



The Villages®
Community Development Districts

DISTRICT WEEKLY BULLETIN

July 31, 2025

Florida Enacts New Permanent Sales Tax Exemptions

The Florida Department of Revenue has enacted permanent sales and use tax exemptions on sales of items that were previously exempted temporarily during the state's past disaster preparedness and freedom month sales tax holidays.

Effective August 1, 2025, the following items are always exempt from Florida sales and use tax:

- Batteries (only AA, AAA, C, D, 6-volt, and 9-volt)
- Bicycle helmets (Youth bicycle helmets were previously exempt. All bicycle helmets are exempt effective August 1, 2025.)
- Carbon monoxide alarms
- Fire extinguishers
- Ground anchor systems and tie-down kits
- Insect repellent
- Life jackets
- Portable gas cans with a capacity of 5 gallons or less
- Portable generators capable of producing 10,000 running watts or less
- Smoke detection devices
- Sunscreen (excluding cosmetics or other products that are not primarily intended to absorb, reflect, or scatter ultraviolet radiation)
- Waterproof tarpaulins (flexible waterproof tarps and sheeting that are 1,000 square feet or less)

(Tax Information Publication No. 25A01-05, Florida Department of Revenue, July 1, 2025)

SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS ON DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SUPPLIES

Permanent sales tax exemption for the following items starting August 1, 2025:

Batteries (AA-cell, AAA-cell, C-cell, D-cell, 6-volt, or 9-volt)	Portable generators
Fire extinguishers	Smoke detection devices and carbon monoxide alarms
Insect repellent	Waterproof tarps (1,000 sq. ft. or less)
Life jackets	Sunscreen
Portable gas or diesel cans (max 5 gal)	Ground anchor systems and tie-down kits

FloridaDisaster.org/Kit



The Brownwood District Customer Service Center's main entrance and parking lot are located on the backside of the building, directly across from The Lofts at Brownwood. ****[See it on a map](#)****

If you have any inquiries or need further information, please reach out to the District Customer Service Center at 352-753-4508.



WELCOME AUGUST - National Wellness Month!



Celebrate National Wellness Month during the entire month of August. It's time to prioritize your self-care, reduce stress, and create healthier habits to feel like your best self! This August, take the “*I Choose Wellness*” pledge and make a promise to yourself to prioritize your self-care. Choose one small daily habit, such as drinking 64 ounces of water daily or walking 10,000 steps. Taking the 31 day challenge during National Wellness Month will help you discover a new way to can take care of yourself. You might consider exploring different offers at your local spa and wellness business to try something new! Learn more at wellnessmonth.com

Wellness Tips:

- Increase your water intake.
- Adding more fruits and veggies to your meals.
- Monitoring your sleep and making adjustments for better sleep habits
- Joining a yoga, walking, or aerobics class.



Fun Facts About August:

- August is the only month that is also one of the top 1,000 names for men.
- The Purple Heart was created on August 7, 1782.
- More people move in August than any other month!
- Watch for the Perseid meteor shower, occuring every year in August!

August Zodiac Signs: Leo or Virgo

Birth Flower: Gladiolus and Poppy

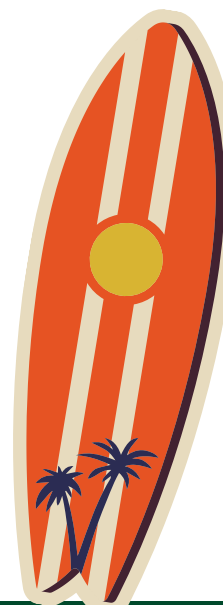


Birthstone: Peridot



Notable people born in August include:

- Louis Armstrong
- Neil Armstrong
- Lucille Ball
- Benjamin Harrison
- Herbert Hoover
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Bill Clinton
- Barack Obama
- Jerry Garcia
- Smokey Bear
- Sam Elliot
- Gillian Anderson
- Margaret Burbidge
- [Orville Wright](#)
- Coco Chanel
- H.P. Lovecraft
- Connie Chung
- Amy Adams



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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.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. For any further information, please contact District's Executive Golf Maintenance at (352) 674-1885 or executivegolfmaintenance@districtgov.org.

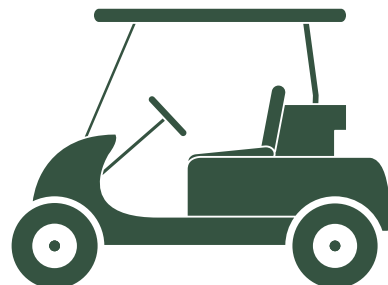
Executive Course Closures

Course Closures

- Bacall
- Bogart
- Bonita Pass
- De La Vista
- Mira Mesa
- Roosevelt - *on 8/2, rest & rehabilitation*
- Turtle Mound
- Walnut Grove

Re-Opening

- Mangrove - *on August 4th*



Recreation & Parks

Fit Club Summer Special

You only have one month left to purchase a 3 Month Fit Club membership for just \$100 – see below for more information.



RESIDENTS ONLY

FIT Club

\$100 SUMMER SPECIAL!

3 MONTHS

JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

Visit one of these Fit Clubs to **SIGN UP TODAY!**

COLONY COTTAGE	EZELL	FENNEY	LAUREL MANOR	MULBERRY GROVE	ROHAN	SEABREEZE
352-750-5282	352-674-1859	352-674-8460	352-751-7101	352-674-1829	352-674-8404	352-750-0237

FOR MORE INFORMATION: DistrictGov.org | 352-674-1800 | RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org



Scheduled Usage of Outdoor Courts

Resident groups wishing to use outdoor courts must complete an application for court time. These groups are organized by a resident who is the point of contact.

Examples of groups including neighborhood, skill levels, and common interests. Applications for the Fall/Winter season (Oct 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026) will be accepted August 15th – 31st. Applications are available at any recreation center or [download here](#).

Recreation & Parks



Outdoor Court Reservations

Fall/Winter Season Dates:
October 1st 2025 - March 31st 2026

Scheduling of facilities will be based on availability.

Applications are available at all recreation centers and online.
Visit DistrictGov.org > Recreation, Parks, & Golf > Sports >
Outdoor Court Use Application

Residents may submit their completed and signed application
directly to the center they are interested in reserving.

Requests Accepted August 15 - 31

Permits Issued no later than Sept. 19

Staff will contact permit holders to issue Facility Use contracts.

MORE INFO: RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org | 352-674-1800

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Recreation & Parks



Wireless Access Overview for Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Groups & Rentals

The Recreation & Parks Department offers limited wireless access of devices. Customers may access the wireless service available at all recreation centers with the exception of Southside and the neighborhood centers. The use of any application of this service is for limited WiFi capability, and to assist our residents within the lobby areas, with limited service in the recreation centers.

Eligible guests may access the wireless internet if the resident is present. Residents will need Wireless laptop, Village ID card and their golf PIN number in order to access the Wireless service. For questions or assistance contact the recreation center staff or go to Districtgov.org.



Community Development Districts
Utilities

SOLID WASTE BULK PICK-UP

Residents of Districts 1- 11

The following items can be placed in your regular household waste pick-up:

- Lamps
- Plastic Chairs
- Ceiling fans (blades must be removed)
- Brooms
- Pallets
- Carpeting and/or padding (No larger than 4' x 4' & less than 40 lbs.)

A Bulk Item Pick-Up will need to be scheduled for larger items such as:

- Microwaves and small kitchen appliances
- Office chairs/desk chairs/kitchen chairs
- 2-burner grills
- Flat-screen TVs
- Ironing boards
- Electronics (computers, stereo equipment, monitors etc.)
- Furniture (oversized chairs, mattresses, box springs, etc.)
- Appliances (washer, dryer, dishwasher, refrigerator)
- Lawn Mowers
- Exercise Equipment
- Remodeling debris generated by the homeowner ONLY (sinks, toilets, carpeting, lumber etc.)

***All Contractors are required to remove all debris from their jobs. This includes lawn maintenance, tree trimmers, builders, carpet installers, roofers, etc.**

**To schedule a bulk pick-up, call 352-748-0109.
There will be a \$10 charge added to your utilities and amenities bill
each time a bulk pick-up is requested.**



Community Development Districts
Utilities

SOLID WASTE BULK PICK-UP

Residents of Districts 12-15

Contact Utilities Customer Service at
(352) 750-0000 or by email at Utilities @
DistrictGov.org for more information or
to schedule a bulk pick-up.

Town of Lady Lake Residents

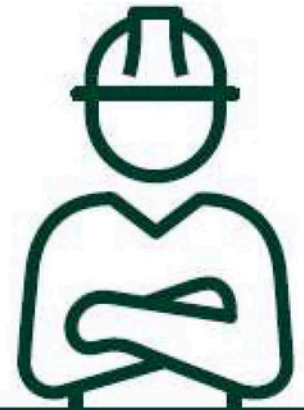
Contact Waste Management at
(352) 787-4416 with questions.

Residents living in the
unincorporated Lake County portion of
The Villages (*not including District 11*)

Contact Lake County Solid Waste at
(352) 343-3776 with questions.

Protect our sanitation workers

All resident and business trash is picked up by hand. When trash isn't disposed of properly, it puts our sanitation workers at risk of injury and other hazards.



Keep our workers safe by properly bagging your trash in a tightly sealed tall kitchen bag and placing it at the end of your driveway. Additional reminders for safe disposal are below.



SHARP OBJECTS

Glass and sharp objects should be wrapped in newspaper and placed in your trash bag.

Loose glass can rip trash bags and cause cuts and scrapes on the body of you or our workers.



YARD WASTE

Tree limbs and brush – like sylvester palms – should be bundled and placed at the end of the driveway. The limbs may not exceed 4" in diameter and the palm fronds should face the same direction. Lawn clippings and similar yard waste must be placed in bags.

If not disposed of properly, these items pose challenges with safe handling and loading as well as equipment damage.



MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED

Needles, hospital medical waste, paint, oil, lawn or pool chemicals, motor oil or tires are not accepted.

These items can cause fires, damage garbage trucks, are harmful to the environment, and may expose workers to needle stick injuries and potential infection.

FACILITY CLOSURES

- **Allamanda Recreation Indoor Facilities, HVAC replacement**
 - Monday, August 11 – Monday, September 15
- **Atlas Recreation Dog Park**
 - Monday, August 4 – Friday, August 8
- **Bradenton Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - Monday, August 4
- **Bridgeport Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - Friday, August 1
- **Buffalo Glen Softball Complex Field 1, outfield renovation**
 - Sunday, June 1 – Sunday, August 31
- **Canal Street Recreation Billiards Hall, table recovering**
 - Wednesday, August 6 – Friday, August 8
- **Cason Hammock Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, pool deck maintenance**
 - Monday, August 4
- **Charlotte Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool**
 - Friday, August 1
- **Churchill Street Recreation, HVAC replacement**
 - Monday, July 7 – Monday, August 11
- **Coconut Cove Recreation Large Meeting Room (Mai Tai), re-wallpapering & painting**
 - Monday, August 4 – Sunday, August 10
- **Colony Cottage Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing**
 - Friday, August 1, 7am-12pm
- **Dudley Recreation Dog Park, sod maintenance**
 - Monday, July 18 – Sunday, August 17
- **Dunedin Neighborhood Recreation Adult Pool, refurbishment**
 - Friday, August 1 – Friday, August 22
- **Ezell Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing**
 - Monday, August 4, 7am-12pm
- **Fish Hawk Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - Friday, August 8

FACILITY CLOSURES

- **Hadley Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool**
 - Friday, August 8
- **Hemingway Neighborhood Recreation Adult Pool**
 - Friday, August 8
- **Homestead Recreation Dog Park, maintenance and sod replacement**
 - Monday, July 7 – Sunday, August 3
- **La Hacienda Regional Recreation Center, HVAC replacement**
 - Friday, April 4 – Until Further Notice
- **La Hacienda Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing**
 - Monday, August 4
- **Laurel Manor Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool**
 - Tuesday, August 12
- **Pine Hills Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool**
 - Friday, August 1
- **Pine Ridge Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 30 – Wednesday, August 6
- **Rio Grande Neighborhood Recreation Family Pool**
 - Monday, August 4 – Tuesday, August 5
- **Rohan Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Monday, August 4, 7am-12pm
- **Rohan Recreation Theatre Room, installation of hearing loop system**
 - Monday, August 11 – Wednesday, August 13
- **Savannah Recreation Indoor Facilities, flooring replacement**
 - Sunday, July 20 – Monday, September 2
- **SeaBreeze Recreation Platform Tennis Courts, repainting**
 - Thursday, July 3 – Tuesday, August 5
- **Spanish Moss Recreation Sports Pool, pressure washing**
 - Wednesday, August 20, 7am-12pm
- **Sterling Heights Recreation Billiards Hall, table recovering**
 - Wednesday, July 23 – Friday, July 25

Join Our Team

Hospitality | Stewardship | Innovation & Creativity | Hard Work

CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

Are you looking for employment?

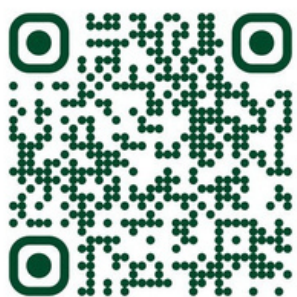
If so, look no further than the
Villages Community Development District.

All of our current job openings are listed on through our website by
visiting www.DistrictGov.org.

> Contact Us > Careers > See All Openings.

Or [CLICK HERE](#) 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

Contact Us

Administration

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Community Standards

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Community Watch

352-753-0550

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Customer Service

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District Clerk

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