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WESTON RANKS IN USA TODAY'S LIST OF 50 BEST PLACES TO LIVE IN

In October 2017, USA Today ranked Weston #30 in its list of the **50 Best Places to Live In**.

The list was determined after considering 590 cities with populations over 65,000 in 2016. The top performing city in each county was considered utilizing data in nine major categories: crime, demography, economy, education, environment, health, housing, infrastructure, and leisure.

Qualities such as cultural diversity, an expansive park system, exemplary public safety and superior community service at all levels are some of the reasons many choose Weston as their hometown. These qualities also lead to the City being recognized consistently for being a community that offers a superior quality of life in a family-friendly environment.

[Here is a link to the article and full list.](#)





HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN AND PETS

Review these safety tips with your children before heading out this Halloween on October 31st. Have a **Spooktacularly** safe and an enjoyable time!



Superheroes, princesses and ghouls will soon take to our streets to begin their quest for tricks or treats! Whether dressing up and trick-or-treating or attending a celebration, autumn events like Halloween can be a fun time for children and their families.

Unfortunately, these events can also present us with numerous dangers. Here are some important safety tips:

- Provide children with flashlights to carry or incorporate glow sticks as part of their costume. When driving, drive slowly through neighborhoods and pay special attention for pedestrians.
- Make sure a trusted adult or older child accompanies younger children when trick-or-treating. Never let young children trick-or-treat alone.
- Tell children to only approach homes that are well lit, both inside and out.
- Parents should scrutinize the candy and treats children receive. Be on the lookout for choking hazards and tampering. Allow children to eat only factory wrapped treats.



Additionally, Pets can fall victims to mishaps. Here are some important safety tips:

- Keep your pet secure inside a room as you open and close the front door to pass candy out.
- Keep lit Jack-O-Lanterns or anything else that's a fire hazard away from pets.
- DO NOT share any candy with your pets, especially chocolate. Candy is toxic to animals and can cause vomiting, restlessness, heart disturbances and possible death.
- Be careful dressing your pet in a Halloween costume as it can be a choking hazard or cause stress.
- Do make sure that your pet is wearing their Broward County pet license on their collar and up to date with all vaccinations.



WESTON MOONLIGHT MOVIES AT THE PARK FEATURING MOANA

Saturday, November 4th | Showtime is 7:30 PM
Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road



An adventurous teenager is inspired to leave the safety and security of her island on a daring journey to save her people. Inexplicably drawn to the ocean, Moana convinces the mighty demigod Maui to join her mission. Together, they voyage across the open ocean on an action-packed adventure. Along the way, Moana fulfills her quest and discovers the one thing she's always sought: her own identity.

(Animation / PG / 113 min.)

Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax... the movie is on us! The full-length feature film is projected onto a giant inflatable screen near the event stage.

For more information, please call 954-389-4321 or visit Westonfl.org/Events.

For real-time event updates, follow us on Twitter at [@CityofWeston](https://twitter.com/CityofWeston).



HARVEST DRIVE

25 Years of Children Helping Children

Harvest Drive is celebrating twenty-five years working with Broward County students, schools and our communities to assist in stamping out hunger.

2017 HARVEST DRIVE

Drop off donations at
Western High School
Friday, November 17th
from 3PM – 10PM

Donate gently used
clothing, toys, books and
non-perishable food.

Children Helping Children

Since 1992, Harvest Drive is a yearlong project that partners with Broward County Schools and culminates in a food collection event that takes place at numerous schools prior to Thanksgiving. Students from over 200 public and private schools, as well as churches, temples and neighborhoods hold drives to supply the Harvest Drive with the non-perishable food that is distributed to the families.

For more information, visit www.harvestdriveflorida.com

Requested Donations:

- Boxed Juice
- Boxed Milk
- Cereal
- Canned Meats
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Gravy
- Canned Potatoes
- Dish Soap
- Jelly
- Peanut Butter
- Pasta
- Soup
- Napkins
- Toothpaste
- Tuna
- Vegetables

Harvest Drive provides a Harvest Boutique in Western High School for families in need throughout the local community and is in desperate need of toys and boys clothing this year. If you have gently used toys or boys clothes that you are willing to donate, please bring them to Western High School on Friday, November 17th between 3PM-10PM.

Western High School Mini Gym: 1200 SW 136 Ave, Davie



HALLOWEEN FUN AT THE WESTON YMCA FOR ALL AGES, DAY AND NIGHT ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH



HALLOWEEN
at the Y!
LET THE LITTLE MONSTERS MASH!



CALLING ALL PUMPKINS, PRINCESSES, GHOSTS, AND GHOULS!

Join us to dress up and show off as we trick or treat around the Y! Bring your little monsters in their costumes ready for some Halloween fun, and together we'll stir up a little toil and trouble. Little baggies will be provided and goodies are to be expected. So we hope to see you there!

When:
October 27th @ 10:00am & 11:00am
Where:
Child Watch

WESTON YMCA
20201 Saddle Club Rd, Weston, FL 33327
P 954.424.9622 F 954.424.9709
www.ymcasouthflorida.org



SPOOKY FUN FOR EVERYONE

TRUNK OR TREAT

Friday, October 27th
6-8pm (5:30pm set up in the parking lot)

- ⇒ **Costume Contests**
- ⇒ **Trunk Decorating Contest**
- ⇒ **Games**

Participants may register to reserve a parking space and participate in the trunk or treat as a "trunk stop". 45 spaces available.

FAMILY TRICKS & TREATS

Halloween at the Y
Our annual event is back and better than ever!
FREE to YMCA members



Contact Angie Miller
954.424.9622 EXT 1333
Weston YMCA
20201 Saddle Club Rd
Weston, FL 33326



HOW SAFE IS YOUR POOL?

Do you have a pool or spa at home? Following these recommended safety measures to ensure for a safe water environment at home.

ARE SAFETY DRAIN COVERS INSTALLED?



A drain entrapment occurs when a body is held against a pool or spa drain by the force of the pool's suction or when an article of clothing, jewelry, hair or a limb is caught in a faulty drain. Pools and in-ground spas that have flat drain grates and single main drain systems pose the greatest risk.

The best way to prevent these hazards is to recognize them ahead of time, and to use caution when in a pool or spa. The key entrapment hazards include:

- Body: Body part covers a drain and is held down by the intensity of the suction
- Hair: Long hair is caught in a faulty drain cover
- Limbs: Arms, legs, feet or fingers are lodged in a suction opening
- Mechanical: Jewelry, bathing suits or other materials are entangled in a drain cover.

Install safety drain covers that meet the current standards (compliant with the Pool & Spa Safety Act) to avoid entanglement.

DO YOU HAVE POOL BARRIERS IN PLACE?

Is there a fence around the perimeter of your pool or spa? Do you have self-closing or latching gates? Are there door, gate or pool alarms in use? Properly installed and used barriers help to keep curious young toddlers away from the water and alarms will alert an adult if an accident does happen.

ARE ALL ADULTS CPR TRAINED AND DOES EVERYONE KNOW HOW TO SWIM?

Proper supervision is key to the safety of children near a pool or water area. CPR training could also save a life if an accident does happen. It is recommended that adults (and young adults) in your home are trained in CPR. Swim ability is also important. Broward County residents between the ages of 6 months to 4 years are eligible for a swim instruction coupon. [Click here to register for your FREE coupon and visit Water Smart Broward for a list of eligible swim programs to enroll your child. The coupon is valid at the Weston YMCA.](#)

BSO Weston Police offers free pool safety inspections. Call 954-389-2010.

BSO Fire Rescue Weston offers free CPR certification. Call 954-389-2015.



Community Center NIKE MARATHON KIDS RUNNING CLUB

Register Now
for the
**Nike Marathon Kids
Running Club**

Next session:
**November 1st –
December 20th**
*No class on
Nov. 15th & 22nd

Club meets every
Wednesday
4:00 – 4:45 PM

\$66 for
6-week session*

*One-time annual **club
registration fee of \$30**
payable to the coach on
the first day of the
session.

Kidokinetics now offers this new class at the Weston Community Center that is focused on training children in grades K – 5 to run a marathon. The Nike Marathon Kids Running / Track Class is offered in six week sessions. The next session will be held from November 1st through December 20, 2017.

Running is a great way to get fit and stay healthy throughout a lifetime. Participants will learn to run/walk 26.2 miles in this program, which will also develop endurance that will aid in training for other sports. Enjoy a fun, simple program that sets realistic goals and provides rewards and incentives for reaching those goals.



For details on this and any of the other Kidokinetics programs, visit Kidokinetics.com or call 954-385-8511.



The Nike Marathon Kids Running Club prepares participants for events like the Rotary Run for Tomorrow and Mayor's Challenge Cup races (shown here) which take place in Weston on December 10th. Details at WestonRotary.com.



DRIVER SAFETY

AARP Real Possibilities

REGISTER TODAY!

The City of Weston is offering AARP's Smart Driver Class. This is a six (6) hour classroom session designed for drivers age 50 and over to refresh driving skills, review the current rules of the road, learn defensive driving techniques and more.

This course may also earn you a discount on your automobile insurance premium, which is granted by most insurance companies when the course is completed, providing that the driver has a safe driving record.

[Click here to find more AARP Driver Safety Classes offered in our area.](#)



- DATE:** Saturday, November 18th
- TIME:** 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM
- LOCATION:** Weston Community Center
20200 Saddle Club Road
Located inside the Weston Regional Park
- REGISTER:** Advance registration is required.
To register, call 954-943-0648.
- COST:** \$15.00 AARP members
\$20.00 non-members

*Please bring a bagged lunch.
AARP members should bring their card
for proof of membership.
Limited spots are available, so register today!*



EMS GO PACKET

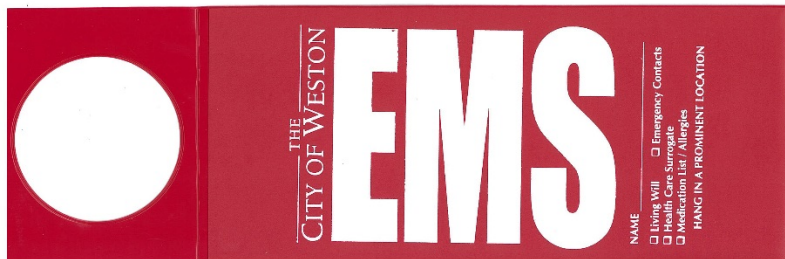
Perfect for individuals with serious medical conditions or allergies to medications.

During an emergency, when seconds count, important medical and legal information may not be readily available for fire fighters, paramedics and receiving hospital staff. The Broward Sheriff's Office Department of Fire Rescue is proud to partner with the City of Weston and Attorneys for H.O.P.E, Inc. (Health Options, Planning & Empowerment) to provide residents with the EMS Go Packet.

The EMS Go Packet is designed to contain all of your important medical information as well as important legal documents to ensure that during an emergency, the EMS and hospital personnel not only provide you with the highest level of medical care, but are also aware of and adhere to your rights as a patient. Attorneys for H.O.P.E., Inc.'s legal staff are available to provide residents with advanced care directives, such as a durable power of attorney, health care surrogate designation, donor forms and other applicable legal documents free of charge.

Completed EMS Go Packets should be placed in a conspicuous location, such as on the inside handle of your front door. The packet "jacket" is designed to hang on a door knob.

EMS Go Packets are available to all Weston residents free of charge and can be obtained by calling Fire Station 81 at (954) 389-2015.

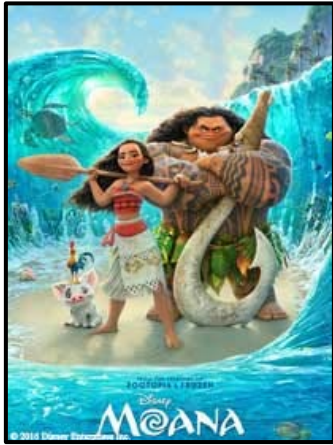


PEACE OF MIND



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Westonfl.org/Events



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Saturday, November 4, 2017

7:30 PM

Event Stage in Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Rd.

Featuring *Moana*

Inexplicably drawn to the ocean, Moana convinces the mighty demigod Maui to join her mission to save the people of her island. Together, they voyage across the open ocean on an action-packed adventure. Along the way, Moana fulfills her quest and discovers the one thing she's always sought: her own identity. (Animation / PG / 113 min.)

Bring lawn chairs or a blanket and relax...the movie is on us! Bring your own food and beverages; however, alcohol is not permitted in the park.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 2:00 AM

As Daylight Saving Time comes to an end its time to "fall back". It is recommended to turn any clocks with manual settings back one hour before bedtime on Saturday.



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, November 6, 2017

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting and second budget hearing of the Weston City Commission.



VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY OBSERVED

Weston City Administrative Offices will be closed on Friday, November 10, 2017 in observance of the Veterans Day holiday, which falls on Saturday, November 11th. On this day, we honor those that have proudly served in the United States Armed Forces.

City parks will be open and there will be regular garbage collection.

INVITATION TO VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILY

Saturday, November 11, 2017 9:00 AM
Weston YMCA Family Center, 20201 Saddle Club Road
In Partnership with the City of Weston, BSO Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue, the Weston YMCA will honor all who valiantly served our country. All veterans and their families are invited to attend a special service with guest speakers, a hot breakfast and the opportunity to meet other veterans and active duty military men and women.

Pre-register at the Weston YMCA, by email at cpangas@ymcasouthflorida.org or call 954-424-9622, ext. 1314.



WESTON FOREIGN FILM SERIES PRESENTS LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE (MEXICO)

Monday, November 13, 2017
Showtimes: 4:45 PM and 7:30 PM
AMC Weston 8, 1338 SW 106 Avenue, Sunrise
Presented by the Arts Council of Greater Weston and the City of Weston

Series tickets (\$35) on sale at the Weston Community Center (checks only) and at the Friends Bookstore (cash/check) in the Weston Branch Library. Individual tickets (\$8) may be available at the door. Film is in Spanish with English subtitles. For more information, please visit 1weston.com or call 954-389-4321.





BSO SHRED-A-THON & OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

Saturday, November 18, 2017 10AM-1PM

Weston Police Services Center, 17300 Royal Palm Blvd.

The Broward Sheriff’s Office, Weston is pleased to announce two events in one – BSO Shred-a-thon and Operation Medicine Cabinet.

The Shred-a-Thon allows residents to shred away identity theft by safely disposing of their personal documents, check stubs, credit card offers, receipts and any other material that might contain sensitive data. This service is free of charge. There is a 5-box maximum for shredding documents. Boxes can be no larger than 15”L x 12”W x 10”H.

At the same time, Operation Medicine Cabinet collects any unused, unwanted or expired medications for safe disposal. Come early and receive a \$5 gift card while supplies last.

For more information, please call 954-831-8902.



THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY OBSERVED

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, City Administrative Offices will follow the following holiday schedule:

- Wednesday, November 22nd Open 8 AM – 3 PM**
- Thursday, November 23rd Closed**
- Friday, November 24th Closed**

City parks will close at 6 PM on Thanksgiving Day. Garbage collection will follow regular schedule.



ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS



BSO WESTON POLICE SERVICES

More information on programs listed below call 954-389-2010 or visit the [Police Page](#) on our website.



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. Flyer: [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, [click here](#).



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

COP's are the additional eyes and ears of the community, assisting and enhancing BSO policing efforts. Members of the Broward Sheriff's Office of Countywide Operations professionally train volunteers. 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. You must be 18 years of age with a valid driver's license. Interested? Please call the Weston District at **954-389-2010**.





Sheriff Scott Israel

HOMEWATCH PROGRAM

Planning to go out of town? Be sure to register for BSO's Homewatch program. BSO will check your home daily for signs of suspicious activity. [Click here](#) to download the application and submit it to the Weston District Office.



BSO WESTON FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

More information on programs listed below, call 954-389-2015 or visit the Fire Department web page.



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 Monday – Friday.



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

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 Weston CERT [online](#).



WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

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



REGISTER FOR CODERED

Residents and businesses should register with the City's CodeRED Emergency Notification System. **Register:** www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx



E-NOTIFICATIONS: WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECT TO YOUR INBOX

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<http://www.westonfl.org/Events/EmailSubscriptions.aspx>



WESTON GOVERNMENT CHANNEL

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

Blue Stream – Channel #25

Comcast Cable – Channel #78

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



WESTON GOVERNMENT RADIO 1680AM

Tune in for 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.



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HURRICANE SEASON IS JUNE 1ST – NOVEMBER 30TH

Be ready this hurricane season by making your plan now and picking up supplies throughout the season. Don't wait until a storm threatens our area. Follow our new Twitter alert [@WestonFLAlert](https://twitter.com/WestonFLAlert) to receive emergency notifications. Visit Westonfl.org/Hurricane or Ready.gov for information on how to prepare your home and business. *Be Weston Ready this hurricane season!*

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YOUR WORLD IS HERE