

Volusia County Government Activities December 7 – December 14, 2019

Aviation and Economic Resources

Airport operations

Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Battalion Chief Steve Luciano will present the 2019 triennial exercise and after action review at the Volusia County Emergency Managers meeting Dec. 13.

Airport business development/marketing/customer service

Staff hosts the annual holiday luncheon for the airport ambassadors and the airport tenants. The ambassadors are volunteers who help with information about the airport and local area, or summon assistance for special requests. Santa made a special appearance at the lunch.



For more information, contact Joanne Magley at 386-248-8030 ext: 18309 or jmagley@volusia.org.

Community Services

Community Assistance

Thirty Mainstream Vouchers were awarded to Volusia County from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Mainstream vouchers will provide rental assistance to eligible individuals/families who are non-elderly persons with disabilities who are at risk currently or have experienced homelessness. The County will use partnering agencies to identify, refer and provide supportive services to ensure program access to this targeted population.

For more information, contact Carmen Hall at 386-736-5955 ext: 12044 or at chall@volusia.org.

Library Services

Library Services collected 6,601 pounds of non-perishable food during the eighth annual Food for Fines event. For every item collected the library reduced existing fines on a library card by \$1 (up to \$25). All donations were given to Halifax Urban Ministries for distribution throughout Volusia County.

For more information, contact Lucinda Colee at 386-248-1745 ext: 11212.

County Manager's Office

Community Information

The Community Information division continues to make the 2020 Census awareness campaign its top priority as it creates new marketing collateral; works with subcommittees; and finalizes contracts with six movie theaters, two billboard companies, and Vector media (Votran advertising). Staff also sent the Big Read booklet to press, is finalizing content for the 2020 State of the County booklet and video, and is working with Human Services on developing materials to recruit summer food sites.

For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

Ocean Center

Events

This weekend the Ocean Center will host Ace Gymnastics for a level three State gymnastics meet. This event, which is in its 17th year at the Ocean Center, is expected to bring in 1,100 people. This is a U.S. Association of Gymnastics sanctioned women's level 1-5 and Xcel and Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) level 1-5 competition.

This weekend will also be the inaugural Daytona Beach Home and Holiday Show. This event puts together both home design and shopping. The home design and renovation includes professionals, live product demonstrations and on-site specials for services and products. There is also a holiday boutique that has vendors with

great prices, an art show and you can enjoy speakers on various topics. Also, this weekend we will again have The Florida Kick Off Dance Championships hosted by the East Coast Cheer and Dance.

For more information, contact Tim Riddle at 386-254-4500 ext: 24514 or triddle@volusia.org.

Public Protection

Animal Services

In partnership with the University of Florida, Animal Services Director Adam Leath, Dr. Jason Byrd, Associate Director of the Maple Center for Forensic Medicine at the University of Florida and Dr. Adam Stern, Forensic Pathologist at the University of Florida trained law enforcement and animal control officers from across the state will learn how to recognize, collect and process evidence on animal crime scenes.

For more information, contact Mark Swanson at (386)-740-5120

Emergency Medical Administration

The Emergency Medical Administration (EMA) division is to help assist with the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) division in the soft opening of the nurse triage program. The intent of this program is to begin the process of finding alternative solutions for persons with low acuity medical complaints in lieu of conventional emergency medical response. EMA's involvement has largely been limited to the development of an electronic platform for collection and storage of data collected by the nurse telecommunicators and the post review by physician medical directors.

For more information, contact Mark Swanson at (386)-740-5120

Public Works

Coastal

Side-scan sonar, magnetometer and bathymetric surveys of the seafloor began this week at three newly proposed artificial reef construction areas. The new reef areas are strategically located in state waters just inside the three-mile demarcation line offshore the Volusia County coast. Fishing regulations in state waters allow for the harvest of Red Snapper and fishermen will be allowed to keep Genuine Red Snapper caught at these newly proposed artificial reef sites.

For more information, contact Jessica Winterwerp at 386-248-8072, ext. 20356.

Engineering & Construction

Selections for professional Architectural/Engineering and Construction services for the design and construction of the New Medical Examiner Facility are complete and will be awarded to Schenkel-Shultz and Wharton Smith at the Dec. 10. County Council meeting. Scoping for both contracts is scheduled for Dec. 11.

For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at 386-736-5967, ext. 15846.

Road & Bridge

The Road & Bridge paving crew is in the process of paving 1,315 linear feet of Selleck Avenue, from Oak Lane to Glencoe Road in the New Smyrna Beach area. The project is part of the County's dirt road reduction program and once paved, will result in an operational efficiency by eliminating the need for routine grading.

For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at 386-822-6422, ext. 20470.

Solid Waste

There will be no garbage, recycling, yard waste or bulk waste collection for unincorporated Volusia County residents on Christmas Day, Dec. 25 or New Year's Day, Jan. 1. The make-up schedule for residential collection services for unincorporated Volusia County may be accessed at <http://volusia.org/recycle>.

For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 13603.

Water Resource and Utilities

Staff will attend water supply planning sessions with utilities staff representing DeLand, Deltona, and Orange City to review consumptive use permitting requirements and to discuss joint cooperative strategies and projects with St. Johns River Water Management District staff this week.

For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at 386-943-7027, ext. 12724.