

**Volusia County Government Activities  
October 10 – 16, 2020**

**AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES**

***Daytona Beach International Airport***

**Marketing & Customer Experience:** Staff is preparing for the third round of DAB Cares Kits assembly. To date, staff has distributed approximately 7,000 cares kits to departing passengers. The beginning of the new fiscal year marked the start of two new marketing/branding initiatives: Expedia.com and NPR public radio – Orlando. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at [jmagley@volusia.org](mailto:jmagley@volusia.org).

**Economic Development:** Staff continues to process small and home-based business grants. To date, 3,216 small business grant applications have been received, and 2,577 checks distributed, totaling more than \$7.79 million. For home-based business grants, 560 applications were received and 416 checks distributed, totaling \$624,000. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at or [jmagley@volusia.org](mailto:jmagley@volusia.org).

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**Community Assistance:** On Nov. 5, a public meeting will be held at John H. Dickerson Heritage Library in which community members will elect a person to represent low-income people in the Daytona Beach area on the Human Services Advisory Board. Residents may also participate virtually; the link will be posted the morning of the meeting at [www.volusia.org/hsab](http://www.volusia.org/hsab). An alternate may also be elected to serve in the absence of the elected person if enough interest is warranted at the meeting.

**Votran:** Votran Fixed Route Operator Ted Glenn won 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the Florida Public Transportation Associations' Operator of the Year. He was awarded a plaque during a virtual ceremony late last week. This award recognizes an outstanding operator whose service has enriched and enhanced public transportation in their community.

**COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

**Community Information:** Community Information is coordinating with Public Works on the scheduling of a ribbon-cutting to mark the grand opening of the Public Works NE service facility; the event is tentatively scheduled for early January. Staff is working with Economic Development and DeLeon Springs company, Sparton, to coordinate an on-site event in recognition of Sparton's upgrade of its wastewater treatment facility with the assistance of the County's water quality infrastructure grant program; Sparton is the first recipient of the grant program. Staff are working with Solid Waste for the creation of a unique graphic for the upcoming Strive to Thrive tire amnesty event in December for DeLand's Spring Hill. Coordination efforts are beginning for the 2021 State of the County Address. Community Information's production team will be transitioning to a new studio in November, currently under construction in the southwest basement area of the Historic Courthouse. As some early coronavirus-related information is becoming stale, web staff are optimizing the many web pages of the Public Information Network (PIN) site on [Volusia.org](http://Volusia.org). For more information, contact Kevin Captain at [kcaptain@volusia.org](mailto:kcaptain@volusia.org).

**PUBLIC PROTECTION**

**Animal Services:** Director Adam Leath will be putting his expertise to work with a national organization devoted to maintaining the highest professional standards in the field of animal welfare and public safety. On Oct. 9, Mr. Leath was selected to serve as a director on the board of the National Animal Care & Control Association (NACA). Mr. Leath was among five new directors elected by NACA's membership to the organization's board. The all-volunteer board of directors helps guide NACA's activities, which include professional training and a certification program for animal care workers. Subsequently, on Oct 10, he was also elected as Treasurer for this same board.

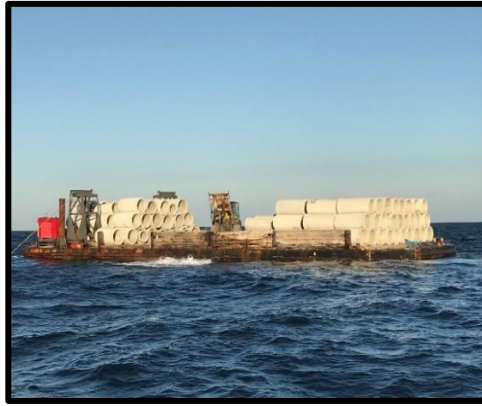
For the first time, the Volusia County Animal Care Clinic was open for business on a Sunday. On Oct 11, clinic staff spayed/neutered 19 cats as part of the Trap/Neuter/Return Program. These free-roaming cats received the spay/neuter surgery, ear tip, rabies and FVRCP vaccination, and a dose of topical flea medication. TNR improves the lives of free-roaming cats, addresses community concerns, reduces complaints about cats, and stops the breeding cycle. For more information, contact Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120.

**Emergency Medical Services:** EMS held the first day of class for the inaugural UMBC CCEMT-P (University of Maryland Baltimore County, Critical Care Emergency Medical Transport Program) course. This was a big milestone for our agency's training division and we are proud of all our students who have made a major commitment to take on this challenging course for professional development and expand their knowledge of patient care in the critical care environment. For more information, contact Patricia Bythwood at 386-740-5120.



## PUBLIC WORKS

**Coastal:** The Coastal Division made two artificial reef deployments, with a total of 420 tons of clean concrete culverts being deployed at the two sites. For more information, contact Jessica Winterwerp at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.



**Engineering & Construction:** Notice to proceed for the county's Orange Camp Rd widening project in Deland was issued on Oct. 12. The project scope includes the construction of a round-a-bout at the intersection of Orange Camp Rd and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. In the coming weeks the City of Deland will be relocating their water main in preparation for the roadway improvements. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

**Mosquito Control:** Mosquito Control hosted a successful Tire Amnesty Event on Oct. 9 collecting approximately 773 tires of all sizes from the Holly Hill and Oak Hill areas. This collection, funded by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, reduced many mosquito habitats and ensured proper disposal of the tires. For more information, contact Suzanne Bartlett, (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.



**Road & Bridge:** Road & Bridge traffic operation crews provided traffic control devices such as messaging signs, barricades, and cones in preparation of visitors attending Biketoberfest in Daytona Beach from Oct. 15 – 18. During this time there will be no planned lane or road closures permitted on Volusia County maintained roadways on the East side of the county. For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20470.

**Solid Waste:** On Oct. 18, in support of Biketoberfest events, the Tomoka Farms Road Landfill will have operating hours from 7–10 am. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

**Traffic Engineering:** Performed inspections and accepted maintenance of four FDOT traffic signal mast arm upgrades. The locations are US 1 at Canal Street and US 1 at Lytle Avenue in New Smyrna Beach; A1A at Cardinal Drive and A1A at Harvard Drive in Ormond Beach. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

**Water Resources and Utilities:** The project team consisting of Utilities division staff, Jones Edmunds & Associates, and Wharton-Smith will conduct a kick-off meeting on Oct. 19 for design of approximately three miles of water and wastewater utility mains extending to the DeLeon Springs area. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.