



FREE RESIDENTIAL BULK TRASH PICK-UP

Wednesday, July 27th; Thursday, July 28th; Friday, July 29th; or *Saturday, July 30th

Bulk trash will be picked up *only* on your regularly scheduled collection day. Bulk trash must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. For residences with dumpster service, place items alongside dumpster. *Indicates pick-up for multi-family units (condominiums & apartment complexes).

Occasionally bulk trash is not collected on its regularly scheduled collection day due to heavy volume, if this occurs it will be collected the following day.

Bulk items include, but are not limited to:

Furniture / Mattresses / Carpets / Large and Small Appliances: dishwashers, laundry machines, and stoves; and other large household items.

Refrigerators or air conditioners must have Freon removed by a certified dealer.

NOTE: Mirrors, glass, glass tabletops, windowpanes, and plate glass items should be safely placed in a rigid container to facilitate safe collection. Larger glass items such as table tops, shower doors, windows should be placed separately from the rest of the bulk pickup.

Bulk items **DO NOT** include contractor-generated material, or vegetative waste (landscape materials) or household hazardous waste (HHW).

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW – Consider donating before tossing

Help those in need

Keep items out of the waste stream, **and** get a tax deduction.

Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't even have to wait for bulk pick-up day! There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items.

From Your home to a New home...

Don't forget pet shelters, they are always in need of sheets and towels.

For more information, please call the Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600 or link to our Bulk Pick-Up web page at

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx>



VOTE FOR REGIONAL PARK IN WESTON IN THE "AMERICA'S FAVORITE PARK" CONTEST

Weston Parks and Recreation Director, Don Decker, recently registered the Regional Park at Weston in the **Coca-Cola Live Positively "America's Favorite Park" Contest**. America Is Your Park is a program that encourages people of all ages to get active in the park this summer. In the process, people can vote for their favorite national, state or local park to win a recreation grant up to \$100,000 from the Coca-Cola Live Positively initiative.

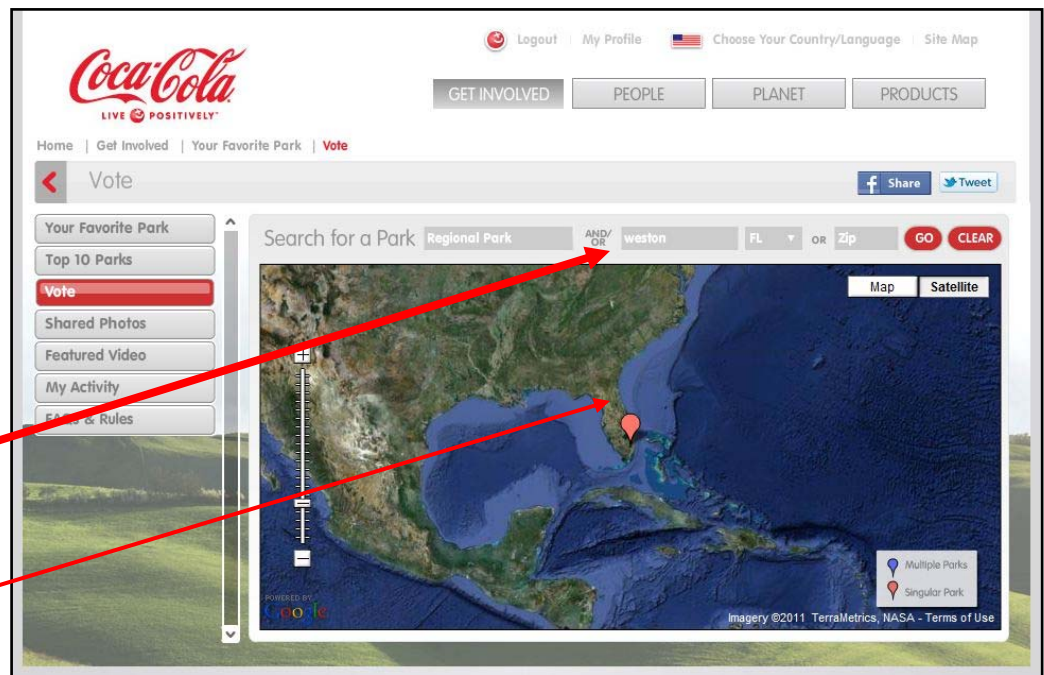
Winners (established by total number of votes) are eligible for 3 cash grants of \$100,000, \$50,000, and \$25,000. That grant money can be used unconditionally to make improvements within the park.

There are several ways to vote: 1) vote online 2) by "Checking In" via Facebook; 3) by uploading photos of the park; or beginning August 10th, uploading videos of the park. Voting is restricted to people ages 13 and over.

THE VOTING HAS BEGUN!

- Once the voting ends on September 6, 2011, the votes will be tallied and verified. Winning parks will be notified, and the winners will be announced publicly by mid-September.
- You can vote as many times as you'd like on LivePositively.com or you can upload photos and/or video content up to 20 times per day for your favorite park.
- The easiest way to find the park is to type-in **Weston, FL** in the "Search for a Park" field. The singular **red** map marker will appear: click on the marker, then **VOTE**.

Give all clicks a minute as the site is a little slow currently.



The voting takes place at www.LivePositively.com



BEATING THE SUMMER HEAT

If you're looking for ways to beat the summer heat without heading to the beach, Broward County parks have a number water parks including Paradise Cove inside C.B. Smith Park in Pembroke Pines.

Along with the all of the water park activities, they also have swim lessons

Fees

\$9.50/person for all-day admission and \$6.50/person after 3 p.m. In addition, the park's gate admission fee of \$1.50/person (children 5 and under free) will be in effect on weekends and holidays.

C.B. Smith Park

900 N. Flamingo Rd., Pembroke Pines, FL 33028
Phone: 954-357-5170



Paradise Cove Features include:

Crazy Creek is a 410-foot-long tube ride with interactive play elements along a curved route.

Parrot's Point water playground, for ages 5 and under, is a 12-inch-deep pool that includes two waterslides and many interactive play elements.

Sharky's Lagoon water playground, for all ages, is an 18-inch-deep pool that includes three waterslides that are 83 feet, 98 feet, and 125 feet long, and many interactive play elements.

H₂Whoa! has two 450-foot water slides (must be able to swim and be at least 42 inches tall to ride).



CELL PHONES HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Cellular phones can be our best ally during a hurricane. Yet, because wireless calls travel over airwaves to another phone, like radios, they can be obstructed by bad weather. Residents can maximize their wireless service during an emergency situation by being prepared and following a few simple tips.



- Program all of your emergency contact numbers in your cell phone, including the police department, fire station, hospital and family members.
- Make sure everyone who needs your wireless number has it.
- Have a family communications plan in place. Designate someone out of the area as a central contact, and be sure all family members know who to contact if they become separated.
- Keep your wireless phone and back-up batteries charged at all times. Have an alternate plan to recharge your batteries in case of power outages. For example, you can charge with a car charger, or use a disposable cell phone battery.
- Keep extra phones and accessories in a sealed plastic bag to avoid water damage.
- If your cellular phone has a camera, utilize that feature to take and store photos of your property before and after the storm.

In addition to your household phone, make sure your cellular phone is enrolled in **CodeRED**. CodeRED is a system used by the City of Weston that allows you to receive critical in case of an emergency situation that requires immediate action. You can even opt for text message and/or email alerts to be sent straight to your cell phone! To register for CodeRED, visit <http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx>.





BIG DOG ADOPTIONS

GOOD THINGS COME IN BIG PACKAGES TOO

Big dog lovers can now enjoy a special opportunity to open their heart and home to a larger canine. **From now through August 31, customers who adopt a 40-plus pound dog from Broward County Animal Care and Adoption will receive a \$25 gift card from Pet Supermarket.**

This incentive is great for Broward County Animal Care and Adoption as the agency has no problem finding homes for smaller puppies and dogs. Visitors to Broward County Animal Care's Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach locations will be able to choose from all of the available larger dogs that qualify for the promotion. **Adopters must complete an Adoption Application and pay the pet's adoption fee. Once the adoption is approved and finalized, the adopter will receive their \$25 Pet Supermarket gift card and to take their new pet home.**



The mission of Animal Care and Adoption is to provide shelter for lost and surrendered animals and promote successful adoptions that enhance the lives of companion animals and their humans. Broward County operates two animal shelters that are adoption centers for homeless dogs and cats. Kittens and cats are also available for adoption at all Broward County Pet Supermarket Stores. Locations include:

Fort Lauderdale Adoption Center – 1870 SW 39th Street, 954-359-1313

Pompano Beach Adoption Center – 3100 NW 19th Terrace, 954-359-1313

For more information, please visit www.broward.org/animal.



FPL's POWER TRACKER

Online Map Providing Near Real-Time Power Outage Information

www.FPLmaps.com

FPL's Power Tracker is an online, interactive map that shows the location of any current power outages across FPL's service territory. Customers can enter a street address, city or ZIP code to view outage and restoration information for their area.

In addition to showing the location of outages, Power Tracker provides detailed restoration information, including:

- Outage report time
- Estimated time of restoration
- Number of customers affected
- Status of the outage
- Cause of the outage

Power Tracker also includes an FPL Reliability Performance indicator (displaying the percent of customer accounts with power systemwide) and a link that allows customers to [report an outage online](#).

Note: Power Tracker does not track or reflect flickers or brief power interruptions.

How do I use the Power Tracker?

- Power Tracker is available at www.FPLmaps.com
- To see outage information for a particular area, enter a street address, city or ZIP code in the search box.
 - Entering an address zooms the map to the neighborhood level.
- Outages are indicated by triangle icons of varying colors, which indicate scale.
- Click on one of the outage icons to open an information box that reveals details about the outage.
- To reset the map, click on the "Start Over" link.

During an outage at your home or place of business, you can access the Power Tracker map via a battery-powered laptop, a smart phone or Internet device (such as an iPhone, Android or iPad), through a friend or from a computer at different location.

How do I see outages in my area?

Enter your street address to see any outages in your neighborhood or enter your city or ZIP code to see any outages in your area. From any point on the map, you can use the zoom tool to see outages in smaller or larger geographical areas.

Outage details are available by clicking on any triangle icon



UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday July 30, 2011 6PM – 10PM

Parent's Night Out

Sheinberg Family YMCA, 20201 Saddle Club

Call 954-424-9622 or wmilordis@ymcabroward.org

Drop your children at the Y for a night of rock climbing, sports, games, arts & crafts, movies, pizza party, popcorn and more!

Ages: 5-12 years of age

Cost: Members - \$25 per child/Non-Members \$35



Monday, August 1 - Friday, August 5, 2011

Express Yourself – Art Explosion Mini-Camp

Sheinberg Family YMCA, 20201 Saddle Club

Participants will use their imaginations to create FUN. Learn skills while creating projects using pencils, paint, nature and more!

For boys and girls ages 5 and up (must have completed kindergarten).

Time: 9AM – 1PM

Cost: \$125 members / \$140 Non-Members

You can extend to a full-day camp for an additional \$60

Call 954-424-9622 or wmilordis@ymcabroward.org

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Saturday, August 6th, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friends of the Library Book Fair

Shop through a selection of chapter books for young readers, hard and soft cover books, how to books, children's books, videos and much more. Books average \$0.50 to \$1.00.

Weston Branch Library, located at 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard.

"For Your Health" Web Chats

Web Chats by Cleveland Clinic Florida

Cleveland Clinic Florida will offer live, online health chats designed to educate participants and encourage healthy lifestyle choices. The FREE online health chats will be presented by two of Cleveland Clinic Florida's top medical specialists. **Log on at www.clevelandclinic.org/webchats**

On Wednesday, August 17, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. the topic will be "Concussion and Injury Prevention In Athletes" presented by Daniel Groba, DO - Spine and Sports Medicine Specialist.

On Tuesday, August 23, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. the topic will be "Epilepsy and Seizures" presented by Epileptologist, Adriana Rodriguez, MD and Neurologist, Chaten Malpe, MD.

Log on to www.clevelandclinic.org/webchats to register, and click "join" to participate. Questions may be submitted in advance.



Sunday, September 11, 2011 5:00PM-6:00PM

9/11 Always Remembered

Weston Town Center Park Amphitheater

This one hour event will include state and local leaders, the Broward Sheriff's Office Police and Fire Rescue, the Weston Clergy Group, the Police Pipe and Drum Corp, helicopter fly over, the Cypress Bay Choir, a moment of silence and dove release.