



HERE THEY ARE!

YOUR WEEKLY NEWSDAY TUESDAY ARTICLES

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MAKE A PLAN

Create an Emergency Preparedness Plan for your home or business

<http://FLgetaplan.com>

or visit



PLANNING IS KEY TO PREPARATION

Hurricane Preparedness – A Continuing Series

A family emergency and communication plan is an important part of preparations for the hurricane season. Here is a step-by-step list. The key is to START NOW – well in advance of a hurricane threatening our area.

- **STEP 1 Hold a family meeting and create a communication plan**

Make a plan to secure your home and assist family members who need assistance with shutters, removing patio furniture and other items. Assign tasks to each family member so everyone knows their responsibilities. Make an [Emergency Communication Plan](#), so that all family members know where to go and who to contact should you become separated.

- **STEP 2 Discuss shelter options**

Determine where you will go if a storm threatens our area. General Population Shelters provide only basic needs. A shelter should be your choice of last resort.

- **STEP 3 Ensure your assets are protected**

Inventory (and photograph) your home possessions, review insurance policies to ensure for adequate coverage. Keep important records in a water-proof and fire-proof container.

- **STEP 4 Assess your home for vulnerable areas**

Evaluate your roof, windows, garage door, landscaping, etc. and determine what actions can be taken now to help secure your home prior to a storm threatening our area.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AT

City of Weston
Hurricane Preparedness
Tips and Resources
Westonfl.org/Hurricane

Broward County
Emergency Management
Call 311 or visit
Broward.org/Hurricane

Broward County
Special Needs and
Vulnerable Population Registries
Broward.org/AtRisk



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- **STEP 5 Make a plan to protect your vehicles**
Decide where you will store your vehicle, boat or recreational vehicles.
- **STEP 6 Secure your home**
Decide what actions you will need to take to protect your home and property (shutters, generator, trim trees) once a storm watch is issued.
- **STEP 7 Determine if anyone in your home needs special assistance**
Discuss whether anyone in your home is elderly or has special medical needs and, if so, register with Broward County to be on the Special Needs or Vulnerable Population registries.
- **STEP 8 Make a plan for your pet**
Determine how you will address your pet's needs and make a plan for your pet in case you have to evacuate. Be sure to plan for large animals such as horses.
- **STEP 9 Gather your supplies**
Determine your family's food, water and medical needs and assemble your family's [Disaster Survival Kit](#). Visit Westonfl.org/Hurricane for a list of recommended items.
- **STEP 10 Notify others of your plan**
Let family or friends know what your hurricane plan is so they can check on you in the aftermath of the storm.



BSO OFFERS FREE HOME WATCH PROGRAM REGISTER ONLINE TODAY

Planning a vacation or business trip this summer? The Broward Sheriff's Office offers a **FREE Home Watch Program** in all of its patrol areas in Weston.

A BSO deputy, CSA (Community Service Aid) or COP (Citizens on Patrol volunteer) will check on your home daily for signs of break-in or suspicious activity while you are out of town.



Please call the Broward Sheriff's Office Weston District with any questions at 954-389-2010.

When you are away be sure to take the following precautions:

Let trusted friends and neighbors know that you'll be away.

Set your alarm system even if you live in a gated community. Make your home appear occupied. Attach timers to lights and television sets and set them to turn on and off at different times.

Have your newspaper and mail held, or picked up by a friend or neighbor. Arrange to have packages picked up at your door.

Beware of posting your vacation plans on social media.

To sign up please complete the Home Watch Request Form.
Download the form by clicking on:

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/CommunityServices.aspx>

Once you complete the form, return it to the Weston District Office at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard or send it in by fax at 954-659-3541.

For more information, please visit www.sheriff.org.



THINK BEFORE YOU TRASH – RECYCLE OR DONATE INSTEAD

Small Changes Can Make a Big Impact on Our Environment

CURBSIDE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING

Residential garbage and recycling service is provided to all single family homes in the City of Weston by All Service Refuse. Recycling is collected once weekly.

As single-stream recycling is done throughout Broward County, customers do not have to sort or separate items. Weston residents are encouraged to recycle as much as possible.



What Items are Accepted in Your Recycling Cart?

- Paper – newspaper, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, cartons/boxes (crushed or flattened)
- Plastic – bottles with narrow necks, such as milk, water, detergent, shampoo
- Glass food and beverage containers
- Aluminum, steel or tin food and beverage cans

Do NOT place the following in your cart.

These items will interrupt the recycling process and may damage the processing equipment.

- Plastic bags or plastic wrap (such as the packaging for cases of water bottles)
- Certain glasses such as window panes, light bulbs, mirrors, ceramics
- Pots, pans, metal utensils
- Pizza boxes and Styrofoam or plastic takeout food containers
- Paint cans or pesticides
- Electronics, wires or holiday lights
- Medical waste and pharmaceuticals

Not sure of your Recycling service day? [Click here](#)

REMINDER:

BULK TRASH SERVICE THIS WEEK

Forgot to round up large items for bulk service this week? There is still time, as service is done on the day of your regularly scheduled garbage day on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week (single family homes and apartment or condo buildings with curbside collection) or Saturday for apartment and condo buildings with dumpsters.

Think before you trash. If your bulk items can be donated there are many organizations that accept items in good condition and some even pick-up directly from your residence.

Bulk items include, but are not limited to:

- Furniture
- Mattresses and carpets
- Large and small appliances, (i.e. dishwashers, laundry machines, stoves)
- Refrigerators or air conditioners must have Freon removed by a certified dealer first
- Mirrors, windowpanes, glass tabletops (must be placed in a rigid container)

Note that bulk items DO NOT include contractor-generated materials, or green waste (landscaping materials). Household hazardous waste such as paint cans, aerosols, CFL lightbulbs, fertilizer, fire extinguishers, tires, etc. is collected at County Drop-Off stations. [Click here](#) for details.





HAVE CHILDREN UNDER 4? REMEMBER #SaferBy4 SAFELY GET CHILDREN TO THEIR FOURTH BIRTHDAY

The City of Weston is one of several communities throughout Broward County that supports the Department of Children and Families' #SaferBy4 initiative.

#SaferBy4 was created to reduce preventable child deaths due to drowning and sleep habits, which account for nearly half of all child fatalities under the age of 4 in Broward County. Informing and educating families and care givers about actions and steps to prevent child fatalities aims to safely get children to their fourth birthday.

SAFE SLEEP TIPS

Remember the ABCs of safe sleep.



Avoid dangerous sleep situations:

- Do not place pillows, blankets, bumper pads or toys in the crib or bassinet with your baby. They can suffocate or strangle your infant.
- Sleeping with your infant has a risk. There is a possibility that you may roll onto or pin the baby, which may lead to suffocation.
- Placing your baby on their back to sleep allows for a clear airway.

For more information on Child Fatality Prevention, visit the Department of Children and Families at: <http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/childfatality>

WATER SAFETY TIPS

SUPERVISION: Designate a water watcher to actively watch children in and around pools and lakes at ALL times.

BARRIERS: Florida law requires barriers, such as a fence or cover for home pools, (Fla. Stat. § 515.29).

SWIMMING LESSONS: The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children learn to swim in order to help prevent drowning. **The Weston YMCA Family Center offers a variety of learn to swim classes. You may also call 2-1-1 for a list of additional facilities or visit WaterSmartBroward.org.** There is a possibility that scholarships are available.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: It's important for ALL caregivers to learn CPR. In case of an emergency call 9-1-1 immediately. **Free CPR certification courses are offered by Weston Fire Rescue. Call 954-389-2015.**





PROTECTING SENIORS FROM SCAMS

Prevent Identity Theft, Telemarketing Fraud, Sweepstakes Scams and More

Telemarketing Fraud

Always be on alert when asked to send money to unfamiliar companies. Fraudulent telemarketers are skilled and sound believable. Do not be intimidated or pushed into a hasty decision.

Beware of Common Schemes:

- Free “prize” offers are NEVER free. The consumer usually has to buy a product or pay an advanced fee.
- “Free” or “Low-cost” vacations usually have high hidden costs or never materialize.
- Never provide financial information over the phone to unfamiliar companies.

Identity Theft

Protect your personal information. Do not give out credit card or banking information over the phone unless you made the call.

The best way to dispose of personal and financial information is to use a shredder before throwing them away. Review and reconcile bank statements monthly so fraudulent activity can be recognized.



Sweepstakes Prizes

Be cautious with letters or phone calls announcing a cash prize or other lucrative offers. Do not pay to win. Beware of descriptions that can be misleading, a “2015 model car” can be a toy model car, rather than a vehicle. Legitimate sweepstakes companies do not attempt to mislead you nor do they require payment.

Prescription Drug Cards

There are several prescription drug discount cards on the market. Because the programs are not considered health insurance, they are not regulated by the State of Florida.

Additional Resources

Consumers in the State of Florida can report fraud directly:

Office of the Attorney General
1-866-9-NO-SCAM
(1-866-966-7226)

Florida Department of Agriculture
and Consumer Services
1-800-435-7352

Download a copy of this brochure:
[Smart Consumers Can Stop Fraud:
A Guide for Seniors](#)



July 21, 2015

CALLING DANCERS OF ALL GENRES AND AGES
Auditions for Broward County's Centennial Grand Finale Performance
***Duende* take place this Saturday**

Broward 100 Duende Auditions

Saturday, July 25th

11:00 a.m. Open Call

1:00 p.m. Special Acts

300 SW 1st Avenue

Fort Lauderdale

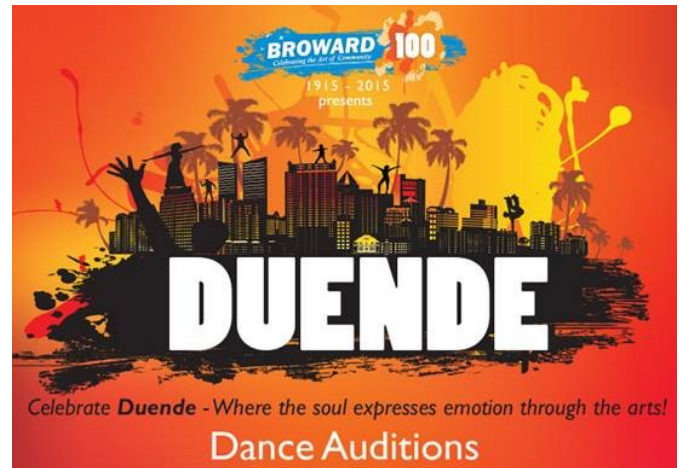
RSVP by Email Prior to Audition Day

Submit: Name/Genre/Individual or

Group to duendeauditions@broward.org

Become a part of *Duende* - Broward County's Centennial grand finale celebration! Broward County is seeking dancers of all genres, age 18 or over, to be a part of the show on the evening of Friday, Oct. 2nd.

"This is a heart-inspiring opportunity, to be a part of something big, something community-oriented and creatively-driven," says Pablo Malco, Broward County's own internationally acclaimed choreographer and artistic director of *Duende*. "I am looking for dancers and movers who want to throw their soul onto the stage with movement and laughter, in a dance number that says *Happy Birthday Broward County!*"



Up to 50 dancers will be cast. Individuals and groups are invited to audition in any style of dance: hip hop, ballet, contemporary, salsa, Afro-Caribbean, ballroom, tap, Bollywood-style, hula, just to name a few. All positions will be paid.

Broward 100 - Celebrating the Art of Community is a yearlong, community-wide celebration that began in October 2014 and will culminate with the *Duende* grand finale celebrations October 2nd – 4th. Broward 100 commemorates Broward County's centennial via the arts, sports and recreation venues, natural attractions and incredible diversity to creatively bridge, bond and build the community.

Visit Broward.org/Broward100 for more details.



THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER R.E.A.D-ING PROGRAM

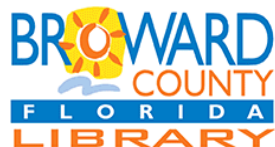


Calling ALL Weston readers of all ages! Have you registered for Broward County Library's FREE 2015 Summer R.E.A.D.ing (Reading, Exploration, Art, and Discovery) Program yet?

Register for the Program to win prizes and rewards. The Summer R.E.A.D.ing Program runs through August 1, but everyone is invited to take the August Pledge and continue reading from August 1-15 for a chance to win more prizes!

**Register at the Weston Branch Library
Or online at:**

<http://www.broward.org/library/read>



Grand Prizes at Weston Branch Library:

Earn grand prize entry forms for a chance to win one of the following Grand Prizes, by age group:

Preschoolers Earn a LEGO-DUPLO Block Set Deluxe version.

Children Earn Android Tablet, 2 tickets to Museum of Discovery and Science passes, ticket for two individuals to Young at Art Children's Museum.

Teens Earn an Android Tablet.

Adults Earn a \$75 Gift Card.

Grand Prize Drawing for all branches

(youth/teens): Paddle Board Experience at Marco Polo SUP; A VIP day at the Miami Dolphins Training Camp with lunch; Miami Dolphin's Player autographed football; Papa John's Pizza Party for 30 people and more.

Individual Prizes at Weston Branch:

Preschoolers Earn individual prizes for each 10 books read!

Pick from a selection of small toys and prizes at each branch!

Children and Teens Earn individual prizes for each 2 hours read!

Pick from a selection of small toys and prizes at each branch.



WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSES

SAT PREP COURSE

The Weston Community Center offers SAT Preparatory Courses. The next session begins Sunday, August 9th which will get students ready for the **October 3rd SAT test**. Instructed by Jeff Steinberg, this course prepares students for all facets of the College Board exam.

The class thoroughly reviews content of what is tested. Also, it exposes students to numerous insightful strategies for scoring well on the SAT.

Jeff Steinberg is a former University of Miami SAT Preparation Course Developer, instructor and trainer for educators as well as a former full-time advisor. He was also an instructor of college preparatory and study skills courses and recipient of the excellence award at Miami Dade College.

Results from this course have produced an overall average increase of 200 points; 330 points for students who complete all homework!

SAT PREPARATION COURSE FOR OCT. 3RD EXAM

Ages 15-20

SUNDAY DATES: August 9 – September 27
10:30 am – 1:00 pm or 1:30pm - 4:00pm

TUESDAY DATES: August 11 – September 29
7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

THURSDAY DATES: August 13 – October 1
7:15 pm – 9:45 pm

Class cost is \$475 for 8 week course, including text and all materials.

For more information or to enroll, please contact Jeff Steinberg,
at 954-478-0792 or email jeffly1968@yahoo.com

For a complete list of Classes and Events at the Community Center, please visit westonfl.org
and select 'Parks and Recreation' and then 'Programs'.



SUMMARY OF UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS

CITY EVENTS

westonfl.org/events



QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP

July 22nd – July 25th

Single Family or Multi-family with curbside collection
(on the day of your regularly scheduled garbage pickup):

- Wednesday, July 22nd
- Thursday, July 23rd
- Friday, July 24th

Multi-family with dumpsters:

- Saturday, July 25th

Bulk trash will be picked up on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day and should be placed at the curb by 7:00AM.

For more information, please visit:

www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup
or call 954-385-2600.

Think Before You Trash – Consider Donating Items

ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS

BSO WESTON POLICE SERVICES

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2010 or visit
www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/PoliceHome.aspx.



SAFE SELLING TRANSACTION ZONE A LOCATION FOR ONLINE BUYERS/SELLERS

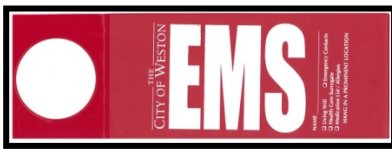
BSO's Weston district office's parking lot serves as a safe haven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard. Download a flyer here: [Safe Transaction Zone](#)

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE EVENTS & ONGOING PROGRAMS](#)



BSO WESTON FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2015 or visit www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx.



FREE EMS GO PACKETS

These packets hold medical information and legal documents for EMS and hospital personnel can be aware of your medical conditions.



FREE CPR CLASSES

FREE CPR classes for residents, organizations and businesses. Classes are offered at Weston Fire Station No. 81. Classes are also offered at your own location with a minimum of 8 persons.



SMOKE ALARM AND BATTERY REPLACEMENT

This free service is designed to reach people who are unable to safely install smoke alarms and/or replace the batteries in existing alarms.

See Next Page for More Information



WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

More information on the programs below, call 954-385-2000.



REGISTER FOR CODERED TODAY

All residents and businesses should register with the City's CodeRED Emergency Notification System.

To register, please visit:

www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx.



WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX

* **Newsday Tuesday:** A collection of weekly city news articles, information and events.

* **General Notifications:** Updates on projects; media releases; sports registrations, events and more.

Subscribe at: <http://www.westonfl.org/EmailSubscriptions.aspx>



WESTON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION CHANNEL

The Weston government access channel can be found on these channels with local cable television providers:

Advanced Communications – Channel #25

Comcast Cable – Channel #78

AT&T U-verse – Channel #99, then scroll to Weston Government TV



WESTON GOVERNMENT RADIO 1680AM

Information on City events, programs, services and more. In the event of an emergency, all broadcasts will be interrupted and emergency notifications will be provided. This AM channel can be accessed in your car while in and around the City of Weston. Tune in today.

[Hurricane Preparedness](#)

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION

Visit WestonFL.org/Hurricane for tips on how you can prepare your home, family and business throughout the hurricane season – June 1st through November 30th.