

Volusia County Government Activities January 9 – 15, 2021

AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Daytona Beach International Airport: American Airlines announced it will extend the service of the new Dallas-Fort Worth flight through August 16. The seasonal flight was originally scheduled to end April 5, but was extended due to strong performance.

Economic Development: Economic Development applications for the small business grants closed Dec. 11. There were 3,432 applications received and 2,792 checks distributed, totaling more than \$8.45 million. The home-based grant program has processed 691 applications resulting in the distribution of 559 checks totaling \$838,500. In total, \$9.29 million distributed in small business grants were distributed. The Q1 Economic Development Quarterly digital publication was distributed Jan. 15. A short survey was conducted for the weekly Economic Scene e-newsletter asking if the topics included are of relevant interest. Ninety percent of respondents answered yes. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at 386-248-8030, ext. 18309 or jmagley@volusia.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

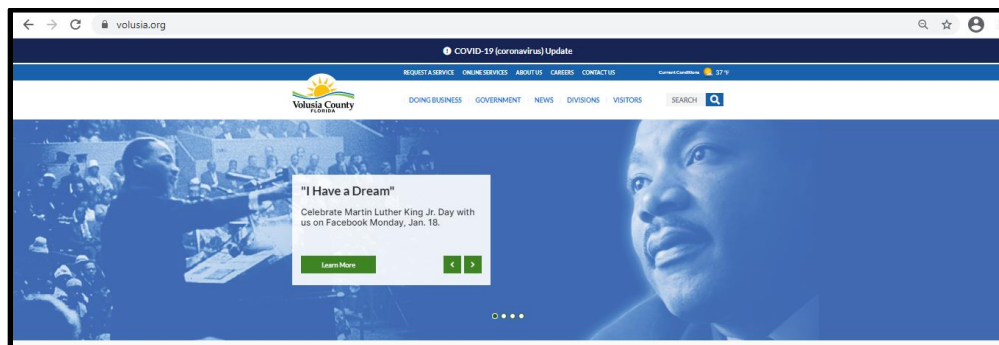
Extension Services: Staff will offer an online class for individuals interested in repairing their credit at 6 p.m. Jan. 27. This workshop will help residents take steps to improve their credit score and address negative marks on their credit record. For more information, contact Brad Burbaugh at bburbaugh@volusia.org.

COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Community Information: Community Information continues to work with Public Protection and the Florida Department of Health in Volusia County on COVID-19 vaccination efforts. With an overwhelming interest from the general public regarding vaccinations, the division is providing information via news releases, social media, the PIN page and media opportunities. Staff also developed a "freshened up" version of the Step Up Volusia graphics; the new campaign, called "Keep it Up, Volusia," will be seen on social media and in local newspapers. All these graphics are available to the public for use as placards, flyers, social media posts and even to add as an email-signature (see below). The graphics are also available in Spanish. Community Information will collaborate with Emergency Management to promote public safety and education during Severe Weather Awareness Week, Feb. 1-5. The production team are filming County Council members for this year's State of the County video; the date and venue for the event are to be determined.



Staff collaborated with District 1 Councilwoman Barbara Girtman with the creation of a video to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 18. The video is posted on the County of Volusia Facebook page. A link to the video is provided through a web slider on the main page of Volusia.org. You can also click the link here to view the video: <https://tinyurl.com/yyawaggq5>. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.



FINANCE

Information Technology: Staff created an isolated, countywide network for the Tax Collector's new Qmatic system. This system allows citizens to register for appointments, watch the queue on TV monitors, and hear their number get called over office speakers. Staff provided 5 FirstNet smart phones to Public Protection staff to help support the Eventbrite system at COVID-19 vaccination sites.

Staff are currently developing multiple field data collection and public survey applications, including:

- a. Human Services customer satisfaction and community needs surveys
- b. Beach turtle nest survey forms
- c. Public wildlife reporting tool, for use on county preserves
- d. Manatee Watch volunteer sighting survey
- e. Fire Rescue pre-plan and risk analysis field data collection

For more information, contact Kevin Bengé at kbenge@volusia.org.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: Staff will coordinate painting of the interior and exterior surfaces of the Winterhaven Park restroom facility in Ponce Inlet. The division will also coordinate installation of new gates at the Seminole Drive beach ramp in Ormond Beach. For more information, contact Jessica Winterwerp at 386-248-8072, ext. 20356.

Engineering & Construction: The county's Orange Camp widening project continues to progress. Utility relocation continues and the City of DeLand is progressing with utility placement. In the coming weeks, utility work will continue along with storm drain placement and road construction. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at 386-736-5967, ext. 15846.

Mosquito Control: Staff is conducting inspections and treatments as needed in the Daytona Beach area in preparation for 2021 Speedweeks. For more information, contact Suzanne Bartlett, 386-424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road & Bridge: With the recent completion of the Northeast Public Works Services Facility, employees began moving to their new offices on Jan. 11. The facility is located at 3771 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach, and will serve as headquarters for the Road and Bridge Division's northeast maintenance operations and the Traffic Engineering Division's signal maintenance operations. For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at 386-822-6422, ext. 20470.

Solid Waste: There will be no change to the garbage, recycling, bulk waste or yard waste collection for unincorporated Volusia County residents on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 18. Collection regularly scheduled on Monday, Jan. 18, will take place as normally scheduled.

The West Volusia Transfer Station and the Tomoka Farms Road Landfill will maintain regular operating hours on Martin Luther King Jr. Day as well. The Solid Waste Administration offices, however, will be closed. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at 386-947-2952, ext. 21347.

Traffic Engineering: Staff will perform speed studies at the following locations: Braddock Street – south of Doyle Road (Deltona), Stratford Drive – south of Taylor Road (DeLand), and Woodland Circle – east of SR 15A (DeLand). For more information, contact Jon Cheney at 386-736-5968, ext. 12709.

Water Resources and Utilities: Utilities staff provided technical support for the City of Oak Hill's proposed water quality improvement project, which was recently awarded \$2.5 million by the St. Johns River Water Management District. Staff is reviewing final sanitary sewer design plans for the Indian Harbor Estates subdivision in Oak Hill. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at 386-943-7027, ext. 12724.