



National Night Out 2025 Stand with those who stand for us.





POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS







October 7, 2025 5-7 PM





Join us for an evening of appreciation, recognition, and connection as we honor the First Responders who protect and serve The Villages and surrounding communities.

Participating Partners

- Fruitland Park PD
- · Lady Lake PD
- · Wildwood PD
- Leesburg PD
- Lake County Sheriff's Office
- · Marion County Sheriff's Office
- · Sumter County Sheriff's Office
- The Villages Public Safety Department
- Marion County Fire Department
- · Sumter County Fire Department
- Lake County Fire Rescue



"Community Watch is proud to host National Night Out 2025, celebrating the unsung heroes who serve The Villages community with unwavering dedication. This special event honors our First Responders in Law Enforcement and Fire Service, recognizing their sacrifice, commitment, passion, and professionalism that keeps our community safe every day. We warmly invite every resident to join us in showing appreciation for these remarkable individuals who dedicate their lives to protecting and serving our community."

Nehemiah Wolfe, Community Watch Director

Demonstrations/Activities

- K-9 demonstration
- · Family fun area/clowns
- Fire truck demos

Fire Prevention Week School Outreach: October 6-10

The Villages Public Safety Department's Fire Prevention Division is excited to announce its Fire Prevention Week school outreach program, taking place October 6–10, 2025. Throughout the week, fire inspectors and operations crews will visit local schools to share essential fire safety lessons with students across the community.

Each day, the team will present interactive fire safety sessions, joined by Sparky the Fire Dog, and showcase an engine company equipment and gear display. This combination of fun, education, and hands-on experiences helps students understand the importance of fire prevention in their daily lives.

2025 Fire Prevention Week Theme

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has announced the 2025 Fire Prevention Week theme: "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape™."

This theme highlights the importance of having a home fire escape plan, practicing it with all family members, and recognizing that every second counts when a smoke alarm sounds. Families are encouraged to:

- Draw a home fire escape map with two ways out of every room.
- Practice home fire drills at least twice a year, both during the day and at night.
- Ensure smoke alarms are working and installed on every level of the home.

By bringing this national message into classrooms and homes, The Villages Public Safety Department continues its mission of building a safer community through education, prevention, and preparedness.





UNDERSTANDING MS4 IN THE VILLAGES

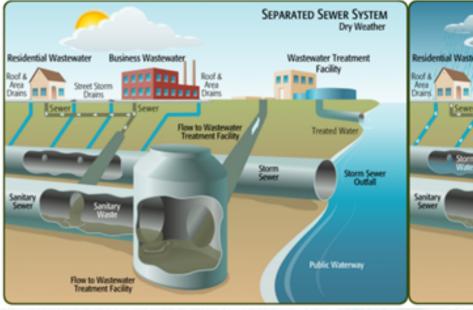
You may not have heard of MS4 before, but it's something that helps keep The Villages safe, clean, and beautiful. MS4 stands for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. Unlike the sewer system in your home that carries wastewater to treatment plants, the MS4 collects rainwater that flows off streets, sidewalks, and yards, then directs it into storm drains, ponds, and sometimes nearby waterways.

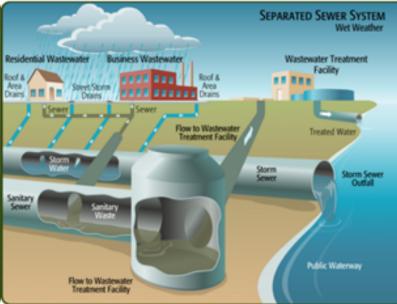
Here in The Villages, much of that stormwater is reused for irrigation, which helps reduce the demand on the Floridan aquifer- the same aquifer that supplies our drinking water. Protecting the quality of this stormwater is important, and that's why The District follows a Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) that focuses on preventing pollution, monitoring our systems, and educating the community.

Residents play a big part in keeping our stormwater clean. Simple actions- like not dumping oil, paint, or yard waste into drains- make a huge difference. Even small amounts of pollution can affect the aquifer and waterways we all rely on.

To help everyone learn more, the District hosts educational opportunities like the annual Water Matters event around Earth Day. These programs share easy tips for protecting stormwater at home and around the community.

When we all do our part, The Villages can continue to enjoy clean water, healthy landscapes, and a thriving environment for years to come.







To maintain the integrity of the Executive Golf Courses and to provide the best play experience possible, the below courses are closed until further notice.

For any further information, please contact District's Executive Golf Maintenance at (352) 674-1885 or executivegolfmaintenance@districtgov.org.

Executive Course Closures

Complete Course Renovation

- Bogart
- Bonita Pass
- De La Vista
- Truman
- Walnut Grove

Bunker Sand Renovation

- Escambia
- Volusia

Golf Course Rest & Restoration

- Roosevelt
- Sarasota



Bacall Grand Re-Opening - 9.25.2025

19th ANNUAL

Executive Golf Championship

October 7th-8th

Registration

AUGUST 28TH - OCTOBER 2ND

- · \$15 per player*
- Register and pay entry fees at Palmer Legends Golf Shop (352) 753-5300
- Tee times/pairings available on Friday, October 3rd by 5:00pm on GolfTheVillages.com

Scoring & Prizes

- Players submit scorecards to respective starter buildings following each round
- Results will be posted on GolfTheVillages.com
 Available on October 9th by 12:00pm
- Payouts in golf shop credit for awards & contests

Format & Eligibility

- 36 holes, stroke play
- Players flighted based on results of final gross score total
- Straight tee times format
 Starting at 7:30am, both days
- · Minimum age of 45

Division	Tees	Day 1 Courses	Day 2 Courses
Men	Black	Southern Star & Yankee Clipper	Pimlico & Churchill
Ladies	Gold	Southern Star & Yankee Clipper	Pimlico & Churchill
Super Sr. Men (70+)	Gold	Pimlico & Churchill	Southern Star & Yankee Clipper
Super Sr. Ladies (70+)	Green	Pimlico & Churchill	Southern Star & Yankee Clipper



^{*}Non-refundable after October 4th

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Recreation & Parks

Resident Lifestyle Facility Use Permits

Resident Lifestyle Volunteer Leaders your 2026 facility use permits will be available beginning Monday, October 6, 2025.

Calling All Resident Lifestyle **Volunteer Leaders**

Beginning **October 6, 2025**, you may stop by the At Your Service location that manages your booking, Monday – Friday from 9 AM – 4 PM, to pick up your **2026 Permit**.

Our goal is to meet with each of you to review your booking permit by November 7, 2025.









For more info: DistrictGov.org | RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org | 352-674-1800



Resident Lifestyle Clubs & Contacts

An alphabetical listing of all clubs and activities, including each contact's name, phone number, email address, and club website (if available), can be found in this <u>Club Contacts PDF</u>. We encourage you to reach out to the group directly to learn about their expectations, membership requirements, dues, and other fees before attending.

The most up-to-date weekly schedule is available in the Recreation & Parks publication, which is included in Thursday's Daily Sun, can be viewed online, or picked up at any recreation center.

Recreation & Parks

Active Aging Week (October 6 - 12)

Discover how fun, connection, and learning can make every day after 50 exciting. Join your friends and neighbors for 5 days of activities, camaraderie, and new experiences and make the most of everything life has to offer!







Table Tennis La Hacienda Recreation | 8AM

Fall Prevention Class Rohan Recreation | 10:30AM



Power Walk and Circuit Training Lake Miona Recreation | 8AM

Lecture: How to Reduce Your Risk of Falling Ezell Recreation | 1:30PM



Lecture: Matter of Balance Lake Miona Recreation | 8:30AM

Chair Volleyball
Coconut Cove Recreation | 4PM



Lawn Bowling First Responders Recreation | 9AM

Board Games Bridgeport Recreation | 2PM



Register online or at any **At Your Service** location. All events are free.







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Ways to Celebrate Active Aging

Even if you can't attend the full 5 days of events, there are plenty of ways to get involved and make the week special:

- Try a New Class or Activity: Explore fitness, art, or hobby classes at your local recreation center.
- **Connect with Friends**: Host a coffee, lunch, or walking group with neighbors or friends.
- **Learn Something New**: Attend a workshop, seminar, or online course to expand your skills or knowledge.
- **Volunteer**: Give back to the community and meet new people while making a difference.
- **Share Your Story**: Inspire others by sharing your experiences, tips, or photos celebrating life after 50.



FACILITY CLOSURES

- Big Cypress Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - Tuesday, October 7
- Captiva Recreation Starfish Room, hearing loop system installation
 - Monday, October 13 Tuesday October 14
- Colony Cottage Recreation Indoor Facilities and Fit Club, chair cleaning
 - o Friday, September 26
- Everglades Recreation Sports Pool
 - o Friday, September 26
- Hadley Neighborhood Recreation Area and Adult Pool, tropical treatment
 - Monday, September 22 Sunday, September 28
- Hibiscus Recreation Indoor Facilities, HVAC replacement
 - Monday, September 15 Monday, October 20
- Hibiscus Recreation Bocce Courts
 - Monday, September 22 Friday, September 26
- Hilltop Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, floor maintenance
 - o Monday, September 29 Wednesday, October 1
- Lake Miona Recreation Indoor Facilities, duct cleaning
 - o Monday, September 22 Friday, September 26
- Laurel Manor Recreation Bocce Courts, PVC frame replacement
 - Wednesday, September 24 Friday, October 3
- Manatee Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - Friday, October 3
- Odell Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - Friday, September 26
- Riverbend Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - o Tuesday, October 28
- Soulliere Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, maintenance/cleaning
 - Monday, September 22 Sunday, September 28
- Trillium Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool
 - Tuesday, September 30
- Trillium Recreation Outdoor Kitchen, maintenance & equipment replacement
 - Until Further Notice
- Virginia Trace Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, maintenance/cleaning
 - Monday, September 22 Monday, September 29



SAVING WATER

INDOORS

Tips



Watch out for silent leaks in toilets. Remove the toilet tank lid and any colored cleaning agents. Flush to clear the water in the bowl. Add dye tablets, leak detector fluid or even a few drops of food coloring to the tank. If there is a leak, color will appear in the bowl within 10 to 15 minutes. Flush when the test is completed.



Take shorter showers and make sure there are no leaks in showerheads. If there is a leak, make sure the showerhead is screwed tightly. Additionally, make sure showerheads are low-flow. Older high-volume showerheads deliver 4 gallons of water per minute. Pressures have been adjusted to the low flow fixtures to deliver as good a shower as the higher flow showerheads.



Adjust wash cycles for laundry. Select the minimum volume of water required for each load. Normal and permanent press wash cycles use more water, so use the shortest wash cycle for light loads. Stains can be pretreated to avoid rewashing.

If you believe you have a potable water leak, contact Utilities Customer Service at 352-750-0000 and they can review your billing history. Potable water conservation is a community-wide effort, we all share in the Stewardship of this valuable resource.

To learn more about water conservation, visit **TheVillagesWaterWisdom.com**

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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





Install **SOFTWARE UPDATES**

to fix security risks

Update Software Promptly for Safety

When we see an update alert, many of us tend to hit "Remind me later." Think twice before delaying a software update! Keeping software up to date is an easy way to stay safer online. To make it even more convenient, turn on automatic updates!

Turn on automatic updates

Look in the device's settings, possibly under Software or Security. Or search the settings for "automatic updates."

Automatic Updates





Watch for notifications



Not every update can be automatic. Devices—mobile phones, tablets and laptops—will usually notify us that we need to run updates. It's important to install ALL updates, especially for web browsers and antivirus software.



Install updates as soon as possible

When notified about software updates, especially critical updates, install them as soon as possible.
Online criminals won't wait so we shouldn't either!

Why it's so important to update promptly

If a criminal gets into a device through a security flaw, they will look for personal information and sensitive data to exploit. Technology providers issue software updates to "patch" security weak spots as quickly as possible.

If we don't install them, they can't protect us!

Software updates can also:







Updating software is one way to Secure Our World.



We can all help one another stay safer online, so share these tips with a family member or friend!

cisa.gov/SecureOurWorld













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