

# 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.**

"YOU MAY ENCOUNTER MANY DEFEATS, BUT  
YOU MUST NOT BE DEFEATED. IN FACT, IT  
MAY BE NECESSARY TO ENCOUNTER THE  
DEFEATS, SO YOU CAN KNOW WHO YOU  
ARE, WHAT YOU CAN RISE FROM, HOW YOU  
CAN STILL COME OUT OF IT."

**-MAYA ANGELOU**



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# Vaccination Site

Florida Department of Health  
Miami Springs Aquatic Center  
Multi-Purpose Room  
Monday, March 28th



&  
Friday, April 1st  
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 3/28 & Friday  
4/1 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



## 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- FRIDAY (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.



## What is Canine Infectious Respiratory Disease Complex (CIRDC)?

A highly contagious disease  
which causes acute or chronic  
inflammation in the upper  
respiratory system.





# Symptoms of CIRDC



- Coughing (with or without blood)
- Nasal discharge (with or without blood)
- Watery eyes
- Retching and gagging
- Possible partial anorexia or inappetence

## Morbidity Threats

- Fever
- Nasal Discharge
- Depression
- Anorexia
- Difficulty Breathing

*Severe cases may progress to fatal bronchopneumonia in puppies or dogs infected with other underlying conditions*





## What can YOU do to protect your dog from CIRDC

- Avoid direct contact with other dogs (licking, nuzzling, etc.)
- Avoid indirect contact with dogs displaying signs of illness
- Avoid areas with other dogs (dog parks, doggy daycares, groomers, etc.)
- Reduce stress and fearful situations
- Avoid extreme temperatures, humidity and areas of poor ventilation



**“Miami-Dade County Animal Services has issued a warning for dog owners about taking your pet out in public, as a highly contagious virus is spreading throughout South Florida, and it could put your dog in danger.”**

**“A disease that is caused by multiple viruses and bacteria that pretty much infect the respiratory tract of dogs and can cause pretty severe infection including pneumonia,” said Miami-Dade County Animal Services Chief Veterinarian Dr. Maria Serrano.**



# IF YOU NEED TO FERTILIZE

## NOW IS THE TIME!

Use of fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorous is prohibited during the rainy season.

Help protect Biscayne Bay and fertilize

**BEFORE THE RAINY  
SEASON STARTS**

**MAY 15**

**#StartTodayToSaveTheBay**



- *The use of nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizer is prohibited during the summer rainy season, May 15 – October 31, when nutrients are more likely to be carried in water flowing off the urban landscape.*
- *Application of fertilizer near surface water bodies such as canals, wetlands, lakes or the Bay is prohibited.*
- *Do not use phosphorus containing fertilizer unless a soil test determines that it is actually needed.*
- *Limit the amount of nitrogen you apply at any one time or during the year. Manage yard clippings to prevent them from affecting streets, sidewalks, stormwater drainage systems or water bodies.*
- *If you apply fertilizers as part of your job, get trained on the best management practices that help protect water resources.*

# Mobile Office Hours

## The Office of Senator Marco Rubio



**Wednesday, March 30, 2022**

**Miami-Dade County**  
**10:00am-11:30am EDT**  
Miami Springs City Hall  
201 Westward Dr.  
Miami Springs, FL 33166

Meet your local staff and learn about the services Senator Rubio's Office can offer his constituents in areas such as:



**IMMIGRATION**



**MILITARY/VA**



**MEDICARE**



**SOCIAL SECURITY**



**IRS/BANKING**



**LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

This is an official event conducted by the Office of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio.

A Representative from U.S. Senator Marco Rubio's Office will be at City Hall on Wednesday, March 30th, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM to offer assistance to any constituents that may have federal issues - such as renewing work permits, status updates on residency applications and naturalizations, family member petitions, visitor visas; basically any and all immigration inquiries. U.S. Senator Marco Rubio's Office also provides assistance with Social Security benefits, VA benefits, Medicare, FEMA, USPS, IRS, etc.



# 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.

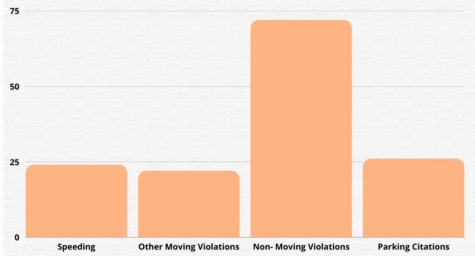
Any property operating a short-term rental without a city license will be fined \$250 for the first offense and \$500 for the second offense. fined up to \$5,000 for violations that are irreparable or irreversible (such as violation of noise ordinance)

ORDINANCE NO. 1117 – 2021



## Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, MARCH 14TH  
THROUGH  
SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH



TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 144



## Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, MARCH 7TH  
THROUGH  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

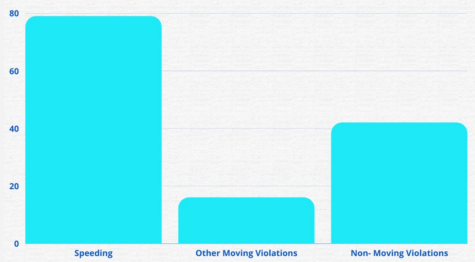


TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 162



## Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, FEB 28 THROUGH SUNDAY, MARCH 6



TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 137



## Police Traffic Summons Issued

MONDAY, FEB 21 THROUGH SUNDAY, FEB 27



TOTAL VIOLATIONS: 64



**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)**

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**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)**

City Council Meeting  
Monday, March 28th

7:00pm

City Hall  
in Council Chambers

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MIAMI SPRINGS  
CITY HALL



**TO VIEW THE  
AGENDA PACKET  
CLICK THE BUTTON**



# We're Hiring



CITY OF  
MIAMI SPRINGS

- BUILDING CUSTODIAN (P/T)
- MAINTENANCE WORKER I
- PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER P/T
- POLICE DISPATCHER TRAINEE
- PUBLIC WORKS CLERK F/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.



**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

**ENTIRE MONTH OF MARCH**



***We'd like to honor our own Lizette Fuentes an  
Administrative Assistant III in the Public Works  
Department in recognition of Women's History Month.***



**Lizette Fuentes is an Administrative Assistant III in the Public Works Department. Ms. Fuentes came to the City of Miami Springs after retiring from AT&T with 28 years of service. In her tenure with AT&T she worked in Customer Service and Operations. Ms. Fuentes started working for the Public Works Department on August 20, 2018 as an Administrative Assistant I and quickly moved into her current role assisting the Public Works Director. She has one daughter who is a resident of Miami Springs.**

**Lizette's Fun Fact  
She enjoys Disney, traveling, and cheering on the Miami Hurricanes.**

# THE SANTANA FAMILY



**THIS WEEKEND, SPRINGS STORIES SERIES 2**

**WILL BE RELEASED IN PARTS THROUGHOUT OUR  
SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.**

**KEEP AN EYE OUT.....**

SPRINGS

STORIES

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A SERIES WHERE WE  
GIVE OUR RESIDENTS  
AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
TELL THEIR STORIES.

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STORIES

SPRINGS

**I would like to shed light on some of our residents here in Miami Springs.**

**I will be hosting a series called "Spring Stories" where I will meet with one individual or family every month that are residents of Miami Springs. My intention is to showcase their stories and family history here in the Springs, on all of our social media platforms. There is so much history, culture, and talent hidden in this city and my hope is to create a platform for it to be seen and appreciated. Wouldn't it be nice to get to know your neighbors better?! If you or your family are interested in meeting with me to be a part of this project, please contact me at [publicinfo@miamisprings-fl.gov](mailto:publicinfo@miamisprings-fl.gov).**

**Requirements: Must be a resident of Miami Springs.**

**-Shannen Jaser (Public Information & Professional Services Specialist)**



*Spring Giving*

# DONATION DRIVE

**LET'S HELP THOSE IN NEED**

By donating toothbrushes and toothpaste

**LOCATION**

Oleeta West Dade  
Lodge  
145 S. Royal Poinciana  
Blvd  
Miami Springs, FL  
33166



Camillus  
House

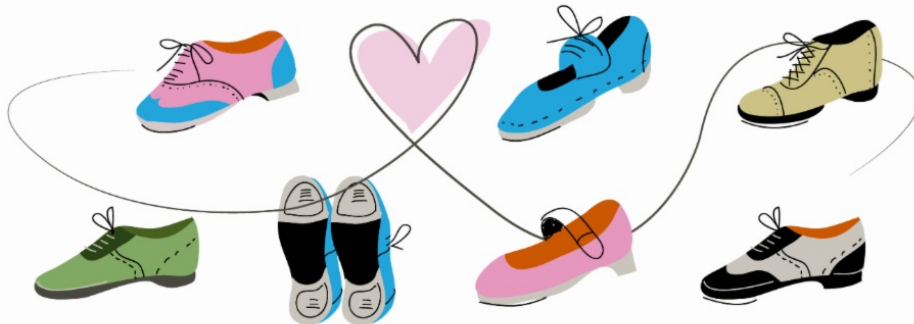
**DATES**

Every Thursday  
of March  
5pm to 7pm



# SHOE DRIVE

IN HONOR OF "NATIONAL SHOE THE WORLD DAY"  
DONATE ANY PAIR OF NEW OR "GENTLY WORN" SHOES



**COLLECTION FROM MARCH 1 - 31, 2022**  
**COLLECTION SITE: CITY HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTER**



**COLLECTION BINS LOCATED IN THE ENTRANCES OF**  
**MIAMI SPRINGS COMMUNITY CENTER 1401 WESTWARD DRIVE**  
**& MIAMI SPRINGS CITY HALL 201 WESTWARD DRIVE**

All shoes collected will be donated to Camillus House  
to benefit the Homeless in South Florida



***Drop off @ City Hall Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:45 p.m., Or drop off @ Miami Springs Community Center, Monday through Friday , 6:00 a.m. until 9:30 p.m., and Saturday/Sunday, 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.***












**FREE EYEGLASS READERS**

**get your Flu Shot**

**MEET THE UM IBIS AT 10 AM**

**WILDLIFE SHOW 11:00**

**FREE HOT DOG & CHIPS**

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Health & Wellness Fair

*"Healthy People, Healthy Planet"*

**\* Free \* Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> 10am – 2 pm**

**Across from City Hall - 200 Westward Dr., Miami Springs**

*Hosted by the GFWC Miami Springs Woman's Club*

**50 Presenters on Health and Wellness initiatives!**

**Booths filled with Health & Wellness Experts, Environmental Tips, & Presentations!**

**Wildlife Show at 11:00! Free Bike Helmets & other giveaways!**

**Meet the UM Ibis at 10:00! Blood Pressure, Cholesterol, Glucose testing & more!**

**Free BBQ Hot Dogs & drinks! Door Prizes! DJ, Bounce House, and More!**



Mayor Maria Mitchell, City Council and The Parks and  
Recreation Department Present :



Miami  
Springs

# *Easter Egg Drop!*

Please allow us to bring the Hunt to you! Register your house for our annual Easter egg Drop! Early Easter morning, Eggs will be hidden in your front yearf for ther kids to locate!

\$10 for each child.

To register, go to the Community Center beginning March 14th.

**OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF MS/VG ONLY\***

# EASTER EGG HUNT



**APRIL 16**

**WRISTBANDS  
REQUIRED!!**

**SATURDAY MORNING AT PRINCE FIELD !**

10:00 AM - ages 2 & 3, ages 4 & 5

(will go at the same time/divided by age groups)  
10:30 AM - ages 6 - 8, ages 9-11 (same as above)

Available for \$2 at the Community Center  
on Monday, March 14th for  
Miami Springs & Virginia Gardens Residents ONLY  
(Proof of Residency Required)

Non-Residents may purchase wristbands  
Monday, April 11th for \$10 each



**Don't Forget to Bring a Basket for your Eggs!**



For additional information:  
Call 305.805.5075

Miami Springs Parks and Recreation Dept.  
1401 Westward Dr. Miami Springs, FL. 33166  
[www.MiamiSprings-fl.gov/ParksAndRecreation](http://www.MiamiSprings-fl.gov/ParksAndRecreation)





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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.**

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MIAMI SPRINGS



# SUMMER CAMP

**AGES 5-12 | FOR MS/VG RESIDENTS**

Registration Begins April 20th @ 6:30pm

Forms will be available on our website starting April 1st.

All forms **MUST** be completed before registering.

Registration will be **IN-PERSON ONLY**.

Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate.

9 week & 3 week sessions available

For more information contact our Miami Springs

Community Center 305.805.5075



# 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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