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Lee County operations adjust schedules for the holidays

Fort Myers, FL, Dec. 10, 2024 – Most Lee County administrative operations will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday, as well as on Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, for the New Year's holiday.

The holiday schedule adjustments:

Solid Waste

- Collections of garbage, recycling and yard waste will continue as normal on Tuesday, Dec. 24. There will be no collections on Wednesday, Dec. 25, and collections will continue with typical Wednesday collections happening on Thursday, typical Thursday collections on Friday and so on through Saturday, Dec. 28.
- Solid Waste offices will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25.
- The Resource Recovery Facility in Buckingham and the Lee-Hendry Landfill will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 25, but open regular hours on Tuesday, Dec. 24.
- The Labelle and Clewiston transfer stations will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 25.
- Collections of garbage, recycling and yard waste will continue as normal on Tuesday, Dec. 31. There will be no collections on Wednesday, Jan. 1, and collections will continue with typical Wednesday collections happening on Thursday, typical Thursday collections on Friday and so on through Saturday, Jan. 4.
- Solid Waste offices will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1.
- The Resource Recovery Facility in Buckingham and the Lee-Hendry Landfill will be closed on Wednesday, Jan. 1, but open regular hours on Tuesday, Dec. 31.
- The Labelle and Clewiston transfer stations will be closed on Jan. 1.

Christmas trees that have had the stand, lights and decorations removed, including tinsel, can be set out with regular yard waste to be ground into mulch. As a reminder, plastic toys, ribbons, bows, metallic and plastic wrapping paper and batteries should not be placed in recycle carts. Batteries should be brought to Lee County's Household Chemical Waste Facility located at 6441 Topaz Court, Fort Myers. For a more detailed list of where items should go visit www.leegov.com/solidwaste/recycle-coach

Community Development

- All Lee County Community Development lobbies and phones will be closed Friday, Dec. 20. Staff will continue working during this time to address applications and departmental workload.
- Lobbies and phones will be closed Monday, Dec. 23, with the exception of Inspections Administration. Staff will continue working during this time to address applications and departmental workload.
- Offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, for the holiday.

- Lobbies and phones will be closed Monday, Dec. 30, with the exception of Inspections Administration. Staff will continue working during this time to address applications and departmental workload.
- Offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, for the holiday.
- The electronic permitting portal will remain open during the closures. Visit www.leegov.com/dcd.

Utilities

- The Call Center and the drive-thru window at 7391 College Parkway are closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, Wednesday, Dec. 25, Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1.
- A drop-box is on-site at the front door and another accessible via the drive-thru for payments by check.

LeeTran

- LeeTran will operate its regularly scheduled bus service on Tuesday, Dec. 24. There will be no bus service on Wednesday, Dec. 25. Bus service will resume on Thursday, Dec. 26. Visit rideleetrans.com for specific route information.
- Visit rideleetrans.com or www.facebook.com/LeeTranFL/ for information on services on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Parks & Recreation

- Beaches, boat ramps, parks and preserves will remain open Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25.
- The administration office will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25. Normal hours resume Thursday, Dec. 26.
- Pools are closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25., resuming normal operating hours Thursday, Dec. 26.
- Beaches, boat ramps, parks and preserves will be open Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1.
- The administration office will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, resuming normal operating hours Thursday, Jan. 2.
- Pools are closed Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, resuming normal operating hours Thursday, Jan. 2.
- The county's four recreation centers – North Fort Myers, Veterans, Wa-Ke Hatchee and Estero – will be closed through the holidays due to scheduled annual maintenance. They will be closed from Saturday, Dec. 21, through Sunday, Jan. 5. For alternative parks sites, visit www.leeparks.org. The centers will re-open Monday, Jan. 6.

Library System

- All branches will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25. Normal hours of operation resume Thursday, Dec. 26.
- All branches will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1. Normal hours of operation resume Thursday, Jan. 2.
- The Captiva Memorial Library, 11560 Chapin Lane, Captiva, and The Johann Fust Community Library, 1040 West 10th St., Boca Grande, remain closed due to Hurricane Milton impacts.

- The library always is available online at www.leelibrary.net/online.

Lee County Domestic Animal Services

- Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, the Lost & Found Pet Center and the Pet Adoption Center will be closed. Normal hours resume Thursday, Dec. 26, at 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers.
- Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, the Lost & Found Pet Center and the Pet Adoption Center will be closed. Normal hours resume Thursday, Jan. 2.
- Visit www.LeeLostPets.com for more information.

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