

LEON COUNTY'S Seed Library Program Sprouts Again

Building on the success of its first launch earlier this year, the Leon County Seed Library Program returns with fall seeds.

Leon County invites the community to learn how to grow, harvest, and cook these fall varieties at a special program.

Saturday, August 8 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lake Jackson Community Center, 3840 N. Monroe St.

Starting Saturday, August 8, all seven LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library locations will have fall varieties of seeds available for check out.

While supplies last, check out up to three seed packets a month!

Ask your librarian for books and other resources on how to grow the seeds into tasty vegetables. Don't forget to share your results and post

pictures on the Library's Facebook page.

(850) 606-2665

Main Library

LEROY COLLINS LEON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Inspiring a Love of Reading and a Life of Learning

www.LeonCountyLibrary.org

Join A Citizen Advisory Committee Today!

Citizen participation, by way of community input, advice and/or recommendations regarding matters brought before the Board of County Commissioners for approval, is important in developing Leon County's programs/policies and in providing quality public services to the community.



Currently, applications are being accepted for the following Leon County Committee vacancies. The deadline for submitting applications is no later than August 20, except where noted.

- Board of Adjustment and Appeals is responsible for determining appeals of code-related interpretations and granting variances to the provisions of the LDRs based on documented hardship. Eligibility requires the applicant to be a resident of Leon County, an owner of real property, and a taxpayer. One full Board appointment of an alternate member is needed.
- Development Support & Environmental Management (DSEM) Citizen's User Group provides the Board recommendations regarding proposed ordinances that impact growth management and other issues relating to current planning, development review, and environmental compliance. Seven full Board and seven individual Commissioner appointments are needed.
- Educational Facilities Authority assists institutions for higher education in the construction, financing, and refinancing of projects. One full Board appointment is needed.

9/11 Day of Remembrance & Service

In recognition of September 11, Leon County Government will lead several community service housing restoration projects. These projects will culminate in a Day of Remembrance & Service Ceremony at the Florida State University College of Law, located at 425 W. Jefferson St. Attendees of the ceremony will be asked to prepare military care packages and write encouraging letters to service members overseas. Also, OneBlood will be onsite for attendees to donate blood.

Beginning at 11 a.m., Leon County Government will lead the fifth annual Day of Remembrance and Service Ceremony, with County Commission Chairman Mary Ann Lindley scheduled to provide remarks. The ceremony will also include the third annual presentation of Holland & Knight's Glenn J. Winuk Humanitarian Award.

September 11 is now the nation's largest single day of charitable engagement. Last year, a record 47 million people observed September 11 by engaging in service projects nationwide. Leon County and its community partners encourage residents and neighbors to remember the service of others by volunteering on this day, and beyond.

Friday, September 11 • 11 a.m. at the FSU College of Law

For more information, please contact:

Community and Media Relations: (850) 606-5300 CMR@LeonCountyFL.gov Leon County Volunteer Services: (850) 606-1970 BushJ@LeonCountyFL.gov

Be a Tallahassee T.O.U.R. Guide Only ONE Program Day Remains

Tourists shouldn't have all the fun, so the T.O.U.R. (Tourism is Our Ultimate Resource) Guide Program gives locals a chance to experience great area attractions for FREE!



All we ask is that you tell your out-of-town friends about them, too.

A summertime tradition, Tallahassee attractions are at the center of Leon County Division of Tourism Development's (Visit Tallahassee) award-winning program focusing on the importance of tourism to the local economy.

- Human Services Grant Review Committee evaluates human service funding requests and to perform program evaluations during the regular budget cycle and make recommendations to the Board. One individual Commissioner appointment is needed.
- Minority/Women & Small Business Enterprise Committee evaluates the County's MWSBE Program. One individual Commissioner appointment is needed.
- Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls considers input and promotes awareness regarding the status of women and girls in the community related to discrimination, disparate experiences, employment, education, services, health, economic security, access to justice, freedom from violence, and more. Four individual Commissioner appointments expire.
- Water Resources Committee addresses community-wide concerns, such as flooding and watershed management; and, reviews waterbody conditions and impact of development. Seven individual Commissioner appointments are needed. Deadline is October 5.

Citizens may visit <u>www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees</u> to review a listing of committees that includes information on committee responsibilities, member eligibility and committee vacancies; complete a committee application and review the Citizen Committee Orientation and Training.

For more information, contact Christine Coble, Leon County Agenda Coordinator, at (850) 606-5300 or CobleC@LeonCountyFL.gov.

Leon County Receives National Recognition

Leon County Government received eleven national awards recognizing outstanding County programs and services. In addition, one of these awards was designated "Best in Category" as the most outstanding program nationwide in its award category. The National Association of Counties (NACo)



presented Achievement Awards to Leon County in categories ranging from Civic Education to Information Technology. NACo's awards recognize how Leon County provides the most cost-effective, high-quality service to citizens.

Leon County remains committed to strengthening what works, abandoning what does not, receiving citizen feedback, leveraging partnerships and listening to changing needs.

Leon County Government was recognized for the following: 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance, Club of Honest Citizens, Community Legislative Dialogue, Domi Station, Leon County's Startup Business Incubator, Leon LEADS: 'People Focused. Performance Driven.', Penny Sales Tax Public Education Effort, Leon County Sustainable Communities Summit, Leon County Veterans Resource Center, Procurement Connect, Trailahassee.com, and Leon County Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Policy. and then assume the role of T.O.U.R. (Tour is Our Ultimate Resource) Guides for visiting friends and family. Challenger Learning Center and Mission San Luis will offer FREE admission on August 15.

There is only ONE program day remaining:

Saturday, August 15

- Mission San Luis, www.MissionSanLuis.org
- Challenger Learning Center, www.ChallengerTLH.com

For more information on the T.O.U.R. Guide Program, visit: www.VisitTallahassee.com

LEON COUNTY GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES COMPLETION OF KINHEGA DRIVE ROUNDABOUT

Leon County Government is pleased to announce that the Kinhega Drive Roundabout will be open just in time for school to start!

Traffic will resume on **Sunday, August 16**, alleviating congestion and allowing for faster, safer travel.

Nobody likes road detours and the inconvenience of roadway construction, but it's a necessary part of making our community a better place to live, work and play. Please enjoy the new Kinhega Drive Roundabout.

Join our community in celebrating the completion of your Kinhega Drive Roundabout on **Wednesday**, **August 19**. Business owners and residents are especially welcome to attend. More information about the event will be available at: **www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Kinhega**

Thank you for your patience and remember,

SHOP & DINE KINHEGA DRIVE

Learn more information at: www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Kinhega

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