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## Greetings,

Hurricane season begins June 1 and ends November 30. Are you prepared? The reality is that no matter how many hurricanes are forecasted, it only takes one storm to cause devastation. Now is the time for you and your neighbors to review your hurricane plans. Be sure you have put a disaster kit together, make or update your emergency plan for the family and stay informed. When we are all prepared for hurricanes the recovery process will be quicker for our entire community. For helpful tips, see the information on page seven of this briefing and visit [cityoforlando.net/emergency](http://cityoforlando.net/emergency).

Does your association need any funds to address an issue or concern in your neighborhood. If yes, I encourage your neighborhood organization to apply for a Mayor's Matching Grant. Applications are now being accepted for the 2010/2011 matching grant. This grant provides funding of up to \$5,000 for projects that address neighborhood needs and improve the quality of life in City of Orlando neighborhoods. Through this grant, neighborhood, condominium, homeowner and resident associations can implement physical improvement, public safety, educational or cultural projects and programs that benefit all residents of the neighborhood. The application deadline is Friday, July 2 by 5:00 p.m. For more information and the application, go online to [cityoforlando.net/grants](http://cityoforlando.net/grants).

Finally, I invite you and your neighbors to join me for Fireworks at the Fountain on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at Lake Eola Park in Downtown Orlando. This annual celebration is a wonderful tradition for our City, where thousands of us come together to enjoy one of our signature parks, lots of music and a great fireworks display. Activities will start at 4 p.m. and the fireworks will begin at 9:15 p.m. I hope to see you at Fireworks at the Fountain on July 4.

My regards,

Mayor Buddy Dyer

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# **NEIGHBORHOOD BRIEFING**

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**A Message from OPD Chief Val Demings** – Orlando Police Department (OPD) has an active volunteer program and its volunteers aid in the overall efficiency of the organization to reduce and solve crime. Volunteers are not utilized to replace sworn or other paid positions within the department, but rather to enhance the efficiency of the agency.

The department currently has 237 volunteers. In 2009, they donated 18,555 hours in a variety of divisions throughout the agency. Volunteers currently assist in the Criminal Investigations Division doing telephone work with crime victims, the Mounted Patrol Unit taking care of horses and clerical support in units such as the Crime Scene Unit, Training, Crime Prevention, Special Operations and Records. There are volunteers that handle special events such as the lost and found booth at Fiesta in the Park, Fireworks at the Fountain and safety fairs.

Many OPD volunteers serve in the Citizen Observer Program (C.O.P.). C.O.P. members serve as additional "eyes and ears" of OPD. C.O.P. members perform crime prevention duties and alert the police department to hazards and unlawful behavior. By their visibility in specially marked vehicles, these members serve as a strong deterrent against the unlawful actions of potential criminals. C.O.P. members are trained to observe criminal activity, but never confront a situation.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call 407.246.2461 and ask for the volunteer coordinator. After submitting an application, a background check and polygraph will be completed. For more information please check the OPD website at [cityoforlando.net/police](http://cityoforlando.net/police).

## **Get involved in stopping and preventing crime:**

**Reporting Crime & Suspicious Activity** – call 911

**Neighborhood Watch** – 407.246.2369 - For more information about starting or joining Neighborhood Watch please contact:

Kea Council	Commission Districts 1, 2, 6	407.246.3773
Georgeanna Butler	Commission Districts 3, 4, 5	407.246.3628

**Crime Prevention Presentations/Residential Crime Prevention Surveys** – 407.246.2461

**Operation Identification** – 407.246.2369 – Marking or taking pictures of your property to prove ownership.

**Crimeline** – 1.800.423.8477 - Available 24 hours a day, taking anonymous tips on any felony criminal activity. Spanish speaking operators available. (If you witness a crime in progress, you should call 911)

**Drug Hotline** - 407.246.CRAK (2725) – An anonymous hotline for citizens to report drug activity to the Orlando Police Department.

**Illegal Gun Bounty Program** - call CRIMELINE at 1.800.423.8477. CRIMELINE, along with the City of Orlando, sponsors the very successful Illegal Gun Bounty Program. You are eligible for a **\$1000.00** reward for information that leads to an arrest, a gun recovery and a weapons charge. You can also remain anonymous.

**Neighborhood Champion Award** - In recognition of the many unsung heroes that work hard to keep their neighborhood a great place to live, Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer created the Neighborhood Champion Award, which he will present at the annual Neighborhood and Community Summit held in the spring of each year. This award is geared towards City of Orlando residents, 18 or older, that demonstrate exemplary dedication and commitment to neighborhood improvement and sustainability. These individuals are the kind of citizens that consistently make a positive impact in their neighborhoods through their volunteer efforts, neighborhood organizations, or Citizen for Neighborhood Watch groups.

Nominations may be submitted throughout the year by completing the online nomination form located on our website, [CityofOrlando.net](http://CityofOrlando.net). The nominee's efforts will need to have occurred between February 1, 2010, and February 1, 2011, to be eligible. We will contact the nominator and the nominee after the selection process has been held in March of 2011.



## Leadership Training – Community Connections Workshop

Hosted by City of Orlando and Orange County Government

**Topic:** Conserving Water in Your Neighborhood

**Date & Time:** Saturday, June 12, 2010, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**(Note: starting time is 9 a.m.)**

**Location:** Orange County Internal Operations Center, 450 E. South Street

**Overview:** From saving water in your home to conserving water in your yard and in the neighborhood common areas, this workshop will show "It's easy to be GREEN!" Various "GREEN" experts will present, entertain, and answer your questions. You will also learn about updating your HOA documents to be in compliance with 2009 Florida Legislative changes to accommodate "Florida Friendly Landscaping". [See enclosed flyer for details.](#)

**Registration:** To register for this workshop, please call Orange County Neighborhood Services at 407.836.0035 or register on-line at [ocfl.net/CommunityConnections](http://ocfl.net/CommunityConnections).

**Florida Neighborhoods Conference (FNC) July 8-10, 2010 in St. Petersburg** - Take advantage of this conference to learn what other neighborhood organizations are doing throughout the state. This year's Florida Neighborhoods Conference (FNC) will be co-hosted by the Florida Design Out Crime Association. Go to [stpete.org/fnc](http://stpete.org/fnc) for details and to register. Register by June 18 to save \$20. **Register by June 18 and pay \$50, after June 18, the registration fee is \$70.** The conference will be held at the Hilton St. Petersburg Bayfront, 333 First Street South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701-4342, 727.894.5000. The FNC is designed to assist communities in building strong neighborhood foundations by offering workshops, tours, speakers and opportunities for neighborhood advocates from small towns to large cities to network and share information. To register and make hotel reservations go to [stpete.org/fnc](http://stpete.org/fnc). For more information or a copy of the registration booklet, contact Susan Harris at 407.246.2779 or [susan.harris@cityoforlando.net](mailto:susan.harris@cityoforlando.net).

**Keep Informed about your City – Subscribe to “City News”** – *City News* is the City of Orlando's weekly electronic newsletter delivered to your e-mail every Friday. *City News* keeps you up-to-date on what is happening in Orlando by featuring a message from the Mayor, City Council updates and information on City programs, services and events. If you would like to receive *City News*, please go online to subscribe at [cityoforlando.net/elected/subscribe2/index.htm](http://cityoforlando.net/elected/subscribe2/index.htm).

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**Story Time at Leu Gardens on Monday, June 7, at 10 a.m. hosted by Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children** - Orange County Library System's storytelling program makes sharing stories and songs with your little one so much fun. Enjoy this indoor event the **first Monday** of each month at 10 a.m., excluding holidays. **It's Free!** Explore the 50-acre botanical gardens, including the butterfly garden with amazing chrysalis displays after story time. Leu Gardens is located at 1920 North Forest Avenue, Orlando, 32803. For more information please contact Leu Gardens at 407.246.2620 or visit [leugardens.org](http://leugardens.org) for details. Arrive early, parking is limited.

Story time schedule:

<b>10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Infants (up to 18 months)</b>
<b>10:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.</b>	<b>Toddlers (18 months. to 2 year olds)</b>
<b>10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Preschool (3 to 5 year olds)</b>

**Date Night at Leu Gardens – Houseboat**, Friday, June 4th, Gardens open at 6 p.m., movie at 8:30 p.m., weather permitting. Enjoy an outdoor movie in a beautiful garden setting. Patrons may bring a blanket or chairs and dinner picnic basket. Garden Admission is \$7.00 plus tax adult and \$2.00 plus tax child; Garden Members receive free admission on all Date Nights. Admission is collected at the door. For more information call 407.246.2600 or visit [leugardens.org](http://leugardens.org).

**Green Works Orlando** - The City's environmental action agenda is designed to transform Orlando into one of the most environmentally-conscious cities in America. Green Works Orlando is a comprehensive plan to protect our natural resources, encourage environmentally-friendly lifestyles and business practices and engage everyone who lives, works and visits Central Florida in the effort to "go green." For more information and tips, visit [cityoforlando.net/elected/greenworks/index.htm](http://cityoforlando.net/elected/greenworks/index.htm).

**Out with the old, in with the new – Electronic Waste Collection Day** – The City of Orlando will host an Electronic Waste Collection Day on Saturday, June 12, 2010. Safely and properly recycle your old electronics! This event will be held at Orlando Festival Park at 2911 E. Robinson Street from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. – there is no cost and you don't even have to get out of your car. Items accepted include televisions, telephones, cell phones, PDAs, rechargeable batteries and more. You can even register to win a free laptop. Your electronics will be unloaded for you while you fill out a ticket to win a brand new laptop provided by Waste Management. For more information about this event, please contact Jody Goostree at 407.246.2752 or [jody.goostree@cityoforlando.net](mailto:jody.goostree@cityoforlando.net). **See attached flyer.**

**Spring Cleaning? We Can Help** - Are you ready to part with that old couch or the refrigerator that makes a rattling noise? We are happy to take them off your hands. The City of Orlando Solid Waste Department will collect appliances, lawn mowers, furniture and other large household items. **The best day to place a large item at the curb is your yard waste day.** To find out your yard waste day, visit [cityoforlando.net/solidwaste](http://cityoforlando.net/solidwaste) and click on residential garbage for the yard waste map. You can also contact our office at 407.246.2314 and a customer service representative will be happy to assist you. If you have more than one large item, try to plan ahead and put one out each week to avoid incurring an additional charge if a claw truck has to be sent out. For safety reasons you are required to remove the doors from refrigerators and freezers before you put them curbside to ensure that children will not become trapped in them.

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**1st Annual World Environmental Day** - On Saturday, June 5, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the City of Orlando will host the 1st Annual World Environmental Day at Central Florida Veteran's Memorial Park. The park is located at 2380 Lake Baldwin Lane, Orlando, FL 32814. As part of the City's Greenworks Orlando initiative there will be exhibitors providing information on environmental education, green living and City of Orlando resources. Event highlights and activities include Tree Give Away, Kid's Nature Crafts, Wetlands and Shoreline Restoration, Trail of Trees Presentation with Tim Womack and a Butterfly Release Parade. There will also be a Pre-Festival Fun Run and Walk to raise donations for the TREE Fund. Registration for the 5K run and 1 mile walk starts at 7a.m. and the race kicks off at 8 a.m. To sign up for the race and for more information please go to [treefund.org](http://treefund.org). For more information on World Environmental Day, please call Peter Effaldana at the Families, Parks, and Recreation Department at 407.246.2287 Ext. 4936. [See attached flyer.](#)

**What's up Downtown!** Join the Downtown Development Board and the Community Redevelopment Agency for monthly presentations of What's Up Downtown!, an information session that highlights business activity and special events in Downtown Orlando. What's Up Downtown! is held the first Thursday of the month at 8:30a.m. For more information, please contact Char Midkiff at 407.246.3753 or [char.midkiff@cityoforlando.net](mailto:char.midkiff@cityoforlando.net).

**Need a Speaker for Your Association or Civic Organization Meeting?** Contact the Office of Communications and Neighborhood Relations (OCNR) to schedule a member of Mayor Dyer's senior staff to speak to your organization about City priorities, programs and services. OCNR can also help you with program ideas and presentations that may be of interest to your neighbors and members. Contact Susan Harris, at 407.246.2779 or [susan.harris@cityoforlando.net](mailto:susan.harris@cityoforlando.net).

**2010 Tree Adoption Program** - City of Orlando residents who want to receive two free trees to plant in their landscapes should register upon arrival and provide proof of Orange County residency (such as driver's license, photo I.D., or utility bill). Trees are distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. The give-away supply is limited to two 7-gallon trees per household. Trees may not be planted on public property or retention ponds. Orange County/University of Florida IFAS Master Gardener volunteers will be on hand to answer landscape questions. **The next Tree Adoption Program is June 12 from 8 a.m. until noon (or when all the trees are gone) at Jay Blanchard Park 2451 N. Dean Rd., Orlando FL, 32817.** For more information about the program or other dates, please contact the Orange County/University of Florida IFAS Extension Education Center, 407.254.9200.

**Fireworks at the Fountain** - Join Mayor Buddy Dyer on Sunday, July 4th for "Fireworks at the Fountain," a patriotic celebration of fun, food and fanfare at Lake Eola Park! Enjoy live entertainment and an area just for kids! Plus an amazing fireworks display! Festivities begin at 4 p.m., so get there early for a great viewing spot of the fountain and the fireworks! The finale of fireworks will begin at 9:15 p.m. For more information, visit [cityoforlando.net](http://cityoforlando.net).

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**Orange County Homeowner Energy Efficiency Program** – The Orange County Homeowner Energy Efficiency Program (OCHEEP) is an educational program that informs members about new technologies and cost saving measures that turn homes into energy efficient buildings. If you regularly get together with ten or more people who own homes in Orange County, then you have a group that could join OCHEEP. Examples of common groups that OCHEEP works with include garden clubs, homeowners associations, business associations, church groups, sports teams and hobby enthusiasts. For more information, please contact OCHEEP Coordinator Jane Gregory at 407.836.1512 or [ocheep@ocfl.net](mailto:ocheep@ocfl.net).

**2010/2011 Mayor's Matching Grant Guidelines & Applications now available!** Neighborhood organizations, schools and nonprofit organizations are encouraged to apply for matching grants from the City of Orlando. Through this grant, neighborhood organizations may implement physical improvements, public safety, or educational and cultural projects and programs that benefit neighborhood residents. Schools and nonprofit organizations may implement educational enhancement and academic enrichment projects or provide youth programming that supports crime prevention and anti-violence. Grant funds are matched dollar for dollar by the applicant using a combination of cash, volunteer labor and/or in-kind donations of goods or services. **At least one member of your neighborhood organization must attend one of the application workshops to be eligible to apply.** You need to register in advance to attend one of the following application workshops for neighborhood organizations:

Tuesday, June 1, 2010, 6 – 8 p.m. at L. Claudia Allen Senior Center  
Thursday, June 10, 2010, 6 – 8 p.m. at Dover Shores Community Center  
Tuesday, June 15, 2010, 6 – 8 p.m. at Orlando City Hall

Please call the Office of Community Affairs at 407.246.2500 to reserve a seat in one of the workshops. **The application deadline is Friday, July 2 by 5:00 p.m.** Applications are available on-line at [cityoforlando.net/grants](http://cityoforlando.net/grants).



**Buy Local Orlando** - Connects Orlando's businesses with the buying power of our local community. Visit [buylocalorlando.net](http://buylocalorlando.net) to register for and print your **FREE Buy Local Orlando** consumer card and start saving money through special offers and discounts offered at **Buy Local Orlando** merchants. For more information, visit [buylocalorlando.net](http://buylocalorlando.net) or call the City's Economic Development Department at 407.246.3109. **Strengthen Orlando**

is the City's comprehensive economic action plan to sustain our community and ensure Orlando remains in position for future growth and prosperity. It is a uniquely local effort designed to work within and alongside the federal economic stimulus plan. The **Strengthen Orlando** plan focuses on enabling residents to better connect with vital information and much-needed resources during tough economic times. To help Orlando's families gain access to critical resources, the **Strengthen Orlando** plan also serves as a clearinghouse. For more information visit [StrengthenOrlando.com](http://StrengthenOrlando.com).

**Graffiti Hotline: 407.254.GRAF (4723)** - Residents can call in and report graffiti to 407.254.GRAF (4723). This information clearinghouse, managed by Keep Orlando Beautiful, streamlines the process for graffiti removal by working in tandem with City departments and the OPD Gang Enforcement team to aggressively locate and remove graffiti. Residents can also report graffiti online by going to [cityoforlando.net/public\\_works/graffiti/Graffiti.aspx](http://cityoforlando.net/public_works/graffiti/Graffiti.aspx).

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**It's HURRICANE Season – June 1- November 30 - Are you Prepared?** Being prepared is one of the most critical steps you can take to keep you and your family safe. To be prepared, follow these simple steps.

1. **Make and maintain a disaster kit.** Below is information about creating your disaster kit.
2. **Have a plan for what you and your family will do in an emergency.** Make sure everyone knows the safest place to go to in your home. If family members aren't home or get separated, designate another family member out of the area or state that all your family members can call to let them know where they are and that they are safe. If you have to evacuate, what do you need to take? Think about what your family needs to do in case of an emergency or disaster and plan for it.
3. **Stay informed about what might happen.** During an event, the best way to keep informed is through the use of a NOAA weather radio and tuning to your local media. For emergency information, sign-up at [ocalert.net](http://ocalert.net) to receive hazardous weather warnings through your e-mail address, cell phones and pagers. City residents may also call the City's Emergency Information Center at 407.246.4357 (HELP).

The City's Office of Emergency Management is asking every household in the City to prepare and maintain a disaster kit. Your disaster kit should include enough of these supplies to last you and your family for a minimum of 3 days. Consider placing most, if not all, of these items in a waterproof container that is easy to manage.

## A disaster kit needs to include:

- Three-day supply of water in plastic containers. Each person needs one gallon of water per day. (Two quarts for drinking and two quarts for food preparation and sanitation; don't forget water for your pets).
- Three-day supply of non-perishable food, such as ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables; canned juices; staples such as salt, sugar, pepper, spices, etc.; high energy foods; vitamins; food for infants; comfort/stress foods. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking.
- First Aid Kit - including various sized adhesive bandages, sterile dressings, roller gauze bandages and pads, alcohol gel sanitizer, adhesive tape, anti-bacterial ointment, scissors and a cold pack.
- Prescription and non-prescription drugs. Be sure to have your prescriptions filled before the storm strikes and have other medications available such as aspirin.
- Sleeping / Bedding supplies
- Foul weather equipment (rain jacket, poncho, etc.)
- Battery powered flashlights
- Fire extinguisher
- Water-proof matches
- Battery powered radio
- Flashlight(s)
- Batteries
- Corded telephone
- Duct tape
- Tarp or plastic sheeting
- Various hand tools including pliers, assorted screw drivers, hammer and a utility knife
- List of emergency contact numbers
- Important family paperwork (e.g. birth certificates, insurance policies, homeowner's deed, etc.)

**If you have pets**, be sure to include food, water, medicines, vaccine records, etc. for your pets in your disaster kit.

For more information please contact the Office of Emergency Management at 321.235.5437 or visit [cityoforlando.net/emergency](http://cityoforlando.net/emergency).



FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

## Connecting our Citizens to our Community

**Creative Spirit Art Gallery** (820A Lake Baldwin Ave, Orlando, FL 32803) is a Contemporary Cooperative Art Gallery located in the Baldwin Park Area; their space is shared with The Harwood Watson Dance Studio. Monthly opening receptions are held on the Second Friday for presenting local artists, as well as member artists. This FREE event is on Tuesdays – Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information contact 407.898.8343.

**Central Florida Prepares 2010** (Ana G. Mendez University System – 5601 South Semoran Blvd – (corner of Semoran and Hoffner – Terracota Plaza) - Family Physicians Group and the Ana G. Mendez University System are joining forces to bring CENTRAL FLORIDA PREPARES 2010 event. The purpose of this event is to provide the Tri-County area (Seminole/Orange/Osceola) with free health screenings and emergency preparedness/community resource information. The event will take place at the Ana G. Mendez University System on Saturday, June 5th from 9 a.m. to 1p.m.

**Cathedral Church of St. Luke** (130 N Magnolia Ave., Orlando, FL 32801) – The Orlando Deanery Boy Choir and Girls Choir combine with Alumni and Men's Choir in a festive choral service in the Anglican tradition, with music from many eras. This free concert takes place on Sunday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m. and is presented by the Cathedral series. Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis so please come early. Free parking is available in the Central Parking lot located on Washington and Magnolia Avenues. Free parking is also available on the street at all meters. Please go to [stlukescathedral.org](http://stlukescathedral.org) or call 407.849.0680 for more information.

**Counsel for Caregivers Monthly Seminar** (Orlando Public Library, Third Floor Albertson Room, 101 C. Central Blvd, Orlando, FL 32801) – On June 17, 2010 from 12:10 – 12:50 p.m. Using the Five Wishes document to help document your end-of-life choices. Attendees will receive a free copy of the Five Wishes. Visit [agingwithdignity.org](http://agingwithdignity.org) to preview. Free complimentary lunch is provided to the first 50 to register at [officeonaging@ocfl.net](mailto:officeonaging@ocfl.net) or 407.836.7446.

**World Refugee Day** (Fashion Square Mall) – This event will be on Saturday, June 19 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. This event welcomes people that came to the USA as a refugee and now are in the process to becoming USA citizens. Contact Pedro Padua for more information at 407.245.1709 ext. 738.

**Florida Housing Help Workshop** (Englewood Neighborhood Center 6123 La Costa Drive, Orlando, FL 32807) - Florida Housing Help is designed to educate and assist families facing foreclosure. The free workshop will include opportunities to meet with mortgage lenders, HUD-certified housing counselors, local housing authorities, legal assistance, credit counseling services and many other foreclosure assistance programs. This event will be on Saturday, June 19, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. For more information please visit [MyFloridaCFO.com](http://MyFloridaCFO.com) or call 850.413.3089 or 1.877.MY.FL.CFO (1.877.693.5236).

**More FREE Arts Events** - Please visit the Red Chair Project [redchairproject.com](http://redchairproject.com) – Central Florida's Official Arts & Culture Guide

**The Office of Community Affairs lets you – Enjoy the Best of Your Community!  
Call us at 407.246.2500.**



## Building Citizenship in the Community: Back to Basics

*Increasing civic awareness and participation in the City of Orlando in partnership with the Florida League of Cities.*

### Recycle Orlando! Event Recycling Program

Keep Orlando Beautiful's mission includes education of children and adults on the importance of recycling. In an effort to make recycling more available, Keep Orlando Beautiful (KOB) has started an event recycling program titled, *Recycle Orlando*. The funds to start this program were acquired through a \$10,000 Green Grant from Waste Management. With the grant funds, KOB was able to purchase 100 Clear Stream recycling racks, bags, transporter carts, educational pieces, promotional buttons and a pull behind trailer. The trailer is a traveling recycling kit and makes event recycling easy and convenient. This is a new program officially started in October of 2009. You will start seeing recycling at local events in Orlando! Thank you for utilizing the bins and making this program a success.

Ready to recycle? Please contact Jody Goostree at KOB with any questions or concerns 407.246.2752 or [Jody.Goostree@cityoforlando.net](mailto:Jody.Goostree@cityoforlando.net).

Thank you for recycling!!!

### Update on Community Venues

Amway Events Center, Citrus Bowl and The Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Looking for Information** - Go online to the City's website – [cityoforlando.net](http://cityoforlando.net) and click on the "Community Venues" icon in the center towards the bottom of the page or here is the direct link - [cityoforlando.net/elected/venues/](http://cityoforlando.net/elected/venues/). If you have questions that are not addressed on the City's Community Venues web pages, or would like to have a Community Venues presentation at your association meeting, contact Susan Harris at 407.246.2779 or email [susan.harris@cityoforlando.net](mailto:susan.harris@cityoforlando.net).

**JOBS** – The Community Venues BLUEPRINT Employment Office is located at 1200 W. South Street, Orlando (corner of Orange Blossom Trail and South Street.) - 407.246.3721. Anyone interested in finding a job with one of the Venues, should go to the BLUEPRINT Employment Office for registration and referral. The office will also provide supportive services to eliminate barriers to employment, if needed. Examples of supportive services are resume writing, bus passes, childcare, tools and mentoring.

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Come one, come all to experience some of Orlando's best streets!!! The City of Orlando recognizes the important role neighborhood commercial districts play in the overall health of the City's neighborhoods. Sound neighborhood commercial areas contribute to a good quality of life. It can be a positive attraction and a competitive advantage in retaining existing neighborhood residents and attracting new ones. To meet this need, the City created Orlando Main Street. For more information, go to [cityoforlando.net/economic/mainstreet](http://cityoforlando.net/economic/mainstreet).

### **Orlando Main Street Programs -**

Audubon Park Garden District - [APGardens.com](http://APGardens.com) and [facebook.com/GardenDistrict](https://facebook.com/GardenDistrict)

College Park Partnership - [DowntownCollegePark.com](http://DowntownCollegePark.com)

Downtown South Main Street - [DowntownSouthOrlando.org](http://DowntownSouthOrlando.org) and [facebook.com/DowntownSouth](https://facebook.com/DowntownSouth)

Ivanhoe Village Main Street - [IvanhoeVillage.org](http://IvanhoeVillage.org) and [facebook.com/IvanhoeVillage](https://facebook.com/IvanhoeVillage)

Mills/50 - [Mills50.org](http://Mills50.org) and [facebook.com/Mills50](https://facebook.com/Mills50)

**Please come support our local businesses by participating in upcoming events:**

### **Audubon Park Garden District**

**Community Market** – Every Monday, 6 – 10 p.m. – Organic produce, fresh prepared foods, handmade goods from local artists and live music are featured at the Audubon Park Community Market in Stardust Coffee & Video's parking lot, or indoors if raining. Stardust is located at 1842 East Winter Park Road, Orlando. Phone number is 407.623.3393.

### **College Park Partnership**

**College Park Farmer's Market** – Every Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 2807 Edgewater Drive.

### **Ivanhoe Village Main Street**

**"First Friday" in Ivanhoe Village** - Party in the Parking Lot of Ivanhoe Plaza! Live music by "The Red Coats" 60's Rock and Beatles Tribute Band! 6-9 p.m., 1800 Block of N. Orange Avenue.

### **Mills 50**

**Taste of Mills 50** – Come and enjoy all that Mills 50 has to offer. Food, entertainment and more in Orlando's most vibrant and dynamic district. June 12, 6 p.m., 1121 N. Mills Ave.

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## **Invitation to Upcoming City Events & Meetings:**

To stay on top of City events, visit the City's web site at [cityoforlando.net](http://cityoforlando.net) and click on calendar tab at the top and then click on the calendar you want to view. For Harry P. Leu Garden's event information go to [leugardens.org](http://leugardens.org). Please share this information with your neighbors.

Every Sunday	Orlando Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., southeast corner of Lake Eola Park.
Every Sunday	College Park Farmer's Market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. See page 10.
Every Monday	Audubon Park Garden District Community Market, 6 to 10 p.m. See page 10.
June 4	Date Night at Leu Gardens, 6 p.m. See page 4.
June 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual World Environmental Day, 9 a.m., See page 5.
June 5	Central Florida Prepares 2010, 9 a.m., See page 5.
June 6	Cathedral Church of St. Luke Choir Event, 6 p.m., See page 8.
June 7	Storytime at Leu Gardens, 10 a.m., See page 4.
June 12	Community Connections workshop, 9 a.m., See page 3.
June 12	Electronic Waste Collection Day, 9 a.m., See Page 4.
June 12	Streetscape Tree Adoption, 8 a.m., See page 5.
June 12	Taste of Mills 50, 6 p.m., See page 10.
June 17	Counsel for Caregivers Monthly Seminar, 12:10 p.m., See page 8.
June 19	World Refugee Day, 8:30 a.m., See page 8.
June 19	Florida Housing Help workshop, 10 a.m., See page 8.
July 2	Matching Grant application deadline. See page 6.
July 4	Fireworks at the Fountain, 4 p.m., See page 5.
July 8-10	Florida Neighborhoods Conference, See page 3.