

News for Neighborhoods



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH - June 2009



CITY DIRECTORY

Delray Beach City Hall
100 NW 1st Avenue
Delray Beach, Florida 33444
General Information
(561) 243-7000

Emergency 9-1-1
Non-Emergency 243-7800
English-Spanish-Creole

Citizen Service Requests 243-7012
or www.mydelraybeach.com

Peticiones del Servicio del Ciudadano
Sèvis ke Sitwayen Bezwen

City Manager's Office 243-7010
Mayor and City Commission
Oficina del Administrador de la Ciudad
Biwo Manadjè Vil-la

Police Department 243-7888
Departamento de la Policía
Depatmin Polis

Fire Department 243-7400
Parque de Bomberos
Depatman pou Dife

City Clerk's Office 243-7050
Oficina del Actuario de la Ciudad
Biwo Komi pou Vil-la

Utility Billing 243-7100
Cargos de Utilidades
Depatman Bil Dlo/Elektrik

Water/Sewer Maint. 243-7312
Mantenimiento del Agua y Alcantarilla
Depatman pou Pwòpte Dlo avèk Egou

Animal Control 243-7330
Mando de Animales
Depatman Ki An Chaj Zannimo

Jobline 243-6201
Linea de Trabajos
Liy Telefòn pou Jwenn Travay

Parks & Recreation 243-7250
Parques y Recreación
Depatman Pak & Rekreyasyon

Municipal Golf Course 243-7380
Campo de Golf Municipal
Magazen Golf

www.mydelraybeach.com

HURRICANE SEASON 2009

BE PREPARED – STAY INFORMED

Hurricane Season begins June 1st and the time to prepare is now. Residents are urged to take action before a hurricane strikes. For information on hurricane preparedness, visit www.mydelraybeach.com and select **Fire-Rescue** under **Departments**.

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 of Delray Beach during a potential storm impact)

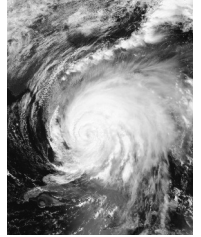
City Website: www.mydelraybeach.com (information on preparing for hurricanes including tropical weather links)

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.flair.com (information on Florida consumer insurance issues)

American Red Cross Hurricane Shelter (Delray Beach location upon activation):
Atlantic Community High School, 2455 West Atlantic Avenue



DELRAY BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC ADVISORY – ROBBERY AWARENESS & PREVENTION

The Delray Beach Police Department is committed to protecting our community and encourages all residents to take precautionary measures to stay safe.

- Be alert and aware of your surroundings. Know your destination and route.
- Plan ahead so that when you walk you are very visible to other people. If you must walk alone, choose open, well-lit and well-traveled areas.
- If someone asks for directions, maintain a safe distance.
- If you work late hours, arrange to leave at the same time as a co-worker. Try to avoid parking far away from your work site.
- Avoid fumbling for your keys; have them in your hand as you approach your car.
- Park only in well-lit areas at night.
- Valuables should be kept in the trunk, locked glove compartment or out of sight whenever traveling or leaving a vehicle parked.
- At home, check for signs of forced entry such as broken glass, a torn screen or pry marks before venturing inside.
- NEVER feel reluctant to call the police if you sense the possibility of an intruder inside your residence.

In case of an emergency, call 911. For non-emergency issues, call 243-7800.



WATER RESTRICTIONS STILL IN EFFECT

Conserving water remains a high priority in South Florida and residents are reminded that the South Florida Water Management District's water restrictions are still in effect.

Residents with street addresses that end in an odd number may irrigate lawns and landscaping on Wednesdays and Saturdays from midnight to 10:00 am and from 4:00 pm until midnight.

Residents with street addresses that end in an even number may irrigate on Thursdays and Sundays from midnight to 10:00 am and from 4:00 pm to midnight.

FAILURE TO OBSERVE WATER RESTRICTIONS COULD RESULT IN FINES STARTING AT \$100.

For more information, visit www.mydelraybeach.com and select **Two Days Per Week Watering** under **NEWS**.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES JUNE/JULY 2009

June 2

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

June 3, 10, 17, 24

“Family Night at the Park”
Catherine Strong Splash Park
4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Info: (561) 243-7194

June 16

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

June 19

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

June 25

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

June 25

“Barbie’s Back & She’s 50”
Old School Square Cornell Museum
Thru October 25, 2009
Info: (561) 243-7922

June 27

Narrated Bus Tour of
Historic Delray Beach
Tour Departs at 11:00 AM
Info: (561) 243-2662

July 3

Independence Day Holiday
City Hall Closed
Info: (561) 243-7000

July 4

July 4th Celebration
Atlantic Avenue & A1A
Festivities include sand sculpture
contest, music, parade and Grucci
fireworks display
Info: (561) 279-1380

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.



CITY PROJECT UPDATES AND REMINDERS



- **FDOT Atlantic Avenue Road Construction** - Resurfacing project on Atlantic Avenue between NE/SE 6th Avenue/Federal Highway and A1A scheduled to begin in May 2009. Weather permitting, work in this area will be completed late June 2009. Paving will be performed between 9:00 pm - 6:00 am, Sunday through Thursday. On-street parking will be closed in the work zone during paving. Other project-related activities will be performed 7:00 am until 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, including the installation of 1) detectable surfaces at pedestrian crossings on both sides of Atlantic Avenue, 2) stamped asphalt crosswalks and 3) new street signs and traffic signal loops. At least one lane will remain open in each direction at all times along Atlantic Avenue. Pedestrian access will be maintained on one side of the road at all times. For more information visit the FDOT website at: www.pbfdot.com.
- **Help Delray “Go Green”** - Pitch in and help keep our City beautiful. Dispose of household items and hazardous materials the “green” way by utilizing Solid Waste Authority’s drop off location at 1901 SW 4th Avenue. The drop off location is open Monday – Friday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturdays 7:00 am to 3:00 pm. Items collected are: automotive and household rechargeable batteries, used oil, antifreeze, fluorescent lamps, electronics, paint, pesticides, cleaners, acid, flares, fuel, solvents and pool chemicals. For more information, call the Solid Waste Authority at (561) 697-2700 or visit their website at www.swa.org.
- **Economic Stimulus Federal Funding Update** - The City is actively seeking eligible funding through the Federal Economic Stimulus Bill that will provide a direct benefit to our community. Updated information is posted on the City’s website, www.mydelraybeach.com and can be viewed by selecting *Economic Stimulus Bill - City of Delray Beach Proposed Infrastructure Projects and Funding Allocations* on the home page.

BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS ONLINE RENEWAL SERVICE

Business Tax Receipt renewals are due by September 30, 2009. 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, 2009). 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.

A GUIDE TO ROUNDABOUT DRIVING

Roundabouts are one-way circular intersections in which traffic flows around a center island. Studies indicate the decrease in traffic accidents prove roundabouts to be safer than signalized intersections. Since the required slower speeds reduce vehicle emissions and fuel use, roundabouts are more environmentally friendly than traditional intersections.

Stop signs or traffic signals are not utilized in roundabouts but most often yield signs are posted for approaching drivers, signifying vehicles already in the roundabout have the right of way.

Follow these rules for proper roundabout driving:

1. As you approach a roundabout, slow down and yield to pedestrians/bicyclists. Be prepared to stop if necessary.
2. When entering a roundabout, yield to circulating traffic on the left, pedestrians and bicyclists. Proceed into the roundabout when there is an adequate gap in circulating traffic flow. It is not necessary to stop if the roadway is clear.
3. While adhering to posted speed limits, proceed through the roundabout following the roadway counterclockwise to the right of the center island.
4. Within a roundabout, do not stop for vehicles waiting to enter the roundabout. Those driving within a roundabout have the right-of-way over vehicles readying to enter the roundabout.
5. Before exiting, use turn signals to indicate where you will exit the roundabout.

For additional information, visit www.pbcgov.com, click on **Publications** and select **Roundabout** under **Engineering**.



Roundabout in Pineapple Grove