



# Edgewater Shorelines

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**The Official Newsletter for  
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## Hurricane Season is Here Are You Ready?

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### Special points of interest:

- \* For the latest news and events go to [www.cityofedgewater.org](http://www.cityofedgewater.org).
- \* City Hall and City Departments will be closed Monday, September 7th for the Labor Day Holiday.
- \* The City is currently seeking anyone interested in serving on a City Board or Committee. Applications can be obtained on the City website or the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.

Hurricane season began on June 1st and will run through November 30th. During this season everyone should have an emergency kit ready.

Keep enough supplies at home for at least three days. Have a three-day supply of food and water on hand — plan for one gallon of water per person per day and food that won't spoil. Don't forget emergency tools including a fire extinguishers, battery powered radio, flashlight, and plenty of batteries.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SUPPLY LIST:**  
 Be sure to gather the following items to ensure your family's basic comfort and well-being in case of evacuation.

\*Cash— Banks and ATM's may not be working.

\*Water — at least one gallon per person for at least three days.

\* Food — at least enough for three days, including : non-perishable packaged or canned food and juices, food for infants or the elderly, snack food, non-electric can opener, vitamins, paper plates, plastic utensils.

\* Radio — battery powered and NOAA weather radio.

\* Blankets, pillows etc.

\* Clothing — seasonal, rain gear, including sturdy shoes.

\*First Aid Kit — including your prescription drugs.

\* Toiletries — hygiene items, moisture wipes.

\* Flashlights and batteries.

\* Keys.

\* Toys, books, and games.

\*Vehicle full of gas.

\* Special items — for babies or elderly.



### BE PREPARED!

\*Waterproof container with important papers: insurance papers, medical records, birth certificates, etc.

\* Pet care items — food, water, medicine, immunization records, bedding.

For more information about emergency preparedness check out [www.flash.org](http://www.flash.org) and [www.Ready.gov](http://www.Ready.gov)

Information from [www.flash.org](http://www.flash.org) and FEMA #R4-09-107

## Leisure Services Looking for Artist

The Edgewater Leisure Services Department is looking for talented artists of all kinds, to display their work at the Leisure Services Artists' Room located at 1108 S. Ridge-wood Avenue. Your work

will be displayed from the 1st of the month through the end of the month. You will need to fill out a short information sheet about yourself, and bring a few samples of your work for approval. If you are inter-

ested in sharing your talents with the community, please contact the Leisure Services Department at 386-424-2485, or email [Bkowall@cityofedgewater.org](mailto:Bkowall@cityofedgewater.org).

## Animal Shelter Needs Help

Since moving to its new location in February, the Edgewater Animal Shelter population has increased dramatically and the animals could really use your help. The Shelter needs donations of liquid dish washing soap,



**"Can you help?"**

dishwasher (machine) detergent, liquid laundry detergent, dry kitten food, dry cat food, dry dog food, chlorine and pine sol. Additionally, the Shelter is in need of volunteers. Donations may be brought to the Edgewater Animal Shelter,

located at 605 Mango Tree Drive (just south of Public Works), Monday through Saturday, 10am-4pm. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Shelter at 386-424-2442. The Shelter animals have benefited greatly from the generosity of the community. The employees, volunteers and our pets 'thank you' for all you do!

## Missed Recycling Opportunities-Cardboard

Did you leave a cardboard box sitting out with your garbage cans for the refuse department to pick up? These boxes are just missed opportunities to recycle cardboard. Cardboard is an easy item to recycle and would save many pounds of waste from being placed in the landfill. By recycling you not only help the environment by not filling the landfills but you also save the disposal cost at the landfill for items that could easily be recycled. Please remember to recycle all recyclable items along with your cardboard boxes. Cardboard boxes must be flattened and placed in or under your recycling bin. It has been reported by resi-

dents throughout the city that once they became active in recycling at home they reduced the number of garbage bags placed out for pickup, and always have a full recycling bin.

### **Join other residents and recycle the following items:**

Newspapers (including inserts)  
Glass jars/bottles

Recycling one ton of cardboard saves 3 tons of wood pulp. It saves the equivalent of 3,000 kilowatt hours of energy needed to process one ton of corrugated cardboard from fresh pulp.

Thin cardboard (such as cereal boxes, etc.)  
Corrugated Cardboard - all boxes  
Aluminum Cans  
Tin Cans  
Junk mail/Mixed Paper – (placed in a paper bag)  
Phone Books  
Magazines/Catalogs  
Brown Paper Grocery Bags  
Plastic bottles/containers - #1, #2, #3, #4, #5

We appreciate all your recycling efforts. If you have any questions please contact the Environmental Services Department at 386-424-2476.

## Get The Facts About Flood Insurance

Popular yet incorrect notions about the National Flood Insurance Program can lead homeowners and businesses to pass up this easy and important safeguard. Here are some truths about flood insurance that can help residents.

**Myth:** Homeowners' insurance policies cover floods.

**Fact:** No, most standard multi-peril home and business insurance policies do not cover flooding. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is the only way a homeowner, business owner or renter can limit the cost of damages from flooding. Homes, businesses, personal property and business inventory contents

are covered for flood by the NFIP. Policies may be purchased through private insurance companies or directly from an NFIP Agent.

**Myth:** You cannot buy flood insurance if you do not live in a high flood-risk area or if your home or business was flooded in the past.

**Fact:** You can buy flood insurance no matter where you live, provided your community participates in the National Flood Insurance Program. You are still eligible to purchase flood insurance even if your home, apartment or business has experienced a flood. Even if your area is not considered a high flood-risk, all

areas are susceptible to flood. Nearly 25 percent of all NFIP claims are from outside high flood-risk areas.

**Myth:** You cannot buy flood insurance immediately before or after a flood.

**Fact:** You can buy flood insurance anytime, but there is a 30-day waiting period after the first premium payment before the policy becomes effective. There are exceptions to this, check with your local insurance agent.

To learn more about the National Flood Insurance Program, visit [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) or call 888-379-9531.

Information provide by FEMA #1833-042

## Back to School Clothing Giveaway

Edgewater Public School will be hosting their 5th annual Back to School Clothing Giveaway. This event is open to area students in need of clothes, undergarments, shoes, etc. to start the new school year. The school is in need of any clean used or new clothing, undergarments, shoes, etc to be donated for this event. Your donation may be dropped off at the front office of Edgewater Public School located at



### Back to School Clothing Giveaway

801 S. Old County Road during the hours of 8am—2pm Monday-Thursday. Monetary donations to help purchase new items will be greatly appreciated and checks can be made out to Edgewater Public School. The School would like to thank the American Legion Post 285 of Edgewater and all their sponsors for their donation. The Legion hosted their very successful 1st annual 4th of July picnic and donated all the proceeds from

the picnic to purchase new clothing, undergarments, and shoes for the clothing giveaway. This is a great way to help local families during these economic hard times. Edgewater Public would like to thank the community in advance for their continued support of the Back to School Clothing Giveaway.



City Manager Tracey Barlow will be previewing the City Council Agenda on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month on radio WSBB AM 1230 @ 7:45 am.

**www.  
CityofEdgewater.org**

## Be Aware — Tree Trimming Information

It is that time of year when preparation for the hurricane season is done, this always promotes residents to do or contract tree trimming.

The City's Refuse Department will pick up debris from normal tree trimming done by the HOMEOWNER/RESIDENT. Once the homeowner/resident has completed the tree trimming the resident **MUST** pile the debris in front of their home, not on an empty lot, next door, across the street, in retention ponds, or at intersections of streets. Piling your debris in these locations is considered illegal dumping.

The City will **NOT** pick up tree trimmings or tree removal debris done by any CONTRACTOR. As the

homeowner/resident we want to make sure you are aware that if you contract tree trimming or tree removal services, the contractor is responsible for disposing of all the debris. If the contractor leaves any debris, you, as the homeowner/resident, will be responsible for all disposal costs. When contracting for tree trimming or tree removal services make sure your contractor is aware of this City policy.

If you have any questions concerning this policy, please call the Department of Environmental Services at 386-424-2476.

### LABOR DAY HOLIDAY REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

The City will be closed on Monday, September 7th for Labor Day Holiday. Refuse/Recycling Holiday Schedule will be as follows:

Monday Pickup will be done on **TUESDAY**

Tuesday Pickup will be done on **WEDNESDAY**.

Thursday pickup will be done on **THURSDAY**.

Friday pickup will be done on **FRIDAY**.

There will be no pickup of bagged or contained grass, leaves or pine needles on Wednesday.