

News for Neighborhoods



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH - June 2010



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PREPARING FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricane Season begins June 1st and the time to prepare is now. Residents are urged to be take precautionary steps and to keep important contact information readily available:

- *Supply your household with nonperishable food and water for 5-7 days (minimum of one gallon of water per person per day is recommended).*
- *Stock up on batteries & flashlights, fill your vehicle's gas tank and keep cell phones charged.*
- *Organize & package important documents preferably in waterproof containers or sealed plastic bags.*
- *Have a well insulated cooler available especially for medication that requires refrigeration.*
- *Designate an out-of-state family member or friend as a single point of contact should loved ones become separated. If you live alone, arrange a "buddy" system with a friend or neighbor.*
- *If you are disabled and need medical assistance during a storm, register in advance for a special needs shelter. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Call the Palm Beach County Emergency Operations Center at (561) 712-6400.*
- *Bring pets indoors and have an ample supply of pet food. If necessary, locate a pet-friendly shelter in your area. For additional information on pet shelters, visit www.pbcgov.com/publicsafety/animalcare.*

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

In Case of Emergency: 911

Delray Beach Emergency Operations Center: (561) 243-7400

Delray Beach Emergency Radio: 1620 AM (official source of information during and after emergencies - operated by the City of Delray Beach)

Hurricane Information Line: (561) 243-7840 (provides updated messages from the City)

City Website: www.mydelraybeach.com (information on hurricane safety & preparedness including links to weather centers, the American Red Cross, Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control)

County Website: www.pbcgov.com (important information including locations of generator-equipped gas stations and grocery stores)

My Safe Florida Home Website: www.mysafefloridahome.com (information on how you can make your family and home safer)

Office of Insurance Regulation Website: www.floir.com (information on Florida consumer insurance)

American Red Cross Hurricane Shelter (Delray Beach location upon activation):

Atlantic Community High School, 2455 West Atlantic Avenue

For more information on hurricane preparedness, visit www.mydelraybeach.com and select **Fire-Rescue** under **Departments**.

CITY SURVEY SEEKS SUPPORT FOR GOOGLE FIBER PROJECT

Google plans to develop ultra-high speed broadband networks in one or more trial locations across the country with fiber cabling directly to homes. One of the objectives for the project is to discover what types of new applications can be developed with this type of high speed network. Google will fund the installation of the project and offer Internet access at market rates. Google will also open up their network to other providers.

Google issued a Request for Information (RFI) for the project and the City submitted a response. By the end of the year, Google plans to announce the selected community (or communities) for the project.

The City has created a brief, three question online survey to gauge community support for the City's response to the RFI. To show whether you support the City applying for the Google High Speed Fiber Project, visit www.mydelraybeach.com and select *City Seeks Community Support for Google Fiber Project*. The web page also includes links to the online survey results, additional information on Google's High Speed Fiber Project, and the City's response to the RFI.

For more information, contact the Public Information Office at (561) 243-7190.

Events & Activities JUNE / JULY 2010

June 1

City Commission
Regular Meeting
City Hall Commission Chambers
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

June 15

City Commission
Regular Meeting
City Hall Commission Chambers
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

June 24

Art and Jazz on the Avenue
Downtown Delray Beach
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Info: (561) 279-1380

June 25

Delray Beach Parks & Recreation
Dad and Daughter Date Night
Delray Beach Golf Club
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7277

July 4

Fourth of July Celebration
Atlantic Avenue and A1A
Festivities begin at 8:00 AM
Info: (561) 279-1380

July 5

Independence Day Holiday
City Hall Closed

July 6

City Commission
Regular Meeting
City Hall Commission Chambers
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

CITIZEN SERVICE REQUESTS

Phone: (561) 243-7012

Online: www.mydelraybeach.com

To report a problem, ask a question,
offer a comment or file a complaint.

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Delray Beach Police Department CRIME TIPS NUMBER

Phone: (561) 243-7839



To report information on a crime that has already
occurred. Crime tips may be reported anonymously.



PROJECTS, UPDATES & REMINDERS



Neighborhood Stabilization Program - The City of Delray Beach has received \$1,905,000 under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) award to the Florida Department of Community Affairs by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a result of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. NSP funds are to be used toward the purchase of foreclosed or abandoned homes for rehabilitation, resale or redevelopment in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of home values. This program benefits low, moderate and middle income households.

Online Business Tax Receipt Renewal – Business Tax Receipt renewals are due by September 30, 2010. The City of Delray Beach offers a convenient online Business Tax Receipt renewal service on its website. This streamlines the renewal process, saving businesses both time and money. To renew Business Tax Receipts, go to the City's website, www.mydelraybeach.com. On the home page, select **Business Tax Receipts** under **Self Service**. Click on the **Renewal** option. Businesses will be prompted to enter a Business Tax Receipt number and PIN (both can be found on the renewal notice to be mailed on July 1, 2010). Enter the requested credit card information. Credit cards accepted for payment are Visa and MasterCard. For more information, please call (561) 243-7209. *A business tax receipt is a tax levied upon all businesses within the municipal boundaries. The purchase of a tax receipt is mandatory for those who engage or manage any business/profession or perform any business within Delray Beach City limits.*

Advisory Board and Committee Vacancies – Opportunities exist for citizen volunteers to serve on City Advisory Boards. The City of Delray Beach has 22 active Advisory Boards and Committees, each set up to perform specific functions. By participating as a citizen volunteer on an Advisory Board and/or Committee, you will have an opportunity to be involved in your City government. The City is currently seeking individuals to serve on the **Board of Adjustment, Civil Service Board, Code Enforcement Board, General Employees Relations Commission, Neighborhood Advisory Council, Nuisance Abatement Board, Parking Management Advisory Board, Boca Raton Aviation Advisory Committee and the Public Employees Relations Commission**. Applications and more information about Advisory Boards can be obtained at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall, Room 207, 100 NW 1st Avenue, by visiting the City's website, www.mydelraybeach.com, or by contacting Venice Cobb at (561) 243-7056.

Relay for Life – Veterans Park will be the site for "All Night on the Ave," the first Downtown Delray Beach *Relay for Life* on June 26-27, 2010. *Relay for Life* is a fun-filled overnight team event designed to celebrate survivorship and raise money for research and programs of the American Cancer Society (ACS). A fashion show, cook off and battle of the bands are only some of the events planned for that night. *Relay for Life* represents the hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day cancer will be eliminated. For more information, contact Dana Filetti at (561) 394-7751.

CITY'S "GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE" EFFORTS IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE

The City continues its efforts to improve the quality of life through its "green and sustainable" initiatives. Innovative projects and programs are being developed to make our community eco-friendly. Many of the "green and sustainable" recommendations from the Green Implementation Advancement Board (GIAB) have already been implemented or are on-going including:

- Revising the City's special event permit application and special event policy to encourage "green and sustainable" practices, including recycling and education.
- Expanding the City Hall *Pilot Recycling Program* to all City departments.
- Supporting community gardens.
- Installing building retrofits, including programmable thermostats, energy-saving lighting and equipment, in all City-owned facilities.
- Promoting electronic distribution of City publications, newsletters and City Commission agendas.
- Developing metrics to assist in monitoring reclaimed water, electricity and solid waste/recycling to gauge the City's "green and sustainable" efforts.
- Conducting a green house gas emissions inventory that will identify the sources of gas from City facilities and provide a baseline to evaluate progress.
- Purchase 10 clear (see through) recycling bins to be utilized as a *Pilot* project to encourage and promote recycling at various City events.

For more information, contact the Public Information Office at (561) 243-7190.