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This monthly Mayor's Message typically extols the virtues and events of Bay Harbor Islands. While that was once again the intent, the murder of 19 children and 2 teachers in Uvalde, Texas rendered the usual exultations irrelevant. Anyone claiming to be shocked by the schoolyard violence is at best disingenuous. We, as Americans, are consistently bombarded with the news of yet another mass shooting. The mirage that such events only happen in other places was shattered on January 6, 2017 when a gunman opened fire at Fort Lauderdale Airport, killing 5 people and injuring six more. Just over a year later on February 14, 2018, Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland was the site of another mass shooting, claiming the lives of 14 children and three faculty, while injuring an additional 17 people.



These shootings are not a South Florida phenomenon. Ten innocent people murdered while grocery shopping in Buffalo, NY; 20 children and six faculty shot and killed at Sandy Hook Elementary in Connecticut; five students and two faculty in Red Lake, Minnesota; 32 students and faculty at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg; five people at Northern Illinois University; eight students and two faculty at Santa Fe High School in Texas; 12 killed and 58 injured in a movie theatre in Aurora, Colorado; 12 students and a teacher at Columbine High School in Colorado; 60 concertgoers killed and 411 injured in Las Vegas; 49 patrons killed and 53 injured at Pulse Nightclub in Orlando; 23 killed and 23 injured while shopping at Walmart in El Paso, Texas. The list goes on and on. As of the date this Mayor's Message was drafted, there had already been 213 shootings of four or more people in the United States in 2022. What we need to remember is that these are not numbers – these are people.

Some people blame mental illness. Others blame unlimited access to high-power weapons and body armour. Still others manage to blame a variety of unrelated topics just to get in front of a camera. Regardless of political views, one thing is certain – the status quo is not working. By definition that means the blame falls on anyone willing to accept the current situation as just a fact of modern, American life. We, as citizens of Bay Harbor Islands, may be limited in our ability to effectuate change on a state or national level, but we can take an active part in reducing the threat to our own community. A common theme to many of these attacks is the existence of warning signs, however slight, be it in social media postings, change in a person's social interaction, violence towards animals or verbal threats. Our police work tirelessly and in coordination with other law enforcement agencies to investigate all known threats to our students, residents and guests. They do so in the hope each threat will not be credible, and with determination to act if they are. However, current laws and simple arithmetic prevent our officers from learning the existence of each possible threat. For that, they, as do we all, rely on you. Please do not stay silent if you see or suspect a possible threat. Our police would much rather check a false alarm than miss the opportunity to prevent a tragedy.

We strive to protect our school, our houses of worship and all social gatherings. Your safety is the top priority of our Town. We will utilize every available resource to ensure our collective security, even if we are limited by current law. The national debate may rage on, but there is no debate Bay Harbor Islands will continue to do everything possible to keep you safe.



# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

## New County Legislation

### MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S TENANT'S BILL OF RIGHTS



The Tenant's Bill of Rights ordinance was passed by the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners on May 3, 2022 to assist renters with safe, stable and affordable rental housing, and served to formalize Miami-Dade County's Office of Housing Advocacy. The ordinance took effect on May 14 and is now law, throughout the county and its municipalities. To learn more, please visit [www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid\\_service=ser1652192015243613](http://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid_service=ser1652192015243613)



## Outdoor Water Use Restrictions

To conserve water, Miami-Dade County enforces year-round water use restrictions, limiting sprinkler usage. Residential and business lawns can be watered two days a week using the following rotating schedule:

- Odd numbered address (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9) are permitted to irrigate on Wednesdays and Saturdays, before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
- Even numbered addresses (ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8) are allowed to irrigate on Thursdays and Sundays, before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.

For more information go to [www.miamidade.gov/global/water/conservation/outdoor-water-restrictions.page](http://www.miamidade.gov/global/water/conservation/outdoor-water-restrictions.page)

## Bring Your Kids to Work Day

The Town of Bay Harbor Islands invited Town employees to bring their children to work so that they could see how their moms and dads spend their days. The BHI Police also educated them on safety and crime prevention and gave them a tour of the station. Clearly, it was the latter they found most interesting. Thank you to all who made the day so memorable.





# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Pizza and Safety!

The BHI PD hosted another successful Pizza With The Police, on May 3, with more than 60 residents attending. Staff presented on a variety of subjects including home and school safety, and tips & tricks to safeguard your cellphone activity!



## Police Honor Fallen Officers

On May 5, members of the Bay Harbor Islands Police Honor Guard, Command Staff and Police Explorers attended the annual Police Officers' Memorial. This yearly event honors the men and women of law enforcement who made the ultimate sacrifice, while protecting and serving our communities.



## Officer Vasquez to the Rescue

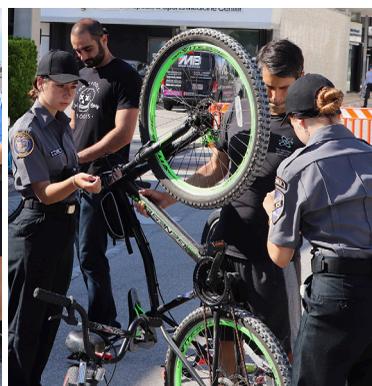
Police Dispatch received a 9-1-1 call from a young resident, home alone, whose pregnant dog had just gone into labor. Officer Jasmin Vasquez responded and, as first on the scene, she immediately began assisting the mama dog, delivering four healthy pups - three boys and a girl. Word is mother and babies are doing just fine. Kudos to Officer Vasquez!



## Young Riders Learn Bicycle Safety at the Annual Rodeo



BHI Police held their annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo on May 28. Joined by Bal Harbour and Surfside Police, the event included basic cycling safety, a training course and a group ride, led by Deputy Chief Noel. Special thanks to the staff of Miami Bikes' new North Miami shop (1640 NE 123 Street) for providing free bike maintenance and to our Police Explorers.





# BE STORM READY AND STAY SAFE

## WHAT TO DO NOW

- **GET THE OFFICIAL COUNTY HURRICANE READINESS GUIDE** at [miamidade.gov/hurricane](http://miamidade.gov/hurricane) for complete details.
- **SAFELY TRIM BACK ALL TREES** on your property that could be close to Florida Power and Light (FPL) electric lines and other utility lines. Do not wait until it is too late. Keep the front of your yard free of all mulch. During heavy rain, mulch washes into roadways and ends up in the Town's storm drain system.
- **REVIEW YOUR HURRICANE PLAN NOW.** Prepare your home and plan your evacuation route and destination. Create a hurricane list for you, your family and pets.
- **SIGN UP FOR CODE RED AND FOLLOW TOWN SOCIAL MEDIA** @bhipolice and @bayharborislands to stay connected and aware of the latest information regarding any storm event that may impact Bay Harbor Islands. Visit the Town's website [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov) for additional resources.
- **AT-RISK SENIORS AND RESIDENTS** who may require special transportation during a mandatory evacuation or have life-saving medical equipment dependent on electricity should register for the Miami-Dade County Emergency & Evacuation Assistance Program (EEAP) in advance of any storm. It may also be utilized post-disaster to provide other assistance. This program is for individuals who live alone or with families and may have access/functional needs. Call 3-1-1 to register.
- **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL A STORM IS THREATENING** to complete your hurricane kit. Make sure your evacuation plans are completed. Gather non-perishable food and emergency supplies for your household before any storms are imminent.

## WHEN A STORM IS IMMINENT

- **PROTECT YOUR HOME AND PROPERTY** by securing windows and doors with Miami-Dade County-approved storm shutters. Bring in patio furniture, garbage cans, bins, portable basketball nets and any other items that could become airborne. If the power is lost, only use battery-powered lighting.

- **BAY HARBOR ISLANDS IS ZONE B (ORANGE)** in the Miami-Dade Storm Surge Planning Zones. Storm surge and interior flooding is possible. If flooding threatens your home, turn off electricity at the main breaker. Stay in a sheltered room in your home and away from windows. Do not leave your home until the storm is completely passed.
- **A MANDATORY EVACUATION MAY BE ORDERED** This means Bay Harbor Islands residents should leave coastal areas. Evacuation centers will open, but they should only be considered as a last resort. You are encouraged to stay with family or friends in a non-evacuation area. Make your plans now. If evacuations are ordered and you decide to go to a county shelter, visit [www.miamidade.gov/hurricane](http://www.miamidade.gov/hurricane) or call 311 to find the closest available shelter. Bring your proof of residents, bedding, food, medications and personal items.
- **IF YOU SHELTER-IN-PLACE IN YOUR HIGH-RISE BUILDING**, stay on floors just above flood water or storm surge, but not higher than the 10th floor where the wind is stronger.

## WHAT TO DO AFTER THE STORM

- **MANY INJURIES OCCUR AFTER A STORM**, so stay indoors until authorities say it is safe to go outside. Call the Bay Harbor Islands Police Department or utility companies immediately to report hazards such as downed power lines, broken gas or water mains or overturned gas tanks. Monitor notifications or other communications for information on safety issues, waste collection and hurricane debris pickups. Obey curfew and emergency orders when issued.
- **IF YOU HAVE EVACUATED, PLEASE BE PATIENT.** It may take several days to return. Have your picture ID ready when returning. Residents will not be allowed back into Town until an all clear is issued by the Bay Harbor Islands Police Department. Residents and business owners will be notified when to return via CodeRed notifications, Town social media and [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)



## DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST



General	First Aid	Important Documents	Special Needs Items
<input type="checkbox"/> Batteries <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlights <i>Do not use candles</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NOAA Weather Radio <i>Battery operated or hand cranked</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <i>Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cell phone chargers <input type="checkbox"/> Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children	<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes <input type="checkbox"/> Sterile gauze pads <input type="checkbox"/> Scissors <input type="checkbox"/> Tweezers <input type="checkbox"/> Moistened towelettes <input type="checkbox"/> Antiseptic <input type="checkbox"/> Disinfectant wipes <input type="checkbox"/> Hand sanitizer <input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin or other pain reliever	<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance cards <input type="checkbox"/> Medical records <input type="checkbox"/> Banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of social security cards <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates <i>*Items should be kept in a water proof container</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and family members with disabilities
Pet Care Items	Clothing	Food and Water	Vehicle
<input type="checkbox"/> Pet food and water to last at least 7 days <input type="checkbox"/> Proper identification <input type="checkbox"/> Medical records/ microchip information <input type="checkbox"/> Water and food bowls	<input type="checkbox"/> Rain gear such as jackets, hats, umbrellas and rain boots <input type="checkbox"/> Sturdy shoes or boots and work gloves	<input type="checkbox"/> Food <i>Nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items to last at least 7 days</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Water <i>1 gallon per person per day</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Non-electric can opener <input type="checkbox"/> Paper plates, napkins, plastic cups, and utensils	<input type="checkbox"/> Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline
			Phone Numbers
			<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a list of important phone numbers
			<b>Find a full disaster supply kit checklist at <a href="http://FloridaDisaster.org/Kit">FloridaDisaster.org/Kit</a></b>

For more hurricane information visit <https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/207/Emergency-Preparedness>



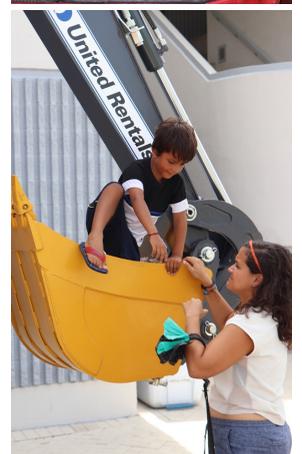
# Hot Rods Roll on Kane Concourse

Town residents, visitors and car enthusiasts of all ages thoroughly enjoyed last month's "Car Show on The Concourse". Dozens of jaw-dropping machines were lined up along Kane Concourse in our Downtown Business District. New and old, sleek and shiny, the amazing cars kept the crowd coming throughout the day. Special thanks to all involved in making this Town event so special.



# Children Sit Up High at the Town's First Touch-A-Truck

For many kids, Bay Harbor Islands' Touch-A-Truck was a dream come true. The event was their chance to touch, climb onto and beep the horn of all types of construction trucks and first-responder vehicles. And they didn't get yelled at for doing it! The kids also enjoyed bounce houses, slides, train rides and face painting. A big thank you to Town staff, our BHI Police and the various agencies that helped make this event a success.



**BAY HARBOR ISLANDS  
BROAD CAUSEWAY CLEANUP**

**NEW DATE**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26  
AT 8:00 A.M.**

**MEETUP LOCATION IS THE  
BROAD CAUSEWAY CHEVRON  
1501 BROAD CAUSEWAY**

**REGISTER AT TINYURL.COM/BHI-APP**

**Mini-FLOW**  
Florida Licensing on Wheels

AT  
**MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER**

The Mini-FLOW is a convenient way to renew a driver license or ID card, get a replacement driver license, change your name or address, renew a vehicle registration, obtain a disabled parking placard or purchase a specialty license plate. Fees vary, based on the service.

Go to [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register) and click on "Town Events" to make an appointment. If you have not made an account on the event registration site, you must do so to register. Visit [flhsmv.gov](https://flhsmv.gov) or call (850) 617-2000 for more information on obtaining a Florida driver license or photo ID card.



## County Mosquito Treatment Resumes on June 24

Miami-Dade Mosquito Control staff will resume larvicide treatment by truck throughout Bay Harbor Islands on Friday, June 24, 2022, between 1 and 5 a.m. This treatment is strictly proactive and not in response to any immediate threat regarding any mosquito borne disease. The larvicide product they will be using is VectoBac (Bti) WDG Biological Mosquito Larvicide and is non-toxic to humans and pets. The treatments will take place every two-weeks until further notice.

Residents can do their part in preventing mosquito breeding and the spread of mosquito-borne diseases. Drain any standing water on your property and regularly drain water from items such as birdbaths, buckets, toys and pet water bowls. Even small amounts of water can be a breeding point for mosquitoes. Report any infestations to Miami-Dade Mosquito Control by calling 3-1-1.

## Palo's Afro-Cuban Funk Got the Audience Dancing



The catchy original songs of Palo brought the audience to their feet at the May 22 outdoor concert at the 95th Park. The strong percussion, jazzy sax and charismatic singers made for an electrifying evening for everyone in attendance.

**ALWAYS BE IN THE KNOW - FOLLOW US!**

**@bhipolice**  
**@bayharborislands**



# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS COMMUNITY SERVICES

REGISTER ONLINE at [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](http://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)

For more information call the Morris N. Broad Community Center at (786) 646-9970



## Register for Summer Camp!

June 13-August 5, 2022, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
at the Ruth K. Broad Bay K-8 Center

**SPECIALTY CLASSES INCLUDE:** FOOTBALL • SOCCER • BASKETBALL • KUNG FU • TENNIS • COMPUTERS • AND MORE!

Register online only at [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](http://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)  
For more information, call (786) 646-9970

**GET A JUMP START ON FALL CLASSES AT OUR SUMMER TUTORING PROGRAM!**  
**4 WEEK PROGRAM - JULY 11 - AUG 5**  
**8 - 11 A.M., MONDAY - THURSDAY**  
**TOTALLY FREE FOR BAY HARBOR ISLANDS STUDENTS GRADES K-8**

email [jjacobi@bayharborislands-fl.gov](mailto:jjacobi@bayharborislands-fl.gov) or call 786-835-8047 for more info!



### What to Do If You're Having Trouble Finding Baby Formula



In most cases, you can feed your baby any brand of formula that is available. Contact your **OB/GYN or pediatrician** for guidance on adjusting feeding practices – some may have unused formula samples.



Visit [hhs.gov/formula](http://hhs.gov/formula) for information on milk and formula banks, WIC offices, and guidance from the American Academy of Pediatrics.



**Do not** water down formula, make formula at home, or discard formula unless it is expired or is part of the recall.



Recursos para Ayudar a Familias a Encontrar Fórmula Láctea para Bebés Durante la Escasez de Fórmula

[hhs.gov/es/formula](http://hhs.gov/es/formula)



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### SENIORS ON THE GO

## FRUIT & SPICE SUMMER FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2022

Bus leaves at the Community Center at 9:30 a.m. Enjoy this trip to Redland for a showcase of local agriculture and tropical fruits. Vendors will be featuring tasty cuisine and rare fruit samplings available. Residents only. The cost is \$13.



## PROGRAMS

REGISTER ONLINE AT [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](http://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)

### TOT & YOUTH

**TIME CHANGE STORY TIME IN THE PARK** - At the Tot Lot at 4 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month and at the 98th Street Park at 4 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month.

**PEE-WEE SOCCER** - At the 95th Street Park on Sundays and Wednesdays for children, from 12 months to 5 years. Times vary by age. \$105 residents/\$120 non, 8-weeks.

**JUST YOU & ME CLUB** - For parent and child ages 2-4. Fridays, 4-5 p.m. \$80 residents/\$140 non, 8 weeks.

**YOUTH GAME ROOM** - Fridays from 3-5 p.m. and weekends from 12-4 p.m.

### ADULTS & SENIORS

**TAI CHI** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30-11:30 a.m., 8 weeks.

**COMPUTER CLASS** - Wednesday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 4 weeks. <https://tiny.one/BHI-Seniors>

**ADULT YOGA** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Monday and Thursday, 9:30-10:30 a.m. 8 weeks. \$90 residents/\$130 non. Saturday yoga class is at 10-11 a.m., \$30. 8 weeks.

**TIME CHANGE ADULT ZUMBA** - Monday and Wednesday 6:30-7:30 p.m. \$80 residents/\$120 non, 8 weeks.

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[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)

**Future Tentative Meetings**

Design Review Board: Tuesday, July 5  
Design and Review Committee: Thursday, July 14  
Regular Council Meeting: Wednesday, August 10 at 7 p.m  
Design and Review Committee: Thursday, August 11

**KNOW THE CODE**

**County-wide Fertilizer Ban  
Through October 31**

Fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorous is restricted throughout Miami-Dade during the rainy season from May 15 to October 31. The ordinance has specific rules for when, how much and where you can fertilize, how grass clippings and vegetative matter are to be handled and what training is required for landscapers.

Make sure you and your landscaper know the rules. Application of fertilizer near surface water bodies is prohibited.

Yard clippings must not affect streets, sidewalks, stormwater drainage systems or water bodies. Excess nutrients from fertilizer can enter our sensitive water resources like our Biscayne Bay, where they have contributed to seagrass die-offs, algae blooms and recently fish-kills. Go to <https://tiny.one/fertilizer-ban> for more information.

