

## Volusia County Government Activities April 2 – 8, 2022

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Community Assistance:** The Children and Families Advisory Board will meet at 1:30 p.m. April 12 in the Training Rooms of the Thomas C. Kelly Administration Center, 123 W. Indiana Ave., DeLand. The public may also attend virtually using a link posted prior to the meeting at [volusia.org/cfab](https://www.volusia.org/cfab). The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee will meet at 2 p.m. April 13 at the Emergency Operations Center, 3825 Tiger Bay Road, Daytona Beach. The public may also attend virtually using a link posted prior to the meeting at [volusia.org/ahac](https://www.volusia.org/ahac). Summer camp scholarships are available to income-eligible children through the Community Assistance Division. Scholarship awards are based on income-eligibility and will be awarded according to funding availability. Scholarship applications will be accepted electronically and by mail or hand delivery beginning at 8 a.m. April 11. For detailed information, the documents required for submission, and interactive map feature to identify site locations visit <https://www.volusia.org/scs>. To request additional information, contact Carmen Hall, Community Assistance Director, at [chall@volusia.org](mailto:chall@volusia.org).

### COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

**Community Information:** Staff created the first in a series of Facebook slide shows featuring the county's conservation lands; the first one highlighted is Deep Creek Preserve. Staff started the promotion for a free ride with Votran on Earth Day. Residents can take advantage of Votran's fixed and FLEX services all day on April 22. Staff completed the final changes of graphic artistry for the Library Services summer activity booklet. Staff created a web slider for the upcoming Growth Management and Permitting Workshop for April 12. Visitors to Volusia.org can click on the slider from the website's main page, which links to more information about the Workshop, including the presentation and how to provide comment in advance of the Workshop. Two individual news releases were distributed about the Workshop, as well as social media posts with information on how individuals can provide public comment. Staff created a drone video for social media on the newly completed roundabout at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Beltway and Orange Camp Road. Production staff are endeavoring a new concept to capture video footage from the County's weekly radio program, Volusia Today. This week, Aviation and Economic Resources Director Cyrus Callum and Sr. Veterans Services Officer Scott Olson were interviewed and filmed inside the Southern Stone Communications studio in Daytona Beach. The entire show can be viewed on the County of Volusia YouTube channel; short carve outs will be created for social media. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at [kcaptain@volusia.org](mailto:kcaptain@volusia.org).

### OCEAN CENTER

**Events:** The National High School Drill Team Championships (NHS DTC) begins move-in on April 12, with event dates April 14-16. The 2022 championship will feature not only more than 120 schools representing four service branches of the military: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and will maintain two independent service championship events. Over 35 years at the Ocean Center, the event has grown from only the National High School Drill team into an unparalleled weekend of military excellence. Five thousand attendees are expected over the course of the event and room nights are estimated at 3,000. The NHS DTC is free and open to the public; for more information, visit <https://thenationals.net/nhsdte.htm>. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at [triddle@volusia.org](mailto:triddle@volusia.org).

### PUBLIC PROTECTION

**Animal Services:** On April 5, Director Leath attended an Animal Cruelty Task Force Meeting for the 5<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Director Leath also attended the working group of the National Institute of International Veterinary Forensic Sciences Association to standardize the process for animal remains in criminal cases on April 6. For more information, contact Division Director Adam Leath, 386-822-3506.

**Beach Safety:** Throughout the week, Beach Safety Officers attended a de-escalation class and a speed measurement class at Daytona State College. For more information, contact Division Director Andy Ethridge, (386) 239-6414.

**Corrections:** The Corrections Division would like to thank Family Health Source for their collaboration and partnership over the past two years. During this time, Family Health Source provided COVID-19 vaccines to inmates in custody. Last week, 96 vaccines were provided to inmates in custody, totaling more than 2,000 vaccines since this program started. Last week was the last week grant money was available for Family Health Source to provide free COVID-19 vaccines to inmates in custody. For more information, contact Division Director Mark Flowers, 386-254-1568



**Emergency Medical Administration:** The County's medical director conducted a Q&A in-service on April 4 for the Fire and EMS agencies. On April 5, Emergency Medical Administration staff met with Information Technology to continue the ZOLL 6.4 upgrade process for maintenance and cleanup. For more information, contact Division Director Mark Wolcott, (386) 561-8087.

**Fire Rescue:** On April 18, Fire Rescue will conduct the New Hire Academy for six individuals that have been selected under the awarded SAFER Grant. This academy will be six weeks, preparing the new recruits to conduct emergency responses throughout the county. For more information, contact Fire Chief Howard Bailey, (386) 736-5940 ext. 12918.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Coastal:** The Coastal Division scheduled the resurfacing and striping of the parking lot and painting of the curbing at Wilbur Boathouse in Wilbur-by-the-Sea. Tradesworkers renovated the east stairs, side rails and top caps at Dolphin Avenue walkover in New Smyrna Beach and installed 100 feet of sideboards on both sides of the jetty boardwalk to reduce sand accumulation, which limits ADA accessibility. For more information, contact Terri Propst at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20535.

## **Engineering & Construction**

A traffic shift to a single lane roundabout at the Orange Camp Road widening project is anticipated to begin April 10 to allow continued road construction, storm drain placement and curb and sidewalk construction. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

**Mosquito Control:** Mosquito Control hosted a successful Tire Amnesty event on April 2 in New Smyrna Beach, collecting 1,933 tires from the community. Tires attract pestiferous mosquitoes, which lay their eggs in the water and produce the next generation of mosquitoes. Tire amnesty events remove waste tires from the community at no cost to residents and is part of the *Keep Volusia Beautiful* anti-littering campaign. The next planned event will be in the fall. For more information, contact Marcus McDonough at (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.



**Road & Bridge:** Spring marks the time of year when routine mowing begins. Mowing is a scheduled task within the division's annual work plan and its productivity is monitored to ensure levels of service are being met. Current mowing frequencies are: thoroughfare road rights-of-way eight times per year, local road rights-of-way four times per year, and retention pond areas six times per year. For more information, contact Lori Koontz at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20455.

**Solid Waste:** There is no change to garbage, recycling, bulk waste and yard trash collection schedules for residents of unincorporated Volusia County on Good Friday, April 15. If your normal collection day is Friday, please place items at the curb by 6 a.m. for normal collection. The Tomoka Farms Road Landfill and West Volusia Transfer Station will be open normal hours of operation. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

**Traffic Engineering:** A study is currently underway at the intersection of CR 415/Tomoka Farms Road and CR 421/Taylor Road to determine whether a northbound right turn lane is justified. If justified, this improvement would be scheduled as part of the traffic signal upgrade. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

**Water Resources and Utilities:** During the second quarter of FY 2021-22, a total of 642 continuous water use and 123 high consumption alert calls were made to customers. Since Oct 1, a total of 1,519 continuous or high consumption notifications have occurred. The utilities support team contacts customers advising of continuous use (indicating possible leaks) and unusually high consumption during a 72-hour period (indicating inefficient irrigation use). These proactive measures help customers avoid costly bills and potential damage within the home. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.