

# MIAMI SPRINGS

WEEKLY E-NEWS



**WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER!  
THIS IS A WEEKLY ADDED FEATURE TO  
THE CITY'S COMMUNICATION. OUR  
GOAL IS TO KEEP YOU INFORMED ON  
UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND NEWS  
WORTHY HIGHLIGHTS.**

“THE EARTH IS WHAT WE ALL HAVE  
IN COMMON.” - **WENDELL BERRY**



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# Vaccination Site

Florida Department of Health  
Miami Springs Aquatic Center  
Multi-Purpose Room

Monday, April 25th  
&  
Friday, April 29th  
9AM-4PM



Pfizer, & J&J 3rd Dose Booster Available for all

Pfizer Doses and Johnson & Johnson Single Doses Available

Walk-Ups Only, No Appointments

Pfizer Individuals 5+ (with parent or legal guardian)

Johnson & Johnson 18+

Photo ID Required

NO PROOF OF FLORIDA RESIDENCY REQUIRED

With Support From  
Mayor Maria Mitchell

&

Councilmembers Best,  
Fajet, Bravo and Vazquez



With Support From  
Representative  
Bryan Avila



The Florida Department of Health will be now administering vaccines Monday 4/25 & Friday 4/29 from 9AM-4PM @ The Miami Springs Aquatic Center- Multipurpose Room. First and second doses & booster shots are available. They will have Pfizer (5+), Moderna (18+) and Johnson & Johnson (18+).



*Nomi Health is at the Miami Springs Community Center parking lot every Monday- Saturday 8AM-6PM.*

- 24 Hour Results
- Testing Ages 12 months and older
- Walk-up PCR testing is available
- No RAPID testing
- To pre-register click the button below



**Covid-19**

## PCR TEST

Monday- Saturday  
Miami Springs Community Center Parking Lot.  
8AM-6PM  
No Appointment Needed.  
Pre-Registration Recommended.  
24 Hour Results.  
Testing 12 months and older







# Get a Flu Shot Today



**WHERE: MIAMI SPRINGS AQUATIC CENTER**  
**WHEN: MONDAY'S & FRIDAY'S (9AM-4PM)**  
**WHAT AGES: 18 YEARS AND OLDER**



**Inside all City  
facilities, masks are  
now optional.**





# ATTENTION MIAMI SPRINGS RESIDENTS !



Scammers are calling members of the community claiming to be an MSPD detective who is investigating a case against the individual. The call appears to be from 305-888-9711, the Miami Springs Police Department main number and money is demanded to drop the case. MSPD would never request money from any member of the community. We urge you to hang-up and call the police. The scammers usually ask for money via an untraceable form, including but not limited to: Money Gram, Western Union, gift cards, pre-paid credit cards, and money sharing apps such as Zelle, Venmo and Paypal.

# Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, APRIL 11TH  
THROUGH  
SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH



TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 155



# Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, APRIL 4TH  
THROUGH  
SUNDAY, APRIL 10TH



TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 191







# Residents of Miami Springs

Please be aware, if you engage in short-term vacation rentals, you risk losing your homestead exemption in accordance with Florida Statute 196.061

If you are a homeowner who rents out all or a substantial amount of your homestead property for more than 30 days per year for two consecutive years, you will lose your homestead exemption and will be subject to penalties.

Residents of Miami Springs **must** have a city license to operate or will face severe fines.

Any property operating a short-term rental without a city license will be fined \$250 for the first offense and \$500 for the second offense. fined up to \$5,000 for violations that are irreparable or irreversible (such as violation of noise ordinance)

ORDINANCE NO. 1117 – 2021

**Rent relief is STILL available  
from  
Miami Dade County  
If you're behind on rent  
because of the pandemic:  
Apply for up to \$3,000 a  
month, for up to 18 months.  
If you've already applied, you  
can apply again.  
Apply by clicking the link**



**[miamidade.myhousing.com](https://miamidade.myhousing.com)**

**Todavía hay asistencia de alquiler disponible  
en**

**Miami Dade County**

**Si está atrasado con el alquiler debido a la  
pandemia:**

**Solicite hasta \$3,000 al mes, hasta 18 meses.**

**Si ya ha solicitado, puede volver a aplicar.  
aplicar haciendo clic en el enlace**

**[miamidade.myhousing.com](https://miamidade.myhousing.com)**





# We're Hiring

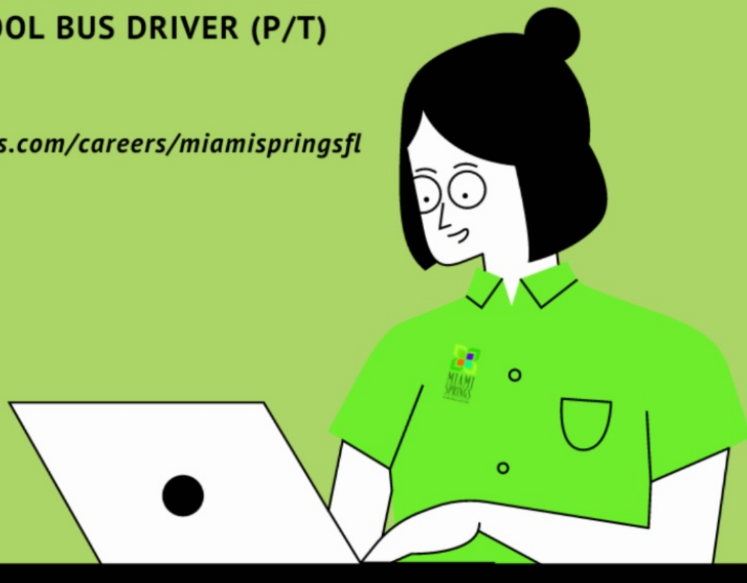


CITY OF  
MIAMI SPRINGS

- BUILDING CUSTODIAN (P/T)
- MAINTENANCE WORKER I
- PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER P/T
- POLICE DISPATCHER TRAINEE
- SUMMER CAMP SCHOOL BUS DRIVER (P/T)

to apply visit:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/miamispringsfl>



APPLY NOW

to apply visit:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/miamispringsfl>

The Job application must be completed in full and submitted with any required documents. Applications/resumes submitted for City employment are a public record. No faxes will be accepted.



City Council Meeting  
Monday, April 25th  
7:00pm  
City Hall  
in Council Chambers

To view the agenda packet  
click the button below.

[CLICK HERE](#)





# ATTENTION RESIDENTS

AT THE UPCOMING APRIL 25TH  
COUNCIL MEETING, COUNCIL  
WILL DISCUSS ESTABLISHING  
GUIDELINES FOR ALLOWING  
MURALS IN THE NW 36TH  
STREET DISTRICT.

COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT  
RESIDENTS CONTACT THEM TO  
EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS ON  
THIS MATTER. BELOW IS THE  
CONTACT INFORMATION:



**Mayor Mitchell email:  
mitchellm@miamisprings-fl.gov; or  
call at 305-962-5545**

**Vice Mayor Fajet email:  
fajetw@miamisprings-fl.gov; or call  
at 786-285-3794**

**Councilman Best email:  
bestb@miamisprings-fl.gov; or call  
at 786-319-0786**

**Councilman Vazquez email:  
vazquezv@miamisprings-fl.gov; or  
call at 305-833-1830**

**Councilwoman Bravo email:  
bravoj@miamisprings-fl.gov; or call  
at 786-831-3332**

**YOU CAN ALSO EMAIL THE ENTIRE COUNCIL AT  
COUNCIL-GROUP@MIAMISPRINGS-FL.GOV**



RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME  
TO ATTEND THE  
APRIL 25TH MEETING AT  
7PM TO EXPRESS THEIR  
VIEWS. THE MEETING WILL  
ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON  
ZOOM FOR THOSE THAT  
CANNOT ATTEND IN  
PERSON.



# *Earth Day*



**let's save our earth**



# *Green Tips*

There are many easy ways to go green







South Florida's hot and humid climate can make certain aspects of green living tough. It's tempting to crank up our A/C units and to drive instead of walk or bike. However, small lifestyle changes can pay big dividends to our environment, our bank account and our health.



# Temperature Control

In most Florida homes, air conditioning accounts for 40 percent or more of the annual electric bill.

There are ways to minimize A/C use and still stay cool and comfortable.

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- Set the temperature at 78 degrees for comfort and energy efficiency
- If you do not have pets in the home, move the thermostat up 3 to 5 degrees on the A/C when you leave
  - Clean or change the air filter monthly
  - Keep air vents open to help air flow
- If you have central A/C, check all ducts and seals. If they leak, you're losing air flow and money
- When the A/C is on, ensure windows and doors are closed tightly and sealed properly
- If your A/C is more than 10 years old, consider buying a new, more efficient unit, preferably one with a programmable thermostat
- Turn off ceiling fans when you leave the room

# Reduce Paper Use

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- Recycle paper that is clean and dry
- Register for online bill payment, including your Water and Sewer bill
- Reduce the number of catalogs and junk mail you receive at home
- When possible, print on both sides of the paper. If not, when you don't need that paper, use the blank side to write notes
- Instead of bringing lunch wrapped in plastic or contained in plastic or paper bags, use a lunchbox and reusable containers and utensils
- Use canvas shopping bags when grocery shopping



# Conserve Water and Energy

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- The water heater is a large user of energy in most homes. Adjust your water heater to 115-120F
- Take shorter showers to reduce water and energy
- Turn off the water when brushing your teeth or shaving
- Install high-efficiency showerheads
- Repair leaky faucets and toilets
- Purchase a high-efficiency toilet
- Load your washing machine and dishwasher to capacity
- Use cold water in the washing machine whenever possible; 90 percent of a washer's energy is used to heat the water
- Use automatic dishwashers, which use less water than washing dishes by hand
- Defrost food in the refrigerator, not under running water

# Power Down and Save Up

About 20 percent of a home's energy use comes from lights and electronics.

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- Don't leave electronics charging once batteries are replenished
- Turn off your computer monitor if you will be away from your computer for more than 20 minutes
- Turn off the computer if you'll be away from it for more than two hours
- Consider purchasing a flat-screen monitor over a regular-sized one
- Turn lights off when leaving the room
- Purchase energy-efficient LED bulbs instead of standard bulbs.

# Use Appliances Wisely

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- Borrow a free electricity usage meter from the library
- Toaster ovens use less energy and add less heat to the kitchen compared to conventional ovens
- Use the self-cleaning oven cycle sparingly and start the cycle when the oven's already hot
- Keep your refrigerator freezer full, which keeps warm air out when open
- Consider purchasing approved Energy Star appliances
  - Clean a dryer's lint filter after every load
  - Hang clothes outside to dry
- If you use an automatic dishwasher, avoid pre-rinsing dishes



# At Work

If you pick up sustainable habits at home, it will be easy to make them work at your business or office.

- Recycle clean, dry paper
- Buy recycled paper
- Recycle at your business
- Purchase refillable toner cartridges or at least recycle used printing toner cartridges with the manufacturer
- When possible, print on both sides of the paper. If not, when you don't need that paper, use the blank side to write notes
- Use email instead of printing documents when possible
- Reuse and recycle file folders by placing a new label over the old one
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Miami Springs Adult Community Center Presents:

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## TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

At the Adult Community Center  
\*Located in the Betty Bray Fitness Room  
11:30am-12:30pm  
Instructor: Judd Zisquit



MIAMI SPRINGS ADULT  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
PRESENTS:



**MUSIC  
APPRECIATION  
CLASS**

EVERY THURSDAY  
9:30AM  
ADULT COMMUNITY CENTER





# SEBASTIANSTRONG

Racing to cure childhood cancer



## WE'RE BACK!

REGISTER HERE



# 2022

## 5K RUN/WALK

&

14 May, 2022 **HOPS FOR HOPE**  
MIAMI SPRINGS, FL



# SEBASTIANSTRONG FOUNDATION 5K & HOPS FOR HOPE



We're back! Join us for the **5K** so many of you have come to know & love at 7AM on **Saturday, May 14th** at the **Curtiss Mansion** in beautiful **Miami Springs**.

LATER....Join us for **Hops for Hope** at **The Tank Brewing Co.** on the evening of May 14th at **7PM** for a special release craft beer created by The Tank exclusively for SebastianStrong. Come on out & enjoy friends, bites, & some good beer! Ticket includes **ONE** drink (beer/wine/soda) & **ONE** SebastianStrong commemorative glass.

The Tank Brewing Co.  
5100 NW 72nd Ave A-1  
Miami, FL 33166

**Proceeds from both events fund childhood cancer research & help provide financial support to kids & families facing a diagnosis.**

## REGISTER TODAY

<https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/MiamiSprings/SEBASTIANSTRONG5K>





FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
PLEASE CONTACT  
MIAMI SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT - COMMUNITY POLICING OFFICE  
274 WESTWARD DRIVE - MIAMI SPRINGS – FLORIDA 33166  
PHONE: 305-888-5286 FAX: 305-805-5155

# Got Drugs?

Turn in your  
unused or expired  
medication for safe disposal  
**Saturday, April 30, 2022**  
from 10am to 2pm  
Community Policing Office  
274 Westward Drive



This one-day effort is intended to bring national focus to the issue of increasing pharmaceutical controlled substance abuse.

- The program is anonymous.
- If left in original containers, **remove personal information from label.**
- Prescription and over the counter solid dosage medications, i.e. tablets and capsules accepted.
- Keep all liquids in original container, tightly capped to prevent leakage.
- Intra-venous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted.
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative.

*Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal.*

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It's easy to join our mailing list!



Just send your email address by text message:

Text

**MIAMISPRINGS**

to **22828** to get started.



Message and data rates may apply.

**Sign up to receive the latest official news from the City of Miami Springs. \*Under Florida law, email addresses are public records. If you do not want your email address released in response to a public records request, do not send your email address to this entity.**

**BY SUBMITTING THIS FORM, YOU ARE CONSENTING TO RECEIVE MARKETING EMAILS FROM: THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, 201 WESTWARD DRIVE, MIAMI SPRINGS, FL 33166, US, [HTTPS://WWW.MIAMISPRINGS-FL.GOV](https://www.miamisprings-fl.gov) YOU CAN REVOKE YOUR CONSENT TO RECEIVE EMAILS AT ANY TIME BY EMAILING US AT [PUBLICINFO@MIAMISPRINGS-FL.GOV](mailto:PUBLICINFO@MIAMISPRINGS-FL.GOV).**

***Help send a Boy Scout  
to summer camp!***

**Join us  
Saturday, April 30  
at the MS/VG Optimist Club  
1101 Wren Avenue**



**Boy Scout  
TROOP 334**

***Rummage Sale***

**8AM - 2PM**

Furniture, Clothing, Toys, Tools,  
Camping Gear, Books, Movies,  
Collectibles, Household Items,  
Appliances, Electronics and More!

***Car Wash***

**9AM - 2PM**



**THE OPTIMIST CLUB  
WILL BE GIVING  
OUT FREE FOOD!**

**11AM - 1PM**



Items going  
through:



# Unite for Ukraine

**girl scouts**  
TROOP 1857



GFWC  
**MIAMI SPRINGS**  
*Woman's Club*

## Collecting items for Ukrainian Refugees

Baby items: diapers, wipes, baby food (no glass jars), feminine products, first aid kits, hand warmers, backpacks, tents, solar chargers, solar lights, flashlights, new blankets or sleeping bags, travel size hygiene products, snacks, bottled water and drinks.

Please no clothing at this time.

## Collection dates & times:

Monday,  
April 25th  
5-6pm

Thursday,  
April 28th  
9-10 am

## Drop off at:

Miami Springs  
Woman's Club

200 Westward Drive





Thank you for not feeding us..  
Feeding the wildlife...



Prevents us from gathering proper wild food



Provides us with empty calories and no nutrition



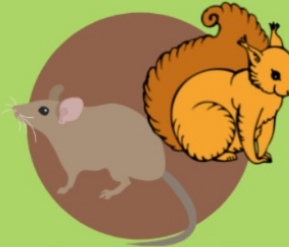
Keeps us in one location and dependent on you



May cause over population and disease



Pollutes your water



Feeds the rodents as well

# IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS:

Police: 305-888-9711

Public Works: 305-805-5170

City Clerk: 305-805-5005

Building and Code: 305-805-5030

Parks and recreation: 305-805-5075

City Hall: 305-805-5000

Senior Center: 305-805-5160

Golf Course: 305-805-5180



Have a  
great  
weekend!

City of Miami Springs | 201 Westward Dr, Miami Springs, FL 33166

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