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MLK HUMANITARIAN AWARD RECIPIENT
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CELEBRATING OUR HUMANITARIANS
FOR COMPASSION, DEDICATION, & SERVICE
The bollards have been removed at Hallandale Beach Boulevard and Dixie Highway! What are the three biggest issues in Hallandale Beach? Traffic, Traffic, Traffic! How do I know this? Because I hear you loud and clear.

I listen to everyone who attends my monthly town hall meetings. This helps me when I hear your concerns it allows me to prioritize your issues. These meetings happen the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Join us. It is about you! I listen and follow through to ensure action is taken to resolve the issues.

My recent appointment to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) facilitated a partnership between Hallandale Beach Administration, FDOT and Broward County Traffic Control. This new partnership is working on multiple solutions to traffic issues which have been exasperated by past commissions which allowed unbridled development without proper planning. The first in many improvements was the collaboration of FDOT and Broward County Traffic Control in analyzing and determine the bollard removal at Dixie Highway and Hallandale Beach Boulevard would improve traffic flow by allowing longer green light times heading East and West on HBB.

In addition, I look forward to developing policies which promote transparency, accountability and other strong partners. I appreciate my elected official colleagues who see eye to eye on ensuring your trust and making sure your tax dollars are spent wisely, efficiently and serve a valuable purpose. Sometimes, it is not easy to share the same vision with others, but please understand my passion is to protect your interests and see our community continually improve.

Our City is overcoming a history of unethical actions from prior elected officials, but together, with your support and involvement, we can make better fiscal decisions along with long range planning.

Sign up to receive my personal newsletter (at KLondon@COHB.org) and stay involved in making Hallandale Beach one of the best cities to live, work and play.
Addressing Condo Association Fraud & Service Pets in Hallandale

When I knocked on doors, during my campaign, many of you complained about your associations taking advantage of you; some of you showed legitimate proof. I decided this would be an issue I would devote my Commissioner term to. Earlier in December 2017, I took a licensing course known as CAM- Community Association Management. I did this so that along with FL State Statute 718, I could have an in depth understanding of what is and isn’t permitted by law. I have appointments set up with local and state level officials to tackle this issue head on. If you believe that your association’s reps are abusing their power, please contact me at: 954-937-1006.

Also, if you have a service pet and both you and your pet are being discriminated against, please contact me. This is becoming a more prevalent issue I am hearing about and it is concerning to me.

In the meanwhile, I wish you a healthy and happy 2018!

It has been almost a year since Roger Carlton was hired as the Hallandale Beach city manager. Over the past year, City Manager Carlton has faced numerous challenges and prevailed. Last month I was sent an article titled, “The Tragedy Facing Public Trust” and much of what was written supports what our City Manager Roger Carlton’s achieving.

City Manager Carlton has become a guardian of the public trust. He understands the principles of good government and is educated about public policies. Unlike other past city managers, Mr. Carlton’s city residency enables him to answer questions Hallandale Beach residents may ask.

Often career city managers rely on outdated management practices and have little understanding or respect for contemporary styles of leadership. His long, prestigious 50 year career in government has afforded him the ability to forge and maintain relationships with county and state officials which in turn has brought benefits to our city. He knows how to make the train run on time and what trains should carry and to what destinations, and why. With City Manager Carlton at the helm, I believe our finances will be transparent. Since I was first elected in 2012, our budgets were balanced by depleting reserves. We can no longer afford to use our savings to pay our electric bills. This is the first year when that did not happen and I voted with confidence for this year’s budget.

His door is always open to any resident who would like a meeting. You can email rcarlton@cohb.org or call (954) 457-1300 to schedule and appointment.
Public Safety

Please make note of the following public safety services for our constituents.

Alarm Systems
Hallandale Beach’s Alarm Ordinance requires that each alarm system (residential or business), be registered with the City. For more information, visit: cohb.org/alarms

First Aid Classes
To sign up for a class, visit cohb.org/firstaid

Economic Crimes
Did you know we have an economic crimes unit? For more information please contact: Detective Christopher Grieco (954) 457-1432 cgrieco@cohb.org

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We’d love to hear from you.

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You can be a part of this Historic Hallandale Beach home tours learn more ................. Call (954) 458-3251
Tours: 1st Saturday of each month 11 am - 4 pm

JAN 15TH DR MLK JR DAY PARADE & CELEBRATION, OB JOHNSON PARK
The MLK Day is a fun fill family Parade and Celebration

JAN 28TH BEACH ENTERTAINMENT, SOUTH CITY BEACH PARK
Free Concert series featuring a new band the 4th Sunday of every month from December to April.
Bring your lawn chairs.

JAN 31ST COMMUNITY DAY, CITY HALL
Join us at City Hall and check out all the services the City has to offer.

FEB 3RD CURCI HOUSE TOURS, HISTORIC VILLAGE
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FEB 9TH COMMUNITY UNITY BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION, FOSTER PARK
Join us to celebrate our culture and rich history during the start of Black History Month.

FEB 17TH SCHOOLHOUSE TOURS, HISTORIC SCHOOLHOUSE
Historic Hallandale Beach school house tours. Learn more ................. Call (954) 458-3251
Tours: 3rd Saturday each month 12 pm - 3 pm

FEB 25TH BEACH ENTERTAINMENT, SOUTH CITY BEACH PARK
Free Concert series featuring a new band the 4th Sunday of every month from December to April.
Bring your lawn chairs.

MAR 5TH – 9TH SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, CITY-WIDE
Join us for recreational games for men and women ages 50 and older.

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Come out to our fun filled day of Easter egg hunts plenty of candy and fun activities for the family.

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### AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM
The Hallandale Out of School Time (H.O.S.T)
for school age participants
provides afterschool care on regular and early school days until 6p.m.

### NO SCHOOL DAY PROGRAM
The Hallandale Out of School Time (H.O.S.T)
provides all day care during school breaks and school holidays for our after-school participants.

For more information please visit: [www.cohb.org/afterschool](http://www.cohb.org/afterschool)
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Visit cohb.org/agenda to download agenda and meeting details.

Watch live broadcast via cohb.org/HBTV

### Service Animals: Know Your Rights

Many people with disabilities use a service animal in order to participate in everyday life. The American with Disabilities Act (ADA) provisions rights for service animal owners. The ADA requires State and local government agencies, businesses and non-profit organizations that provide goods or services to the public to make “reasonable modifications” in their policies, practices, or procedures when necessary, to accommodate people with disabilities. We encourage you to visit the link below to find out more information about service animals and ADA: www.ada.gov/regs2010/service_animal_qa.html
HELPING OTHERS UP THE PERMIT LADDER

Shellie Ransom-Jackson came on board in early September 2017 as the City’s Building Official for the City of Hallandale Beach.

By eliminating redundancies and streamlining actions, she reduced the permitting backlog and improved daily operations. This enabled the administrative technical staff to focus on further efficiencies for improving customer service.

Through integration of contracted plans of examiners and inspectors, to supplement City staff, the Building Division significantly reduced the turnaround times of re-submittals, on-reviews, and new submittals pending review. Improvements to the Citizens Access Portal (CAP), electronic plan review, and electronic documents retention are on-going, and will serve to enhance customer service.

About Shellie...
Shellie was introduced to the construction industry by her mother at an early age. She began her first summer job for a General Contractor at only 14 years of age, and she has been a state licensed General Contractor since 1999. Shellie was hired as the first African-American Female Building Inspector for the Miami-Dade County Building Department in 2001. During this time Shellie gained experience on the regulatory side of construction, and obtained the Standard Inspector and Plans Examiner licenses.

Shellie returned to the private sector working for CAPRI Engineering as the Director of Private Provider Services and Regional Vice-President. In 2006, she was presented an opportunity to return to Miami-Dade County Building Code Compliance Division (BCCO) as the County’s Code Compliance Officer. While at BCCO, she obtained her Building Officials license and was promoted to Miami-Dade County’s Government Services Administration (GSA). Shellie served as the Renovation Services Manager where she was tasked with leading over 90 permanent and temporary tradesmen, construction managers, and clerical administrators.

Making History
In 2009, Shellie had the historic honor of being hired by the City of Miami Gardens as the first African-American female Building Official in the State of Florida. After 7 years with the City of Miami Gardens, she transitioned to work for the Seminole Tribe of Florida as their Building Official. Over the course of her professional career, she obtained a Bachelors of Business Administration in Project Management and a Masters of Public Administration.

Shellie Jackson looks forward to provide easy ways to interact with the Building division. Check out the latest guide that was developed by her staff for simplicity: cohb.org/buildingguide

The city is very fortunate to have Shellie serve our
THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF HALLANDALE BEACH will be offering a wide variety of athletic programs for the youth in our community and some spectacular special events to keep our residents coming back for more!

PAL ANTIQUE SHOW: Join us for this great event on Saturday, February 17 and Sunday, February 18, 2018. Over 35 vendors will be on site! $2 entrance fee ($1 off with this ad)!

YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION takes place from December 12 to January 26th, 2018 for all boys and girls ages 5 to 12 years of age and from December 12 to March 30th, 2018 for boys and girls ages 12-17. The season runs from February to June, 2018. Practices and home games will be held at our new gym located at OB Johnson Park.

YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD REGISTRATION takes place from January 2nd through March 23, 2018 for all boys and girls ages 5-18 years. Registration is $75 for Hallandale Beach residents and $100 for non-residents and includes a custom speed suit. Practices take place at Hallandale High School.

VISIT OUR BRAND NEW WEBSITE: www.hallandalebeachpal.com

CONTACT DETAILS
Police Athletic League of Hallandale Beach 410 SE 3rd Street, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009-6433

JONATHAN CARRILLO, PROGRAM COORDINATOR
TELEPHONE: (954)457-1466
E-MAIL: PALHB@COHB.ORG

BUSINESS & HOME ALARMS REGISTRATION

When someone installs an alarm security system, it is essential to register it with the City of Hallandale Beach. Below are the details of our City requirements:

• Hallandale Beach’s Alarm Ordinance requires that each alarm system (residential or business), be registered with the city.
• The cost for registration is $50 dollars for any residential, and $100 for business enterprise or commercial properties.
• The registration fee does not include renewal fees for each year your alarm system is in service. The renewal fee for a residential home is $20 per year, and $60 per year for a commercial property or business.
• There is a mandatory form which needs to be filled out. The form can be acquired online. Fill in the information and then mail it or submit it in person with the initial payment to the Finance Department.

For more information visit: cohb.org/burglaralarm

*Please note a fee is charged for having excessive false alarms raised from your location. The clients on the police list will receive a courtesy letter informing them about their alarms and any necessary information regarding their system.
Pay Beach Parking With Your Smart Phone
Easy App lets you add time remotely and requires no cash.

Download and use the new app called “WayToPark”, to facilitate beach parking payments.

- Once you download app, register a credit card and pay for parking with a simple click. Extend parking times from your phone. No need to come back to the car.
- Get notified when the Parking Meter time is due. No parking tickets and no hassle.

Download Mobile App, in the app store by: **Waytopark**

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**Town Hall Meeting**

**Hosted by Vice Mayor Keith London**

**Time & Location**
All meetings will take place at the Hallandale Beach Cultural Center, located directly behind City Hall.

Meetings will be from 6pm-8pm, unless otherwise noted.

**Meeting Dates**
- January 16, 2018
- February 22, 2018
- March 20, 2018
- April 17, 2018
- May 15, 2018
Recently, the Code Compliance Division along with the Police and Public Works Department, joined efforts to perform “Illegal Dump Sweeps” across the City. This initiative, led by Mr. Jose Campa, is geared towards informing and educating Hallandale Beach residents on trash removal services from the City. The Keeping #HBClean effort highlights tips on reporting illegal dump sites, which helps City staff address issues promptly and helps keep Hallandale Beach clean. City Staff visits quadrants of the community to knock on doors and hand out informational fliers.

The fliers show residents options on bulk trash cleanup, how to avoid illegal dumping and how to report it. Bulk trash pickup follows different procedures from normal household trash, and just needs a quick and easy call to the Sanitation Division for a request a for pick up.

The initiative started on August 17, 2017 in the Southwest Quadrant of the City. The next quadrant to have “illegal dumping sweeps” was the Northwest Quadrant, which took place on November 30, 2017. The remaining Northeast and Southeast areas will be scheduled between January and February of 2018. City staff looks forward to continue this progress and visit each section, at least once per year.

These tips were shared with residents on the flyer for reporting illegal dumping:

- Call the Hallandale Beach Police Department (954) 764 – 4357 and request a police report.
- Call the Sanitation Department (954) 457-1616 and give them the Police report number.
- The Sanitation Department will schedule to remove the dumped items at no charge.

Just one month after this community outreach, pickup calls to the Sanitation Department increased by over 800% compared to last year! Residents were enthusiastic about the house to house visits, and eager to share the information on how to properly dispose of bulk items, and help keep the city trash free.

For more information visit: cohb.org/keepHBClean

#HBHereForYou | www.cohb.org
Bluesten Park Breaks Ground on Renovations

The City of Hallandale Beach is going through exciting changes that will benefit the entire community. On Friday, October 6th, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the renovation of Peter Bluesten Park.

The renovated Peter Bluesten Park will be home to the new YMCA Hallandale Beach Family Center and Aquatic Facility. The park will feature baseball fields, a field house, a multi-purpose sports field, tennis courts, racquetball courts, basketball courts including a Bankshot court, picnic shelters, a walking trail, accessible playground, restrooms, and an amphitheater. The renewed Park will also be the home of the Police Athletic League (PAL) baseball program.

This renovation project is part of the General Obligation Bond parks (GO Hallandale Parks) master plan and is set to be completed in a period of 18-24 months. The cost of renovating the Peter Bluesten Park is projected to be $28 million.

“These features will ensure that sports teams in the City of Hallandale Beach will be able to train, and play on local grounds,” - said Cathie Schanz, Parks & Recreation Director

The amenities offered are unique due to its provisioning of an avenue for children who wish to pursue various careers in sports. Another exclusive feature is the community recreational center integrated into its design, which expands its horizons towards retreat activities. The future Peter Bluesten Park will be the City’s centric recreation & aquatics center for all City’s residents.

The City of Hallandale Beach has partnered with the YMCA of South Florida to provide a cost-efficient operation of the Peter Bluesten Park Recreation and Aquatics Center. Under this operating partnership, the YMCA will be responsible for all activity programming, daily operations, minor repairs and maintenance of the center and pool. The City’s Parks and Recreation Department will maintain amenities and features outside of the recreation and aquatics center. The YMCA partnership at the new Peter Bluesten Park gives a superb opportunity providing a valuable recreational resource for the residents of Hallandale Beach. The City estimates a yearly total operational cost savings of roughly two million dollars, through this collaboration.

PROJECT DETAILS

- Start Date: October 2017
- Duration: 18-24 Months
- Estimated Costs: $28M
- Funding Source: G.O. Bond Referendum approved by Residents in 2014

For Groundbreaking Ceremony pictures please visit: cohb.org/bluestengroundbreaking
The City of Hallandale Beach’s Afterschool Tutorial Enrichment Program (ASP) developed the ASP Smart Technology Club to serve as a learning program to enhance student achievement and learning options. This brand-new program promotes science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. Due to an increasing demand for computer science careers, an early technology-centric education may result in significant benefits for the community as a whole.

The ASP Smart Technology Club provides educational support, homework assistance, and enrichment activities to enrolled students at the Austin Hepburn Center. The goal of the club is to motivate and enable children to pursue valuable uses of technology by providing an engaging experience to learn computer science and technology concepts. Certified teachers provide technological resources and incorporate instructional information into the technology club. This organization also benefits the teachers by giving them an attentive and enthusiastic audience, and the opportunity to integrate technology in their programs. Students participate in fun, project-based, hands-on contextual learning activities designed to build a variety of academic skills and competencies.

This exciting new program was created with the help of the $100,000 grant received from Broward County.

ASP Technology Grant Features:

**Who may participate?**
Any students enrolled in the After Care program Children from Kindergarten to 8th grade from 5 to 13 years old.

**How does this program help the community?**
Children from the community are able to gain hands-on practice with technology they otherwise may not have the chance to experience.

**Who may the city contact should they want more information?**
Youth Services Supervisor Paula Coley (pcoley@cohb.org) or the Director of Human Services Beverly Sanders-Mayweather (bsanders@cohb.org) at (954) 457-2994

**How does this program help STEM-based learning?**
Students are able to utilize toolkits that stimulate learning abilities such as basic coding, digital photography, 3-dimensional printing, and computer module assembly.
Hallandale Beach Fire Rescue Chief was deployed to work in the town of Manati Puerto Rico to support efforts of the Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT). During this effort, Chief Ellis served as the deputy commander of a group of approximately 37 physicians, nurses, paramedics and respiratory specialists.

“It was awe inspiring. All that they had gone through, they would want to stop and make you lunch or whatever they had. The shelters were empty. A resilient population,” he said. According to Ellis, lack of medications, infections garnered from contaminated stagnant water, and dead animal carcasses contributed to many illnesses. In two days the patient count was nearly 7,000.

ELLIS MENTIONED that there were a handful of paramedics from Davie, Broward, and Coral Springs fire rescue stations that also participated in the medical assistance.

When asked why he did it, Ellis’ response was simply, “I think some people are born to want to help people, and I am one of those people.”
LIVING THE DREAM
HONORING OUR HUMANITARIANS

MARGUERITE BRYANT
2018 recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award

COHB takes great pride in honoring individuals that enrich the fabric of our community. Citizens who have promoted unity and harmony are recognized by the presentation of the MLK Humanitarian Award. This year we would like to honor Marguerite Bryant for her philanthropic work in the Hallandale Beach Community. For more than 64 years Ms. Bryant has served in our community, lending a helping hand to anyone in need.

Ms. Bryant volunteers her time by giving out food, taking seniors to the doctor, providing arts and crafts activities for the Senior Mini-Center, and helping residents find housing and support. Ms. Bryant has been a generous help to the community, Senior Mini-Center, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and the Ebenezer Food Bank. When Ms. Bryant isn’t volunteering she occupies her time by writing. Her passion for writing is exhibited in her numerous books and poems which she has had the opportunity to publish.

Annually, the Human Services Department accepts applications for this prestigious award. Nominees are reviewed by the Human Services Advisory Board and award recipients are recommended for City Commission approval. After reviewing the applications, the Human Services Advisory Board nominated Marguerite Bryant as the 2018 recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award. The City Commission approved the nomination in the December 6 meeting. On the January 10, Ms. Bryant will be recognized at the City Commission Meeting for her humanitarian efforts and serving in the Hallandale Beach Community for more than 64 years.

Ms. Bryant sets an example for all of us to follow and shows us that we can all be an active part of our community. If you too would like to make a difference, visit the Austin Hepburn Center or call (954)457-1460 for upcoming volunteer opportunities in the Hallandale Beach Community.

“MOST VALUABLE PERSON IN THE CENTER”
Ruby Jaramillo describes Ms. Bryant

Follow Hallandale Human Services at:

Facebook: @HBHumanServices
PROGRESS IN THE NORTHWEST

Each quarter, we will be featuring a section of the Hallandale Beach Community. For this edition, we feature our Northwest Quadrant. Here you will find many exciting historical venues, recreational programs and community development projects.

It is important to note the cultural richness that exists in the community. We took a moment to speak to a longtime resident, Mr. Hubbert Jackson as he recounts the legacies of the Northwest section. For instance, did you know that St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, Ebenezer Baptist Church and Greater Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church are local worship establishments that are over 100 years old? “These are places of learning and learning about what is right. They have been instrumental and very helpful in helping the people of Hallandale understand things and treat others peacefully,” Jackson mentions.

In additional to local heritage sites, there are 3 major parks that are home to various recreational programs for the community. OB Johnson Park, B.F. James Park and Foster Park offer enriching activities such as swimming, indoor/outdoor basketball, technology computer labs and a Teen Zone with a music studio for young aspiring artists. Mr. Jackson says that “if you visit any of these parks, whatever you are looking for, you are going to find it. It’s there. You will be met by competent and very, very helpful staff members.”

The recent Foster Park Plaza, with decorative walkways, bio swales and a decorative heritage wall, was inaugurated on December 16, 2017. Located across from Foster Park, the new Plaza adds to the vibrant beauty of the Northwest community. The inauguration of the Plaza was followed by a Community Unity Event called Hope for the Holidays.

Jazmin Alicea, Recreational Leader for Foster Park and Hallandale Beach resident, describes Hallandale Beach as a City with “lots of opportunities to move up.” Alicea has been working for the City for 10 years now and has gotten to “know many of the members of the community from ages 5 to 65.”

The Hallandale Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (HBCRA) also played a role in bringing new housing options for this section of Hallandale Beach. Through the HBCRA’s Infill Housing Project over 15 affordable housing units were constructed. The HBCRA allocated $1,872,520 for the design and construction of these housing units.

One additional project that is in the final phases of construction is the new Fire Rescue Headquarters located on 111 Foster Road. Fire Chief Mark Ellis states that he is “extremely excited for the new headquarters to be in NW section of town and to have a wonderful facility to work from.”

We also had a chance to interview Mr. Paulemond Mompremier, who has worked for the City of Hallandale Beach for 20 years, is the President of the General Employees AFSCME union and also a Hallandale Beach resident. We asked him about his thoughts of progress in the Northwest and he responded that “since he started in 1998 until now, the City has been very, very progressive.”

“These are things that are helping build our Northwest Section of the City,” concludes Jackson. We invite you to visit and explore this wonderful and culturally rich community. Please follow our social media pages and sign up at cohb.org/signup to be informed of upcoming events in this and other communities of Hallandale Beach.
CRA PRIMER

In an Interview with the Assistant City Manager, Dr. Jeremy Earle, we got to know more about the Hallandale Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (HBCRA) and how it is benefiting our community. The Florida Statute that allowed this program to be created enables government to be more responsive, more agile, and just as accountable to improve areas of the City. Dr. Earle says that “It’s an exciting time to be a part of the Hallandale Beach CRA. With great staff and great leadership, you will see exciting new projects coming up in the next few years.”

HBCRA PROGRAMS FOR BUSINESS OR RESIDENTIAL

In 2018, the HBCRA plans to continue improving programs, and day to day operations for residents and businesses to receive the best resources available. The HBCRA looks forward to facilitating easy access to incentives for local businesses to grow. The HBCRA program’s major focus is to oversee the elimination of slum and blight.

The HBCRA takes action on strategies that cover matters such as environmental conditions, development, street scape projects, local business programs, and transit concerns. The HBCRA is working on updating the operational plan in order to recommend objectives that will need to be reviewed and approved later by the City Commission and the CRA board. The HBCRA wants as much community involvement as possible to help get the plan updated and add value over the next nine years. The HBCRA was originally created in 1996 with funding for neighborhood improvement programs, hurricane mitigation, business incentives, grants and loans. These have all been used successfully and the city is preparing for more growth by working with developers to plan more workforce housing, mixed use projects, offices and retail shops.

There are several programs available and the City has at least nine unsolicited projects with private developers currently in the works. Here are some of the programs available:

- Neighborhood improvement.
- First time home-buyer assistance with up to a $50,000 loan forgiveness.
- Business programs including a $200,000 incentive loan.
- Improvement grant programs.
- Facade program to help redesign awnings and windows with a 60/40 incentive.

The HBCRA plan allows the City to provide something for everyone: from affordable housing projects to the City Center project, grocery stores, residential, and mixed use projects.

Want to learn more?
For more information regarding the HBCRA’s programs and services please visit: cohbcra.org or contact the CRA Office at 954-457-2228.

Follow the HBCRA facebook page: Facebook.com/HallandaleBeachCRA

When applying for a program, there are no statutory deadlines or requirements that must be met.
Storm Drain Awareness
Public Health Announcement

Tossing grass clippings into storm drains can be a potential hazard to the environment, and there is a difference between storm drains and sewers more people need to be aware of. While sewers convey sewage that originates from toilets and other household fixtures, storm drains use a completely different pipe framework and are intended to carry rainwater spillover through various channels into natural bodies of water. Since this water isn’t filtered or treated before flowing into rivers and bays, we all need to be mindful not to throw anything into the storm drain openings on the street.

For more information contact 954-457-1600

Minimize Flood Impact

If your property is in or near an area subject to flooding, the following information should be of interest to you. We’re providing this information to help you protect your property from flooding.

1. The areas around the canals in Hallandale Beach are susceptible to flooding. Even if your property is no longer in the designated Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), your property may be subject to flooding. FEMA encourages policyholders to maintain and keep current flood insurance policies.

2. To protect your property from flood damage, consider re-grading your lot or building a small flood wall. Call our building Department for advice on flood-proofing projects (954) 457-1386 or email eleonhardt@cohb.org.

3. Do not attempt to walk or drive through flooded areas.

4. Get a permit from the City’s Building Department before you start to build or make any type of protective structures. For permit information, please go to cohb.org/permitsearch.

5. It is a violation of City Ordinance (Sec. 13-105) to dump debris of any kind, including grass clippings, into canals or storm-drains.

Please report any violations to the Code Compliance Division (954) 457-1390 or via myHB app.

GARBAGE SERVICES

Bulk Pickup / On Demand

Single-family homes and apartments of 4 units or less are allowed to schedule one yard waste and one bulk-trash collection each quarter. Multi-family dwellings are entitled to 4 pick-ups of yard waste (of up to 6 cubic yards each pick-up) annually. For more information or to schedule a collection, please call (954) 457-1616.

(1st Quarter) January - March
(2nd Quarter) April - June
(3rd Quarter) July - September
(4th Quarter) October - December

Bulk trash includes furniture, appliances, mattresses and cardboard boxes. No garbage, glass, construction debris, fence material, tires, batteries, paints, oil, liquid, or hazardous waste. Yard waste includes tree limbs, leaves, grass clippings, and trunks less than 6 inches in diameter. No trash, treated wood, or construction debris.

For more information regarding garbage services, please visit cohb.org/bulkpickup

Regular Pickup Schedule

Recycling

Hallandale Beach residents are reminded that recycling is an easy and vital way to help preserve our future and protect our environment. Hallandale Beach makes it possible for residents to join the recycling program with little or no effort. Residents may place all acceptable recyclable materials in their blue recycling container that is provided by the City. The recycling container will be picked up once a week on the same day as regular garbage collection. There is a $2.00 fee for each recycling container that is automatically charged in your monthly water bill. For more information, please visit cohb.org/recycling.
**Sustainability Matters!**

**Sustainability Action Plan Update**
The City is well on its way to completing its Sustainability Action Plan! The month of November was especially busy, as the City hosted two Community Workshops and two Staff Collaborative Workshops to gather input and ideas from our residents and staff. We plan on having a draft version of the Sustainability Action Plan by the end of January or early February. The final plan is anticipated to be completed by mid March. Once the Plan is completed it will be presented to the City Commission for adoption. We encourage interested residents and businesses to attend this Commission Meeting for more information.

**Community Workshops**
**– DIY Zero Waste**
**Workshop Success**
The City partnered with the City of Hollywood to offer residents from both cities the opportunity to learn and discuss how to reduce the amount of waste materials that they produce in their daily lives. Sample products, such as homemade veggie broth, green tea, and sugar face scrub, and dryer bags (instead of disposable dryer sheets) were on display. Recipes for these items and many more were made available to attendees. If you missed this workshop and are interested in viewing the presentation and trying some of these products for yourself please visit our Green Initiatives website!
[cohb.org/green](http://cohb.org/green)

**WATER AND ENERGY CONSERVATION DEVICES**
It’s a new year and the City has restocked its free energy and water conservation devices! Call or email Sue Fassler at 954-457-1617 or sfassler@cohb.org to set up a time to pick up your free LED light bulbs, smart power strips, hose nozzles and shower heads. Don’t forget, the City partners with Broward County to offer its residents and businesses toilet rebates of up to $100 each to replace their old (pre-1994) high water use toilets with water conserving models. Visit conservationpays.com for more information and to get pre-approved for a rebates.

**STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES**
Updates will be posted on the City’s Green Initiatives website [cohb.org/green](http://cohb.org/green). We will also post updates or social media using #HBGreen.
In a recent bike ride led by the Hallandale Police Department’s Chief of Police, the Police Department’s Community Involvement unit engaged in conversation with residents and businesses. The Chief of Police and her staff rode throughout the Southwest area of the City to personally members of the community. Their goal is to enhance public safety as well as improve public trust. Connecting with the community is one of the primary missions, and they covered a lot of ground on the ride. One of the greatest opportunities they had during this ride took place at Gulfstream Academy where they met with the young students who brightened their day with smiles. Many businesses were surprised to receive a visit and took advantage of speaking with the Chief. The feedback about our officers and our City were positive and encouraging. In addition to the Road Patrol Division, which performs random bike patrols throughout their shifts, the team will visit every area of our great City by performing quarterly bike patrols, The Police Department continues to stress to all residents. “if you see something, say something”, and report suspicious activities.

Adding to traditional policing strategies, the Neighborhood Enhancement Team is targeting “hot spots” identified through crime analysis as high crime areas or areas of concern. The Detective Bureau is also collaborating with other Local, State and Federal agencies to gather intelligence, share information and successfully investigate criminal activities.

For Police Biking Video visit: cohb.org/policebiking

Through this initiative and many others HBPD looks forward to protecting the community and being available. HBPD had the pleasure to meet with the following businesses during their time on the roads: Liberty Tax, Costamar Travel, Law Offices of Robert J. Fenstersheib & Assoc., Wing Stop, Express Dry Cleaners, Delicarnes & More, Nelly’s Hair Salon, Site 4 Sight Optical, Rose’s Nails, Derma Laser Center, Marcos Pizza, Mercedes Services Center, Brake Kingdom, Unique 4 You, Hallandale Smoke Shop, Xtreme Cellphones and Computers, Massage and Unwind, Vchic Boutique, Sugar Nails Spa, T-Mobile, Gentlemen’s Hair Cut, and Zaatar Shawarma Falafel Station.
TRAFFIC BOLLARDS REMOVAL ON HB BOULEVARD

The Florida Department of Transportation recently removed the traffic bollards that were located on the east bound lanes, approaching Dixie Highway. This was done to improving traffic conditions during peak hours. It is important to note, that when traveling east bound on HB Boulevard, no left turns (north bound turns) are allowed onto NE 1st Avenue after crossing Dixie Highway. Instead, drivers are encouraged to make a right, right, right: that is right at SE 2nd Avenue, right again at SE 1st Street and one more right aft SE 1st to travel north bound from East Hallandale Beach Boulevard.

SOUTHWEST QUADRANT DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

Construction is slated to begin in the summer of 2018. We recently spoke to Mariana Pitiriciu, the Project Manager and City Engineer, about what to expect. She states that there will be heavy construction for the installation of drainage force mains, injections wells and pump stations. In return, this will significantly reduce the number of house floods from major storm events and reduce the duration of street flooding conditions.

NE 14 AVENUE ROADWAY & STREET-SCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

Already underway, this project is expected to be completed by April, 2018. Improvements will further enhance the corridor between Atlantic Shores Blvd., and Hallandale Beach Blvd by providing a visually appealing roadway which improves the neighborhood’s image, quality of life, and increase property values. Roadway milling and resurfacing will be performed along the entire length of the project.

In addition to the roadway improvements, landscaping and irrigation enhancements will be placed within the swale areas on the west side; and at the curbed planter areas on the east side of the Avenue. Additional landscaping to screen the two existing pump stations will be installed and two bus shelters will be added along the west side of the roadway. Resting areas with benches will be provided. Traffic calming features include a mid-block crosswalk, new pavement marking, including bike lanes on both sides of the street.

For more information on construction projects, email engineering@hallandalebeachfl.gov or visit cohb.org/construction
Green Happenings

The City of Hallandale Beach is committed to progress, innovation and opportunity to preserve resources by providing e-copies. The City will be publishing an electronic copy of the Hallandale Happenings quarterly for its residents to view. The online version will be more media friendly with links to videos, photos, and other interactive elements.

Subscribe for the electronic newsletter by visiting cohb.org/HallandaleHappenings and clicking “Keep Me In the Happenings”