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Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

Spring 2025



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Phone Numbers

City Hall.....	954-390-2100	Risk Management.....	954-390-2126
City Clerk.....	954-390-2123	Leisure Services	
Mayor and City Commission.....	954-390-2123	Library.....	954-390-2195
City Manager.....	954-390-2120	Parks Division.....	954-390-2115
Community Development.....	954-390-2180	Recreation Division.....	954-390-2130
Finance Department.....	954-390-2141	Police Department	
Utilities Billing.....	954-390-2145	Administration.....	954-390-2150
Fire/EMS Administration.....	954-390-2110	Code Enforcement.....	954-390-2151
Fire Rescue*.....	954-764-4357	Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	954-764-4357
(*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)		Police/Fire/EMS Emergency.....	911
Human Resources.....	954-390-2125	Utilities/Emergency Management.....	954-390-2190



CALENDAR

Highlights

Regular Commission Meetings:
City Commission Chambers, 7pm:
 Tuesday, March 11 & 25
 Tuesday, April 8 & 22
 Tuesday, May 13 & 27

City offices closed:
 Memorial Day, Monday May 26

The fiscal year 2025/2026 Budget cycle begins with the FY25/26 Goals & Objectives Workshop on Tuesday, March 11 at 6p.m. in the Commission Chambers. Additional Budget meetings continue June, July, August, & September. Find the latest meeting info at www.wiltonmanors.com and the latest budget data at: www.wiltonmanors.com/144/Budget

Wilton Manors City Officials

Mayor Scott Newton Vice Mayor Chris Caputo
 Commissioner Mike Bracchi Commissioner Don D’Arminio
 Commissioner Paul Rolli City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson
 City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

City Commission and Board Meeting Dates

City Commission and City Board/Committee meetings are being held in-person. Please visit www.wiltonmanors.com for the most up-to-date meeting information.

CAAB 7p.m.	Fire/Reg Pension 4:30/5:30p.m.	P&Z 7p.m.	Rec. Adv. 6p.m.	Library Advisory 6p.m.	WDID 5p.m.	Finance Advisory 6:30p.m.
Wed 5-Mar	Tues 4-Mar	Mon 10-Mar	Wed 16-Apr	Mon 21-Apr	Wed 9-July	Budget Review
Wed 2-Apr	Meets	Mon 7-Apr	Wed 18-Jun	Meets	Meets	Quarterly Meeting:
Wed 7-May	Quarterly	Mon 12-May	Every 2 Months	Quarterly	Quarterly	Mon 5-May

The City Commission typically meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Check the city’s website for details on all city meetings.

SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

NORTH/WEST regular garbage pickup days are **Monday & Thursday**, and your bulk trash days are: **Monday, March 17, April 21, and May 19**

SOUTH/EAST regular garbage pickup days are **Tuesday & Friday**, your bulk trash days are: **Tuesday, March 18, April 22, and May 20**

ALL recycling will be collected on your regular pickup day Monday or Tuesday of each week.

Condominium bulk pickup (quarterly): **March 22.**

There is no pick-up on Christmas Day (Thursday, December 25, 2025).

Next Shredding Event: Saturday, August 23 9-11a.m.—City Hall Parking Lot

Call 954-947-4445 10 days in advance to schedule household hazardous waste pickup.



PLEASE NOTE: Bulk pick-up is THE WEEK OF THE THIRD MONDAY each month.

Garbage & recycling are collected year-round, with the exception of Christmas Day.

WATERING SCHEDULE

Residents and businesses are limited to a two-day-per-week landscape irrigation schedule with two “watering windows.” NO lawn watering is allowed between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. any day of the week. Code Compliance is issuing citations for violations of the water usage schedule.

ODD street addresses:	Wednesdays & Saturdays	12:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and/or 4:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.
EVEN street addresses:	Thursdays & Sundays	12:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and/or 4:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.

For additional information on irrigation restrictions or water conservation, call the South Florida Water Management District’s toll-free **Water Conservation Hotline at 866-433-6312** or visit www.sfwmd.gov.

Message from Mayor Scott Newton—Spring Greetings



As your Mayor, I am excited to share with you some wonderful events and developments happening in our community.

The new pickleball courts at Hagen Park are now open, and we proudly hosted the Inaugural Pickleball Tournament on February 2, 2025, presented by The G Girls of South Florida. The new courts are an exciting addition to the city, offering a fresh and vibrant space for both beginners and seasoned players to enjoy the growing sport. As we continue to invest in our parks and recreational facilities, I encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities to engage with your neighbors and stay active. Thanks to all participants and congratulations to the winners! It was great to see so many of you join us and I am looking forward to seeing you out there again soon.

After welcoming a new tradition to the City, we now look forward to the return of a long standing one. Join us for the 32nd Annual Island City Canoe Race on Saturday, May 17, 2025. This relay race on the Middle River begins at Colohatchee Boat Ramp, with exchange points throughout, and ends at Richardson Historic Park. After the race, we will celebrate the city's birthday with a picnic, DJ, and the presentation of trophies to the winners. For more information, please visit <https://wiltonmanors.gov/494/Island-City-Canoe-Race>.

Island City University (ICU) is returning! Beginning July 7, 2025, this seven-week program is perfect for those interested in volunteering or public service. Participants will learn about the city's government, public safety, parks, infrastructure, and more. By participating, residents can better understand how our city operates, connect with local leaders, and discover ways they can make a difference. If you want to get more involved in local projects or explore opportunities in public service, ICU is a fantastic place to start. Space is limited so please register now by visiting <https://wiltonmanors.gov/FormCenter/Island-City-University-Application-21/Island-City-University-Application-102>.

Lastly, as we enter the final year of our five-year strategic plan, we are focused on prioritizing key initiatives that will make the most impact with the resources available. We are carefully evaluating each project to ensure it aligns with the long-term goals of our community, aiming to deliver tangible improvements in areas that matter most to you. This final year will see the completion of several key projects and set the stage for future growth, ensuring we continue to thrive in the years ahead. As we look towards the future, please be sure to complete the Resident Satisfaction Survey to provide your input by visiting <https://wiltonmanors.us.engagementhq.com/residentsatisfactionsurvey>.

Thank you for your continued support and for being an integral part of what makes *Life Just Better Here* in Wilton Manors. Please reach out any time at 954-390-2123 or snewton@wiltonmanors.com.

Vice Mayor Chris Caputo—Get Involved in Wilton Manors-Join a City Board!



Spring is always an exciting time in Wilton Manors, and it's also a great opportunity to get more involved in shaping our community. One of the best ways to do that is by joining a city board. Our boards reflect the same diversity that makes our Island City so special, and we need passionate voices like yours to help guide important decisions.

Serving on a city board isn't just about attending meetings—it's about making a real impact. Whether your interests lie in city planning and development (Planning & Zoning Board), finance and budgeting (Financial Advisory Board), parks and events (Parks & Recreation Advisory Board), library services (Library Advisory Board), pensions and investments (Pension Boards), or general community affairs (Community Affairs Advisory Board), there's a board that aligns with your skills and passions.

Upcoming Board Openings:

- Planning & Zoning Board – 4 seats (Apply by March 24, Appointments on April 22)
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board – 4 seats (Apply by May 19, Appointments on June 24)
- Community Affairs Advisory Board – 4 seats (Apply by July 28, Appointments on August 26)
- Library Advisory Board – 3 seats (Apply by August 25, Appointments on September 9)
- Pension Board – 1 seat (Apply by August 25, Appointment on September 9)
- Wilton Drive Improvement District Board – Openings TBD (Must be a Wilton Drive property or business owner)

Most boards require city residency, so if you call Wilton Manors home, this is your opportunity to contribute and make a difference.

For more details and applications, visit the City Boards & Committees homepage at:

<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/221/Boards-Committees>.

If you have any questions or want to discuss where you might be the best fit, feel free to reach out to me at ccaputo@wiltonmanors.com. I'd love to help you find the perfect way to get involved.

Commissioner Mike Bracchi-Wilton Manors: A Place of Pride and Progress



As we step into Spring, we are reminded of the unique and vibrant tapestry that makes Wilton Manors one of the most cherished communities in the nation. Our city is a sanctuary of acceptance, pride, and resilience, powered by a thriving LGBTQ+ population and the businesses that celebrate and sustain our way of life. From the iconic gay bars lining Wilton Drive to the locally owned restaurants and shops, we have built something truly special here—a place where love, identity, and individuality are embraced.

Yet, as political tensions continue to rise and legislation increasingly targets LGBTQ+ rights, we are also reminded that our unity as a community is more critical now than ever. The headlines may be troubling, and it is easy to feel overwhelmed, but let us not forget the power we hold when we come together to support one another.

Our local businesses are not just establishments, they are the heart and soul of Wilton Manors. They serve as gathering spaces, cultural hubs, and places where relationships are built and strengthened. They have stood by us in moments of celebration and hardship alike, creating spaces where we can express ourselves freely. Now, it is our turn to stand by them.

I encourage all of us to make a conscious effort to support our local gay bars, restaurants, and shops. Whether it's grabbing dinner on the Drive, attending community events, or simply spreading the word about a business you love, every action matters. This isn't just about economics, it's about preserving the identity and spirit of Wilton Manors.

And we can't do this alone. This is the time to ask our straight allies for their support. Allies have always played a vital role in advancing LGBTQ+ rights and creating safe spaces for our community, and their presence and patronage are more important than ever. Whether it's dining at our restaurants, sharing our businesses on social media, or standing shoulder-to-shoulder with us at community events, straight allies help amplify our voices and demonstrate that equality is not just an LGBTQ+ issue—it's a human issue.

Beyond supporting our businesses, we must also foster connections with each other and with our allies. Attend a community forum, join a civic group, or volunteer for one of the many organizations that work tirelessly to protect and uplift LGBTQ+ individuals. Together, with the support of our allies, we can ensure that Wilton Manors remains a beacon of inclusivity and progress, regardless of the challenges we face.

As your city commissioner, I am committed to safeguarding the values that make Wilton Manors extraordinary. However, leadership isn't just about those in elected office—it's about each of us taking an active role in strengthening our community.

This is our moment to stand strong, to lift each other up, and to show the world that Wilton Manors is not just a place—it's a family. Together, with pride in our hearts, determination in our actions, and the unwavering support of our allies, we will ensure that our community thrives for generations to come.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to making Wilton Manors a place where "*Life's Just Better Here.*" I am honored and humbled to serve and represent you, and together, we can make Wilton Manors an even better place to call home. Please contact me anytime with ideas, questions, suggestions, or concerns at mbracchi@wiltonmanors.com. I want to hear from **YOU!** I appreciate everyone's feedback and I am listening intently to all of your comments. Our residents are why "*Life's Just Better Here.*" Please know that I am listening and care about our community just as much as you!



ISLAND CITY UNIVERSITY

Applications are now being accepted for 2025 Island City University! Island City University (ICU) provides a strong base for civic-minded residents, potential volunteers, and residents interested in public service. This seven-week program offers an informative behind the scenes view into the operations of the City of Wilton Manors. Classes are held on Monday evenings, starting on July 7, 2025, and continue through August 11, 2025. Each session will include dinner served at 6p.m., followed by class from 6:15-8p.m. The program will conclude with a graduation held at the Commission Meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2025. ICU is a unique opportunity to connect with community leaders and gain valuable insight into the workings of the City of Wilton Manors. Applications are being accepted through May 30, 2025. Apply online via the online application link at <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/401/Island-City-University>.

For additional information or if you have any questions, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 954-390-2123.

Commissioner Don D'Arminio—Investing in Wilton Manors' Infrastructure



As your City Commissioner, I am committed to keeping our community informed about the important infrastructure improvements happening in Wilton Manors. The city continues to make progress in implementing its comprehensive water, wastewater, and stormwater master plan. With several projects already completed, more currently underway, and additional improvements planned with the help of federal assistance, we are building a stronger, more resilient city for the future.

Over the past few months, we have successfully completed key projects, including the installation of new drainage infrastructure on NW 22 St and NW 2 Avenue. Additionally, we finished a \$2 million force-main installation, creating a shorter and more efficient path for delivering the city's wastewater to the City of Fort Lauderdale's treatment facility. These projects are critical to improving our city's sustainability and efficiency.

Currently, we are working on preventing inflow and infiltration in our sewer system by lining sewer pipes. A significant portion of this project has already been completed, but additional work is necessary to ensure our system remains in top condition. By reducing leaks and improving efficiency, we can extend the life of our infrastructure, reduce future overflows, and prepare the city to accommodate future development that is the key to Wilton Manors' future sustainability.

Looking ahead, the city is actively seeking federal assistance through the EPA's loan investment program, which offers low-cost loans to municipalities for infrastructure upgrades. I recently met with State Representative Daryl Campbell who is committed to assisting Wilton Manors obtain a state appropriation for infrastructure funding. Securing this funding will allow us to continue implementing critical water, wastewater, and stormwater improvements that will benefit our community for years to come.

As always, I encourage residents to stay engaged and informed about these and other city initiatives. Together, we can ensure that Wilton Manors remains a safe, sustainable, and thriving community.

Thank you for your support as we work towards a brighter future for our city!

The Friends of Wilton Manors Parks



The Friends of Wilton Manors Parks is a 501(c)(3) registered community based, volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the resources of our parks, recreation, and the preservation of green spaces.

Core Values Include:

Community Building. We believe that we are stronger together, and that community building occurs when people have access to parks, recreation, and common areas.

Stewardship. We are committed to preserving the staples of a vibrant and thriving community through green spaces. We are collectively responsible for insuring a clean and healthy environment.

Health and Wellness. We support any and all opportunities for people to be active and healthy.

Inclusion. We believe that free parks, education, and libraries are the great equalizers in our society. No matter what circumstances you are born into, these resources are available for you.

Current Friends projects include a plant enclosure for the utility structure at Rachel Richardson Park, installation of a little library at the Colohatchee Boat Ramp, and "Friends" banners in the city parks. Stay tuned for the solar lighting project at Rachel Richardson Park and the creation of our website!

Follow the Friends of Wilton Manors Parks on their Facebook page (to see their progress and upcoming meetings) at:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090086893649>

or email them at: friendsofwiltonmanorsparks@gmail.com.

QR Code to access Friends of Wilton Manors Parks Facebook page:



Commissioner Paul Rolli—A Bright Future for Wilton Manors



As we welcome the Spring season, I am very optimistic about the exciting future of Wilton Manors. One exciting change is the transformation of Hagen Park with the completion of brand-new pickleball courts and a state-of-the-art children's playground currently under construction.

We are also making significant investments in our city's infrastructure. Upgrades to our water, sewer, and stormwater systems will improve resilience and sustainability, ensuring we can weather any storm. These vital improvements will also maintain the high-quality services that our residents deserve.

The long-awaited artistic wayfinding signage project is now underway. This project will improve navigation throughout the city and also add a unique aesthetic, welcoming aspect to Wilton Manors.

Looking ahead, the City Commission has outlined a strategic roadmap for the year, focusing on safety, prosperity, and enhancing livability for all. By streamlining the budget and allocating resources wisely, we are continuing to build on our past successes while addressing the needs of our community.

Advocating for our city's needs remains a priority, and I recently met with our State Representative and Senator to push for additional funding for safety and infrastructure improvements. I also represented Wilton Manors at several meetings, including the Broward League of Cities Board Meeting, General Membership Meeting, and the Fort Lauderdale Forum. Discussions on commuter trains were held at the Forum, though no decisions were made. In March, I'll attend Broward Days in Tallahassee, where we'll have more opportunities to connect with state leaders. These forums help to increase the visibility of Wilton Manors beyond our borders. They also provide meaningful opportunities to network and connect with other local, county, and state leaders. While we are the Island City, we cannot be an island in the larger governments.

We're also seeing major progress in road improvements, with millions of dollars secured from Broward County's surtax program. A remarkable \$20 million investment is being made in the revitalization of Andrews Avenue, with public meetings planned soon to gather residents' input.

We look forward to a new 50-unit townhouse development on the old "church property" on the east side, with units for sale. Development of the planned hotel on Dixie Hwy is expected to begin in 2026. The Shoppes Property (Alibi shopping center) was sold to Stiles Co. by Grass River, who received approval to build over 200 rental units. As of this writing it is not clear what Stiles plans to do with this property, but early indications are they are not moving forward with the approved high rise.

I am excited about the year ahead and am grateful to serve such a dynamic and forward-looking community, and I encourage you to stay engaged by attending public meetings and sharing your thoughts. Together, we'll continue shaping a bright future for Wilton Manors!

For any questions or concerns, please contact me at (954) 652-6648 or prolli@wiltonmanors.com. I am always available for a conversation.

At-Your Door Household Hazardous Waste Pick-Up



Residents in single family homes can contact Coastal Waste & Recycling to schedule pickup of household hazardous waste by phone at 954-947-4445 or by email at wiltonmanors@coastalwasteinc.com.

Please visit: www.wiltonmanors.gov/185/Hazardous-Waste-Disposal. You must contact Coastal's Door Step service at least 10 days in advance in order to arrange collection at your home and obtain your collection kit. Collections are available once each month during bulk pickup week; however, the Door Step representative will confirm the date for you to have your materials packaged and ready for pick-up by 7 a.m. The schedule on the following page provides a list of accepted household hazardous waste and the 2025 HHW collection schedule.

Accepted Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Items

Automotive products: Antifreeze, motor oil, oil filters, brake fluid, transmission fluid, cleaners, upholstery cleaner, polishes, fuels, waxes.

Batteries: Household, vehicle.

Household chemicals: Ammonia, bleach, carpet and upholstery cleaners, tile and shower cleaners, drain cleaners, cleaning compounds, rust removers.

Household items: Hobby glue, nail polish removers.

Electronics: Televisions, desktop computers, laptops, tablets, monitors, mouse, keyboards, mp3 players, DVD players, gaming consoles, CD/tape players, VCRs, cell phones, desktop printer, scanner, fax machines, microwaves, CD rom, related cords.

Mercury containing items: Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL), straight fluorescent tubes, thermometers, thermostats.

Paint products: Latex and oil-based paint, spray paint, paint thinner, artist paint, stain, stripper, caulk, sealer, wood stain, wood preservative.

Garden chemicals: Fertilizer, herbicide, pesticide, insecticide.

Swimming pool chemicals: Pool acid, stabilizer, chlorine.

2025 WILTON MANORS HHW COLLECTION SCHEDULE.

You must contact Coastal Waste & Recycling **10 days in advance** to schedule your pick-up and confirm your Monday or Tuesday collection date.

MONTH	COLLECTION DAY
January	1/20 or 1/21
February	2/17 or 2/18
March	3/17 or 3/18
April	4/21 or 4/22
May	5/19 or 5/20
June	6/16 or 6/17
July	7/21 or 7/22
August	8/18 or 8/19
September	9/15 or 9/16
October	10/20 or 10/21
November	11/17 or 11/18
December	12/15 or 12/16

Please note that City residents can no longer drop off their electronics for recycling at Broward County drop-off locations. See previous page for HHW pickup instructions.



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Emergency Management/Utilities Division 954-390-2190

What do I do if sewage backs up into my home or business?

First, determine if the problem affects more than half of your house. If it does, please call the **Emergency Management/Utilities Department at 954-390-2190** and state that you are reporting a sewer backup in more than half your house. Backed up sewer lines, line breaks and overflowing manholes are considered an emergency. If a portion of your home drains, the problem is within your plumbing system.

REMEMBER TO CALL US FIRST before calling a plumber. We will check the City’s sewer main line and lateral connection up to your property line and will clear any obstructions that may be in our lines. We will advise you of the inspection results, and there is no charge for this service.

If the problem is not in the City sewer main or lateral lines, the problem is in the drain lines leading to the City’s sewer lateral connection at the property line. The owner is responsible for maintaining and cleaning the drain lines from the building to the City sewer line (including the connection). In this event, you will need to contact a plumber or sewer/drain cleaning service. The City cannot make a recommendation, so ask friends or neighbors for recommendations, or check the City’s “At Your Service” Directory – and, remember, it may be in your best interests to obtain several estimates.

To help prevent any type of sewer back-up, **NEVER FLUSH** these items down the toilet. Even if the packaging states “flushable”, they do not break down in the waste lines:

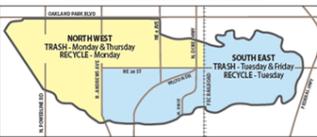
- Tampons and other feminine hygiene products
- Baby Wipes/Wet Wipes
- Cleaning Pads
- Paper towels/Tissues
- Diapers
- Q-tips/Cotton Balls
- Dental Floss
- Hair
- Cigarette Butts
- Condoms
- Kitty Litter

Finally, **“Can the Grease”**, never pour grease down the drain. Pour it into a can, let it cool, and then dispose of with your garbage.

2025 Collection Schedule Magnet

WILTON MANORS 2025 COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Trash & Bulk Waste Collection Zones



Bulk, HHW, Shredding & Recycle Calendar

- Bulk Pickup dates per zone
- Condo Bulk will be collected quarterly on Saturdays on: 3/22, 6/21, 9/20, and 12/20.
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) - Must schedule an appointment*
- Shredding/Harddrive events at Hagen Park are Saturdays on: 1/25 and 8/23, 9am - 11am.
- HOLIDAY - No collection, no makeup date.

January	February	March	April
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*Call 954-947-4445 10 days in advance to schedule a Door Stop pickup of your household hazardous waste.

During the month of December the City’s 2025 Collection Schedule Magnet was mailed out to residential service addresses. The magnet includes collections for residential Trash, Recycling, Bulk pick-up and Household Hazardous Waste, as well as dates for the City’s two shredding events and quarterly condominium bulk pick-ups. The bulk pick-up dates are shown by month and are color coded to your Collection Zone. If you did not receive your magnet, please contact the Utilities Department at 954-390-2190. For information on multi-family and commercial property collections, please contact Utility Billing at 954-390-2145.

Spring Ahead to Prepare for Disasters

Daylight Saving Time starts Sunday, March 9, 2025 (“spring forward” at 2a.m.) and FEMA (the Federal Emergency Management Agency) encourages everyone to use the change to daylight savings time as a reminder to implement emergency preparedness measures that will keep you and your family safe. This is a great opportunity to review disaster response plans and restock disaster kits. Disasters come in a variety of forms, so be prepared for even daily emergency situations. Check out: www.ready.gov/be-informed or www.wiltonmanors.gov/140/Emergency-Preparedness.



Also, fire department and life safety officials would like to remind everyone as they move their clocks ahead to change smoke alarm batteries throughout their homes.





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ATTENTION PARENTS and COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY & VO-TECH STUDENTS!!

*The Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors has scholarship **MONEY** for YOU*

1.) If you went to **Wilton Manors Elementary** or **Somerset Academy**, you may be eligible for our scholarships to **ANY** college, university or Vocational Technical school **ANYWHERE** in the United States. Through our endowment at the Broward Educational Foundation, we award \$7,000/year distributed across multiple recipients. Go to: <https://browardedfoundation.org/apply/> and click on the Apply Online box. **Applications accepted from January 1 – April 1 for the following Fall term.**



2.) If you are a graduating high school senior from **ANY** Florida school (including Home & Virtual schools), we have endowed 2 scholarships each year through the Florida Kiwanis Foundation. ***** Wilton Manors residents have priority in the selection process***** Click on this link: <https://floridakiwanisfoundation.org/scholarships/> and then scroll down to:

- **The Wilton Manors Kiwanis Scholarship for Broward College**
Any major at Broward College. The award is \$1,000 for the year – Deadline is May 1.

- **Friends of The Wilton Manors Kiwanis Scholarship**

Any major at any Florida college or university. The award is \$1,500 for the year – Deadline is May 1.

3.) If you are going to **Broward College**, we have established 5 scholarships, awarded every year in the following categories: * Safety Officers/Police * Nursing * Paramedics/EMS * Any major * GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) Club Participant – Any major

Click on: <https://www.broward.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships/> Awards are at least \$1,000/year.

***** Wilton Manors residents have priority in the selection process***.**

Deadlines are May 1 for the Fall classes, and October 1 for the Spring classes.

ATTENTION TEACHERS Teachers at **Wilton Manors Elementary** and **Somerset Academy** – we have endowed annual grants for you too, through the Broward Educational Foundation, approximately \$6,000/year. For teacher grant questions, call Coco Burns o: 754-321-2032 or go here: <https://browardedfoundation.org/what-we-do/educators/teacher-innovation-grants/>.

For follow up questions, call Adrienne Foland c: 954-205-6594. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.



Help Us Find Our Honorees for 2024 Volunteerism



The Community Affairs Advisory Board (CAAB) is seeking nominees for the Skip Stadnik Community Spirit Awards, to recognize outstanding volunteerism in the city during the 2024 calendar year.

The deadline for nominations is March 15, 2025. Nominations will be reviewed in the CAAB meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2025. Nominations may be for an individual, business, or organization, and it is not required that they reside in Wilton Manors—only that they benefit the Wilton Manors community.

Qualifications to consider for nominees:

- The nominee exhibits efforts for beautification of the city, supports issues of community concern, disseminated education, and/or publicizes the benefits of doing business in the city. Additional qualifications are detailed on the nomination form.

Nominations may be made using the forms available at City Hall or on the City's website from the CAAB webpage here: <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/482/Community-Affairs-Advisory-Board> or go direct here: <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6290/CAAB-Community-Spirit-Award-Nomination-Form>.

Please email the completed nomination to: community@wiltonmanors.com, or drop off a paper copy at City Hall. **NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY MARCH 15, 2025.** Paper nomination forms are also available at City Hall.

Community Development Services (CDS) Department 954-390-2180



2024 Adopted Flood Maps

2024 Flood Zone Maps went into effect on July 31, 2024. You can search for your property on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) interactive map at (<https://msc.fema.gov/>) to review flood designations for Wilton Manors addresses. Enter your address to bring up a map with flood risk information specific to your address. To print the map, click on "Dynamic Map" just above the map. If you need assistance, please contact the Community Development Services Department at 954-390-2180.

Building Permits

Building permits and inspections are made to protect the present and future owners of the structure. Building permits reduce potential hazards of unsafe construction for public safety, health and welfare. Work done improperly could result in fires or other property damage. Doors and windows that do not meet code or are installed incorrectly, could fail in hurricane force winds, exposing your home to physical damage.

Building permits are required when:

- Constructing buildings and other structures.
- Installing, replacing, and/or altering doors, windows, fences, pools, garage doors, screen enclosures, and driveways.
- Relocating plumbing fixtures; replacing water heaters, sewer, water lines (within the building), gas supply systems; changing water lines from the meter to the home and installation of lawn sprinkler systems.
- Installing new electrical boxes, electrical service upgrades, extending/adding wiring for new receptacles and lighting.
- Installing, altering, replacing or any other major repair of any air conditioning, refrigeration, boiler, pressure vessel, and other mechanical systems.

The above list is not all inclusive, please contact the Community Development Department at 954-390-2180 if you have specific questions relating to a project you are planning or are working on.

Please verify contractor licenses at 1-866-532-1440 or www.MyFloridaLicense.com.



Access to online building permitting can be found on the [Online Services page](#) of the City's website by clicking on the "Building Permits" link. Access the City's website here: www.wiltonmanors.com, then "Online Services" (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/248/Online-Services>). If you have any questions or need assistance with online building permitting, please call 954-390-2180 or email at CDSinfo@wiltonmanors.com.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Development Applications

Current development projects that the city is processing can be found on the city's website via the Community Development Services page at: www.wiltonmanors.gov/131/Community-Development-Services, or you can also go there directly at: www.wiltonmanors.gov/836/Development-Applications. The Development Projects homepage provides a list of major projects in progress, while the linked spreadsheet (updated weekly) provides site addresses, a brief description of each project, and current project status.

If you have any questions regarding current construction projects in the city, please contact Community Development Services at 954-390-2180.



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SENIOR GUIDE 2025

PULL OUT & SAVE

Wilton Manors is excited to partner with AARP Florida and the World Health Organization (WHO) in our commitment to being an Age-Friendly Community!

To support our seniors and their caregivers, we are proud to share this expanded Senior Resource Guide with resources and information.

What's Included

- Aging & Disability Resource Center....1**
- Solid Waste Collection Discount.....1**
- Senior Leisure Programs & Services....2**
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- County/State/Federal and other Resources and Benefits.....3**
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NEED A RIDE???

Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department offers transportation to and from doctor appointments as well as to the grocery store on a weekly basis. Our courier transports residents to and from their doctors appointments and pharmacy visits on Tuesdays, within a five-mile radius around Wilton Manors, and to the Wilton Manors' Publix Supermarkets on Wednesdays. This round-trip service is \$2 per resident age 60 years or older. For more information or to make a reservation, please call the Leisure Services Department at 954-390-2130.

The City also contracts with the Circuit all-electric vehicle shuttle service for rides within Wilton Manors city limits. Cost is \$2 per ride, per rider. Schedule a ride on the Circuit app (linked on their website: ridecircuit.com), or also linked on the City's website here:

www.wiltonmanors.gov/669/Ride-Sharing.

Circuit operates Monday—Tuesday 11am-9pm
Wednesday—Sunday 12pm-11pm

The Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County

Your “one-stop shop” for finding information regarding services in Broward County for seniors, persons with severe and persistent mental illness, ages 18 and over, their families and caregivers. Their guide is available online at www.adrcbroward.org or call their helpline at 954-745-9779.

Trash/Waste Collection Discount for Seniors

If all members of your household are age 65 and older, you qualify for a 10% discounted trash collection fee! Call Wilton Manors Utility Billing at 954-390-2100 or find the application on our website at: www.wiltonmanors.com/DocumentCenter/View/8172/Form---Senior-Discout-Application-Form-for-Garbage-Service



City of Wilton Manors Senior Programs—Leisure Services (954) 390-2130

Socialize with friends while maintaining your physical and mental dexterity through participating in one of our many customized programs for seniors! Whether it’s Chair Volleyball, Brains & Balance, one of our field trips, or transportation services, the City is proud to offer programming and services so seniors can stay active all week. Check the weekly schedule here: www.wiltonmanors.com/178/Senior-Programs or below (subject to change).

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	AND MORE
<p><u>Table Tennis</u> Tuesdays 9—11a.m.</p> <p><u>Chair Volleyball</u> Tuesdays 1—2p.m. FREE for everyone! Hagen Park Community Center Table Tennis and Chair Volleyball improve strength & mental clarity, reduce stress and provide the opportunity to meet and socialize.</p>	<p><u>Brains & Balance</u> 10a.m.—11a.m. \$3 for Residents \$5 Non-Residents This innovative program combines brain activities with age-appropriate exercise to improve stability.</p> 	<p><u>Chair Yoga Empower Hour & Sound Therapy</u> 10:30—11:30a.m. \$4 for Residents \$5 Non-Residents Increase balance and flexibility, improve muscle toning and strength, help manage chronic conditions and reduce pain through Chair Yoga/Sound Therapy Island City Park Preserve 600 NE 21st Court</p>	<p>Hagen Park now has <u>pickleball</u> courts available daily. Courts are free to use and are available first-come first-served. Lessons are also available.</p> <hr/> <p>Various <u>senior field trips</u> are scheduled throughout the year. Check with Leisure Services for details of pickleball and the senior trips.</p>

CITY OF WILTON MANORS PHONE NUMBERS

CITY OFFICES

- City Hall.....954-390-2100
- City Clerk’s Office.....954-390-2123
- City Commission & Mayor.....954-390-2123
- City Manager’s Office.....954-390-2120
- Community Development.....954-390-2180
- Finance Department.....954-390-2141
- Human Resources.....954-390-2125
- Risk Management.....954-390-2126
- Utility Billing.....954-390-2145

LEISURE SERVICES

- Library.....954-390-2195
- Parks & Recreation.....954-390-2130

SAFETY & EMERGENCY

- Fire/EMS Administration.....954-390-2110
- Police Dept. Administration.....954-390-2150
- Code Enforcement.....954-390-2151
- Utilities/Emergency Mgmt.....954-390-2190

Non-Emergency FTL.....954-764-4357

Police/Fire/EMS Emergency.....911

Receive emergency notifications by signing up on the **CodeRED** notification system <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFBC495B2FD0>) and by dialing your radio to AM1630 before, during and after a storm.

County, State, Federal and Other Services & Benefits

- **AARP Club Membership** offers various discounts and services—Visit www.aarp.org
- **Broward 2-1-1**— Dial 2-1-1 or 954-537-0211 to contact the County’s General Info Line or visit www.211-broward.org. Get information on various services including the “senior touchline”, which offers a free daily phone call to people over 60 years of age who live alone.
- **Broward County Elderly & Veterans Services Division** offers assistance to the elderly, and veterans, their dependents and dependent survivors at 954-357-6622 or online at: <https://www.broward.org/ElderlyAndVeterans/Pages/Default.aspx>
- **Broward County Vulnerable Population Registry** is for at-risk residents who elect to stay at home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency. Register online at www.broward.org/registry or by calling 311 in Broward or 954-831-4000 (TTY 954-831-3940). The City of Wilton Manors also maintains a separate Special Needs Database to check in on residents in emergency situations. Get more info here: www.wiltonmanors.com/249/Special-Needs-Database or call 954-390-2100.
- **Human Services Network, Inc.**, doing business as **Meals on Wheels South Florida**, is the prime provider of site meals for elders in Broward County. Contact them at 954-731-8770, <https://www.mowsoflo.org>, or email info@mowsoflo.org.
- **SunServe, Wilton Manors** is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit social services agency in Wilton Manors serving the LGBT community. SunServe offers a Senior Care Management program to provide links to medical, social, financial, housing and employment resources and FREE senior day-care. Contact: 954-764-5150; www.sunserve.org or email info@sunserve.org.
- **Poverello Center** in Wilton Manors provides Nutritional Assistance for those living with HIV/AIDS. Contact them at 954-561-3663, www.poverello.org or email info@poverello.org.
- **The Pride Center at Equality Park** offers senior activities at their 2040 N. Dixie Hwy campus—including Coffee & Conversation every Tuesday at 10a.m.-12p.m., the Computer Club every Wednesday at 4p.m. and an annual Senior Expo event. Contact them at 954-463-9005, www.pridecenterflorida.org or email bwilliams@pridecenterflorida.org.
- **SAGE (Senior Action in a Gay Environment) of South Florida** enriches the lives of the LGBT senior community through inclusive membership—offering programs that deal with the special needs of aging, promote contact with isolated and homebound persons of our community, and advocate for the concerns and needs of the senior LGBT community. Contact 954-634-7219, www.sagewebsite.org or email sagesofl@gmail.com.
- **Social Security Administration**— Many Social Security issues can be resolved through their teleservice at 800-772-1213, access their website at www.socialsecurity.gov.
- **South Florida Institute on Aging SoFIA**—SoFIA provides social and economic insights to help people thrive as they age. Offering technology (computer, smartphones, etc.) courses help seniors bridge the digital divide, while SoFIA CARE, Senior Corps and Senior Fellows services offer caregiving, employment and other service programs. Contact them at: 954-484-7117, www.thesofia.org, or email info@thesofia.org.
- **Wilton Manors Police Department** provides wellness checks to residents. Contact them at 954- 390-2150.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

CITY OF WILTON MANORS

CITY HALL HOURS: MON-THURS 7AM-6PM (390-2100)
POLICE STATION WALK-IN HOURS: MON-FRI 7AM-6PM (390-2150)

"Who You Gonna Call?"

Volunteer Opportunities
390-2123

Limbs in Utility Lines
EPL 797-5000

Tree Removal 519-1282
(Alex Schore, Broward County)

Parking Meter Issues
566-3704

Mosquito Control
765-4062

All Phone Numbers shown are (954) Area Code

Broken traffic signal
390-2190 or 847-2600
764-4357 (after hrs.)

Street signs
390-2190

Signs on poles (illegal)
390-2151

Alarm registration
390-2151

Garage Sale Permits
390-2151

Fire hydrant leaking
390-2190

Uneven Sidewalk
390-2190

Trash can constantly in front of the house
390-2151

Missed garbage/recycling pickup
390-2190

Street lights
or
390-2190

Potholes / Sinkholes
390-2190
Police / Fire / EMS: 9-1-1 or Police Dispatch: 764-4357 (HELP) or Info Only: 390-2150*
*Mon-Fri: 7am-6pm

Road kill / Dead animal
390-2190

Dog barking
764-4357 (HELP)
Dog running loose
390-2151

LEISURE SERVICES
390-2130

Recreation 390-2130
Library 390-2195
Park Ranger 612-2285



Abandoned vehicle
390-2151

Watering violations:
In progress: 764-4357 (HELP)
After the fact: 390-2151



Visit the City online at: www.wiltonmanors.com

Water/Sewer Breaks (24 hrs) and General Public Works: 390-2190
Building Permits: 390-2180 or E-mail

07/2023

South Florida Audubon Society's Tree Giveaway: A Community Success Story

On January 25, 2025, the South Florida Audubon Society, in partnership with Leisure Services, hosted a highly successful *Tree Giveaway* event at Richardson Historic Park in Wilton Manors. This Florida Arbor Day-inspired celebration brought together residents eager to support conservation and urban reforestation efforts, highlighting the community's commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

The event, led by David Walker, Urban Conservation Director for the South Florida Audubon Society, was made possible through a grant secured by the Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida. The South Florida Audubon Society provided 250 3-4 ft. Florida Slash Pines (*Pinus elliottii*) and 2,000 12-inch seedlings to distribute to Wilton Manors residents.

The giveaway saw enthusiastic participation, with 128 larger trees and 682 seedlings finding new homes during the event. One resident shared, "It's wonderful to see our community come together for something that benefits both our environment and our city." Thanks to David's tireless efforts and strong community partnerships, the remaining trees are still available for residents who missed the event. Interested individuals can reach out to David directly at **954-279-6094** or via email at Dwalker.SFAS@gmail.com.

The South Florida Audubon Society extends its heartfelt thanks to Director Michelle Parks and the staff of the Leisure Services Department for their invaluable support in making this event possible. Additionally, a special thanks goes to Commissioner Paul Rolli for stopping by the event and showing his support for this community-driven initiative.

This initiative underscores the South Florida Audubon Society's dedication to fostering environmental awareness and sustainability while promoting urban reforestation. It also highlights the power of collaboration between organizations like Leisure Services in creating a meaningful impact within the community.

Exciting developments are also underway at M.E. DePalma Park, butterfly garden, where new initiatives aim to enhance the park's role in local conservation efforts. The South Florida Audubon Society invites you to get involved in these transformative efforts and support the preservation of South Florida's ecosystems.

To join future South Florida Audubon Society projects or learn more about upcoming opportunities, visit our website at www.browardaudubon.org. Together, we can create a thriving environment for both wildlife and our community.

Thank you, Wilton Manors! South Florida Audubon Society

—Who Was Richard C. Sullivan?—

Our library is officially the "*Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors*". So, who was Mr. Sullivan and why is the library named after him? It turns out the answer is not widely known. But thanks to research by the City Clerk's Office, a 2005 Sun-Sentinel article and interviews with legacy Library staff and Friends, here's what we know about this enigmatic gentleman:

Sullivan was born around **1921** and grew up in the Midwest. He graduated as valedictorian of his high school class, was awarded a scholarship to the University of Wisconsin and there received his BBA degree; then went on to American University in Washington D.C. for an MBA. In later years he often noted that his early academic successes were due to the love for learning he developed using the "Carnegie Library" in his town. (Steel magnate Andrew Carnegie funded/built some 1,800 public libraries in the U.S. between 1883 and 1929.)

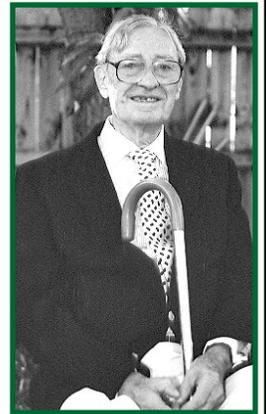
After graduate school he began a career as a civil servant at the Federal level—serving in the Navy Department, Military Sea Transportation Agency and the Postmaster General Division. According to one source his work was related to mapping/cartography.

After retirement, he moved to Wilton Manors around **1972**. There's no record of why he selected the city as his retirement home. (His attorney did later note that he was "estranged from his family"). His home was in the Coral Point subdivision and said to be "antique and art-filled". Sources variously describe Sullivan as "reserved", "...a very private person", "...not someone that was easy to get to know". His live-in caregiver for the last five years of his life noted "He was a humble man. He just liked education ... he really liked people to learn."

Recalling the impact the "Carnegie Library" had on his childhood, Sullivan's first opportunity to also be a library benefactor came in **2003**. Our library had been recently expanded, but there was no budget to open or furnish the new Children's Wing. Sullivan heard about a Friends of the Library fundraiser and offered a \$40,000 check (\$71,000 today), if the Children's Wing could be dedicated to his deceased long-time companion Robert Dittrich. It was gratefully accepted.

While Mr. Sullivan couldn't emulate Carnegie by building a library, he came close. The library expansion was funded by a \$350,000 bond issue. With his death in **2005**, at the age of 84, came a surprise endowment in his will. His estate would pay off the remaining library bond debt of \$280,000 (\$450,000 today) if the City would rename the facility after him.

And thus, we recognize the philanthropic legacy of Richard C. Sullivan's support and love of libraries and learning.





WILTON MANORS POLICE DEPARTMENT



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2020 WILTON DRIVE WILTON MANORS • NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCH 954-764-4357 (HELP) • INFORMATION 954-390-2150

From Chief Gary Blocker: *Spring Safety in our Island City*



As we welcome the warmer months of March through May, our city comes alive with outdoor activities and community gatherings. It's a wonderful time to enjoy everything our Island City has to offer, but let's remember to prioritize safety.

With more people walking and cycling, staying visible, following traffic rules, and remaining alert, we can help promote a safer community. Remember, it takes all of us to keep our community safe, so if you "See Something – Say Something!" Do not hesitate to call upon our police department if you see suspicious activity or a crime in progress in your area. This season is also a great opportunity to connect with your neighbors and stay informed. The Wilton Manors Police Department encourages you to join us for community events, participate in neighborhood and business association programming, and follow us on social media for updates. Though hurricane season begins in June, spring is the perfect time to prepare. Review your emergency plans, stock up on supplies, and tidy up your property in advance. Early action can make all the difference.

Your safety is our priority, and we're here to help. If you need assistance, please reach out to the Wilton Manors Police Department at one of our below contacts. Wishing you a safe and enjoyable spring season!

Emergency: 9-1-1 Non-Emergency Dispatch: 954-764-HELP (4357) General Info: 954-390-2150 Web: www.wmpd.org

Proper Bulk Trash Disposal in Wilton Manors: A Guide for Residents

The City of Wilton Manors has established specific guidelines for the disposal of bulk trash to help maintain cleanliness and safety throughout the community. Bulk trash refers to large items such as furniture, appliances, and tree trimmings that are too large for standard garbage collection.

Collection Schedule and Placement

Residents are provided with a monthly bulk trash pickup service. The collection schedule can be found on the city's official website, printed on the back of utility bills and in the Town Crier newsletter.

Bulk trash should be placed at the curb no earlier than the weekend before the scheduled collection date. Placing items out too early may result in enforcement actions and fines.

Preparation of Bulk Items

To ensure a safe and efficient collection, please follow these guidelines when preparing bulk items:

- **Tree Trimmings:** Cut to lengths of no more than four feet and weigh no more than 50 pounds.
- **Loose Items:** Place in disposable bags, boxes, cartons, or crates strong enough to be safely lifted. Items should not exceed four feet in length or 50 pounds in weight.
- **Glass Items:** Place in rigid containers to prevent breakage during handling.
- **Large Appliances:** Appliances like refrigerators and freezers must have doors removed or sealed to prevent accidents and must be placed separately from other bulk trash.

Prohibited Items

The following items are not accepted in bulk trash collection:

- Contractor-generated materials or construction debris, automotive parts (engines, transmissions, batteries, tires), & hazardous waste.

Severe Weather Protocol

In the event of a Tropical Storm Warning, residents are required to remove bulk trash from the curb and secure it within their property to prevent hazardous conditions.

Enforcement and Penalties

Non-compliance with bulk trash regulations can result in fines: First offense: \$250 Second or subsequent offenses: \$500
Violations deemed irreparable or irreversible: Up to \$5,000

For more detailed information, residents are encouraged to consult the city's official website at www.wiltonmanors.gov or contact the Code Compliance Unit at 954-390-2151.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM TAX SEASON SCAMS



It's tax season so you should be aware of the current IRS scams criminals are perpetrating. In the past, Wilton Manors Police Department has warned you about IRS scams which involved fake IRS tax notices which indicated you owed money as a result of the Affordable Care Act or an error reported on your return for the previous tax year. There were other variations of tax-related scams which included con-artists frightening people into returning "robocall" voicemails. The "robocall" voicemail claims the IRS is going to suspend or cancel the victim's Social Security Number. These thieves actually "spoof" the telephone number of the IRS when they contact you and they fabricate fake notices which look exactly like authentic IRS notices. Again, the criminal is attempting to obtain sensitive data such as your social security number, individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), and bank account information.

Bolder criminals will call you directly and identify themselves as "Agents of the IRS" while providing fake names and badge numbers. Versions of these scams include:

- Claiming you are entitled to a large refund, however you must first provide personal information.
- Claiming there is an active warrant which you can resolve by making an immediate payment.
- Calling to confirm bank account information for your rebate check.
- Threatening to revoke your driver's license or professional license for tax debts.

If you receive one of these calls always verify information by hanging up with the caller and calling back a legitimate representative from the IRS. You can locate your Local Taxpayer Assistance Center on the officer IRS website at www.irs.gov. Do not be in such a panic or rush that you provide valuable bank or credit information to a complete stranger on the phone. When you receive any tax documents or calls regarding your taxes there are several "red-flag warnings" that can help you avoid becoming a victim. Some examples, the IRS will never:

- Initiate contact with you by email or through social media.
- Threaten to have you arrested unless you make an immediate payment.
- Ask you to pay using a gift card, pre-paid debit card, or wire transfer.
- Request personal or financial information by phone, texts, or social media.
- Call about an unexpected refund.

The IRS has also been alerted to unsolicited emails from IRS imposters. The email subject line may vary, but recent examples use the phrase "Automatic Income Tax Reminder" or "Electronic Tax Return Reminder." Some other forms of these emails may have fake CP2000 notices, which are another notice the IRS issues when the information they receive does not match the income on the tax return, attached to the email. Some telltale signs of this fraud:

- There may be a "payment" link within the email. Scam emails can link you to sites that steal your personal information, take your money, or infect your computer with malware. Don't click on the link.
- The notices request that a check be made out to "I.R.S." Real CP2000s ask taxpayers to make their checks out to "United States Treasury" if they agree they owe taxes.
- The emails contain a "temporary password" or "one-time password" to "access" the files to submit the refund. When taxpayers try to access these, it turns out to be a malicious file.
- The emails have payment vouchers which direct the victim to send the payment to a processing center.

You can see an image of a real IRS notice on the IRS web page. If you get a scam IRS notice, forward it to phishing@irs.gov and then delete it from your email account. Also let the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) know. Additionally, these false notices may include a fake IRS.gov-like website with details pretending to be about the taxpayer's refund, electronic return or tax account. Take the appropriate steps to contact the IRS from a legitimate website and telephone number before providing anyone any personal identity information.

Lastly, the IRS warns taxpayers regarding promoters peddling bogus tax strategies and fraudulent offshore schemes designed to reduce or avoid taxes altogether. You should be wary of anything that seeks to completely eliminate a legitimate tax responsibility. Taxpayers should always seek advice from trusted tax professionals, not promoters pushing questionable transactions with unrealistic expectations. Think twice before entering into questionable arrangements, because you are ultimately responsible for what you sign. If you believe you are the victim of a tax scheme or have been solicited by a fraudulent actor, please report this information to the IRS at <https://www.irs.gov/compliance/whistleblower-office>.

Spring Break Safety in Wilton Manors: Tips for a Safe and Enjoyable Season

As spring break approaches, The Island City welcomes an influx of visitors and locals seeking to enjoy the vibrant nightlife, beautiful weather, and welcoming atmosphere our city offers. While this season is a time for relaxation and fun, it's also a time to prioritize safety and crime prevention.

Spring break often brings an increase in certain types of crime and safety concerns. Understanding these risks and taking proactive measures can help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Common Crime Trends During Spring Break:

1. Pickpocket Thefts:

◇ Crowded events and nightlife areas provide opportunities for pickpocketing. Last year, Wilton Manors reported a 20% increase in thefts during the spring break season. Visitors are encouraged to keep valuables secured and be vigilant in busy areas.

2. Dangers of Illegal Drugs:

◇ The use and distribution of illegal drugs can pose significant dangers. Synthetic drugs, in particular, can have unpredictable and life-threatening effects. Law enforcement continues to prioritize the prevention of drug-related incidents, with an 18% increase in drug-related arrests noted last spring.

3. Vacation Rental Code Compliance Violations:

◇ Vacation rentals are popular during this season, but violations of city code—such as noise disturbances and over-occupancy—can disrupt the community's peace. In 2023, code enforcement responded to over 50 complaints related to vacation rentals during the spring months.

4. Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety:

◇ With more people walking and cycling, ensuring pedestrian and bicyclist safety is critical. Last spring, Wilton Manors experienced a 12% increase in traffic incidents involving pedestrians or cyclists. Drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists are reminded to stay alert and follow all traffic laws.

Safety Tips for Residents and Visitors

- **Secure Your Belongings:** Use bags that close securely and keep wallets, phones, and other valuables in front pockets or interior compartments.
- **Avoid Illegal Substances:** Know the dangers of illegal drugs and report suspicious activity to local authorities.
- **Respect Vacation Rental Rules:** Follow city codes for occupancy and noise to maintain harmony in the community.
- **Practice Road Safety:** Pedestrians should use crosswalks, cyclists should wear helmets and use bike lanes, and drivers should remain attentive and avoid distractions.

Community Partnerships for Prevention

The Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD) is committed to ensuring public safety through community partnerships and education. Officers will increase patrols in high-traffic areas, and code enforcement teams will actively monitor vacation rental compliance.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to report suspicious activity or safety concerns to the WMPD non-emergency line at 954-390-2150 or call 911 in case of emergencies.

By working together, we can make this spring break a safe and memorable time for everyone in Wilton Manors. Let's celebrate responsibly and continue to make our city a vibrant and secure destination for all.

LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Community Events

[BROWARD COUNTY WATERWAY CLEANUP](#), organized by the Marine Industries Association of South Florida, is the county's largest and longest-running environmental event.

Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025 **Time:** 9a.m.—1p.m. **Location:** Colohatchee Boat Ramp

You do NOT need a boat to participate! Volunteers can clean up at one of more than 30 sites throughout the County.

More Info: <https://waterwaycleanup.org> All locations: <https://waterwaycleanup.org/site-locations>

Registration: <https://waterwaycleanup.org/registration> (pre-registration is required, volunteers must be 14 years of age to be on site without an 18+ adult.)

[ISLAND CITY-WIDE YARD SALES](#)

Explore treasures at the Island City Yard Sales, held at Hagen Park. Browse a variety of goods, from clothing and furniture to collectibles and antiques. Free parking is available for all shoppers.

Date: March 8, 2025 **Time:** 8a.m.—2p.m. **Location:** Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive

Vendor Reservations: Contact the Leisure Services Department at 954-390-2130 for space reservations

More Info: [Island City Yard Sales \(https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/418/Island-City-Yard-Sales\)](https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/418/Island-City-Yard-Sales)

LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Community Events—Continued

LIVE AT MICKEL—CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy an exciting lineup at the "Live at Mickel" concert series! Featuring talented musicians under the stars, this series is a must-see. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and feel free to bring your own beverages. Concessions will be available on-site.

Location: Mickel Park, 2675 NW 7th Avenue **Time:** All shows from 7:30p.m. to 9:30p.m.

The Final 2025 Concert: On the Roxx 80's Tribute Band **Date:** March 21, 2025

Additional Information: Contact: Call Leisure Services at 954-390-2130 or email LeisureServices@wiltonmanors.com

Website: [Live at Mickel](https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/427/LIVE-Mickel) (<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/427/LIVE-Mickel>)

MOVIES ON THE DRIVE

Enjoy an unforgettable movie night under the stars at Hagen Park! Watch your favorite classics on a massive 20-foot inflatable screen. Don't forget to bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and some friends for an evening of cinematic fun and community spirit. **Date: March 14, 2025 at 7:30p.m.**

Location: Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

The final 2025 Movie: Back to the Future Celebrate the 40th anniversary of this iconic time-travel adventure! Follow Marty McFly as he's accidentally sent back to 1955 in a DeLorean, creating a time-bending journey that rewrites history. Packed with unforgettable moments, thrilling scenes, and '80s nostalgia, this classic film invites you to experience the past, present, and future like never before.

For additional information or questions, please contact Leisure Services at 954-390-2130

Website: [Movies on the Drive](https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/702/Movies-on-the-Drive) (<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/702/Movies-on-the-Drive>)



WOOF & WINE

Bring your furry friends to Colohatchee Dog Park for an enjoyable evening of fine wine, snacks, and socializing with fellow dog lovers. In partnership with the Three Bridges Neighborhood Association, this is the perfect event to unwind with your pets and make new friends.

- **Date:** Thursday, April 10, 2025 • **Time:** 5:30-7:30p.m.
- **Location:** Colohatchee Dog Park **More Info:** <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/691/Woof-Wine>



32ND ANNUAL ISLAND CITY CANOE RACE

Teams of ten will compete in a seven-mile relay race around the City of Wilton Manors and exchange at points throughout the Island City and Middle River. Canoes, life jackets and paddles will be provided.

- **Date:** Saturday May 17th
- **Time:** 10a.m.
- **Cost:** \$200 per team (Each team consists of 10 people)

Race begins at Colohatchee Park Boat Ramp and ends at Richardson Park with trophy ceremony and celebration picnic.

Adult & Senior Programs

CAPOERIA ANGOLA

Capoeira Angola is an Afro-Brazilian cultural expression. It is an art, dance, fight, and a game of corporal expression involving physical movements, combined with music, instruments, and song.

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8p.m.

Where: Island City Cultural Center, 600 NE 21st Court, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Contact: Capoeiraanglaalagbedfl@gmail.com

OUTFIT TRAINING

OutFit is an innovate mobile fitness service that brings convenient, affordable, expertly-led personal training and Group classes to parks and neighborhoods across America

Dates: Wednesdays 6—7p.m.

Location: Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Contact: Customerservice@outfittraining.com or call 954-790-6414

LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

Adult & Senior Programs—Continued

Senior Trip to Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens

Enjoy a guided tour around Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens. Lunch will be on your own at the Museum Café.

Date: Tuesday, March 18 **Time:** Van departs from Hagen Park at 9:30a.m. **Cost:** \$5

Senior Resource Fair

Join us for an enriching day at our Senior Resource Fair in Partnership with SunServe. This is a special event designed to connect seniors with a wealth of resources tailored to enhance their lives. Attendees can expect informative booths from a variety of local organizations. Whether you're looking to improve your wellness, gain new skills, or simply meet new friends, there's something for everyone. **Location:** Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Date: March 1st, 11a.m. to 4p.m. **Contact:** LeisureServices@Wiltonmanors.com, Call 954-390-2130

Senior Crafty Creations

Join us for a fun and relaxing class designed just for seniors! Explore your artistic side with hands-on projects, meet new friends, and enjoy a creative afternoon.

No experience required! **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve (823 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors, 33334)

Dates: March 13, April 10, May 8 **Time:** 2-3p.m.

Open Play—Ping Pong

Looking to have fun, stay active, and meet new people? Whether you're a beginner or seasoned player, our Open Play Ping Pong Class is for you! Stafford Park & Nature Preserve, Wednesday, Starting March 4, 2-4p.m.

YOUTH and FAMILY PROGRAMS

Kids' Night Out

Treat your kids to an evening of fun and adventure! Kids' Night Out offers themed activities for children in grades K-5, including movie marathons, creative arts, and games. It's a great way for kids to socialize in a safe, supervised setting while parents enjoy a night off.

- **Dates:** March 28 Spring Fling & May 23 Pajama Party • **Time:** 6-9p.m.
 - **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve (formerly Island City Park Preserve) 823 NE 28th Street
 - **Cost:** \$25 per child • **Registration:** Register at Hagen Park Community Center or Stafford Park
- Online Registration:** <https://fwiltonmanorsweb.myvscloud.com/webtrac/web/>

Island City Summer Camp

Adventure awaits at Island City Summer Camp! Join us for 9 weeks of non-stop fun at Stafford Park and Nature Preserve (*formally Island City Park Preserve*). Your child will dive into arts & crafts, exciting outdoor play, hands-on science experiments, special weekly events, and thrilling field trips. Plus, lunch and afternoon snacks are included every day! Don't miss out on the ultimate summer experience!

- **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve (823 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors, 33334)
- **In Person Registration Locations:** Hagen Community Center or Stafford Park Nature Center
- **Online Registration:** <https://fwiltonmanorsweb.myvscloud.com/webtrac/web/>

Days: Monday – Friday, Hours: 8a.m.—6p.m., Grades: K – (entering) 5th Grade

Resident Registration begins April 21st, Non-Resident Registration begins April 28th

For more information call 954-390-2130 or 954-390-2115 or visit <https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/407/Summer-Camp>

	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Weekly Rate (1st Child)	\$160 Per Week	\$180 Per Week
Weekly Rate (2nd Child)	\$140 Per Week	\$160 Per Week
Shirts (Summer 2025)	Youth (YS-YL) \$10	Adult (AS-AL) \$12

Kids Fitness

Get your child moving with our exciting Kids Fitness classes! These sessions feature fun games, team challenges, and exercises to build strength and coordination. Kids in grades K-5 can enjoy staying active while making new friends.

- **Days:** Mondays & Wednesdays • **Time:** 7-8p.m.
- **Location:** Stafford Park & Nature Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street **Cost:** \$10 per class • **Registration:** Register at Hagen Park Community Center or call 954-390-2130



THE LIBRARY CORNER

500 NE 26th Street

954-390-2195

If we don't have it, we can get it for you!!!

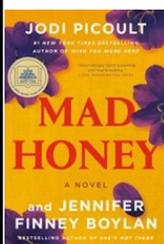
Did you know your Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors has two interlibrary loan services through which we can get you almost any book (and select videos) available in libraries across the country and beyond? With the state-wide **FLIN SHAREit** system and our new **OCLC WorldShare** platform, we can look amongst library collections totaling **millions of volumes**, find, and bring in a title you need at **no cost to you!** As our staff handle all interlibrary loans directly and immediately, we can often have an item in your hand in as little as two days! (Processing and delivery times vary depending on lending library.) Call or visit us to inquire.



Get your **SEFLIN OneCard Library Passport** today and access dozens of university, college and public library collections and resources across Southeast Florida!

As a member of the Southeast Florida Library Information Network (SEFLIN) consortium, your Wilton Manors Public Library is an active participant in the SEFLIN OneCard program whereby, as a Wilton Manors Library cardholder (in good standing), you can access the collections and resources of **16 academic libraries** (e.g. Broward College Library, STU Library, FAU Library, FIU Library, NSU Library) and **9 public library systems** across Southeast Florida. With your **OneCard Passport**, you may visit any of these 25 libraries to check out items and access other resources at no charge! For further information, a list of all participating libraries, and to start the sign-up process, contact us or access seflin.org/page/OneCard# (Please note: Thanks to an existing reciprocal borrowing agreement between the Richard C. Sullivan and Broward County Libraries, all City of Wilton Manors residents already qualify for a Broward County Library card with full borrowing privileges. Visit or contact any BCL branch for further information.)

Adult Programs:



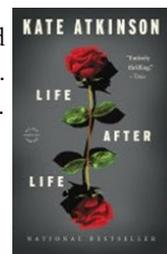
Our enthusiastic **Island City Book Club** continues meeting throughout this spring on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30p.m. All are welcome and first-timers are always encouraged. Contact library staff early for information on each book and let us know if you need a copy. Upcoming titles to be discussed include:

March 12th: *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult

April 9th: *Life After Life* by Kate Atkinson

May 14th: *My Murder* by Katie Williams

June 11th: *Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books* by Kirsten Miller



Children's Story Times, LEGO Nights and other programs continue through spring!

(Please call to confirm dates and times.)

Library Hours:

Monday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 12 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday and designated holidays: Closed

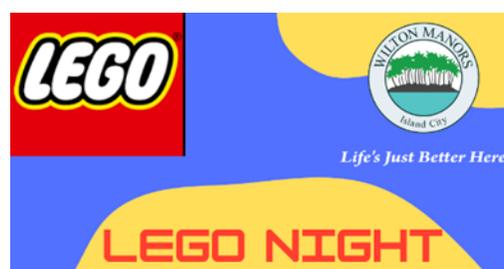
www.wiltonmanors.gov/Library



MONDAY MORNING

STORY TIME

Mondays 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



LEGO NIGHT



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY—UPCOMING EVENTS

The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library will hold its next lecture on Thursday, April 10, 2025 in the library at 500 N.E. 26th Street. Charles Baran, author of *Rhoda Rage* and *the Goldfish Letter*, will present an overview of his inspiration for writing the book. The characters are based on people he knows or met in Wilton Manors! Locations in the book are also familiar places in the Island City. Social half-hour with snacks and refreshments starts at 6:30p.m.; lecture begins at 7p.m. The Friends will also be holding their Annual General Meeting on Thursday, May 15 at 7p.m., in the library. If you have not renewed your membership with the Friends for this year, please consider becoming a Friend and Supporter of our Library by picking up a Friends brochure at the Library, Hagen Park, or City Hall. You can also visit our website for more information about our organization and how to join or donate. www.friendsofthewiltonmanorslibrary.org

Become an Advisory Board Member!

The City of Wilton Manors is always recruiting residents, local business owners, and commercial property owners for volunteer positions on city Boards and Committees. WE WANT YOU to help maintain a membership that is reflective of our diverse community! Please access this link for Board applications (each board has its own application):

<https://www.wiltonmanors.com/221/Boards-Committees>. If you need to hand deliver your application or need more information, please contact City Clerk Elizabeth Garcia-Beckford at: ebeckford@wiltonmanors.com or Assistant City Clerk Patricia Staples at pstaples@wiltonmanors.com or call 954-390-2128. Your application can also be emailed to the City Clerk's Office at CityClerk@wiltonmanors.com or via U.S. Mail or in-person to: Wilton Manors City Hall—City Clerk's Office—2020 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

The **Community Affairs Advisory Board** has 4 seat-terms expiring 9/1/25, with commission appointments scheduled 8/26/25. The **Library Advisory Board** currently has 1 vacancy; and 3 seat-terms expire 10/1/25, with appointments scheduled 9/9/25. The **Finance Advisory Board** will have 3 seat-terms expire 1/31/25, with appointments scheduled 1/14/25. The **Planning & Zoning Board** will have 4 seat-terms expire 5/1/25, with appointments scheduled 4/22/25. The **Recreation Advisory Board** will have 4 seat-terms expire 7/1/25, with appointments scheduled 6/24/25. The **Pension Board** will have 1 seat-term expire 10/1/25, with appointment scheduled 9/9/25.

Neighborhood Associations

You can visit all four of the City's Neighborhood Associations' websites from links on the City website's Neighborhood Associations webpage here:

<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/327/Neighborhood-Associations>.

The Westside Neighborhood Association (WAWM) covers the city-area west of Andrews Avenue; the Central Neighborhood Association (CANA) is the area between Andrews Avenue and the railroad tracks; and the city-area east of the railroad tracks has the option of two neighborhood associations, the East Neighborhood Association (ENA) and/or the 3-Bridges Neighborhood Association (you are welcome to join BOTH of these associations if you choose to do so).



Westside Neighborhood Association



WESTSIDE
ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS

The Westside Association continues to expand our membership in 2024 and on to 2025. We thank our Members, Neighbors and Friends for your continued support as we adopt the organization's plans for 2025.

The Westside Association held its Quarterly Membership Meeting on January 22nd. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting. Broward Crime Stoppers President Paul Jaworski educated the Association membership about their programs and how they complement law enforcement. Chief Blocker and Assistant Chief Brodsky spoke about their ongoing efforts to protect our community, especially in light of recent events around the world. Community Development Services Director Roberta Moore detailed numerous ongoing projects and initiatives that impact the Westside and the City.

The Live @ Mickel concert series concludes with On the Roxx (an 80's Music Tribute) on Friday, March 21st. The Westside Association's Board and Volunteers will be staffing the Mickel Park Concession Stand, selling pizza, snacks and non-alcoholic drinks. Proceeds directly benefit the Westside Association.

The Westside Organization's Spring Social will be held on Tuesday, April 15th (rain date April 18th) at Mickel Park. Please be on the lookout for e-mail invitations with further details and RSVP. We are looking forward to seeing you all for another festive gathering amongst neighbors and friends.

Our 2nd Quarter Membership Meeting, the association's Annual Meeting, is scheduled for 7p.m. on Wednesday, April 23rd at Hagen Park Community Center.

Check out our home page (www.wawm.org) and Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WestsideWilton) for details on all of the above and new events planned.

Our membership is the core of WAWM's strength and our purpose for being.

If you haven't done so yet, we would love to have you join us on this web page: <https://www.wawm.org/join-us>.

Also, please let your friends & neighbors know about us and encourage them to join.

Neighborhood Associations—Continued



Central Area Neighborhood Association

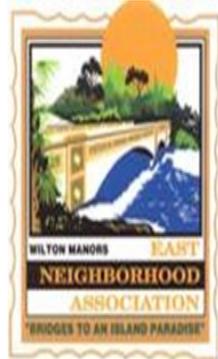
We are entering an exciting period of infrastructural improvements which CANA will be following and bringing citizens updates and ways to engage with the process. A major objective of the city's 2021 strategic plan identified infrastructure including roadway, pedestrian, and cyclist infrastructure as a major goal. Broward MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization), a federally mandated agency tasked with improving transportation across the county, has provided a master plan for optimal options in our community. Both the city's strategic plan and the MPO's master plan engaged the community in workshops while being developed. Broward County is in the process of doing extensive work on N. Andrews, from Sunrise Blvd. north to Oakland Park Blvd. The county's Mobility Advancement Program (MAP Broward) will utilize funds from the county's penny surtax, which was voted on to fund the county's transportation improvements. The N. Andrews project will bring together the city's strategic plan and the Metropolitan Planning Organization's master plan to significantly improve pedestrian and cyclist safety, reduce crash severity, and improve access management for drivers. Ideally, this project will enhance the pedestrian and cyclist experience to allow people to cross N. Andrews easily and safely. A possible byproduct hopefully will be the exciting redevelopment of N. Andrews that people east and west will enjoy and support.

The next CANA quarterly meeting will be on Wednesday, April 9th at Hagen Park at 7p.m.

CANA focuses on following all upcoming infrastructural and redevelopment, engaging our community, and communicating updates via our Facebook page, quarterly meetings, and additional direct communications.

Our email address is membership@canawm.org.

Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/809346362998126> or <https://www.canawm.org/>.



Wilton Manors East Neighborhood Association

The East Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, Inc. (ENA) held its annual meeting on January 23rd. John Fiore and Michael Pierce were reelected to the ENA Board of Directors, and Sue Rask was elected to the Board. Our next ENA meeting will be March 20th at 7p.m. in Independence Hall on NE 26th Street. We heard from Mayor Scott Newton about the upcoming development of the church property. Assistant Police Chief Darren Brodsky informed us about the future installation of the license plate readers that will be installed at every entrance and exit in the City.

We will be having our next quarterly NE 26th Street Clean-up on Saturday, April 26th. We meet at 10a.m. in the parking lot of the Board of Realtors on NE 26th Street. Please come and help us keep our neighborhood clean. It usually takes less than one hour and is a great way to get some exercise and meet your neighbors.

ENA will hold its 7th annual Neighborhood-Wide Yard Sale on April 12th and 13th. ENA will get the Wilton Manors yard sale permit, do the advertising, and place signs at the end of each street that a resident is participating. Homes participating will have to have a sign in front of their home. This is a great way to clean out your closets and garage as well as making some extra money! If you wish to participate, please call Michael Pierce at 954-563-9474.

If you have any questions about our neighborhood or the meeting, please contact me.

John R. Fiore, President East Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, Inc. 954-564-3821 jrfiorefla@gmail.com



Three Bridges Neighborhood Association of East Wilton Manors

The Three Bridges Neighborhood Association sponsored a successful *Woof and Wine* event this January and is thrilled to announce that we will be hosting another *Woof and Wine* on **April 10, 2025, from 5:30 to 7:30p.m.**

We are currently seeking community partners to join this exciting event. If you have suggestions for canine-related businesses or organizations that might be interested in participating, please email us at info@3bridgesassociation.com, and we will be happy to reach out to them.

Our quarterly meeting will take place on **Wednesday, April 30, 2025**, at the Hagen Park Community Center. Broward County Commissioner Lamar Fisher and Crime Stoppers are scheduled and will be presenting. Networking will begin at **6:30p.m.**, and the meeting will start promptly at **7p.m.**

On **January 25, 2025**, Three Bridges partnered with the Audubon Society and Leisure Services to host a Slash Pine (*Pinus elliottii*) distribution event for our residents. A special thanks to Vice President David Walker for leading this incredible initiative! When David discovered that the city would not be holding its popular annual tree giveaway this year, he stepped in to ensure the tradition continued. Representing the Broward Audubon Society, David successfully applied for a grant to fund the trees, procured them, and worked closely with Leisure Services to organize the event. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Leisure Services for their collaboration and support in making this event possible.

Three Bridges remains committed to bringing timely and relevant information to our neighbors. If you have ideas for meeting topics or programs you would like to see, please share them with us by emailing info@3bridgesassociation.com.

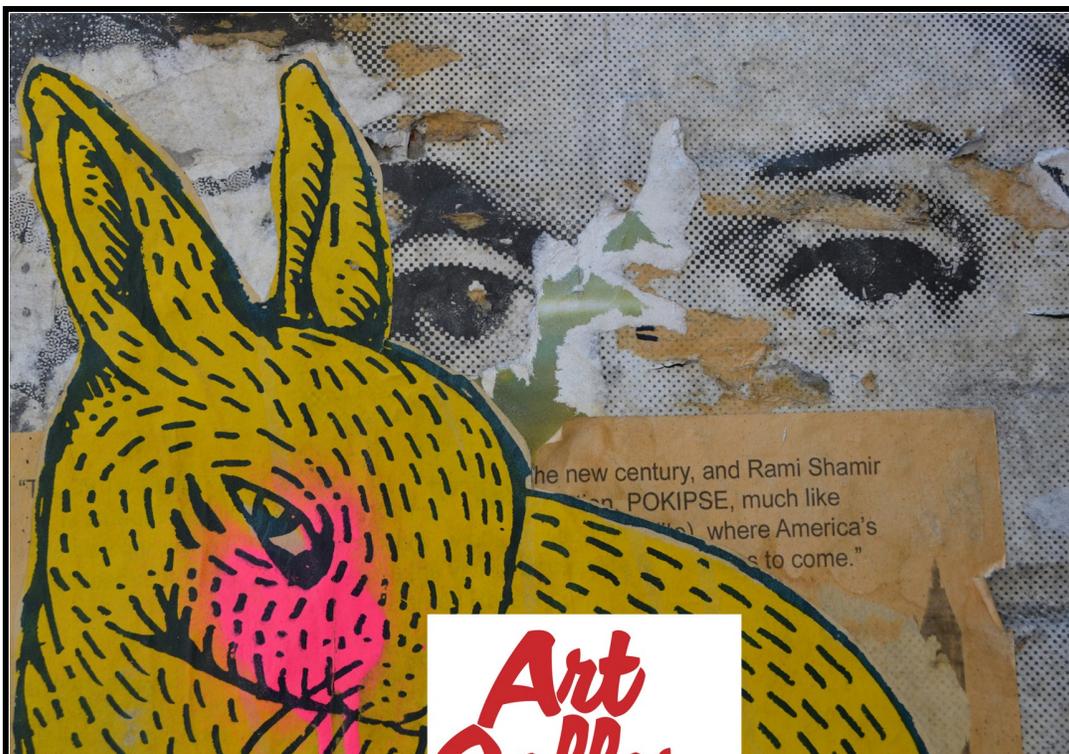
For more information about Three Bridges, visit our website at 3bridgesassociation.com, or connect with us on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100070593710645>), or Facebook Group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3064694530525474>).



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Wilton Manors, FL 33305
Call/Text 954-225-5488
artgallery21.org

Art Gallery 21, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working in partnership with Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department.

MARCH 15-APRIL 11

American Pen Women

Fort Lauderdale Branch

Founded in 1897, the National League of American Pen Women is the oldest women's arts organization in America.

Meet the Artists

March 15th | 6 to 8 PM

APRIL 19-MAY 10

National Association of Women Artists

Meet the Artists

April 19th | 6 to 8 PM

Workshops:

No Wrong Answers with Janet Gold
Saturday, April 19th | 1-3:30 PM

Putting the WOW Factor in Your Painting
with Fran Mann Goodman
April 26th and May 3rd | 1-3:30 PM

**GALLERY OPEN FRI & SAT 5-7 PM
and by appointment**