

District Weekly Bulletin

JUNE 25, 2026



The Villages[®]
Community Development Districts

INDEPENDENCE DAY CLOSURES

In observance of the Independence Day holiday, all District Customer Service Centers, District Administrative Offices, and Recreation Offices will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2026. Regular hours of operation will resume on Monday, July 6, 2026, unless otherwise noted.

Recreation centers, Fit Clubs, outdoor facilities, and swimming pools will remain open and operate as usual for your enjoyment.

Guest ID card services, trail fee payments, and activity registration will be available on Friday, July 3, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at La Hacienda, Lake Miona, Eisenhower, Rohan, Everglades, and Olympia Recreation Centers only.

Sanitation Pickup Notice

There will be no changes to sanitation collection services for residents living in:

- Village Community Development Districts (VCDD) 1–15
- The Sumter County, Marion County, and Fruitland Park portions of The Villages
- The Lake County portion of The Villages (including all areas except as otherwise designated)
- The Town of Lady Lake portion of The Villages





MODIFIED PHASE III “EXTREME” WATER SHORTAGE

The Southwest Florida Water Management District has extended its Modified Phase III one day per week water shortage restrictions through October 1, 2026.

The extension is necessary due to ongoing drought conditions and below-average rainfall across the region. The SWFWMD recorded a 13.7-inch rainfall deficit when the Modified Phase III was declared, and the deficit remained significant at 11.4 inches as of May 2026. Water levels in rivers, lakes and public water supplies continue to decline, with many resources at severely below-normal levels.

The restrictions apply to the following areas:

- All of Citrus, DeSoto, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, and Sumter counties.
- Portions of Charlotte, Highlands and Lake counties.
- The City of Dunnellon and The Villages in Marion County.
- The Portion of Gasparilla Island in Charlotte County.

Standard watering days are based on the last digit of your address:

- 0 or 1 – Monday
- 2 or 3 – Tuesday
- 4 or 5 – Wednesday
- 6 or 7 – Thursday
- 8 or 9 – Friday

To view more information on the Modified Phase III Water Shortage, [click here](#).

HURRICANE PREPARATIONS & PROCEDURES

As we dive headfirst into hurricane season, now is an excellent time for residents to review their emergency preparedness plans and take a few proactive steps to ensure they are ready should severe weather affect our area. While The Villages is a wonderful place to live and enjoy all that Florida has to offer, hurricane season serves as an important reminder of the value of being prepared for tropical storms and hurricanes.

Residents are encouraged to assemble or update emergency supply kits, review evacuation, and sheltering plans, and ensure important documents are stored in a secure and easily accessible location. Taking these simple precautions today can provide peace of mind tomorrow and help safeguard your family, neighbors, and property in the event of a storm.

While residents focus on personal preparedness, District Property Management, in coordination with all District departments, is actively reviewing plans and procedures to help protect District property and critical infrastructure. Depending on weather conditions, District preparations may include closing facilities, removing gate arms, or operating irrigation systems to lower basin levels and maintain adequate capacity within the stormwater management system. Residents are encouraged to visit DistrictGov.org throughout the season for important updates and information.

The safety and well-being of our residents remain our highest priority. By staying informed through trusted weather sources and local emergency management updates, and by looking out for one another, we can help ensure that our community remains resilient, prepared, and ready to weather whatever the season may bring.



RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION POLICY

Yard Waste Collection Requirements

Yard waste collection is intended solely for routine residential landscape maintenance. To ensure safe and efficient service, all materials placed for collection must comply with the following requirements:

1. Tree limbs and branches shall not exceed:
 - Five (5) feet in length;
 - Five (5) inches in diameter; and
 - Forty (40) pounds per bundle.
2. All yard waste shall be securely bundled and placed at the end of the driveway prior to the scheduled collection time.
3. Palm fronds shall be neatly stacked and aligned in the same direction.
4. Grass clippings, leaves, and other loose yard waste shall be placed in bags.
5. Yard waste placed for collection shall be limited to a reasonable quantity per scheduled collection day and shall not exceed seven (7) bundles or bags, or the equivalent volume. Yard waste exceeding the collection limit should be scheduled for bulk pickup and placed curbside on the scheduled date. Any yard waste exceeding the limit on normal collection day will not be picked up and must be removed by the resident.

Contractor-Generated Yard Waste

Yard waste generated by commercial landscaping contractors, tree trimming services, or any other hired contractor shall not be placed for District collection. The contractor performing the work is solely responsible for the removal and lawful disposal of all materials generated as a result of their services.





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](tel:352-674-1885) or executivegolfmaintenance@districtgov.org.



Executive Course Closures

COURSE RENOVATION

- **El Diablo**
- **El Santiago**
- **Heron**
- **Red Fish Run**
- **Silver Lake**
- **Truman:** Reopening on Tues, July 14th

CLOSED FOR REST AND REHABILITATION

- **Volusia:** Scheduled to open Thurs, July 2nd





Course Re-Openings

WALNUT GROVE

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for Walnut Grove's Grand Re-Opening! We loved connecting with the community and celebrating the ribbon-cutting together!



TRUMAN

Couldn't make it to Walnut Grove? Be sure to stop by and celebrate with us at the Truman ribbon-cutting ceremony.

GRAND RE-OPENING!

JOIN US AT
Truman
EXECUTIVE GOLF COURSE

Tuesday, July 14
RIBBON CUTTING 9AM
TEE TIMES START AT 10AM
2735 Canal Street

You are invited to the ribbon cutting and to play our newly renovated course.

See You On The Green!
TEE TIMES OPEN ON JULY 7

TheVillages.net | 352-753-4653

352-753-4508 | ExecutiveGolfMaintenance@DistrictGov.org

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BOND CUT-OFF DATE: JULY 17, 2026

Did you know you can prepay the remaining Principal balance on your Bond at any time? If we receive your payoff check before 5:00pm Friday, July 17, 2026, you will avoid having a Bond assessment on this year's County Property tax bill and save future interest and administrative fees.

Call the Bond team at 352-751-3900 to obtain your payoff amount. You can put your payment in the District Drop boxes located at each Postal Station (up until July 13th.) If you cannot pay until after July 13th, please call our office to schedule an appointment to come in and pay. You can also drop off your payment at the reception desk at our Brownwood location. If mailing your payment, be sure to allow enough time for it to reach us by the 17th.

If you prefer, you can continue to pay the Bond over time through the annual assessment on your County Property Tax bill. You are not required to pay off your Bond in advance.

To help you make the decision on what is best for you, you can download your Bond amortization on the District website [Finance & Bonds page](#). The amortization schedule provides the details about your Bond including the interest rate and breaks down your annual assessments.

Even if you pay your Bond in full, remember that you will still see an annual Maintenance assessment on your county property tax bill. The Maintenance assessment is your share of the ongoing costs to maintain the infrastructure of your District.

If you have any questions, please contact the Bond Team at Bonds@DistrictGov.org or 352-751-3900.

HONORING OUR PAST ★ PREPARING FOR OUR FUTURE

AMERICA


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JOINT TRAINING DEMONSTRATION



Join Sumter County Fire & EMS and The Villages Public Safety Department as we demonstrate unified training, teamwork and readiness to serve and protect our community.

 **JUNE 26, 2026**

 **4:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

 **SUMTER COUNTY JOINT TRAINING CENTER**
215 Gloria Rowe Hayward Way
Sumterville, FL 33585
(Corner of US 301 and Central Parkway)



4:00 – 5:00 PM
Benjamin Franklin – How It All Began
Fire demonstration and crafts in the library




5:00 – 6:00 PM
Touch a Truck Event
and Interactive Displays




6:00 – 7:00 PM
Opening Ceremony and
Joint Training Demonstration



CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF AMERICA
STRONGER TOGETHER. SAFER TOGETHER.

 **LIVE EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATIONS**
See our firefighters and public safety professionals in action.

 **MULTI-AGENCY COLLABORATION**
Unified training. Stronger partnerships. A safer community.

 **COMMUNITY CONNECTION**
Engaging activities for families, kids and neighbors of all ages.

 ★ ★ ★ ★ **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**
Come out and support our local heroes!



FEEDING WILDLIFE: KNOW THE RISK

Florida's subtropical climate and diverse landscapes support a rich variety of wildlife, including mammals, birds, reptiles, and other species uniquely adapted to the state's natural environment. As Florida continues to grow and urban development expands, many natural habitats have been altered or fragmented, bringing wildlife into closer contact with residential communities and businesses.

While feeding wildlife may seem harmless and can provide opportunities for close observation, it often causes unintended harm to both animals and the environment. Wildlife that becomes dependent on human-provided food may lose natural foraging behaviors, congregate in unnaturally high numbers, and become increasingly comfortable around people. These changes can negatively affect wildlife populations, public safety, and ecosystem health.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to enjoy Florida's wildlife from a safe distance and to comply with the provisions of [Florida Statute 379.412](#), which regulates the feeding of certain wildlife species.

Negative Impacts of Feeding Wildlife

- Poor nutrition and dietary imbalances
- Overpopulation of wildlife
- Delayed or disrupted migration patterns
- Increased nuisance complaints and property damage
- Attraction of predators into residential areas
- Development of unnatural behaviors and dependence on humans
- Increased aggression toward people and pets



Protecting Florida's wildlife begins with respecting their natural behaviors and allowing them to remain wild.

If you would like to connect with nature and experience Florida's rich ecosystems firsthand, we encourage you to visit our [nature trails](#).



S. T. A. R. Special Talented Adult Resident

An activity program designed for special needs adult Villagers living with their parents. The activities are very similar to Camp Villages however are geared towards special needs adults. Join us for one or all of the July activities.



July Activities

A program designed for special needs adult Villagers living with their parents.



WED JUL 1	MON JUL 6	TUE JUL 14	WED JUL 22	WED JUL 29
Patriotic POOLooza	DIY Seashell Picture Frame	Outdoor Water Games	Summer Sweet Treats	DIY Apron Painting
10AM \$10	1PM \$10	9:30AM \$5	1PM \$10	10AM \$10
Trillium Family Pool	Coconut Cove	Pimlico	Lake Okahumpka	Canal Street

SPACE IS LIMITED | REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Register Online at DistrictGov.org or any **At Your Service** Location
352-753-1716 | RecreationDepartment@DistrictGov.org | DistrictGov.org



Parks & Recreation Month

July is National Park & Recreation Month, and this year's theme is "The Power of Parks and Recreation." We're celebrating Recreation & Parks in The Villages by highlighting the Power of Play, Well-Being, Community, and Nature. Join us at one of the socials planned to honor the month. Registration is required and can be completed [online](#) or at any At Your Service location.





- **Aviary Recreation Billiards/Game Room**
 - Wednesday, July 8 – Thursday, July 9
- **Bacall Recreation Billiards Room**
 - Friday, July 10 – Friday, July 17
- **Big Cypress Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Friday, July 3
- **Bradford Neighborhood Recreation Area Parking Lot & Adult Pool**
 - Monday, July 6
- **Captiva Recreation Billiards Room**
 - Wednesday, June 24 – Friday, June 26
- **Captiva Recreation Indoor Facilities**
 - Monday, July 6 – Sunday, July 26
- **Chatham Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Monday, July 13
- **Chitty Chatty Neighborhood Recreation Area Parking Lot**
 - Wednesday, July 1
- **Colony Cottage Recreation Facilities, Fit Club, & Sports Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 8
- **Dunedin Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 1
- **Eisenhower Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Monday, July 6
- **Everglades Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 14, 7am-12pm
- **Gilchrist Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Monday, June 22 – Sunday, June 28
- **Lake Miona Recreation Pickleball Courts**
 - Until further notice
- **Lake Miona Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Friday, July 10, 7am-12pm
- **Laurel Manor Recreation Indoor Facilities & Fit Club**
 - Monday, May 4 – Saturday, July 18

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- **Mulberry Grove Recreation Sports Pool and Pool House**
 - *Monday, March 30 – Tuesday, July 28*
- **Mulberry Grove Recreation Bocce Courts**
 - *Monday, June 22 – Friday, July 3*
- **Paradise Recreation Park Golf Cart Parking Lots**
 - *Until further notice*
- **Paradise Recreation Dog Park**
 - *Monday, June 22 – Friday, June 26*
- **Pimlico Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - *Monday, July 6*
- **Pinellas Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - *Friday, June 26 – Friday, July 17*
- **Riverbend Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - *Thursday, July 9*
- **Savannah Recreation Facilities & Sports Pool**
 - *Friday, June 26*
- **Savannah Recreation Computer Room, Outdoor Facilities & Sports Pool, America's 250th Celebration**
 - *Saturday, July 4*
- **Savannah Recreation Indoor Facilities**
 - *Sunday, July 19 – Monday, August 17*
- **Schwartz Park Observation Deck**
 - *Until further notice*
- **Tierra Del Sol Recreation Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - *Monday, June 29*
- **Trillium Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - *Tuesday, June 30*
- **Willow Tree Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - *Thursday, July 16*

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NOTICE OF VACANCY

The Village Community Development District No. 4 Board of Supervisors is seeking applicants who are interested in filling Seat 2, which is vacant due to a resignation. The remainder of the existing four (4) year term for the vacated Seat will expire in November 2028.

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 on the www.DistrictGov.org website.

Applications must be submitted to the District Clerk no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at the District Office, 3571 Kiessel Road, The Villages 32163.

The Board of Supervisors will interview applicants during a Board Meeting to be held on Friday, July 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center, Ashley Wilkes Room, 1545 Buena Vista Boulevard, The Villages, FL.

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



Our Core Values are demonstrated in our daily actions

HOSPITALITY • STEWARDSHIP • INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY • HARD WORK

The Village Center Community Development District (VCCDD) employs staff to support the operations of The Villages® community. We attribute our successes to the members of our team and staff, who work together towards the mission of providing and preserving the lifestyle of *Florida's Friendliest Hometown*®.

Ready to join the team? View current open positions on our website.



Check our website: DistrictGov.org > Careers > See All Openings



For any questions or inquiries, contact us Monday-Friday (8am to 5pm) at 352-674-1905.



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