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**NEWSDAY TUESDAY
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WE STAND WITH ORLANDO

The City of Weston mourns along with the families and friends of the innocent victims of the Orlando attack on June 12th. We offer our condolences to the City of Orlando and the LGBT community at large in the aftermath of this senseless tragedy. To the men and women of law enforcement and emergency services who protect and serve their communities across the nation every day, we thank you for your dedication and honor your service.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

We continue to encourage everyone to be vigilant every day. Report any type of suspicious activity to local law enforcement. **If you SEE something, SAY something.**

Examples of suspicious activity include:

- People drawing or measuring buildings for no known reason
- Strangers asking questions about building security procedures
- People in secure areas where they are not supposed to be
- Someone leaving behind briefcases, suitcases, backpacks or packages



Officials encourage anyone who sees suspicious activity to report it to local authorities or call 1-855-FLA-SAFE (1-855-352-7233).

Suspicious activity can also be reported online through FDLE's website at www.fdle.state.fl.us.

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If You See Something Say Something used with permission of the FBI Department of Homeland Security.

Learn survival tips for active shooter scenarios in public spaces.

ACTIVE SHOOTER PRESENTATION

Hosted by BSO Police – Weston District

Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 6:30 pm

Weston Community Center | 20200 Saddle Club Road (Inside Weston Regional Park)

Pre-register at cityhall@westonfl.org (Send name, email and # attending)



June 14, 2016

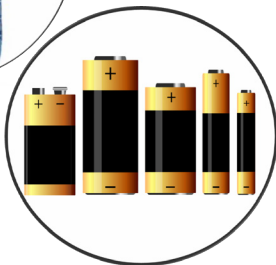
BE PREPARED BUILD AN EMERGENCY KIT



Helpful tips of
items to consider:

[City of Weston Disaster Kit](#)

[Ready.gov Supply List](#)



#HurricanePrep
What's in Your Kit?

@CityofWeston

WHAT'S IN YOUR PREPAREDNESS KIT? *Hurricane Preparedness...A Continuing Series*



Weston Mayor Daniel J. Stermer

Remember the saying "the first 72 is on you." You need water, food and supplies to last your family for at least 3 days.

Electricity, gas, water and telephones may not be working. In addition, public safety services such as police and fire may not be able to reach you immediately during a serious disaster.



Dr. Rick Knabb, Director of the National Hurricane Center, and son Parker, at their Weston home.

Each person should be prepared to be self-sufficient and able to live without running water, electricity and/or gas, and telephones for at least three days following a disaster.





THE RAINY SEASON IS HERE

Important Mosquito Prevention Information

Feeling the sting of mosquitoes?



Then it's time to:

**DRAIN
AND
COVER**

Stop mosquitoes from living and multiplying around your home or business.
Protect yourself from mosquito bites and diseases they carry.

DRAIN STANDING WATER.

DRAIN: Garbage cans, house gutters, pool covers, coolers, toys, flower pots or any other containers where sprinkler or rain water has collected.

DISCARD: Old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used.

EMPTY AND CLEAN: Birdbaths and pets' water bowls at least once or twice a week.

PROTECT: Boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water.

MAINTAIN: The water balance (pool chemistry) of swimming pools. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.

South Florida's sweltering summer months also signal the arrival of the rainy season. The afternoon thunderstorms or quick sun showers can cause standing water around our homes and businesses that lead to the perfect breeding environment for mosquitoes. Check around your home and drain standing water – don't forget to check the inside of garbage cans, buckets or empty planters, even bird baths... anywhere rain water has collected.

TIPS TO AVOID MOSQUITO BITES

- Wear shoes, socks, long pants and long sleeves.
- Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing. Repellents with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, and IR3535 are effective.
- Keep mosquitoes out of your house (keep doors closed and repair window and patio screens).





WHO NEEDS A BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT?

Any new business that plans to operate in Weston is required to apply for a *Business Tax Receipt* (BTR) before engaging in any business in the City, including home-based businesses. The purpose of the law enacted by the Florida Legislature is to prevent fraud so that businesses are properly licensed and have met all necessary requirements to operate.



For detailed information, visit: [Business Tax Receipts](#)

HOW TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT (BTR)

STEP ONE - Obtain a Certificate of Use

In accordance with City Code, a City of Weston Certificate of Use, issued by the City's Building Code Services Department, is required prior to applying for a Business Tax Receipt.

STEP TWO - Submit a Business Tax Receipt Application

Download your BTR [Application](#) or pick up an application at City Hall.

STEP THREE - Payment due within 30 days

WHERE DO I FILE THE BTR APPLICATION?

Completed BTR applications, including required documentation copies and applicable fee are accepted and processed at Weston City Hall.

The following documents are required upon filing your Business Tax Receipt application:

- Copy of Certificate of Use (CU)
- Fictitious Name Registration
- Federal Employer Identification
- Payment

If you have questions regarding Business Tax Receipts or the online application process, please contact the Weston Business Tax Coordinator at 954-385-2000, stop by Weston City Hall at 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard, or send an email to BTR@westonfl.org.

City of Weston Business Tax Receipt	
Receipt Effective: 10/01/2015 - 09/30/2016	Name and Address of Business: SAMPLE Corporation 3900 Gladiolus Circle Weston, Florida 33327
Contact Information: Name: John Smith Phone: (954) 395-2000	
Business Tax Category: General Business (all other Businesses)	
RECEIPT NO. 2016-978	
<small>1. This receipt MUST be renewed on or before September 30th of each year. Business Tax renewals are the responsibility of the business and shall occur during the 90-day period prior to September 30th of each year. Renewal notices are provided as a courtesy and are not required for renewal purposes. 2. This receipt MUST BE DISPLAYED within 10 FEET of the entrance inside your business establishment. 3. The City of Weston must be notified of any changes of name, address or ownership.</small>	
09/09/2015 Date Issued	<i>David E. Heller</i> David E. Heller, Assistant City Manager/CTO
City of Weston Business Tax Receipt	
General Business (all other Businesses)	\$260.46
RECEIPT NO. 2016-978	TOTAL BUSINESS TAX: \$260.46



What's On the Web?

FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING



Is my water safe to drink after flushing?

Although the water may become discolored during or immediately after hydrant flushing, your tap water is safe to drink.

Want to know more about your tap water?

[Click here](#) to review the annual Water Quality Report.

For additional information, please contact the Weston Public Works Department at 954-385-2600.

Fire hydrants are flushed by the Weston Public Works Department and BSO Fire Rescue Weston District on a regular basis. A notice is posted in the [Happening Now](#) section of the City's website on the day of the occurrence that will indicate the neighborhoods where hydrants are being flushed on that day.

Why are hydrants flushed?

Hydrant flushing is necessary to test the hydrants to make sure adequate flow and pressure is available. Flushing is also done to remove sediment from the pipes in order to maintain water clarity and quality in the tap water distribution system.

What should I do if my water is discolored?

You may notice a color change in your tap water following the flushing of the water main. The discoloration is normal and will last only a short time after the nearby hydrants have been flushed.



It is recommended that you avoid doing laundry or other activities that could transfer the discoloration until the water runs clear.



Rainout Line

Rainout Line is a field status notification system used by the City of Weston Parks and Recreation Department to notify the public of park and field closures. This service is easy to use and offers a variety of ways to receive alerts about field closures. When a decision is made, Rainout Line allows you to receive cancellation information instantly by text message or Email, or several other methods using your phone or computer access.

RainoutLine Notification Options

- **Weston Website:** Visit Westonfl.org or the Parks and Recreation Page and click on: [Park/Field Closures](#)
- **Phone Line** – Call **754-227-8999** and follow the extension for the park and field that you are interested in.

- **Free Mobile App** – Download the RainoutLine app from the Apple App Store, Google Play, Amazon App Store, Nook or Android Market.
- **Email** – [Click here](#) to create a free login and add your email address to the email alert list to receive real-time alerts.
- **Text Message** – Create a free login and add your mobile phone number to the text message alert list to receive real-time alert

ARE THE FIELDS OPEN?

Have a child in one of the many sports leagues in Weston?

Planning to have practice with your team tonight?

Know before you go! Call the **RainoutLine** or sign up to receive real-time alerts about field closures in Weston's parks.

RAINOUT LINE AUTOMATED ALERTS

EMAIL & TEXT
[Click here](#) to sign up

PHONE LINE
754-227-8999

WEB
Westonfl.org/Parks



Personal Finance for Young Adults

As graduation season comes to a close, high school graduates face decisions that may impact their financial futures for years to come. With these simple financial rules, young adults are well on their way to handling their money right.

#1 Start Saving Now

It's easy to spend your first paycheck on a new pair of kicks, but summer doesn't last forever! Start putting some of your money in a bank account. Use the 50/30/20 rule: dedicate 50% of your paycheck to needs, 30% to wants and 20% to savings... or be more aggressive if you have a goal in mind.

#3 The Elephant in the Room

Debt is the scariest word in the financial vocabulary, although it can be managed. Realize that this new chapter in your life may require you to take out a few small loans to make ends meet. When you do, make sure to prioritize your loan payments; this way you avoid late fees and heart attack inducing interest rates.

#2 Live With a Budget

Prioritizing your money helps you keep track of it, so next time you look at your bank account you are not left wondering where it all went. Calculate your paycheck or allowance before you get it, and then plan to set portions aside for specific bills, necessities, etc.

#4 Don't Spend Money You Don't Have

It's easier than it sounds. Beware of taking out student loans for expenses that are not school related, like a car, gaming consoles or even a new wardrobe. It's encouraged to open a credit card to start building your credit score, but keep in mind what you can and can't pay back. You should be able to pay your bill in full each month, otherwise, you are spending outside of your budget. Plastic happy teenagers are a creditor's bread and butter.

#5 Be Realistic

It is easy to get lost in a society full of new high tech gadgets and the online subscription empire. Always make sure to do a cost benefit analysis of any pleasure purchases. Is it worth the price? Is there a cheaper substitution?



HAPPENINGS...

AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

Childwatch for Family Members

Come Check out Childwatch at the Weston Y! While you work out, your preschooler will learn social skills, shapes, colors, sign language, movement through music and so much more. Our trained and caring staff will give your child the tools to be successful in school. Come to the Weston Y today and see how you can get access to this wonderful benefit for your little ones!



Aquatics – Swim Lessons

The Weston YMCA is the place for your family to learn how to swim, regardless of age. Whether just learning how to swim, improving strokes, or competing against other top swimmers, Weston residents are in safe hands with our certified swimming instructors and lifeguards. The classes are about more than just techniques and skills; participants build lasting friendships from their positive experiences that will last a lifetime. Visit the Weston YMCA to sign up today!



Family Programs – Teen Summer Camp

Fun and service-learning converge this summer at the Weston Y's Teen Camp! Teen Camp will go on three field trips a week, including one weekly service trip with local partner organizations to encourage volunteerism. Teens will also receive 20 service hours per week of camp. Contact Laughton Droze for more details, ldroze@ymcasouthflorida.org.



YMCA of South Florida - Weston YMCA Family Center

20201 Saddle Club Road, Weston, FL 33327 | ymcasouthflorida.org | 954-424-9622



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Westonfl.org/Events

HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE – ARE YOU PREPARED?



Prepare now for Hurricane season, which runs from June 1st – November 30th. Gather supplies for your family's disaster kit, review your family's plan on evacuation or sheltering at home, survey your home's preparation needs, etc. Sign up for the City of Weston's **CodeRED** system by clicking [here](#) to register. CodeRED is used only for emergency and life safety purposes. Register loved ones for the Broward County Vulnerable Population or Special Needs registries, if applicable. For more details, visit Westonfl.org/Hurricane. View [hurricane preparedness videos](#) on the Weston YouTube channel and follow us on Twitter @CityofWeston.



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, June 20, 2016

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



Sheriff Scott Israel

BSO ACTIVE SHOOTER PRESENTATION

Thursday, June 23, 2016

6:30 PM

**Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Road
(inside Weston Regional Park)**

Learn survival tips when faced with an active shooter in a public space. Presentation is hosted by BSO Police – Weston District. Pre-registration is encouraged for adequate seating arrangements. Send email with "Active Shooter Program RSVP" in the subject line to cityhall@westonfl.org, include name, email address and number of individuals that plan to attend.

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REGISTER NOW! 4th OF JULY HOMETOWN CELEBRATION 5K RUN / WALK

WESTON 4th of July
Hometown Celebration - 5K Run/Walk

Monday, July 4, 2016
Start time: 7:00 a.m.
Start & End Location: Weston Regional Park
20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston
Registration: www.splitsecondtiming.com

This family friendly race is a timed event. Awards presented in various categories and age groups. Sponsored by the City of Weston and Broward Health Weston.

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Sponsored by Broward Health Weston and the City of Weston

Monday, July 4th | Race starts at 7 AM

Race starts/ends: Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road

Gather your friends and family to participate in Weston's holiday celebration run. The course takes runners out along South Post Road and back to a loop around the park before crossing the finish line. Race day registration begins at 5:30 AM

Cost: \$20 registration fee

[Register online](#) today!

Weston 4th of July Hometown Parade

Monday, July 4, 2016

After the 5K Run, the fun continues with a good old-fashioned celebratory parade down Main Street! Break out your patriotic pride and make plans to join us.

10:30AM start time at Town Center Boulevard and Three Village Road ending on Main Street in Weston Town Center.

For more information, please contact the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321 or visit us at WestonFL.org/Events
@CityofWeston • CityofWeston
5K Race Registration: www.splitsecondtiming.com

WESTON'S 4TH OF JULY HOMETOWN PARADE

Applications are available online or at the Weston Community Center for entry into Weston's 4th of July Hometown Parade. Entry is free. Civic groups and organizations, clubs, schools, bands and businesses are all invited to participate.

[Parade Application](#) Click for an application and details. **Entry Deadline: June 24, 2016**

View our promotional video for
Weston's 4th of July events
<https://youtu.be/8XIBlirOKJY>



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, July 5, 2016

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP JULY 2016

Single Family or Multi-family with curbside collection:

Wednesday, July 20th -or- Thursday, July 21st -or-
Friday, July 22nd

Multi-family with dumpsters:

Saturday, July 23rd

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, [click here](#) or call 954-385-2600. *The next bulk trash pickup will take place in October.*

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](#)



LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORER PROGRAM

For young men and women ages 14-21. The program provides interaction with law enforcement and other community advisors in a serious, regimented atmosphere where students can demonstrate personal initiative. Offers students the opportunity to learn & experience lawful citizenship as they participate side-by-side with certified BSO deputies in ongoing training and community service projects. For detailed program information and an on-line application, [click here](#).



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CITIZEN OBSERVER PATROL (C.O.P.) PROGRAM

A model program, COP's are the additional eyes and ears of the community, assisting and enhancing our own BSO policing efforts. Members of the Broward Sheriff's Office Countywide Operations professionally train all volunteers.

Typical assignments in addition to patrol, include performing checks on unoccupied residences at owner's request, checking on elderly or homebound and reporting potential problems and neighborhood hazards and assist at Weston community events. COP volunteers wear uniforms and drive specially marked vehicles. You must be 18 years of age with a valid driver's license. **Interested?** Please call the Weston District at 954-389-2010.

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. Call 954-389-2015 Mon-Fri.



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.



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Weston CERT Program educates citizens about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. **Join today!** Call 954-389-2015

View our CERT webpage:

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/CERTProgram.aspx>



WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

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



REGISTER FOR CODERED

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.

* **E-Notifications:** Updates on projects; media releases; events and more.

Subscribe at:

<http://www.westonfl.org/Events/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, 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.*

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