

BREVARD *Community Resource* NEWSLETTER

NEW Community Outreach Facebook Group Page!

Here you will have access to even more community resources and more date sensitive opportunities DAILY! You will also have access to our Newsletter and Master Resource Guide archive. Click [HERE](#) or follow link below to join.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/EckerdConnectsBrevardCommunityResources/>

If you have information you would like us to share in our Newsletter, or if you would like to subscribe, please contact:

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Feature Of The Week

The Women's Center of Brevard is here to assist in creating safe, healthy, self-sufficient lives by providing support, education, counseling, information and services to survivors of domestic, dating, and sexual violence, and human trafficking and to those suffering the ill effects of poverty, homelessness and mental health challenges.

We are able to do this through the following services offered across the county:

Victim Services

To include emergency shelter, victim advocacy and education on domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking and other interpersonal violence.

- Assistance with injunctions for protection order.
- Victims compensation assistance
- Domestic Violence 24 hour Hotline: 321-607-6809

Sexual Assault Victim Services (SAVS)

We are the certified Rape Crisis Center for Brevard County with a **24/7 helpline (321-784-HELP(4357))** providing information, advocacy, and accompaniment during the Forensic Exam after a sexual assault at our exam center and Brevard County hospitals.

Counseling

Free Counseling to victims of violence of any kind. Also offering affordable individual, couple, child & family counseling.

Transitional Housing

Transitional Housing for women and their children who are in danger of homelessness and are victims/survivors.



**WOMEN'S
CENTER**
of Brevard

●Mon ●Tue ●Wed ●Thurs ●Fri ●Sat

- **Salvation Army Pantry**
1080 S. Hickory Street, Melbourne
Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm
- **St. Josephs St. Vincent De Paul**
2824 Palm Bay Road, Palm Bay
Mon-Thurs 9:30am-12pm
one bag per family
32905 and 32907 only
- **Project Response, Inc.**
745 South Apollo Blvd. Melbourne
Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm
call 321.724.1177 first
- **Ascension Catholic Church Social**
1238 Aurora Road, Melbourne
Mon-Fri 9am-11am
- **Central Brevard Sharing Center**
113 Aurora Street, Cocoa
Monday - Friday
9:30 am-Noon & 1pm-3pm
- **Holy Name of Jesus/ St. Vincent De Paul Society**
3050 Hwy. A1A, Indialantic
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat 9-11
Beachside residents only - Pineda Causeway
South to Indian River
- **St. Vincent De Paul Society**
130 Cleveland Avenue, Unit C
Cocoa Beach
Mon, Wed, & Fri 9:30am - 1pm
Cocoa Beach, Cape Canaveral residents only
- **N. Brevard Charities and Sharing Center**
4475 S Hopkins Avenue, Titusville
Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri 11am-2pm
- **St. Vincent De Paul Divine Mercy**
1940 North Courtenay Pkwy.
Merritt Island
Mon, Wed, Fri 10am-12 pm
- **St. Vincent de Paul, Our Lady of Grace**
300 Malabar Rd, Palm Bay
Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am-11:30
Photo ID w/ current address required
Must live west and south of Emerson.
- First Baptist Church Pt. St. John**
3900 Fay Blvd. Port St. John
Mon & Wed 10am-1
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**
3000 South Street, Titusville
Wednesday & Friday at 11:30am
- Church of Christ Oceanside**
104 NE 3rd Street, Satellite Beach
Wed 2pm-4pm & Sat 9am-11am
- South Brevard Sharing Center**
17 E Hibiscus, Melbourne 32907
Tues 1 - 5 & Thurs 9 - 1
- East Coast Christian Center**
670 N. Courtenay Pkwy. Suite 9
Merritt Island
Tues 9-11am & Thurs 9-11am

- Eau Gallie First Baptist Church**
1501 W. Eau Gallie Blvd. Melbourne
Tues 10-2 & Thurs 10-12
- River Run Christian Church**
1660 Croton Road, Melbourne
Tues 11:30am & Thurs 11:30 am
- Centerpointe Food Pantry**
871 Coply Street SE, Palm bay
Mon 9am-12pm
- Hands For Healing**
1021 Emerson Dr. NE, Palm Bay
Mon 3pm or call ahead
- First United Methodist Church**
110 E. New Haven Ave. Melbourne
Monday at 2 pm
- Eastwind Pentecostal**
1021 Emerson Drive N.E. Palm bay
Mondays starting at 2 pm
- Grace Fellowship of Brevard**
3420 Murrell Road, Rockledge
Mon 9am-10:30am
- Melbourne Church of Christ**
810 Hollywood Blvd, West Melbourne
Tues 8:30am-1pm
- Faith Fellowship Church**
2820 Business Center Blvd.
Melbourne 32940
Tues 5pm-6:30pm
- Melbourne SDA Church**
210 w. New Haven Ave. Melbourne
2nd Tues 4pm-5:30pm
- Mims United Methodist Church**
3302 Green St, Mims
2nd and 4th Tues 10 am-12 p
- First Baptist Church of Titusville**
303 Main Street, Titusville
1st & 3rd Tues 9am-12
- No One Hungry / Julia St.**
428 Julia St. Titusville
Tues 10am-12pm
- God's Pantry**
2220 Port Malabar Blvd. NE
Palm Bay
Wed 1pm-3pm
- Living Word Christian Center**
302 Main St., Cocoa 32922
Wednesday at 3pm
- Islamic Society of Brevard**
500 E. Florida Ave. Melbourne
Wednesday at 2 pm
- Shiloh Christian Center**
3900 Sarno Rd. Melbourne
Wednesday at 1 pm
- Helping Hands Alliance**
344 Emerson Dr. NW Palm bay
Thurs 9-12:30

- Christ Lutheran Church**
7511 N. Atlantic Ave.
Cape Canaveral
2nd Thurs 9:30-12
- First Baptist Church of Malabar**
1665 Malabar Road, Malabar
1st & 3rd Thurs 10-12
- Mosaic Palm Bay**
2100 Port Malabar NE, Palm Bay
Thursday 2 pm
- Advent Lutheran Church Food Bank**
7550 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne
Thurs 5:30-6:30
- Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Ch.**
2295 dr. Harvey Riley St. NE Palm Bay
Thurs noon (until food is gone)
- The St Pauls UMC**
1591 Highland Ave. Melbourne
Thurs 3pm-4pm
- Grace United Methodist Church**
65 Needle Blvd. Merritt Island
Thurs 9am-12
- Bethany Chapel, Garden Apts**
4000 N. Riverside Drive
Satellite Beach
3rd Thurs 9:30-11:30
- Brevard Adventist Community Services**
5005 Barna Ave, Titusville
2nd Thurs 1-4pm
- Impact Center "New Life"**
6755 Washington Avenue
Titusville
Thurs 11am-1pm
- Parker Memorial Baptist**
4101 Mobile Ave. Cocoa W.
Fri 3pm (while supplies last)
- Zion Orthodox Primitive Baptist Church**
715 South Fiske Blvd, Rockledge
Friday at 3 pm
- Mount Tabor Primitive Baptist Church**
333 Lucas Road Merritt Island
Fri 3pm till food is gone
- Bethel Abundant Life Ministries**
1081 Port Malabar Blvd. N.E. Palm Bay
1st & 3rd Saturday 12-2
- Lockmar Baptist Church**
700 Emerson Drive NE , Palm Bay
Sat 9am-12
- United Church of God of Deliverance**
1755 Craig Avenue, Titusville
3rd Sat 11am-1pm
- Lutheran Church of the Resurrections**
525 Minutemen Causeway, Cocoa Beach
Saturday 10:00 a.m. to Noon
- Overcomer Church Of God of Prophecy**
4350 Aurora Road, Melbourne
Every Other Sat 9am-12p

Program
Begins
September 3,
2020

FILL-A-BAG Thursdays at Evans Market!

Stuff your Evans Reusable
Bag with Groceries and You
Only Pay \$25.00!

HOT MEAL LOCATIONS

Central Brevard Sharing Center

113 Aurora Street
Cocoa 32924

11am-1pm M-Sat & 2pm-3pm on
Sun

Daily Bread

815 E. Fee Ave.
Melbourne 32901
Meals Daily 11-1

Cornerstone Church of God

311 E Hibiscus Blvd.
Melbourne 32901

Breakfast meals Saturday 9:30-10:30

My Community Cares

1046 Dixon Blvd
Cocoa 32922

Dinner meals 4-6 pm Wed-Friday

Salvation Army North Central (Titusville)

1218 W. Main Street
Titusville 32796

Mon-Sat

11-11:30 am

Pebbles Catering

Free Meals
1046 Dixon Blvd, Cocoa
4-6pm Wednesday-Friday

Fill-A-Bag Thursdays (Market hours: 7am - 6pm)

When: Every Thursday at Evans Community Market

What: Customers can stuff their Evans Reusable Shopping bag with all the groceries they can fit in it and pay only \$25+ tax. No eligibility requirements. It's our way to get more food on the tables for our community.

Brevard County Farmers Markets

The markets are open to ALL residents.

Those who have been financially impacted by COVID-19 will be eligible for the CARES Act tokens upon completion of a self-declaration form that will be available on site. A photo identification will be required with matching address as that on the self-declaration form.

Individuals can obtain \$50 in CARES Act dollars, in the form of tokens, for the purchase of fruits, vegetables, honey, coffee, eggs, herbs and other non-prepared food items.

The markets will be held at these locations:

- Thursdays at Wickham Park, 2500 Parkway Drive, Melbourne from 3 to 6 p.m.
- Fridays at the Welcome Center, 419 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville from 3 to 6 p.m.
- On the first and third Saturdays of the month at Riverview Park, Melbourne from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- On the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at Paddling Paradise, 4220 Dixie Highway NE, Palm Bay from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

Ready to go to the DRIVE-THRU SENIOR EXPO?

Seniors will experience the event from the safety of their car.
The expo will feature tent stations, live music, entertainment and tons of senior resources and giveaways inside a "Big Red Bag."

**DRIVE-THRU
SENIOR EXPO**

COME SNAG THE BIG RED BAG
While supplies last

FIRST 200 CARS
—FREE—
COVID-19
SUPPLY KIT

Titusville	Palm Bay	Melbourne
<p>SAVE! THE DATE!</p> <p>Live Music</p> <p>Friday, Oct 2 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>American Police Hall of Fame</p> <p>MAJOR SPONSOR: </p> <p>VENUE SPONSOR: </p>	<p>SAVE! THE DATE!</p> <p>Music — One Man Band</p> <p>Friday, Oct. 16 8 - 10 a.m.</p> <p>Hammock Landing</p> <p>MAJOR SPONSOR: </p> <p>VENUE SPONSOR: </p>	<p>SAVE! THE DATE!</p> <p>Music — One Man Band</p> <p>Friday, Nov. 6 8 - 10 a.m.</p> <p>Melbourne Square Mall</p> <p>MAJOR SPONSOR: </p> <p>VENUE SPONSOR: </p>

Brevard Public School News

Introducing Snap&Read

A new resource for all BPS Students and Teachers

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|  Text Read Aloud |  Picture Supported Dictionary |
|  Annotate PDF |  Distraction Removal |
|  Translation Tools |  Screenshot OCR Reader |
|  Dynamic Text Leveling |  Study Tools/Outliner/Notetaking |
|  Color Guide/Overlay |  Bibliographer |

Snap&Read is an eLearning Toolkit that works seamlessly across platforms and provides all students greater access to complete, grade-level content. This Google extension works within the Chrome browser and can be available on any device a student logs into using either the Learn and Share account- whether at school or home.



For more information and learn how to install and use this suite of literacy tools, please use following link:
<https://sites.google.com/view/bpsnapandread/home>



FREE Breakfast & Lunch to ALL children 18yrs and younger

Effective September 16, 2020 participating schools will offer both breakfast and lunch meals at no charge to all students regardless of status.

In-Person Students: Free breakfast and lunch served to ALL students Monday-Friday. Students may still purchase a la carte items if they choose.

e-Learners, virtual students, and children not of school age: Meals will be distributed curbside for children ages 18 and younger. Parents may pick up meals at any meal distribution site (Some school sites do not apply; see announcements for details). Meal distribution will be on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Please view announcement here:
<https://tinyurl.com/y5o9k257>

FREE Flu Shots to BPS Students



The district has partnered with Health Hero Florida to offer **FREE flu shots at your child's school during the week of October 19th**. Registration consent forms will be sent home from your school in the coming days, along with the day and time of your school's flu shot clinic.

NOW OPEN!

Our 2020 College Scholarship program is open **through October 29 at 5pm**. Scholarship opportunities are available from seven different funds for local students.

Learn more and APPLY TODAY:
cfbrevard.org/grants/scholarships/



If you haven't joined our Facebook Group yet you probably missed this popular post last month. Unfortunately, the extra discounted tickets ended Sept. 30th **BUT you can still get your FREE Unlimited Pass!**



SeaWorld Florida Teacher Card

SeaWorld® Orlando is proud to offer a complimentary SeaWorld Florida Teacher Card to all active and certified K-12 Florida grade school teachers.

The card provides Florida teachers with **unlimited admission to SeaWorld Orlando through August 31, 2021**.

To qualify for this promotion and see offer visit link below and log in with your Teacher ID:
<https://seaworld.com/orlando/tickets/free-florida-teacher-card/>

FREE Admission to Wild Florida Gator Park for the Month of October



FREE Admission to their Gator Park for the Month of October when you bring a canned good! Safari Park still open, admission is \$20 Adult and \$15 Child. Located about 1hr from Melbourne at 3301 Lake Cypress Rd, Kenansville, FL 34739

Drive-Thru Haunted Trail



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31
7 PM – 10 PM
Dead End Regional Park**

Free Drive-Thru Haunted Trail: The trail will be a drive-through haunted trail filled with horror, scares, and a few laughs. The last car will be admitted at 10 PM. No registration required.

Pumpkin Patch Days/Hours



**Saturday 17th: 9am-6pm
Friday 23rd: 4pm-6pm
Saturday 24th: 9am-6pm**

The Vineyards at Black Willow
2350 Black Willow Trail
Mims, FL 32754

The Vineyards at Black Willow

Fall Family Fun Day's

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 18
SUNDAY OCTOBER 25**

9am-5pm

FREE ENTRANCE: Enjoy a hayride, pick out some pumpkins in our patch, shop with local vendors, and enjoy some bbq for lunch! Hay Ride \$2 per person, Pumpkins available for purchase, Vendor Fair, BBQ for sale, Tons of photo areas including our antique truck! **See Address Above**



Pumpkin Patches & Farms



Church at Viera

Location: 9005 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, FL 32940

Dates: October 10th through October 31st

Admission: Just pay for your pumpkin

Come enjoy a storytime, games, pumpkin shopping, a scavenger hunt, and great photo opportunities!

First Baptist Church of Malabar

Location: 1665 Malabar Rd, Palm Bay Florida

Dates: October 10th through 31st

Admission: Just pay for your pumpkin

Grace United Methodist Church

Location: 65 Needle Blvd, Merritt Island, FL 32953

Dates: October

Admission: Just pay for your pumpkin

Hastings Ranch & Farm

Location: 5452 Jones Road, St. Cloud, Florida, 34771

Hours: Sat & Sun 8am-5pm (October 17th through October 31st)

Admission: \$10 per person; Kids under 3 are FREE

Enjoy a corn maze, pumpkin patch, face painting, hayrides, pony rides & more!

LaPorte Farms

Location: 7700 129th Street, Sebastian

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8am-2pm & Sat & Sun, 8am-4pm (Oct 4th - Oct 31st)

Admission: Free, just pay for your pumpkin

Visit the farm, feed the animals and pick a pumpkin!

Partin Ranch Corn Maze

Location: 5601 N Canoe Creek Rd, Kenansville, FL 34739

Hours: Sat & Sun 10am-5pm (October 17th through November 8th)

Admission: \$10 per person; 2 years and under are FREE

Your admission includes mazes, barrel train ride, hayride, kiddie zip line, corn box, games, as well as various play areas. There will also be pumpkins, food and beverages, pony rides and more available for an additional fee.

Rockledge Gardens

Location: 2153 US-1, Rockledge, FL 32955

Hours: Monday through Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 11am-4pm

Admission: Pay for your pumpkin

Scotts's Maze Adventures

Location: 26216 County Road 448A, Mount Dora, FL 32757

Hours: Sat 10am-5pm & Sun 12pm-5pm (Oct. 3rd through Dec. 13th)

Admission: \$12 per person; Kids 3 & under are FREE

Maze admission includes both Corn Mazes, the permanent Tree Maze, Rope Maze, Labyrinth, Mist Maze, Super Slide, Jumping Pillow, Small Kids Zip Line, Huge Fort-like playground, Tot Lot, Sand Tires, Tether Ball, other games, and covered picnic areas. Hayrides and fishing are available for an additional fee.

Southern Hill Farms

Location: 16651 Schofield Rd, Clermont, FL 34714

Hours: Thursday's through Sunday's (September 26th-November 8th)

Admission: \$7.99-\$11.99, 2 and under are free

Enjoy mouth-watering apple cider donuts, jolly Jumbo Jack carving pumpkins and strikingly beautiful sunflowers and zinnias for your family photos!

Wesley United Methodist Church

Location: 2075 Meadowlane Ave, Melbourne, FL 32904

Dates: Pumpkin patch begins October 3rd, Hayride begins October 9th

Admission: Just pay for your pumpkin

Come enjoy a hayride and pick the perfect pumpkin!

Click [HERE](https://melbourne.macaronikid.com/guides/5d7fd82c80c42d4251a83a4e/fall-activity-guide-for-brevard-county-2020) for more **Fall Activities** including **Trunk or Treats, Fall Festivals, Haunted Houses, Halloween Parties** and more!

<https://melbourne.macaronikid.com/guides/5d7fd82c80c42d4251a83a4e/fall-activity-guide-for-brevard-county-2020>



Applications Now Open For North & South Brevard!

The mission of the Marine Toys for Tots Program is to collect new unwrapped toys and distribute those toys to less fortunate children at Christmas.

NORTH BREVARD:

<https://mims-fl.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/request-toys.aspx>

Application Open Date: 10/01/2020

Application Close Date: 12/13/2020

To Request A Toy

Individuals, Single Families

[CLICK HERE for the Family and Individual Request Form.](#)

Non-Profit Agencies and Organizations

[CLICK HERE for the Agency and Non-Profit Request Form.](#)

SOUTH BREVARD:

<https://barefoot-bay-fl.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/request-toys.aspx>

Application Open Date: 09/21/2020

Application Close Date: 12/22/2020

Full Campaign Timeline:

<https://barefoot-bay-fl.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/local-dates.aspx>

To Request a toy:

Individuals, Single Families

[CLICK HERE for the Family and Individual Request Form.](#)

Non-Profit Agencies and Organizations

[CLICK HERE for the Agency and Non-Profit Request Form.](#)

**ALL HOLIDAY UPDATES AND NEW GIFT OPTIONS
WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE.**



Shop With A Cop is a program that is designed to help families in need during the Christmas Season.

Applications for Shop with a Cop are due to the Brevard County Sheriff's Office Community Services no **later than November 18, 2020**. They can be mailed to Community Services at 700 Park Ave., Titusville, FL 32780.

[2020 Parent Letter and Application](#)



Toys for Kids supplies simple toys, games and stuffed animals for children ages 0-10 years old, to families in need.

If your family is in need please register as soon as possible. The Toys for Kids toy giving program will **open on Friday, November 27, 2020 at 10am**.

Follow link below to view rules and access the link to register:

<https://toysforkidsbrevard.org/register/>

GIFTS FOR CHILDREN AGE 12 AND UNDER



Residents of south Brevard County:

(anyone living south of the Pineda Causeway) are eligible to sign up their children (age 12 and under) to receive toys and clothing as long as they have not signed up for gift assistance from any other agency.

Registration will begin the week of October 19th and take place at The Salvation Army's Social Services offices off of Hickory Street in Melbourne on a first come, first serve basis. A limited number of applications will be taken each day.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am-1pm

Tuesday, the 20th, 3pm – 7pm

For questions call: 828-862-6518

To see if there is a participating location in your area please go to application page link below. Hit button that you don't have a code and then type in your zip code to pull up an application.

<https://saangeltree.org/>

Housing, Utilities, COVID Financial Updates



Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Housing Assistance Program

As of December 1, 2019, Simply became a part of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Housing Assistance program. Under this program, eligible members get benefits like:

- Help with transitioning into housing
- Support to help them stay in housing once they've found a place to live
- Getting connected with services in the community
- Housing supports to help them take care of their health care needs.

This program also offers extra services like:

- Mobile crisis services to help deal with a crisis, if one happens
- Self-help peer support services from someone who has been through what you have

To qualify for this program, you must be a Simply Medicaid member, 21 years of age or older, meet certain requirements and live in one of these Florida counties:

- Brevard
- Osceola
- Seminole
- Orange
- Pinellas
- Pasco

Interested in joining or have questions about the program? Call Member Services toll free at 1-844-406-2396 (TTY 711) Monday through Friday from 8am to 7pm. Ask to speak with a case manager.

Low-income internet for seniors, students, and families



- First, there are a variety of internet provider initiatives with discounted monthly rates that low-income families can usually access if their kids qualify for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). [Find out how to apply through an Internet Service Provider.](#)
- The second option is a government assistance program called Lifeline, which offers \$9.25 per month off either internet or phone services to low-income households. Contact your Internet Service Provider (ISP) to enroll in Lifeline through it. [Find out if you meet the requirements](#) before you decide which option to go with.

Spectrum Internet Assist

While Spectrum's low-income internet program is higher priced than the others on our list, it's also one of the few that offers aid to homes without K-12 children. It brings a lot more to the table too.

Spectrum Internet Assist is solid, offering broadband speeds of 30 Mbps and a free internet modem with additional Wi-Fi service for \$5 per month (internet providers normally charge \$10 per month for Wi-Fi routers). To top it off, you won't have to worry about data caps or contracts.

So if one or more of the people in your household are recipients of Supplemental Security Income, National School Lunch Program (NSLP), or Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of the NSLP, you can fill out the [Spectrum Internet Assist application](#).

New COVID-19 Financial Assistance Updates

Palm Bay Rental & Utility Payment Assistance Applications Reopen For Qualified Residents

Applications for rent, mortgage, and utility payment assistance reopen Monday, October 5, 2020. Qualified applicants will be served on a first-come/first-eligible, first-served basis.

Eligible uses for the funding include rental or mortgage payment assistance, utility payment assistance, security deposits, and utility deposits. Utility payment assistance can only be provided if coupled with rent or mortgage payment assistance.

The City of Palm Bay received an additional allocation of Coronavirus Aid funding to assist qualified Palm Bay residents who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic due to unemployment or under-employment.

Applications for assistance will reopen on Monday, October 5, 2020 and will remain open until all funding is expended. Applications must be complete. No incomplete applications will be considered. Qualified applicants will be served on a first-come/first-eligible, first-served basis. Applications for assistance are available online and will be made available through the City of Palm Bay Housing & Community Development Division office located at Palm Bay City Hall Annex, 120 Malabar Road SE, or by emailing: HCDinfo@pbfl.org.

For questions or assistance with completing the application, please call (321) 726-5616.

Visit www.palmbayflorida.org/housing for more information on available programs.

Follow link below for application:

<https://www.palmbayflorida.org/home/showdocument?id=23682>

Titusville Rental & Utility Payment Assistance Update

Applicants for the Brevard County Rental and Mortgage Assistance Program, Utility and Security Deposit Program, and a Food Stability Program must review and submit all of the required documents and attachments to qualify for assistance as instructed on this website link: <https://www.brevardfl.gov/.../coronavirus-assistance...>

All other cities in Brevard County remain the same in regard to COVID Housing & Utility Financial Assistance. See Master Guide for details.

NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR RENT

The Housing Authority of Brevard County is proud to announce that they have completed construction of their brand-new development, Aurora Palms, in Melbourne, Florida, and are accepting applications.

[Click Here to Learn More](#)

Or visit: <https://habc.us/aurorapalms/>



Details:
2 bedroom / 1 bathroom units
Brand new appliances
10ft+ ceilings



DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 15

Low-income, no-income and/or homeless people are eligible to receive a stimulus check

Stimulus checks are just sitting there waiting for low-income, no-income, unemployed and those who have become homeless. If you haven't yet received a stimulus check, you should [register here now](#) because **the deadline is October 15.**

If you don't typically file a federal income tax return, [this message is for you](#). It doesn't matter if you're unemployed. It doesn't matter if you didn't earn any income at all. It doesn't matter if you are homeless, and it doesn't matter if you haven't filed taxes for years. What matters is that you may very well be eligible to receive a \$1,200 stimulus check, and it is important that you use the IRS [Non-Filers tool](#) by October 15 to claim your stimulus check.

There is absolutely no requirement [in the law](#) that you must actually earn an income or pay taxes in order to get a stimulus check. According to the IRS, U.S. citizens, permanent residents and [qualifying resident aliens](#) who meet the following guidelines are eligible for a stimulus check.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

www.FloridaJobs.org | Media@deo.myflorida.com

PRESS RELEASE

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Reemployment Assistance Update

QUARTERLY UPDATES:

On a quarterly basis, pursuant to Federal guidance, DEO must determine whether or not individuals who are currently receiving Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) or Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) are instead eligible for state Reemployment Assistance benefits.

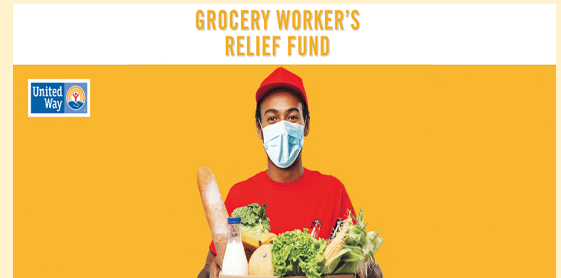
Claimants who are currently receiving PUA or PEUC may need to take specific actions on their claim when they log-in to CONNECT and request benefit payments **after October 1, 2020**, when the new quarter comes into effect.

In the coming days, those claimants will receive an additional notification with specific instructions regarding their claim. Below is step-by-step instructions on what these claimants will need to do to ensure there is no break in receiving benefits.

- Click [here](#) for the Quarter Change PUA Step-by-Step Guide
- Click [here](#) for the Quarter Change PUA Questionnaire Video
- Click [here](#) for the Quarter Change PEUC Step-by-Step Guide
- Click [here](#) for the Quarter Change PEUC Questionnaire Video
- Click [here](#) for the Quarter Change Fact Sheet
- The Department encourages all individuals to log-in to CONNECT and ensure their contact information is accurate and up-to-date.

Partnership between United Way Worldwide and Kendall-Jackson to provide emergency relief for frontline grocery store workers (Publix, Winn-Dixie, Aldi, Walmart, etc.)

- Relief is in form of \$250 cash card.
- Applications reopen each month and close when monthly funds expended.
- Link to information and Application:
www.unitedway.org/groceryrelief



**Are you running behind
on rent payments?**

**Was your income
impacted by Covid?**



Here's what to do... Take action to protect yourself thru the CDC moratorium on evictions. The moratorium is in effect thru Dec 31. You are required to complete a form for each adult in your home and provide it to your landlord. That form requires you to certify that you have tried to get assistance. If you have not filed for CARES Act Assistance you should do so now and keep a file of all the places you ask for help. Please keep paying as much as you can because this does not remove your obligation to pay

The CDC moratorium requires you to file a declaration with the landlord and you are certifying certain things - one for each adult.

Here is the link to the form:

<https://www.cdc.gov/.../downloads/declaration-form.pdf>

Here's the language of the moratorium:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/.../temporary-halt-in...>

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- Learn about different career paths that interest you.
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SIGN UP FOR SKILLUP FOR FREE:

1. You must have an EmployFlorida account to participate in Skill-Up. Visit www.employflorida.com to register.
2. Then, visit brevard.skillupamerica.org/job-seekers.cfm.
3. Scroll down, and click on Register for Free.
4. Click on Sign Up Now.
5. Complete the Registration Form.
6. You will receive an e-mail from support@metrixlearning.com granting you access to take courses.



Computer Basics - Cocoa

October 27th – December 8th
Tuesdays from 3 pm-5 pm

Classes will meet 3-5 PM every Tuesday for 6 weeks. Learn computer basics in an interactive environment. Our classes are stress-free and affordable so sign up today! The class will cover the following:

- Operating computer (turning it on, etc.)
- Windows vs. Apple
- Logins and passwords
- Privacy/Safety/Spam
- File management (archiving, categorizing)
- Email (sending, saving, categorizing, attaching, etc.)
- Using social media
- Basic photo skills, like where to save, how to attach, how to open
- Buying on the internet—how to be safe
- Don't get hacked!
- Connecting with other devices
- Saving files (external drives and clouds)

Apply online at:

<https://app.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx...>

Please register 24hrs before class begins. If you have any question you can call 321-633-3660 X 31462.

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES - ACES

What are Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)?
ACEs are potentially traumatic events that occur in a child's life:



Causing lifelong medical, mental & social suffering

**FREE
Webinar on
October 20th!** **ACEs
Connection**
10 am - 12 pm

Parenting in the Age of Uncertainty ~ Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg

"As parents, we want to protect our children from witnessing the fear and uncertainty brought by the COVID-19 pandemic. We wish we could take away the disruption to their education, activities, and relationships. And, we wish they were not exposed to suffering.

We cannot control these circumstances, but we can work to strengthen our relationships during this time while building our children's resilience.

In this workshop, Dr. Ginsburg will share tangible ways we can support the children in our lives and build resilience during this unprecedented time of uncertainty and trauma. (Pre-recorded training).

Register Here:

<https://forms.gle/m5zpFnXWK3acehjGA>

Contact: Ann Pimentel:

ann.pimentel@orlandohealth.com



Computer Basics - Palm Bay

October 28th – December 9th
Wednesday from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

Classes will meet 5:30-7:30 PM every Wednesday for 6 weeks. Learn computer basics in an interactive environment. Our classes are stress-free and affordable so sign up today! The class will cover the following:

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COVID Testing Site Locator

To find testing sites near you follow link:

<https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/testing-sites/>

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FREE OR DISCOUNTED EPILEPSY HEALTH CARE SERVICES

**Epilepsy
Association**

Brevard County
1600 Sarno Rd #119, Melbourne
Phone: 321-253-4112

Orlando
109 N. Kirkman Road, Orlando
Phone: 407-222-1416

The Epilepsy Association provides case management and discounted or free epilepsy health care services to those in need. The following link page contains information about client services and case management, as well as forms for download.

<http://epilepsyassociation.com/client-services/>

Medicare Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment begins October 15!

This year, Medicare plans have historically low premium, having dropped an average of 34 percent over the last three years. Some states have seen drops of up to 60 percent! **Starting October 1**, you'll be able to take a sneak peek at plans available in your area. If you're among the one in three Medicare recipients living with diabetes, you'll find that many participating drug plans will offer a 30-day supply of insulin for \$35 or less starting January 2021.

Visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) to learn more! More Medicare resources include:

- [Find Plans](#) tool that allows you to estimate costs for all your prescriptions.
- Access to the *Medicare and You eHandbook*.
- A toll-free number to call Medicare during Open Enrollment at 1-800-MEDICARE.

The No Bad Days Foundation supports children in Brevard County by purchasing life enhancing medical devices that insurance has denied coverage.

How to request assistance:

Visit our website at: <http://nobaddaysfoundation.com> and click the "Medical Necessity Request Form" link: <http://nobaddaysfoundation.com/medical-necessity-request.../>.

On this page, there will be an area for you to download the form.

Please fill out the Medical Necessity Request Form and return it to us at info@nobaddaysfoundation.com or by **facsimile to (321) 255-2351** for questions call **321-255-2332**

FREE Confidential Counseling 24/7



Family Support Warm Line

Call or Text: 1-888-733-6303

The warm line is FREE and available to ANYONE in Florida 24/7 via call or text. You don't have to be a client to receive this service.

Our Counselors are licensed and can do a session right then and there or schedule a session for a later time if you choose. Counselors will also follow up with callers again the next day or, If they want, we can follow up with additional services and/or referrals.

Some of our therapists are multilingual and some are LGBTQ-competent, meaning they are trained to work with callers on related subjects.

For more information visit: chsfl.org/support

DEA NATIONAL RX TAKE BACK DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2020
10:00AM - 2:00PM



FOLLOW THESE TIPS TO HELP FIGHT THE OPIOID CRISIS

- Know what's in your medicine cabinet.
- Dispose of unused or unneeded Rx's.
- Talk to your kids about the dangers of Rx drug abuse.
- Have a family exit strategy for your kids. (create a special word to text)
- Talk to your health care provider BEFORE procedures. (wisdom teeth, sports injuries, etc.)
- Support the I Choose ME Campaign. www.ichooseme.net
- Find additional resources and info at www.brevardprevention.org



* TAKE BACK DAY LOCATIONS

Indian Harbour Beach City Hall
2055 S Patrick Dr, Indian Harbour Beach

Health First Cape Canaveral Hospital
701 W Cocoa Beach Causeway, Cocoa Beach

Melbourne Police Department
650 N Apollo Blvd, Melbourne

Hobbs Pharmacy
133 N Banana River Dr, Merritt Island

Cocoa Police Department
1226 W King St, Cocoa

* Current Brevard locations as of 10/07/2020. If you do not see a collection site near you, please check the "collection site locator" tool on takebackday.dea.gov. New collection sites for this event are added every day.

COVID-19 AND AT HOME DISPOSAL

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, collection sites may be limited. If you would like to learn more about alternate safe disposal options, **please scan the QR code** to visit the U.S. Food & Drug Administration website. This page contains information and instructions for safe disposal, including how to do so at home.



This information is correct to the best of our knowledge and may change at the discretion of the above listed facilities' administration and management. Please contact the location you plan to visit directly for more direction on acceptable take back items. For more information on proper disposal and the DEA Rx take back days visit takebackday.dea.gov

This information has been provided by community partners associated with the Brevard County Opioid Abuse Task Force, Brevard Prevention Coalition, and Eckerd Connects. Sponsored by CFCHS, Inc. and the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families.

For more information please call 321-253-0032.



National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Domestic Violence Resources

[Ujima: The National Center on Violence Against Women in the Black Community](#)

[Women's Law.org](#)

[Asian & Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence](#)

[Battered Women's Justice Project](#)

[Domesticshelters.org](#)

[Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community](#)

[Make Resilience Matter: For Children Exposed to Intimate Partner Abuse](#)

[National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma and Mental Health](#)

[National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women](#)

[National Coalition Against Domestic Violence](#)

[National Indigenous Women's Resource Center](#)

[National Latin@ Network/Casa De Esperanza](#)

[National Network to End Domestic Violence](#)

[National Resource Center on Domestic Violence](#)

[Resource Center on Domestic Violence](#)



Financial Empowerment Resources

[NNEDV/Allstate Foundation Economic Justice Curriculum](#)

<https://nnedv.org/resources-library/financial-abuse-toolkit/>



GIVE BACK A SMILE

AACD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION INC.

The [American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry \(AACD\)](#) [Charitable Foundation's](#) Give Back a Smile (GBAS) program connects adult survivors of domestic and/or sexual violence

who've received dental injuries from the abuse with volunteer cosmetic dentists who donate their time and services to restore their smiles. Dental services are available throughout the United States. For Details and application link please visit website: <https://www.givebackasmile.com/>



<https://wispinc.org/>

Education is a powerful tool which breaks down barriers and opens doors of opportunity. The objective of the Women's Independence Scholarship Program is to help survivors of intimate partner abuse obtain an education that will in turn offer them the chance to secure employment, personal independence and self sufficiency.