



The Leon County

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with Leon County
Services

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Electronics, Household Hazardous Waste Collection Announced

Leon County announces the next monthly Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection, which will take place on Saturday, Sept. 4, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Public Works Operations Center, 2280 Miccosukee Road.

When discarded, many household products can pollute and pose a health risk, so Leon County holds these free events for Leon County residents. Businesses and other agencies must call (850) 606-1816 to make an appointment to drop off their items. Some fees will apply.

Citizens may bring up to 50 lbs. of hazardous waste, in addition to their electronics. Propane tanks must weigh less than 40 lbs., and there is a limit of one tire per participant. Medical sharps, medicines and radioactive waste cannot be accepted.

The Leon County Hazardous Waste Center, located at 7550 Apalachee Pkwy., is open Monday through Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call the Hazardous Waste Center at (850) 606-1803 or visit www.leoncountyfl.gov/HHW/collection for the complete collection schedule.

County Receives State Grant for Miccosukee Canopy Road Greenways

Leon County Parks & Recreation Division received notice from the State Office of Greenways and Trails that it will be receiving a \$250,000 grant from the Recreational Trails Program to match \$250,000 of County funds for trail renovations of Miccosukee Canopy Road Greenways. The funds will provide for upgrading the trail system from Thornton Road Trailhead to Crump Road Trailhead. With this grant, an all-weather trail will extend from Edenfield to Crump Road Trailhead.

New Agricultural Container Recycling For Leon County

Leon County has teamed up with the Agricultural Container Recycling Council to provide a recycling service for commercial and agricultural chemical containers.

Containers must be plastic, dry and properly triple-rinsed to be accepted. The service will be free to Leon County farmers and commercial applicators. This program does not currently include household products.

Drop-off locations are at the Leon County Hazardous Waste Center, at 7550 Apalachee Parkway and at any one of the County's four Rural Waste Service Centers.

For more information, call the Leon County Solid Waste Management Division at (850) 606-1803 or visit www.leoncountyfl.gov/HHW.

Volunteers Sought to Serve on Leon County Citizen Advisory Boards, Committees and Councils

Citizen participation – by way of community input, advice and recommendations regarding matters to be brought before the Board for approval – is important in developing Leon County's programs/policies and in providing quality public services to the community.

A listing of the types of committees with information on committee vacancies, committee responsibilities and member eligibility, can also be found at the website.

Presently, the County is looking for members for the Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Advisory Committee, the J. R. Alford Greenways Citizens Advisory Committee and the Miccosukee Canopy Roads Greenways Citizens Advisory Committee.

For more information visit www.leoncountyfl.gov/committees, or call Agenda Coordinator Christine Coble, at (850) 606-5300.

County Receives Land from Florida Gas Transmission

Leon County held a Property Donation Ceremony on Wednesday, Aug. 11, to announce a donation of land from the Florida Gas Transmission (FGT) Company to mitigate the impacts of the construction of a new gas line.



FGT is constructing a gas transmission expansion project that includes approximately 26 miles of new pipeline across Leon County. The donation consists of roughly 132 acres of land, including wetlands and floodplains. Any construction on the already environmentally sensitive area could potentially have been damaging, so development rights were eliminated upon the County's acquisition in order to protect the land.

The disturbance to the land will be limited to the trenching necessary to bury the pipe, which will be approximately six-feet-deep. After the pipe is buried, there will be a new permanently mowed area 25 feet in width, and the other areas will be brought back to pre-existing conditions and allowed to develop naturally.

Rick Craig, Vice President of Phase VIII Project Management for the Florida Gas Transmission Company, also spoke at the event and expressed his appreciation for the County's partnership throughout the transfer.

For more information, please contact the Leon County Public Information Office, at (850) 606-5300 or pio@leoncountyfl.gov.

PROJECT SEARCH
Open House
Leon County Courthouse Annex
1920 Thomasville Road
Thursday, Sept. 23, 6-7pm



Project SEARCH provides training and education leading to employment for individuals with disabilities.

September 2010 Board of County Commissioners Schedule

- 14 Board of County Commissioners Workshop on Healthcare Reform** 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Workshop on Solid Waste Issues** 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting** 3 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing** 6 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- 20 Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting (CRA)** 12 p.m. City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
- Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA)** 1 p.m. City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
- Intergovernmental Agency (IA) Public Hearing for Blueprint 2000 Capital and Operating Budgets for 2011** 5 p.m. City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
- 21 Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting** 3 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing** 6 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers