

20th annual Government Day happens Nov. 7 at Eisenhower

Fall has definitely arrived in The Villages! While we may not be enjoying the cooler temperatures yet, this time of year is recognizable in The Villages by some of our wonderful yearly events and programs.

The District will host the 20th annual Government Day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 7 at Eisenhower Recreation Center, 3560 Buena Vista Blvd. Each year, residents have the opportunity to learn all about their local, state and federal governmental agencies.

The agencies in attendance change each year, and typically representatives from more than 70 agencies are available to answer all of your questions. For information on the upcoming Government Day, visit districtgov.org or call the Customer Service Center at 753-4508. Mark your calendars now so you don't miss this excellent event!

Another yearly program you have to look forward to is the Veterans Day Ceremony on Nov. 11 at Veterans' Memorial Park of The Villages. Residents who purchased a brick before March 31 of this year can look forward to the dedication ceremony of your brick.

If you have not visited this beautiful park located near Spanish Springs Town Square, please take a moment to stop by this Veterans Day. For information on purchasing a brick for your special veteran for a future ceremony, call the Customer Service Center at 753-4508.

As our seasonal residents begin arriving, I would like to take a moment to remind everyone where our offices are located and



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some of the services and opportunities we provide.

With the exception of Community Watch and Public Safety, all District offices are at 984 Old Mill Run in Lake Sumter Landing. You can visit the District Administration offices, pick up or submit an Architectural Review Committee home/property alteration application at the Community Standards department, visit the Recreation Administration department to reserve a room at your favorite recreation center, or speak with the Human Resources department regarding available District job openings, all in one convenient location.

Stop by the Customer Service Center if you need to replace or obtain information on your Villages Resident ID Card or any of your gate access cards. If you need to replace any of your gate access cards, please remember to bring in all of your cards as they are issued in sets.

You can also speak to a customer service representative about some of the other services we provide, such as the Adopt-A-Bench program or renting a parking space in one of our recreational vehicle storage facilities.

The Customer Service Center is also an additional location to purchase executive trail fees or request guest IDs when

your friends or family come to visit.

Customer Service Representatives are available from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday to assist you with any questions you may have about the community. Phone number inquiries, directions to recreation facilities and general community information are just a few of the questions they receive and answer each day.

Representatives are also available to speak with you pertaining to your monthly utility and amenity bill or your bond assessment. For additional information on any of the services mentioned above or if you need to know who to contact for additional services, please feel free to call us at 753-4508.

Many of the services I listed above can also be accessed by visiting our website, districtgov.org. Check the News & Information and What's Happening sections daily to learn about communitywide events and information.

If you prefer we contact you with upcoming events and information such as road and recreation center closures, take a moment to sign up for E-Notifications.

For those of you not familiar with our website, I urge you to attend one of our Welcome Wednesday sessions occurring at 11 a.m. each Wednesday at the District offices. Each week we will feature a new area of the website and teach you how to navigate through it.

Not only will you learn how to navigate through the website, you will also have the opportunity to hear firsthand

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all of the latest District information and facts. This is also a great chance to bring up any rumors or issues you may have

heard the previous week and have your questions answered by District staff.

If you cannot attend or would like to view the information from previous Welcome Wednesdays, all handouts are available by clicking

on the Welcome Wednesday quick link right on the home page of our website.

Thank you for taking the time to learn about some of the exciting events you have to look forward to. Please remember to be safe while

traveling both the roadways and the multimodal paths, especially this time of year when the traffic is increasing.

Be courteous of your fellow Villagers and keep an eye out for each other. We look forward to seeing you at

Government Day on Nov. 7 and next week right here at Our Place!

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