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CONDUCTING CITY BUSINESS

Weston University Students Participate in Simulated Commission Meeting

The Weston University Program's Class of 2018 finished up the last program day on April 18th by conducting a simulated City Commission Meeting, with the help of the City's elected officials and dedicated staff. Parents and guests were invited to look on as student Mayor, Anjou Sharma, called the meeting to order and moved through the mock agenda in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Here is a look into the meeting with the students and mentors by their sides.



View more photos on Flickr in the [Weston University Class of 2018 album](#).



April 24, 2018

WESTON UNIVERSITY SIMULATES A COMMISSION MEETING (Continued)





WESTON UNIVERSITY'S LAST PROGRAM DAY OF 2018





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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018 | 8 AM – 3 PM
WESTON PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES CENTER
2599 South Post Road, Weston FL 33332

Safely dispose of chemical waste such as old paint cans, solvents, batteries and old electronics at the next Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Recycling event in Weston on Sunday, April 29th.

Bring your items to the Weston Public Works Services Center, located on South Post Road between Manatee Isles Drive and Saddle Club Road, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.



Just drive up - crews will remove items for you.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) refers to used or leftover contents of consumer products that contain chemicals with one of the four characteristics: *Toxic, Ignitable, Corrosive, or Reactive* as defined by the Environmental Protection Agency. For a complete list of items accepted, as well as more information on year-round collection sites in Broward County, [click here](#).

The Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Recycling event is held in Weston twice annually. Events are posted on Westonfl.org/Events

For more information on this event, please call the Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600.





WESTON'S "POP" TIPS SERIES – WEEK 4 Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!



Weston will be communicating daily **POP Tips of the Week** throughout the month of April. **POP** is short for – **P**rotect **O**ur **P**lanet. Here are some practical tips to consider protecting your planet while you work out.

Recycling is the process of collecting and processing materials that would otherwise be thrown away as trash and turning them into new products. Recycling can benefit your community and the environment.

Ideas on How to Reduce and Reuse

- Buy used. You can find everything from houseware to building materials at specialized reuse centers and consignment shops. Often, used items are less expensive and just as good as new.
- Look for products that use less packaging. When manufacturers make their products with less packaging, they use less raw material. This reduces waste and costs. These extra savings can be passed along to the consumer. Buying in bulk, for example, can reduce packaging and save money.
- Buy reusable over disposable items. Look for items that can be reused; the little things can add up. For example, you can bring your own silverware and cup to work, rather than using disposable items.
- Maintain and repair products, like clothing, tires and appliances, so that they won't have to be thrown out and replaced as frequently.
- Borrow, rent or share items that are used infrequently, like party decorations, tools or furniture.





FLORIDA GUARDIAN AD LITEM (GAL) PROGRAM

Become a GAL volunteer
and you can say
“I am for the child”

1-866-341-1425



www.galbroward.org

Over 700 individuals
advocate for more than
3,000 children in
Broward County



Ensure a child has a voice

BE A VOICE FOR FLORIDA’S CHILDREN

A child’s life can be lifted up...by YOU!

The 17th Judicial Circuit Guardian Ad Litem Program is in need of volunteers who want to make a difference in the life of children who are alleged to be abused, neglected or abandoned. The volunteers are trained and appointed by the dependency court to advocate for the best interest of the children. Guardian ad Litem Volunteers spend time communicating with the adults in a child’s life such as teachers, therapists, caregivers, and family members, but most importantly they spend time with the child.

It takes an average of about 10-20 hours of your time per month to change a child’s life forever. Training and staff support is provided free of charge. If you have some time, and you are looking to make a difference in your community, please call 1-866-341-1425 or Kerry-Ann Brown at 954-831-6214 to learn more about becoming a Guardian ad Litem Volunteer.

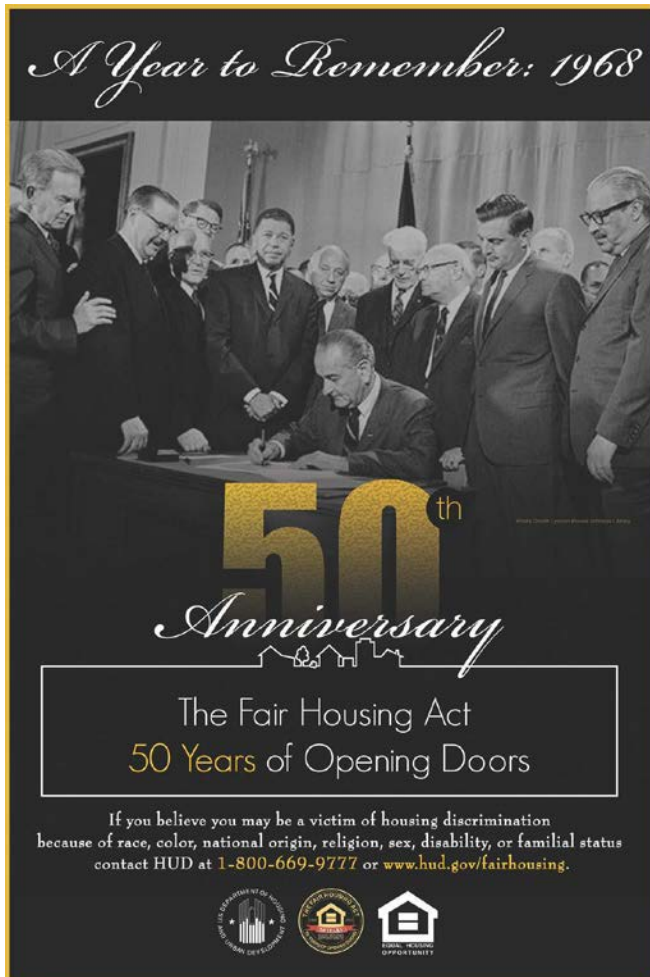
At the April 16, 2018 Weston City Commission meeting, Kerry-Ann Brown, Volunteer Recruiter for Guardian ad Litem Office – Broward and six of the thirty volunteers that live in Weston, accepted a Proclamation on behalf of Child Abuse Prevention and National Volunteer Appreciation Month.

We thank all volunteers for your service!





FAIR HOUSING: WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU



April is Fair Housing Month. This year is the 50th anniversary of the federal [Fair Housing Act](#), which protects individuals and families from housing discrimination, whether they are renting, buying, or securing financing for any type of housing. [Federal laws](#) certify that a home buyer or renter should have equal access to housing and cannot be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or the presence of children. Additionally, the state of Florida protects against discrimination based upon HIV status or pregnancy and Broward County's local fair housing laws offer additional protections for discrimination based on age, gender expression or identity, marital status, political affiliation, and sexual orientation.

If you are in the market to rent or buy a new home, you should know your rights.

The following actions cannot be taken based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status or handicap:

- Refuse to rent or sell housing
- Refuse to negotiate for housing
- Make housing unavailable or deny a dwelling
- Set different terms, conditions or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling
- Provide different housing services or facilities
- For profit, persuade owners to sell or rent (blockbusting)
- Deny anyone access to or membership in a facility or service (such as a multiple listing service) related to the sale or rental of housing.

Want to learn more?

Broward Housing Council [Information on Fair Housing Protection](#) or call 954-357-7800.
US Department of Housing and Urban Development [Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity](#)
HUD Regional Office (Atlanta) at 800-440-8091



USEFUL GOVERNMENT APPS

These government apps provide you with easier ways to get information about certain programs that are helpful to your family during everyday life, or in an emergency.



MyTSA

The MyTSA app provides airline passengers with 24/7 access to the most frequently requested

airport security information. Save time and money with helpful tips for preparing for security. [iOS only](#)



FEMA app

This app is your one-stop-shop with tools and tips to keep you safe before, during, and after disasters.

Get tips on what to do before, during, and after for more 20 types of disasters. Locate shelters and find out where to contact FEMA at disaster recovery centers.

[iOS](#) [Android](#)



Smart Traveler

The official State Department app for U.S. travelers invites you to see the world with easy access to

frequently updated official country information, travel alerts, travel warnings, maps, U.S. Embassy locations, and more.

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Access tools on the go with the USPS Mobile® app. Calculate shipping prices, find a Post Office™, look up a ZIP Code™, schedule a next-day pickup, request USPS to hold your mail, and more.

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Safer Ride

The simplest possible way to get home safe and only has three self-explanatory buttons on the Home screen. [IOS](#) [Android](#)



HAPPENINGS...

AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

YMCA Camp is BACK!

Traditional (Full Day) Summer Camp

Discover and explore nature, new talents, new activities. Gain friendships, independence and memories. Have a Blast! Include Sports, Music, Dance, Swimming, Outdoor Activities, Field Trips and Special Events.

Ages: 5 to 12 years old

For more information about the YMCA's main day camp, visit <http://www.ymcasouthflorida.org/camp/>



NEW EQUIPMENT

The Y is committed to helping you reach your fitness goals and providing all the resources to be successful in your wellness journey. Join today and receive a small group personal training package to start your fitness journey! Value of \$120, promotion code: **WELLRENEW**



YMCA APP!

The new and improved mobile app for YMCA of South Florida is here! Download the FREE "YMCA of SFL" app to stay connected to our facilities and plan your next visit! Available NOW on the App Store and Google Play!



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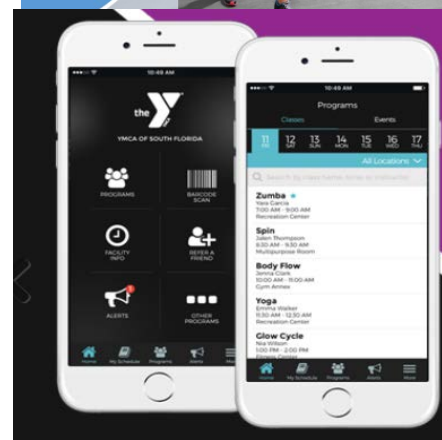
FACILITY HOURS



ALERTS



PROGRAMS



YMCA of South Florida - Weston YMCA Family Center

20201 Saddle Club Road, Weston, FL 33327

ymcasouthflorida.org

954-424-9622 | Located inside Weston Regional Park



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

WestonFL.org/Events



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL & ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT

Sunday, April 29, 2018

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Weston Public Works Services Center, 2599 South Post Rd.

FREE - Properly dispose of household hazardous waste and recycle electronics! **Just drive up – Crews remove items for you.** Items include paints, thinners, pesticides, fertilizers, pool chemicals, motor oil, tires, mercury, batteries, and light bulbs as well as electronics including old televisions, computers, keyboards, printers, stereos, copiers, and phones. **For a full list of items accepted click [here](#).** The list is the same as the items allowed at the drop-off center program.

ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED:

Business and government generated waste, explosives, biohazardous waste, appliances, microwave ovens. For additional information, please call 954-385-2600.

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WE GOT THIS!
no need to step out of your vehicle!

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Set aside items that cannot be placed out for regular garbage pick-up for the next FREE Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection event. Just drive up to the Weston Public Works Services Center, located on South Post Road between Manatee Isles Drive and Saddle Club Road, and crews will remove items for you.

For more information, please call the Weston Public Works Services Center at 954.385.2600 or visit WestonFL.org.

WHAT ITEMS ARE ACCEPTED?

- Oil and Latex paints and thinners
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Pool chemicals
- Drain cleaners
- Used motor oil, other auto fluids and gasoline solvents
- Tires
- Mercury
- Batteries (rechargeable and automotive)
- Electronics such as computers, televisions, monitors, etc.

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CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, May 7, 2018

***6:00 PM**

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission will be held in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

This meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 PM and conclude at 11 PM. The meeting will be continued to Tuesday, May 8th at 6 PM, if necessary. It is the first public hearing for the change of zoning for The Lodge at Weston Hills. Residents will be able to register to speak the night of the meeting, or online starting April 30th via a link on the Weston website homepage.



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

***6:00 PM**

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

If the meeting of May 7th does not conclude by 11 PM, the meeting will continue to this evening beginning at 6 PM and concluding no later than 11 PM.



CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP

Monday, May 14, 2018

6:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

The purpose of the Workshop is to discuss the Fiscal Year 2019 budgets, present the 2028 Strategic Value & Business Plan, and update the status regarding firearms legislation and the City's litigation challenging the onerous penalties attendant to local government firearms legislation.



BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

Join Sheriff Scott Israel and help prevent prescription drug abuse and identity theft.

Please bring your unused, unwanted or expired medications for safe disposal. Come early and receive a \$5 gift card while supplies last.

SHRED-A-THON

FREE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Saturday, January 20, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	Pembroke Pines City Center 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines
Saturday, February 10, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	Oakland Park City Hall 3650 NE 12th Ave, Oakland Park
Saturday, March 24, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	Festival Marketplace 2900 W Sample Rd, Pompano Beach
Saturday, April 14, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	Tamarac King's Point 7620 McHill Road, Tamarac
Saturday, May 19, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	Weston District Office 17300 Royal Palm Blvd, Weston
Saturday, June 16, 2018	10 am - 1 pm	North Lauderdale District Office 701 SW 71 Avenue, North Lauderdale

For more information about events, call 954.831.8902 or visit sheriff.org

BSO SHRED-A-THON & OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

Saturday, May 19, 2018 **10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Weston Police Services Center, 17300 Royal Palm Blvd.

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.



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, May 21, 2018

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission will be held in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

THE CITY OF WESTON

Holiday Observance

MEMORIAL DAY

★ HONOR ★ REMEMBER ★

City Administrative Offices will be Closed on Monday, May 28, 2018

City parks will be open. Garbage collection will follow regular schedule.

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 28, 2018

City Administrative Offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day, a day of remembrance for those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country as a member of the United States Armed Forces.

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



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

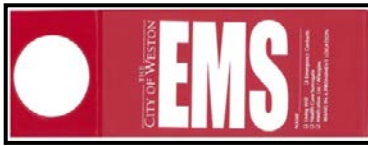
HOMEWATCH PROGRAM

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

<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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 **YouTube:** [CityofWeston](https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofWeston)



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