CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS

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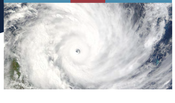
Hurricane Preparedness

#ReadyWinterSprings

Hurricane season is from June to November. Be sure that you and your family are #ReadyWinterSprings. Visit our website for pre and post storm disaster preparedness resources.



Sign up for E-Alerts

Safety notices straight to your phone

Residents are encouraged to register for e-alerts through text message and email. Receive event updates, park closures, safety notices, and more. Enroll in this service today by clicking the photo below!

News and Information

CENTRAL WINDS MUSIC FESTIVAL

In partnership with the City of Winter Springs, the Oviedo-Winter Springs Regional Chamber of Commerce is pleased to present the inaugural Central Winds Music Festival. Proudly sponsored by AdventHealth, this esteemed musical event will grace our community this fall at the scenic Central Winds Park.

Immerse yourself in a blend of musical genres as you enjoy performances from local talents and national acts in a fun and safe setting. Central Winds Music Festival will have something for everyone to enjoy. With food trucks dishing up delicious treats, local vendors, and a range of engaging activities suitable for all ages, this family-friendly occasion is bound to delight.

Admission to the live music stages is $10, with complimentary entry for children under 12. Your ticket not only grants you access to a day of exceptional entertainment but also contributes to supporting the talented artists gracing our stage. Please note that all ticket purchases are final and non-refundable.

Oviedo Winter Springs Regional Chamber of Commerce also seeks adult volunteers to assist in the event. **For more information visit, https://www.owsrcc.org/ or click the button below.**

CENTRAL WINDS MUSIC FESTIVAL

CENTRAL WINDS DOG PARK CLOSURE

Attention, Pup Parents! Central Winds Dog Park will take a short break from September 5, 2023, to the 29th for annual maintenance. Winter Springs Parks and Recreation staff will be performing tree trimming, applying fresh sod, adding new benches, and more! We can't wait to see tails wagging again soon!

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION

Winter Springs utility customers are encouraged to update their contact information with our customer service team. By providing us with your current email and phone number, you can ensure that you receive proper billing and essential service updates. To update your information, call Winter Springs Utilities customer service at 407-327-1800.

CITY OFFICES CLOSED SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

City of Winter Springs offices and facilities will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023, in observance of Labor Day. Normal business hours will resume Tuesday, September 5, 2023. WastePro will not provide household garbage, yard trash, and recycling collection services on September 4th and there will be no bulk pickup on Thursday, September 7th or 8th. Waste services will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

NORTH TUSKAWILLA ROAD CLOSURE

Tuskawilla Road will be temporarily closed between Tree Swallow Drive and Blumberg Boulevard. Vehicles and pedestrians are asked to take alternative routes along Michael Blake Boulevard or Bear Springs Drive. The closure is anticipated to take several weeks, as crews will be repairing the stormwater lines that have caused depressions in the roadway. Please register for E-Alerts on the City Website for road closure notifications and safety alerts.

PRESS RELEASE AND DETOURS

#EMPLOYEESPOTLIGHT, MEET MIKE DOWNING- UTILITIES FOREMAN

We are excited to shine a light on our talented Utilities Foreman, Mike Downing. As a public works utility foreman, Mike oversees the repairs of water mains, sewer lines, and water meters, ensuring Winter Springs customers enjoy clean, safe, and reliable water utility. Mike grew up in Winter Springs and enjoys serving his local community. With decades of experience and a heart full of hometown pride, he ensures that our community continues to flourish.

Learn more about Mike Downing in our Employee Spotlight article by clicking the button below.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

WINTER SPRINGS GOT TALENT

Get ready for a showcase of extraordinary skills as RE/MAX Town and Country Realty proudly presents the Winter Springs Got Talent Competition, a highlight of the much-anticipated Hometown Harvest event. If you've dreamed of dazzling an audience and showcasing your unique talent, this is your moment to shine. We invite you to step into the spotlight and compete for a chance to win an incredible $500 check prize. Whether you're an aspiring musician, a passionate dancer, a skilled magician, or have a talent that defies categorization, we want to see what you've got! The Winter Springs Got Talent Competition is open to talented residents of Seminole County of all ages.

Six competitors will be able to perform on the Hometown Harvest community stage on October 28, 2023. If you have what it takes to win this community favorite competition, consider applying by September 27, 2023, by emailing winterspringsgottalent@gmail.com. Applicants may attend the in-person live auditions on September 30, 2023, at 1315 Tuskawilla Rd from 9 am-noon. Rules and exclusions apply.

WINTER SPRINGS GOT TALENT

1,4- DIOXANE NON DETECABLE

In light of recent concerns surrounding the toxic chemical solvent 1,4-Dioxane in the Florida Aquifer and out of caution, Winter Springs Utilities performed a water quality test at each Water Treatment Plant well and point of entry. We are pleased to announce that lab results show no 1,4-Dioxane was detected. Winter Springs drinking water is safe and meets or exceeds all federal and state water quality standards. Moving forward, the City of Winter Springs staff have engaged with consultants to develop short and long-term plans for sampling, monitoring, and reporting 1,4 Dioxane.

Learn more about Winter Springs water utility and view our annual consumer confidence reports by visiting, winterspringfl.org, or clicking the button below.

1,4 DIOXANE

Winter Springs Police Department

SEPTEMBER SAFETY TIP: HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Stay Safe and Prepared this September with Winter Springs Police Department's Hurricane preparedness Tips!

As September arrives, so does National Preparedness Month—an annual reminder to ensure your home, family, and community are equipped for emergencies. Discover invaluable insights to safeguard against disasters, leaks, and hazardous materials. This month-long campaign is the perfect opportunity to enhance your understanding of emergency readiness.

With hurricane season peaking, it's crucial to be informed about hurricane preparation, recovery, and flooding. Learn how to report emergencies swiftly and effectively. Keep your loved ones safe with the right steps to take in critical situations.

Did you know that generator safety can be a lifesaver? Don't miss tips on proper generator placement to avoid toxic fumes. Plus, gain knowledge about maintaining your drinking water and septic systems after a flood.

Communities, schools, businesses, and industries can also find tailored advice to bolster their disaster resilience. From handling debris to ensuring water system security, these resources cover it all.

Empower yourself and your community with the knowledge to thrive during challenges. **Read more at the Winter Springs Police Department's Safety Tip by clicking the button below.**

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Join Winter Springs Police Department's Citizen's Police Academy from Oct 3 to Dec 19, 2023! Held on Tuesday nights, 6-9 pm at 300 N. Moss Road. Learn about K-9 Ops, Code Enforcement & more, taught by WSPD Officers. This program is limited to 20 people, so apply now as the deadline is Sept 19, 2023, 5 pm. Download the application or get it from Winter Springs Police Department. You will need a photo ID and will undergo a background check. Contact Ofc. Thomas Ballew at 407-327-8976 or tballew@winterspringsfl.org for queries. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to understand law enforcement better!

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Winter Springs Police Department wants your input at our Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting. CAC meets the second Wednesday of the month during the months of September through May. CAC does not meet during the summer months. Come join us and meet community leaders, discuss community issues with the Police Department staff and learn more about taking an active role in the security of your community.

The CAC meets at the Winter Springs Police Department (300 N. Moss Rd) at 6:30pm. Everyone who attends is encouraged to ask questions and talk about what is going on in their neighborhood. Light refreshments are served.

Help the Winter Springs Police Department:
Report suspicious activity | Protect your property | LOCK IT OR LOSE IT
Emergency 911 Non-Emergency (407) 327-1000

UPCOMING EVENTS

DON'T MISS A THING
CLICK THE BELOW FOR MORE INFORMATION

01

9.11 Memorial Ceremony

Monday, September 11, 2023
8:00am to 9:00am
Winter Springs Police Department

Join your Winter Springs City Commission, police department, and community from 8-9 AM for a memorial service that pays tribute to the victims and honors the survivors of the September 11, 2001 terror attacks.

02

Citizen's Advisory Committee

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 ,6:30pm
Winter Springs Police Department

Join WSPD and meet community leaders, discuss community issues with the Police Department staff and learn more about taking an active role in the security of your community.

03

Food Truck Thursday

Thursday, September 14, 5pm- 8pm
Trotwood Park (701 Northern Way)

Mark your calendars and bring your appetites! Join us for an incredible evening at Trotwood Park filled with mouthwatering delights from our favorite local food trucks!

CITY CALENDAR

SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center is a fun and safe gathering place for members of our community ages 55 and up. The Senior Center offers a variety of programs and other unique opportunities for seniors to connect with each other! For more information on the activity schedule click the button below.
Address: 400 N. Edgemon Ave Winter Springs, FL 32708

VIEW ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

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MAYOR AND COMMISSION

CITY LEADERSHIP