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## GET SOCIAL with Leon County!

To engage citizens in different ways, Leon County is active on social media sites. Social media helps Leon County keep citizens informed and makes reaching your Leon County Government even easier.

The way people consume information is changing, so please follow Leon County on your favorite social media site, whether it is Facebook, Twitter, or YouTube. Social media is another method for citizens to engage with local government and stay connected on the latest County news, events, and issues that matter to you. Leon County Government focuses on people and listening to changing needs.

In addition to Leon County Government's main accounts, you can also find the LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library System on social media. Follow your local libraries for special event updates, interesting articles, hot new reads, and other news and highlights.



For more information, please contact Community and Media Relations at (850) 606-5300 or email [CMR@LeonCountyFL.gov](mailto:CMR@LeonCountyFL.gov).

## INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE?

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

Currently, applications are being accepted for the following Leon County Committee vacancies:

- **Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)** – The goal of AHAC is to identify incentives that are pertinent to affordable housing and serve as an information resource to help improve affordable housing feasibility. **Three** vacancies in the following categories:
  1. A member who represents employers within the jurisdiction.
  2. A member who is actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing.
  3. A member who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan.
- **Joint City/County/School Board Coordinating Committee** – The purpose of this committee is to foster the coordination of comprehensive planning and school facilities planning programs by addressing concurrency issues.

Leon County citizens may visit [www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees) to review a listing of committees that includes information on committee responsibilities, member eligibility, and committee vacancies; complete a committee application; and review the Citizen Committee Orientation and Training.

For more information, contact Christine Coble, Leon County Agenda Coordinator, at (850) 606-5300 or by email [CobleC@LeonCountyFL.gov](mailto:CobleC@LeonCountyFL.gov)

## DON'T FORGET, SHOP LAFAYETTE!

Nobody likes road detours and the inconvenience of roadway construction, but we all understand construction is a necessary part of making our community a better place to live, work and play. And while Leon County Government is making significant improvements to Lafayette Street, we want to make sure that our community remembers the businesses impacted by the construction activity.



### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Lafayette Street improvements between Suwannee Street and Seminole Drive have been completed. Area residents and businesses can now enjoy a newly constructed road with sidewalks. Further improvements have now begun. Lafayette Street, east of Magnolia Drive towards Indian Head Drive, is closed for construction. Thank you for your patience while construction continues.

So enjoy the new roadway from Cascades Park to Seminole Drive. For further updates, visit:

[www.LeonCountyFL.gov/ShopLafayette](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/ShopLafayette)

## Be a Tallahassee T.O.U.R. Guide TWO Program Days Remain

Tourists shouldn't have all the fun, so the T.O.U.R. (Tourism is Our Ultimate Resource) Guide Program gives locals a chance to experience great area attractions for FREE!



All we ask is that you tell your out-of-town friends about them, too.

A summertime tradition, Tallahassee attractions are at the center of Leon County Division of Tourism Development's (Visit Tallahassee) award-winning program that focuses on the importance of local attractions, entertainment and fun. Residents assume the role of T.O.U.R. Guides and visit participating local attractions. The four-month campaign runs May through August and offers free admission to select local attractions on the third Saturday of each month.

Upcoming dates and participating attractions are:

### Saturday, July 19

- Museum of Florida History, [www.MuseumOfFloridaHistory.com](http://www.MuseumOfFloridaHistory.com)
- Taylor House Museum of Historic Frenchtown, [www.TallahasseeUrbanLeague.org](http://www.TallahasseeUrbanLeague.org)

### Saturday, August 16

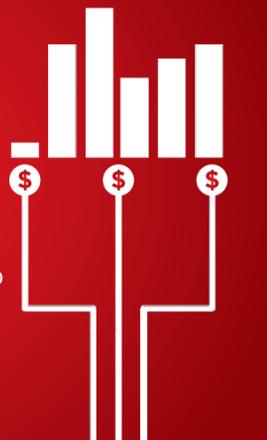
- LeMoyne Center for the Visual Arts, [www.Lemoyne.org](http://www.Lemoyne.org)
- Challenger Learning Center, [www.ChallengerTLH.com](http://www.ChallengerTLH.com)

For more information on the T.O.U.R. Guide Program and a list of participating partners and special activities being offered, visit: [www.visittallahassee.com/seasons/TOUR-guide/](http://www.visittallahassee.com/seasons/TOUR-guide/)

## Leon County's Procurement Connect

Leon County Government will now serve citizens faster and more easily with an online procurement system called **Procurement Connect**. This new system will provide vendors instant access to many different services and processes that would otherwise need to be completed on paper or in different online applications. Leon County's **Procurement Connect** creates a one-stop shop for solicitations and is provided at no charge to vendors and the public.

**Procurement Connect** not only lowers processing time and increases accuracy, but it also strengthens the County's commitment to sustainable practices. Some of the many services include instant access to bids, requests for proposal, invitations to negotiate, and various other solicitation documents such as planholder lists, tabulation sheets, solicitation meeting attendance, intended awards and public meeting notices.



Vendors may register online at [www.LeonCountyFL.gov/ProcurementConnect](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/ProcurementConnect) or call (850) 606-1600.

## Summer Reading Program at Your Leon County Library

The summer reading program includes activities throughout the library system. Please consult the library calendar online or ask at the library that you like to use.

### At the Main Library (downtown):

#### July 7

*The Start of Something Big*, presented by Michael White, illustrator of the book, *The Library Dragon*.

#### July 14

*Dr. Magical Balloons* will take us on a journey of scientific discovery using balloons.

#### July 21

*Curious Moon Puppets presents Bug vs. Machine* - a humorous look at building machines.



To conclude the summer reading programs, all Leon County libraries will host a "Mad Scientist" Extravaganza on

**Saturday, July 26, from 1-3 p.m.**

For more information, contact the Main Library: (850) 606-2665 • [www.LeonCountyLibrary.org](http://www.LeonCountyLibrary.org)

## July 2014

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SCHEDULE

- 4 Independence Day, *Offices Closed*
- 8 **Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting\***  
3 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing\***  
6 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- 10 **Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)**  
9:30 a.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
- 22 **Board Recess, No Meeting**

\*Live television broadcast available on Comcast Channel 16; webcast available anytime at [www.LeonCountyFL.gov](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov).