

The Villages®
Community Development Districts

DISTRICT WEEKLY BULLETIN

April 30, 2026

19TH ANNUAL

Hurricane Expo



FRIDAY, MAY 1 | 10AM – 2PM

Everglades Recreation Center | 5497 Marsh Bend Trail



Join government agencies and local businesses to learn how to prepare for a storm and how to obtain recovery assistance if a hurricane hits close to home.

- Sign language interpreter available.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Bring your Weather Radio for programming at The Villages Public Safety Department and Sumter County Emergency Management Tables
- Blood Drive is being provided by Oneblood
- WVLG am Radio Broadcasting live

In lieu of admission fee, please bring nonperishable food for the following local food banks:

- Wildwood Soup Kitchen
- Christian Food Pantry
- Salvation Army/Lake County

A food truck will be on-site, serving up delicious dishes available for purchase!

DISASTER SUPPLY KIT INFORMATION

How and what to pack for you and your pets.

SPECIAL NEEDS REGISTRATION

Where and how to apply. Help your local Emergency Management Division help you.

MANAGING HEALTH ISSUES

If disaster threatens: what you need to know and how to prepare.

GIVEAWAYS

Enter to win one of ten Midland Weather Radios or a gift basket at The Villages Public Safety Department table.

INSURANCE

Are you covered? Hurricane season begins June 1.



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MORE INFORMATION OR BECOME A VENDOR: VillagesPublicSafety@DistrictGov.org | DistrictGov.org

Enjoy Nature Safely: Wildlife Awareness in The Villages

The Villages is surrounded by beautiful wetlands, preserves, and water retention areas, offering residents plenty of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors-whether walking, fishing, or simply relaxing in peaceful surroundings. While these natural areas are wonderful for recreation, it's important to respect the wildlife that calls them home.

Two animals in particular-alligators and snakes-require extra awareness.

Alligators

Alligators are generally shy and avoid people. However, they may approach areas where pets are present, since pets can resemble natural prey.

Tips for walking pets near water areas:

- Keep pets on a leash at all times.
- Maintain at least 10 feet from the water's edge.
- If you see an alligator, give it plenty of space and do not interact or provoke it.

Special note: Alligator mating season runs from early April through late July. During this time, alligators may lay eggs near landscaped areas around basins. These nests are well-camouflaged, so keep pets away from these spots.

Important reminder: Feeding alligators is illegal under Florida law (Florida Statute 372.667). For more information, visit myfwc.com.

Snakes

Many species of snakes live in wetlands, preserves, and water retention areas. Most avoid humans, but the cottonmouth (water moccasin) can act aggressively and is often found sunning at the water's edge or swimming in Florida.

If you encounter a snake:

- Do not approach it.
- Slowly and calmly choose a different path.
- Avoid sudden movements that may startle the snake.

Enjoy the Outdoors Responsibly

By respecting wildlife and staying aware of your surroundings, you help keep yourself, your pets, and our natural community safe. For questions or more information, contact the District Property Management Department at PropertyManagement@DistrictGov.org or 352-753-4022.

LEARN ABOUT YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNMENT

Mark your Calendars for the next Resident Academy –
Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at the Savannah Center

Registration opens in early July 2026 - [LEARN MORE HERE](#)



CDD ORIENTATION

CDD Orientation is an informational program introducing you to your local special-purpose District government. You'll learn how the District operates and the services each department provides.

No registration or fees required. Sessions are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at **10:00 AM** at the main **District office**, at **3571 Kiessel Road**.

UPCOMING DATES

TUESDAY

MAY 5 | 10 AM

TUESDAY

MAY 19 | 10 AM

TUESDAY

JUNE 2 | 10 AM

WELCOME MAY - Notes & Notables



May brings longer daylight, early-summer energy, and the perfect motivation to get outside before the true Florida heat sets in. Whether you're planning a relaxing morning walk, a weekend outing, or a simple moment to recharge, May is an ideal month to reset and enjoy the outdoors.

It's also a smart time to get ahead on [hurricane-season](#) prep; review your emergency plans, update supply kits, and stay informed with local weather updates. Simple steps now make for a safer, more relaxed summer as temperatures rise.



For those wanting to explore local amenities, you can browse community paths, outdoor spaces, and helpful resources on [DistrictGov.org](#).

Take a sunrise stroll, try a new [seasonal recipe](#), or plan a quick outdoor break—May is the perfect month to pause, enjoy, and ease into summertime.



Fun Facts About May

- **May Day** – Celebrated [May 1](#) with maypoles, dancing, and flower baskets.
- **Cinco de Mayo** – [May 5](#) commemorates Mexico's victory at the Battle of Puebla.
- **Historic firsts** – [May 1958](#), the first commercial passenger jet service took off.
- **Mother's Day & Memorial Day** – These popular observances happen annually.
- **Strawberry season** – May is peak time for fresh, sweet Florida [strawberries](#).



May Zodiac Signs: Taurus and Gemini

Birth Flower: Lily of the Valley and Hawthorn



Birthstone: Emerald – *symbolizes rebirth, love, and success*



Notable people born in May include:

- Adele
- Clint Eastwood
- David Beckham
- George Clooney
- Patti LaBelle
- Stevie Wonder
- Tim McGraw
- Tina Fey
- Tony Hawk
- Willie Mays



Sumter County Emergency Management Division



How can you help?

LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY (LMS)

What is it?

This is a process that aims to make communities and infrastructure more resilient and less susceptible to damage, loss, or disruption when faced with natural or man-made hazards. This is achieved by assessing and updating the counties' hazard mitigation plan to address vulnerabilities and develop short and long-term mitigation strategies to protect the community.

Why do we have an LMS?

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires hazard mitigation plans to be updated every five years. This is an update to the previous 2021 Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Sumter County Emergency Management Division is the lead agency for this effort.

What are we trying to accomplish with the LMS?

Our mission is to ensure that the most vulnerable among us are at the forefront of our hazard mitigation efforts. We are committed to protecting lives, promoting equity, and building resilience by tailoring our strategies to address the unique needs and challenges faced by our vulnerable community members. Together, we are creating a stronger, more inclusive, and safer future for all.

YOUR INPUT WILL SHAPE THE STRATEGIES WE DEVELOP



ATTEND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Join us virtually at the three committee meetings to share your experiences, concerns, and ideas about hazard mitigation in our community.

COMPLETE SURVEYS

Look out for surveys and questionnaires related to hazard mitigation. Your responses help us understand community needs and preferences.

STAY INFORMED AND SPREAD THE WORD

Keep yourself informed about the progress of the LMS by visiting our website and following our social media accounts. Share information about the project with your neighbors, friends, and family. The more people involved, the stronger our community's resilience.

Emergency Management Division

Phone: (352)689-4400

Email: emergency.management@sumtercountyfl.gov

Web: sumterprepares.com



The Villages®

Community Development Districts

Golf & Tennis

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

- Bonita Pass
- Heron
- Truman
- Walnut Grove
- El Santiago

Golf Course Openings

- Pimlico - Monday, May 4th

Please Note:

- Course aerification starts the week of May 4th and will run through the month of August. These dates are posted on the Executive Golf website. These Scheduled Closures may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to weather and material supplies.



26th Annual Executive Golf Trail Scramble

May 5 & 6, 2026

4-person Scramble format to include players of all skill levels - Men's and Women's Divisions & Flights

\$10
Entry Fee
Per Player

**Straight tee time formats both
Tuesday and Wednesday**

- TWO 18 HOLE ROUNDS WILL BE PLAYED - ONE EACH DAY
- THE COMPETITION SCORING = GROSS TOTAL OF THE TWO ROUNDS, 36 HOLE TEAM SCORE
- PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED FOR MEN & WOMEN TEAM OVERALL GROSS AND TEAM NET WINNERS AND WITHIN EACH FLIGHT
- APPROXIMATELY 30% OF THE FIELD WILL BE PAID IN GOLF SHOP CREDIT AWARDS



Women Play: Day 1 Mira Mesa & Chula Vista
Day 2 Belmont - Churchill Greens

Men Play: Day 1 Belmont - Churchill Greens
Day 2 Mira Mesa & Chula Vista

Registration:

REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 6TH AT 8AM
REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 30TH AT 5PM

Pairings will be posted by 5 PM on May 1st at GolfTheVillages.com. No refunds will be issued after pairings are posted.

Registration forms are available online at GolfTheVillages.com and at all designated Championship Golf Courses listed below.

Completed forms and payments may be submitted to: Hacienda Hills, Havana, or Southern Oaks

REQUIRED: For team flighting purposes, all players will be required to report at registration an Average 9 Hole Executive Course Score.

Must be 45 years of age or older to play!

Men will play the middle tees and Women from the forward tees. Men 80 and over will play from the forward tees.

Teams will be chosen via a random draw pairing based on reported Average Executive 9 Hole Score.

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION:

352-753-5155 | GolfTheVillages.com

Recreation & Parks

Renew & Replace

District Property Management and the Recreation & Parks Department work together to maintain the facilities. This includes, but is not limited to court resurfacing, swimming pool remodels, recreation center renovations, and more.

Notices of upcoming projects are posted at the facilities in advance at the courts, on the bulletin boards and on the District “What’s Happening” page.



2026 Senior Games Results

Results for all events of the recent Senior Games will be available at thevillageseniorgames.com. Keep Training for Greatness!

The 2027 Senior Games will be held Friday, April 16 – Sunday, April 25, 2027.



JOIN OUR TEAM

Now Hiring Full & Part-time Positions

Come spend the *best* of your life with us!

The Villages
Recreation & Parks



Ways to be informed of all District job opportunities:



Register for email notifications at DistrictGov.org by scrolling to Quick Links and clicking 'eNews'



Check our website: DistrictGov.org > Contact Us > Careers



Stop by or contact Human Resources:

3571 Kiessel Road, The Villages, FL 32163 | 352-674-1905 | HumanResources@DistrictGov.org

Internship
Opportunities
Available

FACILITY CLOSURES

- **Antrim Dells Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - *Friday, April 17 – Friday, May 8*
- **Ashland Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, tropical treatment**
 - *Monday, April 27 – Sunday, May 3*
- **Aviary Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - *Tuesday, May 5*
- **Bridgeport Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - *Wednesday, May 6*
- **Canal Street Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - *Monday, May 4*
- **Chatham Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - *Monday, June 1*
- **Clarendon Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities and Adult Pool**
 - *Monday, May 4 – Wednesday, May 6*
- **Dabney Recreation Shuffleboard Courts, resurfacing**
 - *Monday, May 4 – Friday, May 8*
- **Eisenhower Recreation Sports Pool**
 - *Monday, May 4, 7am-12pm*
- **Everglades Softball Complex**
 - *Wednesday, April 15 – Sunday, May 3*
- **Everglades Recreation Sports Pool**
 - *Tuesday, May 12, 7am-12pm*
- **Ezell Recreation Sports Pool**
 - *Wednesday, May 6, 7am-12pm*
- **Hibiscus Recreation Indoor Restrooms, renovations**
 - *Monday, April 27 – Friday, May 15*
- **Knudson, Saddlebrook, Buffalo Glen, Soaring Eagle, Everglades and Farragut Softball Complexes**
 - *Sunday, April 19 – Sunday, May 3*
- **La Hacienda Recreation Sports Pool**
 - *Friday, May 8, 7am-12pm*
- **La Hacienda Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool**
 - *Monday, May 18*
- **Lake Miona Recreation Pickleball Courts**
 - *Until further notice*

FACILITY CLOSURES

- **Lake Miona Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Monday, May 11, 7am-12pm
- **Lake Miona Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Sports Pool**
 - Tuesday, May 12
- **Laurel Manor Recreation Indoor Facilities and Fit Club, HVAC replacement & maintenance**
 - Monday, May 4 – Saturday, July 18
- **Lake Okahumpka Recreation Indoor Facilities, Boardwalk and Back Porch**
 - Tuesday, May 12
- **Moyer Recreation Indoor Facilities, Outdoor Facilities and Family Pool**
 - Friday, May 1
- **Mulberry Grove Recreation Sports Pool and Pool House, refurbishment**
 - Monday, March 30 – Tuesday, July 28
- **Odell Recreation Shuffleboard, resurfacing**
 - Monday, April 27 – Friday, May 8
- **Paradise Archery Range**
 - Monday, May 4 – Friday, May 15
- **Paradise Recreation Pickleball and Tennis Courts, fence replacement**
 - Monday, May 18 – Sunday, June 7
- **Paradise Recreation Park Golf Cart Parking Lots**
 - Monday, May 18 – Sunday, May 31
- **Pinellas Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool, refurbishment**
 - Friday, May 29 – Saturday, June 20
- **Richmond Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities, Dog Park and Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, May 14
- **Rohan Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Thursday, May 21, 7am-12pm
- **SeaBreeze Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Wednesday, May 13, 7am-12pm
- **Schwartz Park Observation Deck**
 - Until further notice
- **Spanish Moss Recreation Bocce Courts, resurfacing**
 - Monday, April 27 – Friday, May 8
- **Water Lily Recreation Bocce Courts**
 - Monday, May 4 – Friday, May 8
- **Willow Tree Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Friday, May 1

NOTICE OF VACANCY - DISTRICT 9

NOTICE FROM THE DISTRICT CLERK

The Village Community Development District No. 8 Board of Supervisors is seeking applicants who are interested in filling Seat 4, which was recently vacated due to the resignation of an existing Board Supervisor.

The remainder of the existing four (4) year term for the vacant 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 you can obtain the application on the DistrictGov.org website.

**Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk,
no later than Friday, May 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.
at the District Office, 3571 Kiessel Road, The Villages.**

The Board of Supervisors will interview applicants during a Board Meeting to be held on **Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.** at the SeaBreeze Regional Recreation Center, 2864 Buena Vista Boulevard, The Villages, FL.

The Board of Supervisors welcomes interested applicants to include a résumé outlining their experience as an attachment to the [application](#).

NOTIFICATION OF LANDOWNER ELECTION - AAC



Notification of Landowner Election AMENITY AUTHORITY COMMITTEE (AAC)

A Landowner Election will be held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026**
for the following seats:

- **Lady Lake/Lake County portion of The Villages**
- **Village Community Development District No. 1**
- **Village Community Development District No. 2**

The Amenity Authority Committee advises the Village Center Community Development District on matters related to amenity facilities, amenity fees, and associated services for areas north of CR 466.

For additional information or if you are interested in having your name placed on the ballot for the 2026 Landowner Elections to become the representative for your District, you must complete the Official Statement of Eligibility for the Amenity Authority Committee and submit it to the District Clerk's Office located at 3571 Kiessel Road, The Villages, 32163 from May 18, 2026 through June 19, 2026. Applicants must be a landowner and a resident of the District they are interested in representing.

The form is available on the District website [here](#),
or can be obtained by contacting Jennifer Farlow, District Clerk at
(352) 751-3939 or jennifer.farlow@districtgov.org.



Join Our Team

Hospitality | Stewardship | Innovation & Creativity | Hard Work

CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

Are you looking for employment?

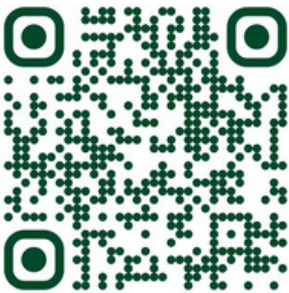
If so, look no further than the Villages Community Development District.

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 8am-5pm with any questions or inquiries, at 352-674-1905.



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

Contact Us

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352-751-3939

[Email](#)

Bond Division

352-751-3900

[Email](#)

Budget

352-674-1920

[Email](#)

Community Standards

352-751-3912

[Deed Compliance](#)

[ARC Review](#)

Community Watch

352-753-0550

[Email](#)

Customer Service

352-753-4508

[Email](#)

District Clerk

352-751-3939

[Email](#)

Executive Golf Maintenance

352-674-1885

[Email](#)

Finance

352-753-0421

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Golf & Tennis Operations

352-753-3396

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Human Resources

352-674-1905

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District Property Mgmt.

[352-753-4022](#)

[Email](#)

Public Safety

352-205-8280

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Purchasing

352-751-6700

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Recreation & Parks

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