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Home Sweet HOME for all

As part of efforts to create strong, vibrant neighborhoods, affordable housing is a priority for the City of Tallahassee, as outlined in its five-year strategic plan. To reach the goals of the plan, the City provides a variety of programs to rehabilitate and enhance the existing housing inventory, as well as to facilitate and encourage the construction of new affordable housing units.

Below are some of the affordable housing programs offered through the City:

- New Home Infill Program – Stabilizes neighborhoods by constructing affordable homes on vacant lots and provide a pathway to home ownership for low- to moderate-income residents.
- Inclusionary Housing – Provides affordable homeownership for moderate income households in new planned neighborhood developments.
- Home Repair Program – Improves living conditions for low-income homeowners by removing health and

safety hazards and correcting exterior code violations.

- Home Accessibility Program – Removes architectural or structural barriers from the homes of disabled low-income persons.
- Home Resilience Program – Provides one-time grant assistance to income eligible homeowners to help secure their home against future natural hazards.
- Down Payment Assistance – Helps low-income residents with down payment and closing cost assistance toward the purchase of an affordable home.

Residents can also seek help from the Tallahassee Lenders' Consortium, which provides homebuyer education, credit and finance counseling and assistance in selecting a mortgage lender.

Learn more about these and other affordable housing programs at Talgov.com/Housing.

MEETINGS IN JULY

Visit Talgov.com for the current list of Tallahassee City Commission, Community Redevelopment Agency, Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency and Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency meetings and workshops.

Call the Department of Communications at 850-891-8533 for more information and view the current meeting agendas online at Talgov.com. Follow @CityofTLH on Twitter for City news.

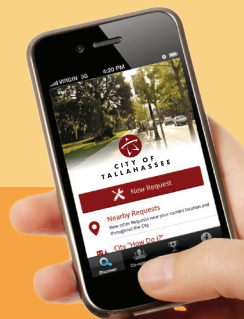


STRENGTHEN YOUR HOME

Hurricane season is the time to check that your home is sound. Review your insurance policy; seal your roof, windows and doors; and assess the health and fortitude of your trees. Get more information about local preparedness resources at Talgov.com/PREP.



STAY CONNECTED
WHEN IT MATTERS MOST.





BOX IT, BAG IT OR BUNDLE IT

Spring is when many residents enjoy time in their gardens, resulting in lots of yard debris left curbside for collection. Yard debris refers to vegetative fragments like tree trimmings, grass clippings, pine straw and leaves. Residential yard debris is collected at the curb in front of each residence every other week, per the Red/Blue Week schedule.

When disposing of yard debris, place it within three feet of the curb and away from low-hanging wires, trees or other obstacles, such as mailboxes, fences, etc. Clippings and pine straw may be placed in bags or boxes. For shrubs and limbs, piles should be no larger than 6 feet long, 4 feet wide and 4 feet high. The maximum size for limbs is 6 feet long and 4 inches in diameter. Separate yard waste piles from bulky items set out for pickup. For more information on how to properly dispose of your yard debris, visit Talgov.com.



A TEAM THAT SERVES

The City of Tallahassee is our community's heartbeat, providing quality services thanks to our nearly 3,000 employees. To meet the needs of our growing community, the City is

continuously hiring and offers diverse career opportunities for team-minded, customer-focused people. Lifeguards, coach operators, engineers, financial analysts, housing specialists, crossing guards – there are many ways to serve while growing professionally. View current job openings at Talgov.com/Employment.

For all City of Tallahassee utility related inquires, please call 850-891-4968 or visit Talgov.com.

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KEEP SIGNS OFF POLES

Driving around Tallahassee, you've likely seen utility poles covered in signs. No matter what they're advertising, these signs are placed there illegally and create a major safety hazard for utility workers. The staples and nails used to attach the signs can and do puncture the rubber gloves our linemen wear to protect themselves from electrical injury or death. A lineman's job is dangerous enough. You can help protect them by not attaching any type of sign or poster to utility poles. If you see a sign attached to a utility pole, contact the City of Tallahassee's Code Enforcement Division at 850-891-7007 (option 3) or report it via the City's free DigiTally app.

Sustainability Tip

Rediscover outdoor cooking with a natural gas grill. Cooking outside keeps your kitchen cooler, reducing your air conditioning costs.



SHOW YOUR SOUTHSIDE PRIDE

The Southside of Tallahassee makes up over 22 square miles, with established neighborhoods and distinctive landscapes. To ensure Tallahassee's Southside offers the amenities, services and quality of life that the community envisions for the area, the City is seeking feedback from the residents, business owners and other stakeholders who live, work, learn and worship in the area. Learn more and take the online survey at Talgov.com/Southside.