



Bonita Springs  
Quarterly  
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# City News

*Small town Charm. Big Bright Future.*



## City of Bonita Springs Rolls Out New Website

The City of Bonita Springs recently introduced a new city website, making it's debut this past April. Visitors to the website [www.cityofbonitasprings.org](http://www.cityofbonitasprings.org) will notice a new, well-organized layout with easy access to so much information! Content from the former city website was migrated to the new website so you will still be able to retrieve information you found on the former website. There is also an application for smartphones, making it easy to find out information no matter where you are.

The City site will link you to areas of importance such as hurricane safety, Lee County Police and Fire, information about your council members, an up-to-date Calendar of Events and more. You can sign up to receive the latest news from the city. Please note: If you have received updates from the city in the past, it will be necessary for you to sign up on the new website for these communications to continue coming to you as e-mail addresses did not transfer from the old site to this new site. If you would like to continue to receive information, go to the [www.cityofbonitasprings.org](http://www.cityofbonitasprings.org) website and hover over the **Government** tab on the homepage. There you will click **City Documents** and it will take you to a page where you will be able to enter your e-mail address and subscribe to whatever documents you wish by clicking subscribe on the right side



The new City Website offers a more streamlined approach for anyone seeking to find city related information.

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of the screen, about halfway down. You can also follow this link:

<http://www.cityofbonitasprings.org/cms/one.aspx?portalid=11726542&pageid=13806215>

We will continue to work to provide you with the most accurate and ADA-compliant information with user friendly language and navigation. We are committed to the spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and we are striving to ensure that people with disabilities can access our services, participate in our programs and benefit from our community resources. Accommodations are available upon request.

[Mayor Simmons speaks at the recent Bonita Springs Memorial Day Service.](#)

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**Star Spangled Bonita on July 4th!**

The city of Bonita Springs will celebrate Independence Day 2019 with our annual [Star Spangled Bonita](#) event on Thursday, July 4th at

Riverside Park in Bonita Springs. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the 60th Annual July 4th Parade sponsored by the Bonita Springs Professional Firefighters Local 3444. This year's parade theme is "Bring the Noise 2019" More information is available by calling 239-298-4706. If you are interested in participating in the parade, more information can be found at [www.local3444.org/parade](http://www.local3444.org/parade)

The Party in the Park celebration will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will include a children's amusement area, ice cream eating contest, and live entertainment from the Mark Vee Band. The children's amusement area will feature giant water slides and a slip-n-slide to cool the children, amusement rides, train rides and more. The grand finale will be a spectacular fireworks display and laser show after dusk that will light up the night!

# CITY CALENDAR

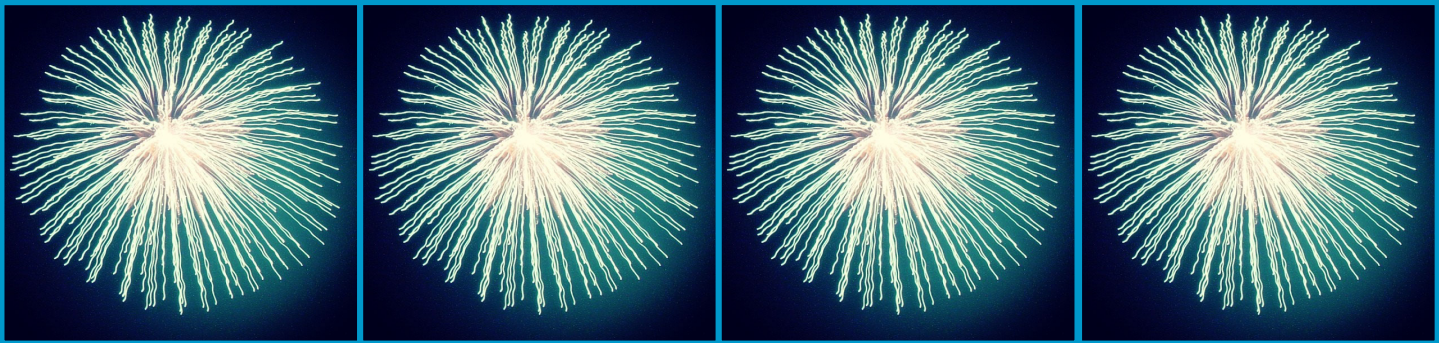


Tues.	6/4/2019	5:30-7:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	DPZ Workshop
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>6/5/2019</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Meeting TELEvised LIVE</b>
Mon.	6/10/2019	4:00 P.M.	Rm # 118	Tree Advisory Board Meeting
Mon.	6/10/2019	4:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Charter Review Committee Meeting TELEvised LIVE
Tues.	6/11/2019	5:15 P.M.	Rm # 118	Art in Public Places Meeting
Wed.	6/12/2019	5:00 P.M.	Lilies Hotel	Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Advisory Board Meeting
Thur.	6/13/2019	9:00 AM	City Council Chambers	Local Planning Agency Meeting TELEvised LIVE
Thur.	6/13/2019	5:30 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Veterans Committee Meeting
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>6/17/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Zoning TELEvised LIVE</b>
Mon.	6/17/2019	5:30 P.M.	Rm # 118	Technology Advisory Board Meeting
<del>Tues.</del>	<del>6/18/2019</del>	<del>9:00 A.M.</del>	<del>City Council Chambers</del>	<del>Zoning Board Meeting TELEvised LIVE- RESCHEDULED 6/25/19</del>
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>6/18/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Budget Meeting to review the City Manager's Requested Budget</b>
Tues.	6/18/2019	6:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Outreach Advisory Committee Meeting
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>6/19/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Meeting TELEvised LIVE</b>
Thur.	6/20/2019	5:30 P.M.	Rm # 118	Street Light Committee Meeting
Tues.	6/25/2019	9:00 A.M.	City Council Chambers	Zoning Board Meeting TELEvised LIVE
Thur.	6/27/2019	5:30 P.M.	Rm # 118	Historic Preservation Board Meeting
<del>Wed.</del>	<del>7/3/2019</del>	<del>6:30 P.M.</del>	<del>City Council Chambers</del>	<del>City Council Meeting TELEvised LIVE- CANCELLED</del>
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>7/4/2019</b>	<b>ALL DAY</b>	<b>City Hall</b>	<b>4th of July Observed</b>
Mon.	7/8/2019	4:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Charter Review Committee Meeting TELEvised LIVE
Mon.	7/8/2019	4:00 P.M.	Rm # 118	Tree Advisory Board Meeting
Tues.	7/9/2019	5:15 P.M.	Rm # 118	Art in Public Places Meeting
Wed.	7/10/2019	5:00 P.M.	Lilies Hotel	Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Advisory Board Meeting
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Mon.	7/15/2019	5:30 PM	Rm # 118	Technology Advisory Board Meeting
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>7/16/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>Special City Council Meeting - Budget Meeting follow-up TELEvised LIVE</b>
Wed.	7/16/2019	6:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Outreach Advisory Committee Meeting
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>7/17/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Meeting (Budget Discussion Included) TELEvised LIVE</b>
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Thur.	7/25/2019	5:30 P.M.	Rm # 118	Historic Preservation Board Meeting
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>8/7/2019</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Meeting TELEvised LIVE</b>
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Tues.	8/20/2019	6:00 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Outreach Advisory Committee Meeting
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>8/21/2019</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>	<b>City Council Chambers</b>	<b>City Council Meeting TELEvised LIVE</b>
Thur.	8/29/2019	5:30 P.M.	City Council Chambers	Historic Preservation Board Meeting

# Sea Turtle Nesting Season Begins on May 1st

Artificial light on the beach can disorient both adult and hatchling sea turtles. The City of Bonita Springs sea turtle protection ordinance requires that sea turtle nesting habitat not be directly or indirectly illuminated by artificial lighting during the nesting season.

The sea turtle ordinance is in effect:  
May 1 through October 31 - from 9:00pm to 7:00am



## Bonita 's 20th Celebrate Birthday Bash

On Saturday, April 6th, residents of Bonita Springs and guests joined in on the 20th Birthday Celebration for Bonita Springs. Party guests were treated to music from two local bands, High Voltage and Sarah Hadeka, munchies from local restaurants, Bounce Houses, Slides, train rides, cotton candy and kettle corn for the children.



# City of Bonita Springs Community Pool Summer Swim Lessons

Monday – Thursday Sessions	9:00 am	10:00 am	11:00 am
Session 1 June 10 – June 20, 2019	Preschool Beginner Advanced Beginner	Preschool Beginner	Adv. Beginner Intermediate Advanced
Session 2 June 24 – July 5, 2019	Preschool Beginner Advanced Beginner	Preschool Beginner	Advance Beginner Intermediate Advanced
Session 3 July 8 – July 18, 2019	Preschool Beginner Advanced Beginner	Preschool Beginner	Advance Beginner Intermediate Advanced
Session 4 July 22 – August 1, 2019	Preschool Beginner Advanced Beginner	Preschool Beginner	Advance Beginner Intermediate Advanced
Saturday Sessions	10:00 am	11:00 am	
June 15 - August 3, 2019	Preschool Beginner	Advanced Beginner Intermediate Advanced	

**Please Note:**

Lessons are \$45.00 per child per session.

Classes cancelled before the first day will be subject to a \$10.00 cancellation fee.

Classes canceled on the first day or after will not receive a refund. Make up classes will be held for classes canceled by the Pool only.

Water Aerobics

Monday: Shallow Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Tuesday: Deep Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Wednesday: Shallow Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Thursday: Deep Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Friday: Shallow Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Saturday: Shallow Water 10:00 am-10:45 am

Pool Hours Open Swim

Monday: 12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Tuesday: 12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Wednesday: 12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Thursday: 12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Friday: 12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Saturday: 11:00 am-6:00 pm

Lap Swim

Monday– Friday

7:30 am-8:45 am

12:00 pm-6:30 pm

Saturday

12:00 pm-6:00 pm

**Please be aware** from 10 am-12 pm only two lanes available.

**Pool Closures**

Memorial Day, May 27

Independence Day, July 4

Labor Day, Sept. 2

**Storm Policy**

The pool will close anytime lightning is within 6 miles or the bottom isn't clearly visible.

Closings are up to staff discretion.

**Admission**

Children –17: \$2.00

Adults 18-54: \$3.00

Seniors 55+: \$2.50

**City of Bonita Springs  
Community Pool**

26890 Pine Avenue

Bonita Springs, Florida 34135

Phone: 239-947-1948

Fax: 239-992-1205

E-mail: [jesse.felger@cityofbonitasprings.org](mailto:jesse.felger@cityofbonitasprings.org)

## RECREATION CENTER CLASSES

# CHAIR YOGA

Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

9:00 -10:00am

2 Classes /\$15

Chair Yoga is a Gentle form yoga of which is practiced sitting on a chair, or standing using a chair for support

Please pre-register at the front desk.



# YOGA FLOW

Wednesday

June 5<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

9:20-10:20 am

\$21  
3 Classes

Please register prior to the May 8<sup>th</sup> start date

# WOW

Women on Weights

Tuesdays & Thursdays

June 4 thru June 27

9:30-10:30 am

\$65/  
8 Classes



- Lose body fat
- Gain strength without bulk
- Prevent injury
- Improve athletic performance
- Decrease osteoporosis risk

Join Lanny Sheffield for this small group, HIGH Intensity circuit training workout designed to improve your strength, balance and mobility. This class is for PEOPLE of intermediate levels, and is located in the Gym. The class uses body weight exercises, balls, tubes, bars and free weights.

**THIS IS NOT A CLASS FOR SOMEONE WITH MULTIPLE INJURIES.**

Please pre-register at the front desk. Space is limited

# Karate

Tuesdays & Thursdays

5:30-7:00pm

June 4 - 27

Instructor Vincent Cannarsa Learned the Art of Karate on the Island of Okinawa and has over 35 years of Teaching Experience

For more information, or to register contact the front desk at the

Bonita Springs Recreation Center

26740 Pine Ave, Bonita Springs FL 34135

239-992-2556



### What if a Wildfire threatens my community?



- ◆ **HAVE a PLAN!** Create an evacuation plan and make sure all family members know and understand it. While at work, have a plan for children and pets that are home. Secure a neighbor who is willing to help if they are home during the day.
- ◆ Know two evacuation routes out of the neighborhood. Children who are home alone should be prepared to evacuate and have a predetermined place to meet their family. Children should understand that firefighters and emergency personnel will go door-to-door to evacuate neighborhoods.
- ◆ Always follow the directions of emergency personnel and evacuate immediately if necessary. Remember officials will not allow you to enter your neighborhood if the fire is imminent or road conditions are hazardous due to heavy smoke.
- ◆ **Create a Go-Kit**, the supplies are similar to what you would prep for a hurricane. Supplies should include food/water, clothing, and important documents and other items, such as medications, that you may need.
- ◆ Maintain a functioning irrigation system around the structure.
- ◆ Only if time permits, remove curtains that might ignite from the radiant heat of wildfires. Move flammable furniture away from the windows and glass doors and disconnect the power and fuel supplies.
- ◆ **Have a PLAN!** Yes, this is repeated because it is that important.



**Within the Safety Zone, follow these guidelines:**

- ◆ Thin trees so that the crowns (tree tops) are 10 to 15 feet apart
- ◆ Remove any “ladder fuels” or vines and shrubs that can carry a ground fire up to the treetops
- ◆ Remove dense fuels, overhanging branches, and carefully plan your landscaping within 30 feet of the structure
- ◆ Prune tree limbs so that the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground
- ◆ Instead of flammable mulch like bark or wood chips, use lava stone or coarse gravel around any shrubbery that is within 5 feet of the structure.
- ◆ Remove highly flammable plants. These are characterized by resinous sap and waxy leaves. Included but not limited to: melaleuca, bald cypress, saw palmetto, wax myrtle, yaupon, red cedar, cypress and young pine trees
- ◆ Less flammable plant options include: citrus, oak, magnolia, queen palms, philodendron, anise, and aloe to name a few!
- ◆ Locate firewood and propane gas tanks at least 50 feet away from the structure
- ◆ Keep 100 feet of hose readily available at a faucet away from the structure





# Fiesta

Bonita Springs

## Scenes from Memorial Day 2019



## How does the city assist people to prepare for emergency situations and emergency preparedness?

The City shares information year round to assist residents in preparing for an emergency situation. Public service announcements, fliers and newsletters remind residents of the following

### Plan and Prepare - Know your risks

- Know your StormSurge/Evacuation Zone?
- Are you in a Flood Zone?
- Mobile or manufactured home?
- Age of your home?
- Storm shutters?
- Prepare Emergency Supply Kit before start of hurricane season

### Prepare evacuation and sheltering options for your family

- Safe to shelter at home?
- Better to shelter outside of evacuation area with a friend or at a hotel?
- Know location of public shelters and go if no other safe place to go
- Secure items in and around your home before tropical force winds arrive
- Be sure all family members know who to call or where to gather if you become separated.
- Let family and friends in other locations know your evacuation plans.

**Lee County Emergency Management handles emergency messaging for the City Bonita Springs. We encourage all residents to visit [www.leeoc.com](http://www.leeoc.com) for more information about how to stay informed during emergencies.**

During emergencies or larger disasters it is important that residents and visitors stay informed. Lee County Emergency Management has multiple ways for you to get the most updated disaster related information. Check out the links below and make sure you subscribe and are prepared when disaster strikes.

Visit: <http://www.lee.gov/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/alerts> to sign up for emergency messaging notification today! Lee County Emergency Messaging notifications systems include Everbridge, a mass notification system. This is a FREE Lee County service by which residents and businesses are notified via telephone, text, and/or email regarding emergencies or critical protective actions required to safeguard life and property.

Also, LeeAlert is FREE application available for iPhones and Androids.

**Integrated Public Alert Warning System**—Lee County Public Safety is a FEMA Integrated Public Alert Warning System (IPAWS) Alerting Authority. We can utilize the IPAWS to alert and warn Lee County residents and visitors about serious emergencies through various means, including the Emergency Alert System (EAS), Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio. See FEMA's IPAWS website for more information. Visit: [www.fema.gov/integrated-public-alert-warning-system](http://www.fema.gov/integrated-public-alert-warning-system)

**Schedule a Seminar** Lee County Emergency Management provides educational seminars on Emergency Preparedness and Hurricane Preparedness as part of their goal to create a safer and better prepared community. Seminars are conducted year-round for groups of generally 100 or more people. They are free of charge and have no advertising. Telephone: Call 239-533-0622.

**Did you know** that flood zones are not the same as evacuation zones? Flood zones are determined by FEMA and influence insurance matters. Evacuation zones assess risk based upon storm surge and wind to determine how evacuation zones will proceed.

## [FEMA Flood Zone Designations](#)

Flood zones are areas mapped by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Association) for use in the National Flood Insurance Program. Each flood zone designation is represented by a letter or letters, indicating to homeowners their risk for flooding on their property. Homes with a mortgage located in high risk areas must have flood insurance.

You can determine your flood zone by clicking on the Find My Flood Zone link below:

**Click here to [Find My Flood Zone](#)**

**Or type in** <https://leegis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=c420767df9b3495b8ecf782a5c3a28ef>

You will use the search icon to type in your address. Labels are provided on the map to describe which flood zone each property lies within. Properties shown in red are VE zones, while properties in blue are AE zones. Please note, if your property lies within two or more flood zones, the more restrictive applies. VE is more restrictive than AE, and a higher number is more restrictive than a lower number.

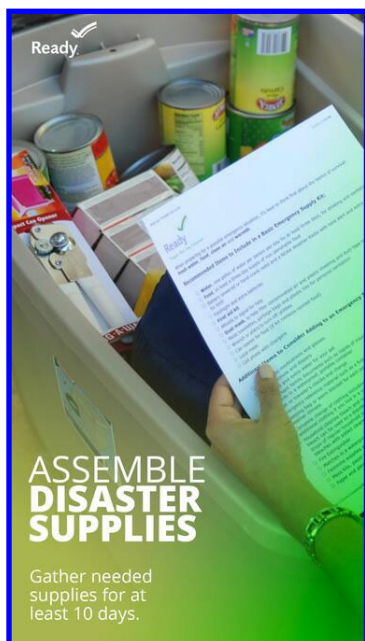
## [Evacuation Zones](#)

Evacuation zones are based on storm surge zones determined by the National Hurricane Center. Lee County and Bonita Springs use the letters A—E to identify evacuation zones based on the areas that are likely to be affected by storm surge. A home may be located in a non-evacuation zone but still be in a flood zone because of a nearby water body.

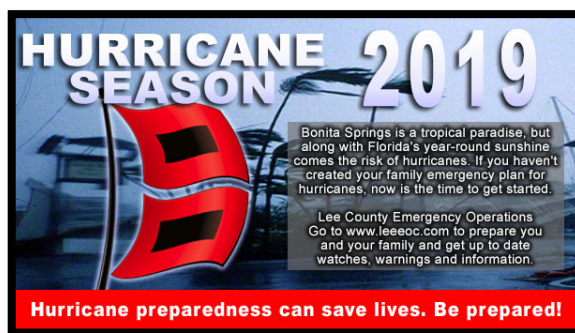
You can determine your evacuation zone by clicking on the Find My Evacuation Zone link below:

**Click here to [Find My Evacuation Zone](#)**

**Or type in** <http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/knowyourzone>



The amount of recommended disaster supplies has gone from 3 days to a minimum of 7 days, due to lessons learned from Hurricanes Irma and Michael according to the [Florida Division of Emergency Management](#). If you plan to stay and not evacuate, please prepare for a minimum of seven days.



## Did You Know.....

**Great news for the City of Bonita Springs!** The City has been awarded a 2019 Twins Fields for Kids matching grant of fifteen thousand dollars. The grant funds will be used for the re-grade and re-sod of Little League Field #3 at the Bonita Springs Recreation Center. Many thanks to Deputy Mayor O’Flinn, Chris Corrie and the Bonita Bay Minnesota Twins Club for their support and advocacy!

**The City will be partnering with a consulting organization to design for development a new City of Bonita Springs Skate Park and Pump Track.** Public meetings will be scheduled in the future for residents to provide their input.

**On April 29th, Go.Verizon.com named Bonita Springs as one of the Top 50 Best Small Cities to start a small business.** The evaluation was based on six ranking factors that indicate the financial climate of each city and gives an overview of the city’s demographics. Also analyzed were the education level of the local workforce, in-city commute times, income per capita, broadband access, availability of small business loans, and overall tax friendliness for small businesses. Bonita Springs is the #46 ranked city across the US for small businesses.

**Each year, between spring and fall, female sea turtles return to the beaches** where they were born to build nests, lay their eggs and return to the ocean. After a sixty-day incubation period, the baby turtles are ready to hatch and crawl into the sea. The journey is arduous and according to the Sea Turtle Conservancy, one in 1,000 to 10,000 sea turtles survives to adulthood.

**The City of Bonita Springs and the University of Montevallo held an unveiling ceremony to showcase six student-made sculptures** on Wednesday, March 27th. The sculptures are now displayed at River Park at 27550 S. Tamami Trail, at the Imperial River Bridge on US 41 in Bonita Springs, Florida. Students and administrators from the Art Program at University of Montevallo traveled to Bonita Springs and shared information about their process for their sculptures and participated in a ribbon cutting for the event.

**Representatives and students from Montevallo University join City of Bonita Springs representatives at Sculpture unveiling.**



**Students from Montevallo University participate in Ribbon Cutting to commemorate placement of their art sculptures.**



# On the Move

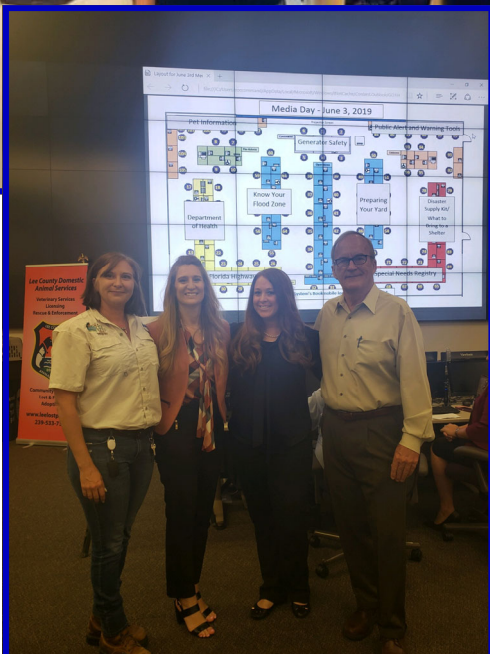


**Left:** The Florida Bicycle Association presents Deputy Mayor Peter O'Flinn with an award for being chosen 2018 Elected Official Champion of the Year.

**Below:** Mayor Peter Simmons (far right) joins other SW Florida area mayors in meeting with Governor Ron DeSantis and Congressman Francis Rooney at FGCU to discuss environmental issues.



**Left:** Bonita Springs Middle School and High School hosted Mayor Simmons and guests so they could meet to discuss a new student exchange program with our Sister City Isla Mujeres. Shown left to right, Mayor Simmons, Bonita Springs Middle School Principal Melissa Layner, Lee County School Board District 5 Chair Gwynetta Gittens, and Outreach Advisory member Juan Romero.



**Bottom left:** Plans Examiner/Building Inspector Ayita Williams, City Manager Arleen Hunter, Communications Director Lora Taylor, and Community Development Engineer Stuart Smith attend the Lee County Emergency Operations Center Media Day in preparation for hurricane season.

# Helpful Information - Hurricane Preparedness

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## **For all Emergences—Call 911**

Lee County Emergency Operations Center-

Visit [www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement](http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement) or call 239-533-0622

Bonita Springs Fire Control and Rescue District (NON EMERGENCIES)-

Visit [www.bonitafire.org/index.cfm](http://www.bonitafire.org/index.cfm) or call 239-949-6200

Lee County Sheriff's Office (NON EMERGENCIES)-

Visit <http://www.sheriffleefl.org/> or call 239-477-1000

City of Bonita Springs, City Hall-

Visit [www.cityofbonitasprings.org](http://www.cityofbonitasprings.org) or call 239-949-6262

## **Aid and Assistance**

Bonita Assistance Office-

Visit [www.bonitaassistance.org](http://www.bonitaassistance.org) or call 239-992-3034

Lee County Human and Veteran Services-

Visit [www.leegov.com/dhs](http://www.leegov.com/dhs)

Human Services Main Phone 239-533-7930

Veteran Services Main Phone 239-533-8381

Client Information Line 239-533-7900

United Way Lee-

Visit [www.unitedwaylee.org](http://www.unitedwaylee.org) or call 239-433-3900

The Salvation Army Lee-

Visit [www.salvationarmyflorida.org/fortmyers/locations/](http://www.salvationarmyflorida.org/fortmyers/locations/) or Call 239 278-1551

Catholic Charities-

For Bonita Springs call 239-390-2928

Main phone line 239-334-4007

Red Cross-

Visit [www.redcross.org/local/florida/south-florida/local-chapters/southern-gulf-coast](http://www.redcross.org/local/florida/south-florida/local-chapters/southern-gulf-coast)

Call 239-596-6868

Department of Health and Human Services-

Disaster Distress Helpline call 1-800-985-5990

To find other local resources-

Visit [www.211info.org](http://www.211info.org) dial 211 or call 239-433-3900

## Information Resources:

Local Public Shelters-

[www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/shelters/publicshelters](http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/shelters/publicshelters)

Alert Lee notifications-

To receive notifications regarding emergencies sign up at <http://www.alertlee.com/>

Florida State Emergency Response Team - Visit [www.floridadisaster.org](http://www.floridadisaster.org) or call 850-815-4000

Evacuation Zones Map-

Visit <http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/knowyourzone>

Flood Zones Map-

<https://leegis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=c420767df9b3495b8ecf782a5c3a28ef>

State Assistance Information Line - Call 800-342-3557

Florida 511 Traveler Information- Visit [www.fl511.com](http://www.fl511.com) to download information and app

Local 211 Helpline- Dial 211 or call 239-433-3900

Gas Buddy- To find gas stations visit [www.gasbuddy.com](http://www.gasbuddy.com)

Hurricane Readiness Information-

Visit [www.ready.gov/hurricanes](http://www.ready.gov/hurricanes)

Visit [www.weather.gov/safety/hurricane](http://www.weather.gov/safety/hurricane)

Visit [www.cityofbonitasprings.org](http://www.cityofbonitasprings.org)

Price Gouging- Call 1-866-966-7226

## **Utilities/Waste**

FPL (Florida Power and Light) - Visit <https://www.fpl.com> or call (800) 468-8243

TECO Peoples Gas- Visit [www.peoplesgas.com](http://www.peoplesgas.com) or call 1-877-832-6747

Bonita Springs Utilities-

Visit [www.bsu.us](http://www.bsu.us)

Call 239-992-0711 or 800-583-1496

Lee County Solid Waste- Visit <http://www.leegov.com/solidwaste> or call 239-533-8000

Advanced Disposal - Call 239-334-1224

## **FEMA**

Disaster Assistance-

Visit [www.disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov) or call 1-800-621-FEMA(3362)

For those with a speech or hearing disability call 1-800-462-7585

For those who use 711 or Video Relay Service call 1-800-621-3362

Small Business Disaster Assistance- Visit [www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance](http://www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance)