

District Weekly Bulletin

SEPTEMBER 3, 2026



The Villages®
Community Development Districts

LABOR DAY CLOSURES

In observance of Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 2026, all District Customer Service Centers, District Administrative Offices, and Recreation Offices will be closed. Regular office hours will resume Tuesday, September 8, 2026.

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

Guest ID Cards, Executive Trail Fees, and Activity Registration will be available 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at La Hacienda, Lake Miona, Eisenhower, Rohan, Everglades, and Olympia Regional Recreation Centers.

For Recreation questions, contact your nearest Recreation Center or Recreation Administration at 352-674-1800. Enjoy your Labor Day!

Sanitation Pickup Notice

If you live in **The Village Community Development Districts 1-16** located in Sumter County, Marion County or Fruitland Park portions of The Villages, there will be no change to the sanitation schedule due to the holiday.

If you live in the **Lake County portion of The Villages (not including VCDD No. 11 or 14)**, Monday collection will occur on Tuesday. All collection days for the week will be moved to the next day.

If you live in the **Town of Lady Lake portion of The Villages**, Monday services will be performed on Thursday, September 10, 2026.



Weak **PASSWORDS**

are the most common way **online criminals** access accounts

Strengthen Passwords with Three Simple Tips

Using strong passwords with the help of a password manager is one of the easiest ways to protect our accounts and keep our information safe.

1

Make them long

At least 16 characters—longer is stronger!

2

Make them random

Two ways to do this are:

Use a random string of letters (capitals and lower case), numbers and symbols (the strongest!):

cXmnZK65rf*&DaaD

Create a memorable passphrase of 5–7 unrelated words:

HorsPerpleHatRunBayconShoos

→ Get creative with spelling to make it even stronger.

3

Make them unique

Use a different password for each account:

k8dfh8c@Pfv0gB2

LmvF%swVR56s2mW

e246gs%mfS#3tv6

Tip! Use a password manager to remember them.

Let a password manager do the work!

A password manager creates, stores and fills passwords for us automatically.

Then we each only have to remember one strong password—for the password manager itself. Search trusted sources for “password managers” like Consumer Reports, which offers a selection of highly rated password managers. Read reviews to compare options and find a reputable program for you.

When we choose strong passwords, we make it much harder for someone to steal our:



Data



Money



Identities

Using strong passwords 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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As of August 14, 2023

KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE, MAKE A PLAN

In honor of National Preparedness Month, we're sharing a few simple steps you can take to help keep yourself, your family and our community safe and prepared for emergencies.

Start by staying informed. During an emergency, it is important to monitor official broadcasts, emergency alerts and trusted local news for the latest information. A weather radio is another valuable tool, providing alerts about severe weather—even if the power or internet is unavailable. Receiving warnings early gives you more time to take action and seek shelter.

Build an emergency supply kit. Keep enough essential supplies on hand to be self-sufficient for several days. Consider including water, nonperishable food, medications, flashlights, extra batteries, a first-aid kit, phone chargers and important documents.

Have a plan. Know where you will go and how you will communicate if an emergency occurs. Identify a safe place in your home for severe weather, make sure family members know how to receive emergency alerts and establish a way to check in with loved ones.

Click below to learn more about staying prepared!

[Learn More Today](#)



WHAT IT IS, HOW IT'S USED AND WHAT RESIDENTS NEED TO KNOW

What Is Reclaimed Water?

Reclaimed water is treated and disinfected wastewater that is safely reused for irrigation and other non-drinking purposes.

Can Reclaimed Water Be Used for Drinking?

No. Reclaimed water is non-potable and is commonly used for irrigation, groundwater recharge and industrial processes.

How Is Reclaimed Water Used in The Villages?

Reclaimed water is used to irrigate grass, landscaping, trees and common areas, including roadways, golf courses and recreation areas.

Is Reclaimed Water Used for Residential Irrigation?

- South of SR 44: Reclaimed water is combined with stormwater and, when needed, groundwater for residential irrigation. Outdoor faucets provide potable drinking water and are not connected to the irrigation system.
- North of SR 44 to south of CR 466: Stormwater and, when needed, groundwater are used for residential irrigation. Outdoor faucets provide potable water.
- North of CR 466: Residential irrigation systems use potable drinking water.

Is Reclaimed Water Safe?

Yes. Reclaimed water in The Villages® meets water quality standards established by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP).

Can Reclaimed Water Be Used for Vegetable Gardens?

FDEP does not recommend using reclaimed water on fruits or vegetables that will not be peeled, skinned or cooked. South of CR 466, use potable water from your outdoor faucet for edible gardens. North of CR 466, irrigation systems use potable water.



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**
- **Heron** will re-open Wednesday, September 16.
- **Redfish Run**
- **Silver Lake**
- **Turtle Mound**

HERON GRAND RE-OPENING

Mark your calendars and join us on Wednesday, September 16, for the grand re-opening of the Heron Executive Golf Course!

GRAND RE-OPENING!



The Villages
Community Development Districts
Executive Golf

JOIN US AT

Heron

EXECUTIVE GOLF COURSE

WED, SEP 16

RIBBON CUTTING 9AM
TEE TIMES START AT 10AM
1261 Sunset Pointe Blvd.

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

See You On The Green!

TEE TIMES OPEN ON SEP 9

TheVillages.net | 352-753-4653

352-753-4508 | ExecutiveGolfMaintenance@DistrictGov.org



RESIDENT ADVISORY: ARC PHISHING NOTICE

No payment is required to submit or have an Architectural Review Committee (ARC) application reviewed. Any request for payment related to the ARC review process is not legitimate and should be treated as suspicious.

Residents may receive fraudulent emails, texts, or phone calls that appear official and request payment or personal information.

If you receive a suspicious message:

- Do not click any links.
- Do not provide personal or financial information.
- Delete the message.
- Report it to local law enforcement and, if applicable, your email provider.

Stay Alert for Fraud

Common warning signs include:

- Requests for immediate payment.
- Claims of "urgent action required."
- Unfamiliar or altered sender information.
- Links to unfamiliar websites.
- Requests for sensitive information.

When in doubt, verify the request through an official contact before taking action.



Fall Social Leagues

It's about time to join your friends and neighbors at one of the many social leagues. League brochures will be available Friday, September 4, 2026, with registration running Thursday, September 10, 2026 through Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Watch the Recreation & Parks publication and District website for more information.

REGISTER SEP 10 - 23

2026 FALL RECREATION SOCIAL LEAGUES

OCT 5 - NOV 22

Organizational Week | Sep 28 - Oct 4

Register at any
At Your Service Location
MON - FRI 8:30AM - 4PM

The Villages®
Recreation & Parks

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

Square Events

The Recreation & Parks Department has an exciting lineup of activities happening across all the squares this September. Kick off your morning with a little music, get moving with some exercise, and find plenty of fun ways to stay active and connected!

[View September happenings.](#)

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Full Line-Up
of Recreation
Activities at All of
Our Town Centers

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!



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.



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



View more information on the [Modified Phase III Water Shortage](#).



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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