

District Weekly Bulletin

JULY 2, 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





RESIDENT ID'S

Replace a Lost, Stolen, or Damaged Resident ID Card

Replacement ID cards can be obtained at any of the following locations:

- Brownwood – 3571 Kiessel Road
- Lake Sumter Landing – 1030 Lake Sumter Landing, Suite A
- La Hacienda Recreation Center – 1200 Avenida Central

If you had a Green ID Card:

- Bring a valid government-issued photo ID.
- A replacement ID card can be issued during your visit.

If you had a Blue ID Card:

- The homeowner must accompany you to the office to complete the application.
- Please bring:
 - A valid government-issued photo ID
 - Proof of residency

Renter ID Cards – Replacement or Renewal

Renter ID card replacements and renewals must be completed through a Sales Office participating in the Lifestyle Rental Program.

LOCATION	SERVICES
Spanish Springs - 1120 Main Street	Replacement Only
Lake Sumter Landing - 1000 Lake Sumter Landing	Replacement or Renewal
Brownwood Paddock Square - 2705 West Torch Lake Drive	Replacement or Renewal
Eastport Welcome Center - 6980 Central Lake Drive	Replacement or Renewal

Fireworks Safety



FIREWORKS are often used to mark special events and holidays. The only safe way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. It is important to know that **fireworks are not safe in the hands of consumers**. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

A few ideas to get into the patriotic spirit, without fireworks:

1. Use glow sticks, they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler. Fun for all ages.
2. Loud and proud. Noise makers are sure to make a statement. They can be found at local party supply stores or make your own.
3. Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector. Don't forget the bugspray!
4. Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.
5. Make a patriotic craft with the family.
6. Throw a birthday party for the USA, and don't forget the cake.



FACTS

- ! More than 31,000 reported fires are started by fireworks annually.
- ! Burns account for 38% of the 7,400 injuries treated in emergency rooms in the month around July 4.
- ! Half of the fireworks injuries at emergency rooms were extremities: hand, finger, or leg. One-third were to the eye or other parts of the head.
- ! Children younger than 15 years old accounted for 28% of the estimated fireworks injuries.
- ! Sparklers account for 29% of fireworks injuries for children under the age of 5 treated in emergency rooms in the month around July 4.

Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) 2022 Fireworks Annual Report



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

Your Logo

JOIN OUR TEAM

Are you looking for a rewarding career where you can positively impact the lives of thousands of residents? The Community Watch Department of The Villages Community Development District is seeking dedicated, service-oriented individuals who are committed to safety, professionalism, and exceptional customer service.

Community Watch serves as the watchful eye of The Villages, supporting more than 150,000 residents through proactive patrols, communications services, gate operations, and resident assistance programs. Operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, Community Watch works closely with local law enforcement, public safety agencies, and District departments to help maintain the high quality of life that residents enjoy. While Community Watch is not a law enforcement agency, it plays a vital role as an "observe and report" organization dedicated to community safety and support.

Why Join Community Watch?

A career with Community Watch offers more than a job—it offers the opportunity to serve one of Florida's most unique and vibrant communities. Team members enjoy meaningful work, professional development opportunities, and the satisfaction of helping residents and visitors every day.

Community Watch professionals are known for their commitment to:

- Exceptional customer service
- Community engagement
- Safety and security awareness
- Teamwork and professionalism

Join Our Team

NEW

7th Annual • 2026

SUMTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPPLY DRIVE



JULY 10 – AUGUST 10, 2026



1005 Quarry Place • Village of Virginia Trace



**MONETARY DONATIONS &
SCHOOL SUPPLIES ACCEPTED**

*New items
only, please*



MONETARY DONATIONS

Checks payable to:
**Sumter Schools
Enhancement Foundation**

Memo: *Supply Drive*



SUPPLIES WILL BENEFIT STUDENTS AT

Wildwood Elementary

Bushnell Elementary

Webster Elementary

Lake Panasoffkee Elementary

South Sumter Middle School

Wildwood Intermediate School

Wildwood Middle School

South Sumter High School

Sumter Prep Academy



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REQUESTED SUPPLIES

- Sticky Notes
- Lined Notebook Paper
- Single Subject Spiral Notebooks
- Colored Pens & Pencils
- Highlighters
- Black Pens
- Pencils
- Pink Erasers
- Dry Erase Boards & Markers
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Rulers
- Glue Sticks
- 3-Ring Binders (1", 2", 3")
- Tab Dividers
- Sheet Protectors
- Red, Green & Blue Pocket Folders
- 3-Hole Zippered Pencil Pouches



*The Students in Sumter County
Appreciate Your Generosity!*





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

CLOSED FOR COURSE RENOVATION

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

CLOSED FOR REST & REHABILITATION

- **Red Fox:** will be closed July
6th - 31st
- **Volusia:** Scheduled to open
on Thursday, July 2nd

Be sure to stop by and celebrate with us at the Truman Grand Re-Opening on July 14th!

GRAND RE-OPENING!



BEFORE

AFTER

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

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Community Development Districts
Executive Golf



BOND CUT-OFF DATE: JULY 17, 2026

Did you know you can prepay the remaining principal balance on your Bond at any time? And 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.

DISCOVER JULY

July brings the height of summer, filled with sunshine, patriotic celebrations, and opportunities to gather with family, friends, and neighbors. In The Villages, that summer spirit comes alive through Independence Day festivities, neighborhood events, and outdoor recreation. The longer days and bright Florida sunshine invite us to stay active, connect with one another, and enjoy all that makes our community such a special place to call home.

National Celebrations This Month:

- [Independence Day \(July 4\) - Benjamin Franklin was the oldest person to sign the Declaration of independence.](#)
- [Air Traffic Control Day \(July 6\) - Early Air Traffic Controllers Used a Wheelbarrow and Beach Umbrella as a Makeshift Tower.](#)
- [Pet Fire Safety Day \(July 15\) - About 1,000 residential fires a year are caused by pets.](#)
- [Milk Chocolate Day \(July 28\) - Milk chocolate was first created in Switzerland in the late 19th century by Daniel Peter.](#)



July Zodiac Signs: Cancer or Leo
Birth Flower: Larkspur or Water Lily
Birthstone: Ruby 



Notable people born in July include:

- Ernest Hemingway
- Diana Frances Spencer
- Tom Cruise
- Arnold Schwarzenegger
- Jane Lynch
- Tom Hanks
- John Quincy Adams
- Julius Caesar
- Sandra Bullock
- Lindsay Lohan
- Daniel Radcliffe
- Jennifer Lopez

Architectural Review Application *Now Online*

Submitting an application to our Architectural Review Committee (ARC) is now easier than ever. Our new online process helps you save time and makes each step simple and easy to follow.

HOW TO GET STARTED

1. Visit DistrictGov.org
2. Select Services > Resident Services > Community Standards
3. Scroll down and click Architectural Review Application
4. Create a user profile and complete the application form
5. Submit!

WHAT'S NEXT

Once you submit your application, you'll receive helpful email updates as your request moves through the ARC review process—keeping you informed along the way.

REACH OUT

The Villages Community Development District Community Standards Team is always happy to answer any questions you might have. Feel free to contact our team using the online form at DistrictGov.org/Contact-Us, stopping by the District Office at 3571 Kiessel Road, or giving us a call at 352-751-3912.





Swimming Pools

The Recreation & Parks Department strives to make the pools safe for everyone's use and enjoyment! All eligible residents and their guests with valid Guest IDs are asked to refrain from the following.



The Recreation & Parks Department strives to make the pools safe for everyone's use and enjoyment!

Inside any pool area, all eligible users are asked to refrain from:



Glass Containers



Throwing Objects



Loud Music*

*Please use headphones or earbuds



Smoking*

*Designated smoking areas are outside the pool area

All residents and guests are **REQUIRED** to comply with ID requirements and ages to use the swimming pools and supporting amenities. Infants and toddler flotation devices are allowed with adult supervision.

The Villages®
Recreation & Parks



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

Parks & Recreation Month

July is National Park & Recreation Month, and Recreation is celebrating with a month full of fun! Discover the many ways to enjoy the Power of Play in The Villages—from sports and activities to clubs and classes. Join us at one of our special socials throughout the month! Registration is required and can be completed [online](#) or at any At Your Service location.



- **Allamanda Recreation Billiards Room**
 - Monday, June 29 – Saturday, July 4
- **Ashland Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 7
- **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
- **Bonnybrook Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 8
- **Bradford Neighborhood Recreation Area Parking Lot & Adult Pool, parking**
 - Monday, July 6
- **Captiva Recreation Indoor Facilities**
 - Monday, July 6 – Sunday, July 26
- **Chatham Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Monday, July 13
- **Collier Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 21
- **Colony Cottage Recreation Facilities, Fit Club, & Sports Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 8
- **Creekside Landing Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Wednesday, July 22
- **Eisenhower Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Monday, July 6
- **Everglades Recreation Facilities, & Sports Pool**
 - Thursday, July 9
- **Everglades Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 14, 7am-12pm
- **Fenney Recreation Putt & Play**
 - Monday, July 13 – Wednesday, July 15
- **First Responders Recreation Putting Course**
 - Monday, July 13 – Sunday, July 19
- **Franklin Recreation Family Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 21
- **Hibiscus Recreation Pickleball & Tennis Courts**
 - Monday, July 3 – Tues, October 13
- **Hummingbird Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 16
- **La Belle Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 28
- **La Hacienda Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Thursday, July 9
- **Lake Miona Recreation Pickleball Courts**
 - Until further notice
- **Lake Miona Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Friday, July 10, 7am-12pm

NOTICE: WE WILL SOON BE PHASING THE FACILITY CLOSURES OUT OF OUR DISTRICT BULLETIN, WE ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO [SIGN UP](#) FOR THE RECREATION ALERTS TO STAY UP TO DATE ON OUR CLOSURES.

- **Lake Shore Cottage Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Thursday, July 23
- **Largo Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 23
- **Laurel Manor Recreation Indoor Facilities & Fit Club**
 - Monday, May 4 – Saturday, July 18
- **Lynnhaven Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 9
- **Mulberry Grove Recreation Sports Pool & Pool House**
 - Monday, March 30 – Tuesday, July 28
- **Mulberry Grove Recreation Bocce Courts**
 - Monday, June 22 – Friday, July 3
- **Osceola Hills Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Friday, July 24
- **Paradise Recreation Park Golf Cart Parking Lots**
 - Until further notice
- **Pennecamp Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 9
- **Pimlico Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Monday, July 6
- **Pinellas Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Friday, June 26 – Friday, July 17
- **Pinellas Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Monday, July 20
- **Riverbend Recreation Facilities & Family Pool**
 - Thursday, July 9
- **Sabal Chase Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 30
- **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
- **Silver Lake Recreation Facilities**
 - Tuesday, July 14
- **Southside Recreation Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Tuesday, July 14
- **Spanish Moss Recreation Sports Pool**
 - Friday, July 10
- **Sugar Cane Neighborhood Recreation Area Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 16
- **Sunset Pointe Neighborhood Recreation Area Parking Lot & Adult Pool**
 - Friday, July 10
- **Virginia Trace Neighborhood Recreation Area Outdoor Facilities & Adult Pool**
 - Thursday, July 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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