



Connecting Citizens with Leon County Services

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County Offers Local Summer Youth Employment Opportunity

Leon County announces the 11th Annual Summer Youth Training Program, designed to allow students to obtain work experience in a real-world environment. For six weeks, participants between the ages of 14 and 21 will be introduced to the workplace, gain valuable employment skills and earn a modest summer income.



Summer youth workers have the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of locations throughout Leon County, including Public Works, EMS, Parks & Recreation and other departments and divisions. There are 57 openings available, and positions will range from 18 to 25 hours per week and pay \$7.25 per hour.

The 2011 Summer Youth Training Program is scheduled to run from Monday, June 13, through Thursday, July 21, 2011. The application window opens on Monday, April 11, at 8 a.m. and closes Friday, May 6, at 5 p.m.

For more information or to apply for the program, please visit *www.LeonCountyFL.gov/HR/SummerYouth* or call the Summer Youth Training Program information line at **(850) 606-2430**.

County Extension Holds Planning Meeting, Invites Input From Residents

Leon County Cooperative Extension, a division of Leon County Government, will hold a public meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, at the Leon County Extension Center, 615 Paul Russell Road, to discuss priorities for the coming years.

Residents can voice their thoughts on challenges facing the community and make recommendations how the resources of Leon County Extension can be more effective in resolving them.

For more information, call the Leon County Cooperative Extension Office at **(850) 606-5200**.

Leon County Holds Dedication Ceremony for Capital Park Field



Leon County will hold a dedication ceremony for a Capital Park field on Friday, April 8, at 11:30 a.m. in honor of the late Dr. Nickie Beasley and Harry "Nick" Nims, two local educators who each made a significant impact on the Tallahassee community.

County and City officials, state legislators, representatives of the Leon County School Board, university officials and family members of both Dr. Beasley and Mr. Nims are scheduled to take part in the dedication ceremony.

For more information, please contact the Leon County Public Information Office at **(850) 606-5300**.

Home Expo Extravaganza

The Leon County Division of Housing Services will hold its monthly Home Expo Extravaganza on Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Room at the Old Amtrack Station, 918 Railroad Ave. The Expo will cover topics in property maintenance, energy efficiency, gardening and landscaping, housing rehabilitation and more.

The Expo is designed to assist Leon County homeowners and homebuyers by educating them on how to maintain their existing home, prevent foreclosure and share tips for home buying.

Home Expo Extravaganzas are held every third Saturday of each month, and topics are rotated, allowing attendees to plan ahead and make the necessary arrangements to attend the expo of their choice.

For more information, please call the Leon County Housing Division at **(850) 606-1900** or visit *www.MyLeonHome.org.*

Board of Adjustment and Appeals Meeting

The Tallahassee-Leon County Board of Adjustment and Appeals next regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 14, 2011. The meeting will be held at 1 p.m. at Leon County Growth and Environmental Management, 435 N. Macomb Street, on the Second Floor of the Renaissance Center in the GEM Conference Room.

If there are no agenda items, the meeting will be cancelled. Please call Mechelle Cook at **(850) 606-1325** for more information.

Leon County Hosts Town Hall Meeting for Southern Strategy Area

The Town Hall Meeting on the Southern Strategy Area, previously scheduled for Thursday, April 7, will now take place at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, in Building 2 at the North Florida Fairgrounds. There will be a presentation by the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department regarding schools, neighborhoods, housing, infrastructure, transportation, sewer, safety, the environment and economic development.

A component of this town hall meeting will be dedicated to a panel discussion addressing issues about the community. Invitations have been extended to representatives from the Southside Business Association, the Capital City Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise Zone Development Agency, the Knight Creative Communities Initiative, the Leon County School Board, and Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University. Dinner will be provided.

The Southern Strategy Area covers about 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ square miles, or nearly 11 percent of the area inside the Urban Service Area boundary, roughly from Cascade Park to Capital Circle and from Pensacola Street to north of Lake Munson.

For more information, please contact the Leon County Public Information Office at **(850) 606-5300**.

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April 2011 Board of County Commissioners Schedule

12 Board of County Commissioners Workshop Regarding the Infrastructure Sales Tax Extension and Consideration of the Water and Sewer Master Plans 12 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

- 14 FAC Advanced County Commissioner Workshop, Part 3 - Understanding and Working with Growth Stakeholders Alachua County, UF Conference Center (This program continues through the 15th)
- 26 Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

Joint City/County Public Hearing on Cycle 2011-1 Comprehensive Plan Amendments 6 p.m., County Couthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

27 Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting (CRA) 3 p.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor,