

The Leon County

Connecting Citizens with Leon County Services

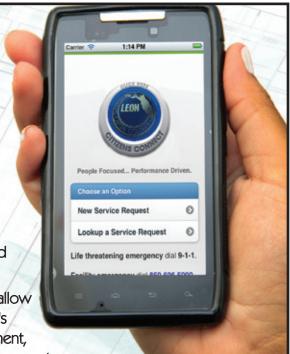
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Leon County at Your Fingertips

In an effort to further enhance citizen engagement, Leon County Government is proud to announce the launch of the Citizens Connect Mobile App, available for download on the iPhone or iPad from the Apple App Store or Google Play for Android devices by searching for **Leon County Mobile**'. The Citizens Connect Mobile App builds on the success of the Citizens Connect online component and the big blue button that can be directly accessed from Leon County's redesigned virtual front door at www.LeonCountyFL.gov.

Citizens Connect was launched in September 2011 to support an environment of engaging citizens. So far, 642 online requests have been submitted with the most frequent requests in the categories of General Inquiries, Mosquito Control, Animal Issues, Drainage Problems, Litter/Junk and Solid Waste.

After alerting the user not to use Citizens Connect while driving, requests via the mobile app will allow citizens to initiate a new request, enter an address, take a new photo or select one from the app's library, enter a description, and enter contact information, if desired. Similar to the online component, the mobile app will generate a tracking number that will allow the user to receive updates on the request.



ONE-STOP SHOP FOR VETERAN SERVICES

Leon County will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday, July 11 at 1 p.m. to celebrate the grand opening of the community's new **Veterans Resource Center** at the Historic Amtrak Station, 918 Railroad Avenue. The center is devoted to connecting men and women who served in the military with employment opportunities, education benefits,

counseling from other servicemen or women and on-site job training in partnership with WORKFORCE plus.

The Veterans Resource Center (VRC) has been established to serve as a one-stop shop focusing on veterans' services and benefits complete with computer stations and printers, conference room for job counseling and separate office for oneon-one veteran counselors. The VRC aligns with the Leon County Board of County Commissioners' strategic priority that focuses resources to assist men and women who served in the military.

The Leon County Board of County Commissioners has approved two items increasing efficiency and fostering community outreach.

Leon County Government will now provide electronic filing of legal documents for representatives of the construction and development industry – a move that greatly reduces the time, travel and expense of recording legal documentation for development review and permitting. The County Commissions' recent decision aligns with its Strategic Priority to sustain a culture of performance and deliver effective, efficient services. Additionally, the board's decision follows the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Strategic Initiative to develop a process allowing for legal documents to be filed electronically, further enhancing efficiency.

The Board also recently approved, for military veterans who have sustained a 100 percent service-connected disability, to waive all permit review fees associated with construction of new single-family dwellings, manufactured homes, or additions and alterations to existing single-family dwellings. The Board's decision aligns with the Strategic Priority of supporting additional initiatives that assist disabled veterans.

Miccosukee Canopy Road **Greenway Land Management Plan** NOW AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

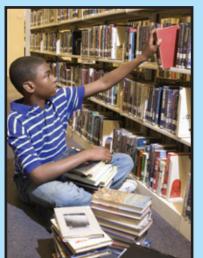
Copies of the plan are available at the Main Library, the Eastside Branch Library, County Administration (5th floor of the courthouse), and at Parks & Recreation (2280 Miccosukee Road).

A full copy is also available online at:

www.LeonCountyFL.gov/GreenwayPlan

Join us for a public meeting to be held on Thursday, July 19 from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Buck Lake Elementary School located at 1600 Pedrick Road to receive public input.

July 2012 Board of County Commissioners Schedule





Main Library: July 16, 6:30 p.m. One Heart Musical Duo presents puppets and music.

July 23, 6:30 p.m. Tommy Johns presents puppets, magic and stories.



Summer Reading Program continues at all libraries. Check the library website for events.

Tim Dorsey, noted Florida author, presents a book reading and signing at the Main Library on Saturday, July 7, at 1 p.m. Tim Dorsey's novels, featuring Serge Storms, are perfect zany summer reading.

OFFICES CLOSED Independence Day

9 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Board of County Commissioners FY 2013 Budget** Workshop*, County Courthouse, 5th Floor, **Commission Chambers**

10 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Board of County Commissioners Workshop on **Economic Development Regarding the Sales Tax** Infrastructure Extension*, County Courthouse,

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Board of County Commissioners FY 2013 **Budget Workshop*, County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers** (If necessary)

5th Floor, Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting*, 3 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission **Chambers**

Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing*, 6 p.m. County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

11 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Board of County Commissioners FY 2013 Budget Workshop*, County Courthouse, 5th Floor, **Commission Chambers** (If necessary)

Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting (CRA) 2:30 p.m. City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

BOARD RECESS No Meeting

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