

## INVESTING IN WATER QUALITY

For more than 120 years, the City of Tallahassee has been providing safe, clean, drinking water to the community. To maintain the highest drinking water quality, the City operates a nationally recognized, certified laboratory, which performs water quality analyses with much greater frequency than required by governmental regulations. Dedicated City staff members work around the clock to deliver high-quality water, drawn from the Floridan aquifer, to local homes and businesses.

In June, the City released its Water Quality Report - 2022 Annual Summary. It again confirms the exceptional water quality provided by the City to its water customers. Drinking water standards for quality and safety in Florida are established at extremely stringent levels by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Florida Department of Health.

The 2022 Water Quality Report (a federally mandated publication that's also known as the Consumer Confidence Report) provides the monitoring data and explains the source and treatment process for the City's drinking water. The 2022 report is based on the results of monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2022, unless noted otherwise. This year's report also showcases the City's new, state-of-the-art water quality laboratory that opened for



operations this past year. The report is available online at [Talgov.com/WaterQuality](https://Talgov.com/WaterQuality).

The best way residents can help ensure that high-quality drinking water delivered to their property makes it from the City's distribution system to their faucet is to maintain their home or business's plumbing system. One way to do this is to flush the plumbing system if it's been stagnant for an extended period. This can be done by running cold water from all the faucets and hose bibs for several minutes to allow fresh water into the building's plumbing. Customers should also consider replacing older pipes.

Always remember to use water wisely. While the Floridan aquifer offers an ample supply, it's not infinite. Conserving water now safeguards this resource for future generations.

For more information, visit [Talgov.com/WaterQuality](https://Talgov.com/WaterQuality).



**Water your lawn in the early morning when temperatures and evaporation rates are low. Remember that 30 minutes twice a week is all your lawn needs.**



## LIFELONG LEARNING EXTRAVAGANZA 2023



The Tallahassee Senior Center's L3X (LifeLong Learning Extravaganza) program will celebrate its 14th anniversary in September with a robust month of classes, tours, workshops, recreational activities, field trips and entertainment on the broad themes of art, music, science, history, culture, food and drink. Two L3X "Preview Parties" are scheduled at the TSC (1400 N. Monroe St.) – one on Monday, Aug. 14, from 10-11:30 a.m. and the other on Tuesday, Aug. 15, from 5:30-7 p.m. The parties offer an opportunity to pick up a course catalog, meet some of the instructors and

enjoy refreshments. In mid-August, courses can be viewed online at [www.TallahasseeSeniorFoundation.org/L3X](https://www.TallahasseeSeniorFoundation.org/L3X).

Sign up for something new and different, meet new friends, make great memories and have fun with L3X!

# SMART PREP FOR SENIORS

Hurricanes and other natural disasters present many challenges, and how you prepare should reflect your lifestyle and stage of life. Here are three tips to help local seniors build their disaster supplies kits:

- Store supplies in easy-to-carry containers. You may want to consider using containers with wheels.
- Label equipment, such as wheelchairs, canes or walkers, with your name, address and phone number. Keep a list in your kit of the type and model numbers of the medical devices you require.
- Learn about your doctor's and pharmacy's emergency plans and work with them to identify back-up service providers. Be sure to make provisions for medications that require refrigeration or devices that require electricity.



Everyone's situation is unique, so your kit and plan will be, too. Discuss hurricane preparedness with your family, friends and neighbors. Simple steps can make weathering the storm easier and safer for seniors. Learn more at [Talgov.com](http://Talgov.com).

## YOUR UTILITIES, YOUR WAY



Innovation is making it easier than ever to access, review and pay your City of Tallahassee Utilities bill from wherever life takes you. From Pay-by-Text to

the online self-service portal for customers, you can connect with your account on-the-go from your mobile phone, laptop or tablet. Get more information at [Talgov.com/Pay](http://Talgov.com/Pay) or by calling 850-891-4968.

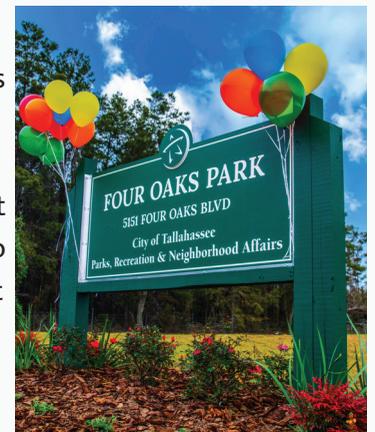
## DO GREAT THINGS

Want to serve your community? Work with us! The City of Tallahassee is the largest single provider of municipal services in the region, including police, fire, public transportation, electric, gas, water, parks and more. Our nearly 4,000 employees pride themselves on providing exceptional customer service, and they are committed to doing great things to create a strong, vibrant community. If you want to join our team, view current career opportunities at [Talgov.com/Jobs](http://Talgov.com/Jobs).



## NATIONAL PARKS & RECREATION MONTH

Tallahassee's large, diverse, world-class system of parks, green spaces and trails makes the city a great place to live and play! In accordance with the City of Tallahassee's strategic plan, our goal is to reach 100 parks by 2024, further expanding access for residents and visitors. The City moved closer to that mark this spring with the opening of its 94th park. Four Oaks Park, located at the corner of Four Oaks Blvd. and Tram Road, was built by City staff. It is the largest park in southeast Tallahassee, spanning more than 40 acres. It is home to the City's first cricket pitch, in addition to a playground, multi-purpose sports fields and basketball, beach volleyball and pickleball courts. It takes a lot of work to maintain 94 parks totaling more than 4,000 acres and 70-plus miles of trails. This month, we'd like to say, "Thank you," to all the Parks and Recreation professionals who make our community more vibrant, healthy and engaging. Learn more at [Talgov.com/Parks](http://Talgov.com/Parks).



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## MEETINGS IN AUGUST

Visit [Talgov.com](http://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.

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