is located". To obtain additional information or request an application you may contact Jennifer Farlow, District Clerk at (352) 751-3939 or obtain a copy of the application from the District 6 Homepage on the <u>www.districtgov.org</u> website.

Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at the District Office, 3571 Kiessel Road, The Villages 32163.

The Board of Supervisors will interview applicants at their Board Meeting to be held on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at SeaBreeze Recreation Center 2384 Buena Vista Boulevard, The Villages.



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CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

Are you looking for employment?

If so, look no further than the Villages Community Development District.

All of our current job openings are listed on through our website by visiting <u>www.DistrictGov.org</u> > Contact Us > Careers > See All Openings.

Or **<u>CLICK HERE</u>** to view the latest openings

You can contact us Monday-Friday 8a-5p with any questions or inquires, at 352-674-1905.



Scan the QR code to apply online or visit DistrictGov.org > Contact Us>Careers

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Administration 352-751-3939 Email

Bond Division 352-751-3900 <u>Email</u>

Budget 352-674-1920 <u>Email</u>

Community Standards 352-751-3912 <u>Deed Compliance</u> ARC Review

Community Watch 352-753-0550 <u>Email</u>

Customer Service 352-753-4508 <u>Email</u> District Clerk 352-751-3939 Email

Executive Golf Maintenance 352-674-1885 Email

Finance 352-753-0421 <u>Email</u>

Golf & Tennis Operations 352-753-3396 Email

Human Resources 352-674-1905 Email

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Risk Management 352-674-1828 <u>Email</u>

Utility Billing 352-750-0000 Email