

District Weekly Bulletin

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026



The Villages[®]
Community Development Districts



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT IRRIGATION ACTIVITY

The Villages community and surrounding areas of central Florida are currently under Phase III Modified Water Shortage Orders issued by the Southwest Florida Water Management District and St. Johns River Water Management District due to prolonged lack of rainfall. In response, our community has reduced irrigation to one day per week and limited new plantings wherever feasible.

Recent localized rainfall in Districts 1 and 2, totaling up to 6.5 inches in some areas, has significantly increased water levels in select stormwater basins. These engineered basins capture and retain rainwater for landscape irrigation, reducing our reliance on groundwater. However, some affected basins have reached levels that limit their capacity to safely manage additional rainfall.

To restore capacity, roadway irrigation systems on District-owned property will be used to pump down affected basins. This targeted, monitored irrigation is limited to areas experiencing localized heavy rainfall and does not change current water shortage restrictions or indicate an improvement in broader drought conditions.

Affected areas include:

- District 1: Areas along Morse Boulevard
- District 2: Areas along El Camino Real

Residents may notice roadway irrigation along Morse Boulevard and El Camino Real, as well as surrounding golf courses, outside normal hours. These targeted irrigation events are necessary to manage localized basin levels while maintaining compliance with current water shortage orders.

You're Invited

TO



A NIGHT WITH DISTRICT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Learn about the team that helps care for your community.

COME JOIN US!

WEDNESDAY

SEP

23

Visit our division booths, enjoy interactive demonstrations,
and take home some great giveaways.

ROHAN RECREATION

4-6:00pm • 850 Kristine Way

The Villages
Community Development Districts
Property Management

PET PREPAREDNESS

When disaster strikes, time is of the essence. While many families prepare by gathering food, water, important documents, and medications, it's important not to overlook a vital member of the family: your pets!

Just as you build an emergency kit for yourself, be sure to prepare one for your pets. Include several days of food and water, medications, a carrier or leash, bowls, waste bags, and familiar comfort items. Keep copies of vaccination records and medical information readily available.

Planning ahead can make all the difference. Identify pet-friendly shelters or accommodations, and make arrangements with friends or family who may be able to care for your pets in an emergency. Make sure your pets have current identification and that you have a safe way to transport them.

By including your pets in your emergency planning, you can help keep every member of your family safe and prepared.

[Learn More Today](#)





WILDWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

GOLF CART SAFETY CLASS & REGISTRY PROGRAM



**TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 29, 2026**



9 a.m. – 11 a.m.



**EZELL RECREATION
769 MARILEE PL.**

TOPICS COVERED

- Golf carts vs. low-speed vehicles (LSV).
- Local and state laws governing golf carts and LSVs.
- Equipment requirements for golf carts and LSVs.
- Where golf carts and LSVs are permitted.
- Right-of-way rules on multi-modal paths.
- License and registration requirements.
- Lane markings and traffic signage.
- Tips for safely sharing the road with bicycles and pedestrians.
- The Wildwood Police Department's new Golf Cart Motor Vehicle Index (GCMVI) registry program.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To register for this class, email
communityoutreach@wildwood-fl.gov



352-330-1355 | Wildwoodpolice-fl.gov | 8942 US 301, Wildwood, FL



WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

In our continued commitment to improving the quality of life and maintaining the utility infrastructure within The Villages, the Village Center Community Development District has initiated a Water Service Line Replacement Program in the Villages Center Service Area (VCSA).

The potable water system in the VCSA is aging, and the purpose of this project is to replace service lines, significantly reducing the potential for future leaks. Water service lines that bring water from the water main to household water meters will be replaced as part of this project.

During construction, water outages may occur at different times, depending on which area workers are concentrating on. No resident will be without water service during overnight hours. This upgrade to the water system will enhance reliability and service.

Beginning October 19, 2026, the District's contractor, RCM Utilities, LLC, will begin replacing water service connections in Villa De La Vista South. The service line replacements are expected to take eight weeks, followed by landscape restoration.

During construction, homeowners' water service will be off for no more than eight hours. Homeowners will receive 24-hour notice of when their service will be impacted via a door hanger placed on their door.

If required, boil water notices will be sent to residents and will remain in effect for a two-day testing period.

The safety of our residents and construction personnel is of utmost importance. We ask that everyone abide by all barricades and warning signs and avoid active construction areas except when accessing your property.



National Night Out 2026

Stand with those who stand for us.



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



SPOTLIGHT: K9 DEMONSTRATION

5:45PM & 6:15PM



LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

Fire Truck Demonstrations
Mobile Stroke Unit Demonstrations



The Villages
Community Development Districts
Community Watch



October 6, 2026 | 5-7 PM

Rohan Recreation | 850 Kristine Way



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
- Leesburg PD
- Wildwood PD
- Lake County Sheriff's Office
- Lake County Fire Department
- Sumter County Sheriff's Office
- Sumter County Fire Department
- Marion County Sheriff's Office
- The Villages Public Safety Department
- And other participating partners



We warmly invite every resident to join us in showing appreciation for these remarkable individuals who dedicate their lives to safeguarding our community. Your presence and support make a meaningful difference and help strengthen the bond between residents and the first responders who serve them."

Nehemiah Wolfe,
Community Watch Director

"Community Watch is proud to announce that we will be hosting National Night Out 2026, a community-wide event open to all residents of The Villages. This annual celebration is an opportunity for our community to come together in support of the first responders and law enforcement professionals who serve and protect our neighborhoods every day.

National Night Out is dedicated to honoring the unsung heroes of our community—those in Law Enforcement and Fire Services whose sacrifice, commitment, passion, and professionalism help keep The Villages one of the safest and most vibrant places to live.

352-753-0550 | CommunityWatch2@DistrictGov.org | DistrictGov.org

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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

- **El Diablo**
- **El Santiago**
- **Hilltop**
- **Redfish Run**
- **Turtle Mound**

CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

- **Churchill** will be closed Thursday, September 24, 2026 and Friday, September 25, 2026 all day for extra turf maintenance.

HERON GRAND RE-OPENING

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Heron Executive Golf Course Ribbon Cutting! We appreciate your support as we celebrate the grand reopening of this newly renovated course.





Annual

WILDWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

THANKSGIVING *Blessing Baskets*

Please join us in our mission to make Thanksgiving a little brighter for those in need. Last year, thanks to the generosity of our community, we provided Thanksgiving meal baskets to more than 225 people.

BASKETS SHOULD INCLUDE:

- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Stuffing
- Mac & Cheese
- Yams, Marshmallows & Brown Sugar
- Canned Corn
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Cranberry
- Jiffy Cornbread
- \$25 grocery gift card

DROP OFF DATES:

9/28/2026 – 11/1/2026



To commit to a basket or to be a recipient, call:
352-931-0357

DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

Wildwood PD
8942 N US 301, Wildwood, FL

Fifth Third Bank
2495 Burnsed Blvd., The Villages, FL



Train Expo Show & Sale

Join The Villages Railroad Historical Society as they present their Fall Train Expo Show & Sale at Savannah this Saturday and Sunday. Start a new hobby or expand your existing collection and view many operating layouts of all gauges of model trains.



The Villages®
Recreation & Parks

TRAIN EXPO

SHOW & SALE

Presented by The Villages® Railroad Historical Society

Saturday, September 19 | 9AM - 4PM
Sunday, September 20 | 10AM - 3PM

SAVANNAH RECREATION

Start a new hobby or expand your existing collection.
Railroad items for all gauges on sale with operating layouts to view.

ADMISSION: Adult \$9.00 | Children (Under 12) FREE

DistrictGov.org

FOR MORE INFO: jebest@juno.com | 352-753-4030

The Villages Dog Parks

The Villages offers several dog-friendly, leash-free parks with fenced areas for large and small dogs to run and socialize. Please use the area that best fits your dog: Large Dog Area (over 30 lbs.) or Small Dog Area (up to 30 lbs.). For locations and more information, click [here](#).



STAY UP TO DATE ON RECREATION CLOSURES



For the most accurate and up-to-date information about Recreation facility closures, schedule changes, maintenance updates and other important Recreation announcements, please visit our [What's Happening_page](#). This is your go-to resource for staying informed about what's happening throughout the community and planning your activities around any temporary closures or changes.

You can also sign up for [Recreation Alerts](#) to receive email notifications about facility closures and important updates. It's a convenient way to stay in the know without having to check for updates throughout the day.

Our Recreation team is committed to providing residents with timely, accurate information so you can make the most of the many amenities, activities and facilities available throughout The Villages. Whether a facility is temporarily closed for maintenance, improvements or another reason, we'll do our best to keep you informed every step of the way.

Stay informed, plan ahead and keep enjoying all that Recreation has to offer!

DISCOVER SEPTEMBER

September brings the transition from summer to fall, with warm temperatures, afternoon thunderstorms, and plenty of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. In The Villages, residents can look forward to community events, recreation, and gatherings with family, friends, and neighbors. As we enjoy the final days of summer, September is also a great time to stay weather-aware, prepare for changing conditions, and make the most of everything our community has to offer.

National Days This Month:

- Patriot and National Day of Service & Remembrance (Sep 11) - [Honoring those lost on September 11, 2001, and the heroes who served.](#)
- Constitution Day (Sep 17) - [Delaware Became the First State to Ratify the Constitution.](#)
- National Hunting & Fishing Day (Sep 26) - [Celebrate National Hunting & Fishing Day by casting a line in The Villages!](#)
- Wildlife Refuge Day (Sep 29) - [For Wildlife Refuge Day spend an evening visiting our local Trails & Parks.](#)



Zodiac Signs: Virgo or Libra
Birth Flower: Aster or Morning Glory
Birthstones: Sapphire or Lapis



Notable people born in September include:

- Agatha Christie
- Alexandre Cabanel
- Avril Lavigne
- Beyoncé
- Christa McAuliffe
- Keanu Reeves
- Mikalojus Konstantinas Čiurlionis
- Patrick Mahomes
- Patsy Cline
- Queen Elizabeth I
- Serena Williams
- Zendaya



POSTAL STATION AMENITY PAYMENT BOXES

Beginning **October 1, 2026**, payments placed in Amenity Payment Drop Boxes located at Village postal stations **will no longer be collected**.

Residents may **still mail a payment from any Village postal station** by placing their check in a stamped envelope and depositing it in the U.S. Mail.

Convenient Payment Options

Residents may continue to make payments using any of the following methods:

- Online
- Bank Direct
- AutoPay
- Pay by Text
- PayPal
- PayPal Credit
- Venmo
- Cash
- Money Order (mailed with proper postage or paid in person)
- Cashier's Check (mailed with proper postage or paid in person)
- Personal Check (mailed with proper postage or paid in person)

We encourage residents to consider enrolling in AutoPay or using our online payment options for the fastest and most convenient payment experience. If you have any questions about payment options, please contact District Utilities at 352-750-0000. [Click here to view our online options.](#)

Payments made in person with cash, money orders, cashier's checks, or personal checks may be made at any District Customer Service Office during normal business hours.

Thank you for your cooperation as we transition away from the postal station payment boxes.



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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