Volusia County Government Activities October 22 – 28, 2022

COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Community Information: The division continues to disseminate information and respond to media inquiries about Hurricane Ian's impacts. Staff hosted representatives from the Florida Department of Health-Volusia on the Oct. 28 Volusia Today show highlighting available programming and reminding residents about Flu shots and COVID-19 shots. FEMA has asked for staff's assistance informing residents of the Stone Island area that FEMA's Disaster Survivor Assistance teams will be arriving at some point during the week of Oct. 31 through Nov. 4. Once FEMA confirms the arrival date, staff will create targeted information for residents in that area, as appropriate. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

OCEAN CENTER

Events: CHAMPS Trade Show and Glass Games will begin moving into the arena, exhibit hall and meeting rooms on Oct. 31. The business-to-business trade expo, serving the smoke shop industry, will take place in Daytona Beach for the first time Nov. 1 - 3. In addition to the trade show, CHAMPS will stage their Glass Games, an immersive glass and art experience that features a world-renowned glassblowing competition. The event is expected to draw upwards of three thousand professionals and generate 1,200 room nights. To learn more about CHAMPS Trade Show and Glass Games, visit https://champstradeshows.com. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at triddle@volusia.org.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Emergency Management: Emergency Management continues to support the affected areas through the Disaster Recovery Center and to provide resources to those areas of need. Emergency Management continues to assist the public through Hurricane Ian-related calls. On Oct. 26, Emergency Management hosted a group from the Port Orange South Daytona Leadership program through the Port Orange Chamber of Commerce to tour the Emergency Operations Center and Communications Center. For more information, contact James Judge at (386) 254-1500.

Emergency Medical Services: A new-hire class of seven EMTs started on Oct. 24. For more information, contact Michael Colman at (386) 236-3511.

Fire Rescue: Over the next two weeks, Volusia County and Ormond Beach Fire Rescue will conduct a multi-jurisdictional training evolution. The evolution will consist of three skill stations that will provide a better understanding of the concepts of water supply, hose maneuvering and water extinguishment patterns for fire suppression, and tender shuttle operations. For more information, contact Interim Fire Chief Joe King at (386) 736-5940 ext. 12909.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: Coastal staff has been diligently working to repair and reopen assets damaged by Hurricane lan. This includes removing debris, repairing or replacing stair treads and stringers, adding extensions and x-bracing to pilings for structural support, and replacing any damaged top caps, side rails and aluminum railing. Recent openings include the following:

Daytona Beach - Browning Avenue



New Smyrna Beach - Sandpiper Avenue, 20th Avenue, 22nd Avenue, and 23rd Avenue.

82 Coastal assets remain closed. For more information, contact Jessica Fentress at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.





Engineering & Construction: The underground water main and fire line are being installed at the Medical Examiner's Office. The foundation footings are complete and will be poured in three phases over the next three weeks. An application is pending with the FAA for the crane, and approval is anticipated by mid-November. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

Mosquito Control: Staff is actively conducting surveillance and planning treatments for upcoming Halloween and fall events, such as the Volusia County Fair. The cooler temperatures have not impacted mosquito activity. Volusia County remains under a Mosquito-Borne Illness Alert from the Department of Health (DOH) due to multiple human cases of mosquito-borne illnesses. View more information and read the press releases from DOH on our website at volusia.org/mosquito. For more information, contact Marcus McDonough at (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road & Bridge: Tree, drainage, road and traffic sign crews continue to respond to service requests after Hurricane Ian. For more information, contact Lori Koontz at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20455.

Solid Waste: Solid Waste team members will staff the recycling education trailer at the Volusia County Fair. Still will provide information on correct ways to recycle, litter prevention, Keep Volusia Beautiful information and giveaway items. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

Water Resources and Utilities: Staff participated in the City of DeBary's Citizens Academy program. During the event, staff provided an overview of how a utility system operates and works with city governments and state agencies to promote the value of water. Participation in the event was significant as Volusia County serves as the utility service provider for residents and businesses within DeBary. For additional information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.

