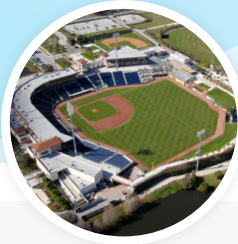


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ACCESS YOUR UTILITY ACCOUNT ONLINE

Clearwater's utility customers have enhanced online access to their utility bills. The online payment portal was upgraded in November 2018, and customers now can create a profile and log in to their accounts with a username and password. Users can view and pay current and past statements, view consumption data/history, and link multiple utility accounts to their profiles.

Customers can now receive text or email notifications when a bill is ready for viewing, when a bill is due for payment, and when a payment is processed for payment. Customers who are interested in setting up a profile and transitioning to paperless utility statements can visit myclearwater.com/Kubra.

If you have questions about this change, call the Utility Customer Service Department at (727) 562-4600.

MURALS GIVE DOWNTOWN A NEW LOOK

Downtown Clearwater is getting a new look. Four murals are being painted in Downtown Clearwater and are helping to change downtown's vibe:

- The Flag Company, 1360 Cleveland St., by Justin McAllister and the Gibbs High School Mural Club of St. Petersburg.
- The Garden Avenue Garage, 28 N. Garden Ave., by Florencia Durán and Camilo Nuñez, who live in Uruguay.
- Creative Contractors, 620 Drew St., by Michelle Sawyer and Tony Krol of Tampa.
- A Downtown Clearwater commercial property, 512 Cleveland St., by Cecilia Lueza of St. Petersburg.

Visit Downtown Clearwater to see the murals. Learn more about downtown events and happenings at downtownclearwater.com.



CATCH THE SUNSET

Clearwater Main Library's rooftop terrace will open for Sunsets on the Roof every Tuesday, weather permitting, at 5:30 p.m. Attendees will meet at the grand staircase on the first floor then proceed to the rooftop terrace for a view of the sunset 30 minutes prior to the sunset.

The rooftop terrace provides a special vantage point to experience views of Clearwater Harbor and the Gulf of Mexico to the west and the entire city of Clearwater to the east. The Clearwater Main Library is located at 100 N. Osceola Ave.

For more information, visit myclearwaterlibrary.com or call (727) 562-4970.

SAVE THE DATE: NEIGHBORHOODS DAY

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 30, to Celebrate Clearwater Neighborhoods Day. Clearwater staff and elected officials will tour the city and visit neighborhood block parties. The official times to host your party are between noon and 6 p.m. If you host your party during those times, city staff will plan to send a vehicle with city officials and the ever-popular Kona Ice shaved ice truck to your party. Clearwater will again offer a \$250 grant to each neighborhood that applies, provided applications are received by March 4. More information will be posted soon at myclearwater.com/neighborhood.



Clearwater Happenings

St. Pete/Clearwater Elite Invitational

ESPN Events, a division of ESPN, will be hosting the 2019 NCAA Division I softball season with the St. Pete/Clearwater Elite Invitational. The event will take place Feb. 14-17 at the Eddie C. Moore Complex, 3050 Drew St. The inaugural tournament will feature top softball teams from Notre Dame, Florida State University, Florida Atlantic University, Texas, Oklahoma State and more. Sixteen teams will complete overall. Visit stpeteclearwatereliteinvite.com for details.

Cruisin' at the Capitol

Check out classic cars on display, and enjoy an afternoon of live music from noon to 5 p.m. Feb. 17 in Downtown Clearwater. Specialty food vendors will have food and beverages available for sale. For details, visit rutherfordhall.com.

Get Rid of Electronic Waste Properly

Unwanted electronics should never go in your blue recycling cart. Residents who live within the city of Clearwater are encouraged to drop off their unwanted electronics at the Recycling Drop-off Center, 1701 N. Hercules Ave., from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the last Wednesday of every month. Please bring proof of Clearwater residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill. For more information, visit myclearwater.com/recycling, or call (727) 562-4920.

Flooding & Your Home

The city of Clearwater has adopted new floodplain management regulations, which are found in the city's Community Development Code at library.municode.com/fl/clearwater. The city manages and regulates activities and development in its floodplain to reduce future flood risks. Several of the adopted changes could result in reduced flood insurance premiums through the National Flood Insurance Program because they are higher standards than what is generally required.

The city now requires that new construction, or those projects that are substantial improvements, be built to 2 feet or more above base flood elevation. This will further protect properties from waves and debris during flood events.

Blues Walk & BLAST Friday

On Feb. 22 from 5:30 to 10 p.m., Downtown Clearwater presents alternative rock band and MTV pioneers, The Fixx, at BLAST Friday. Blast Friday happens on Cleveland Street between Osceola and East avenues and in Station Square Park.

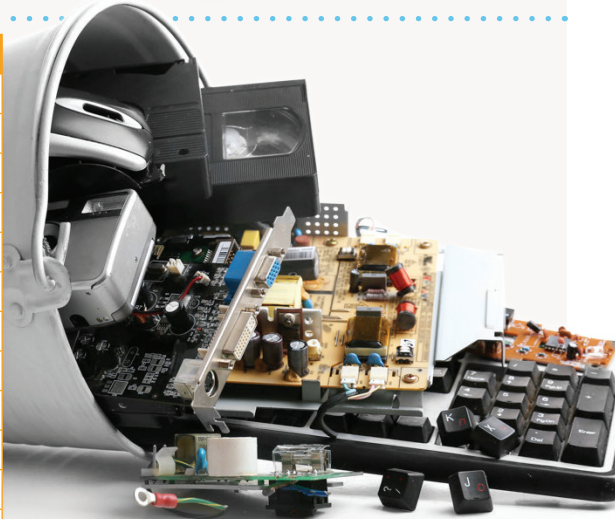
Clearwater Sea-Blues Festival

The annual Clearwater Sea-Blues Festival is becoming one of the state's most anticipated signature events, showcasing top-rated blues artists with a side of mouth-watering seafood. This year's festival will rock out Feb. 23-24 at Coachman Park, 301 Drew St., and it will feature a mixture of blues-inspired artists including Vintage Trouble, Fantastic Negrito, The Devon Allman Project with special guest Duane Betts, Christone "Kingfish" Ingram and more. Visit sea-blues.com for details.



2019 E-WASTE COLLECTION DATES

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| JAN. 30 |
| FEB. 27 |
| MARCH 27 |
| APRIL 24 |
| MAY 29 |
| JUNE 26 |
| JULY 31 |
| AUG. 28 |
| SEPT. 25 |
| OCT. 30 |
| NOV. 27 |
| DEC. 18* (MOVED DUE TO CHRISTMAS) |



Owners will also need to submit a non-conversion agreement when permitting projects. This agreement states that the owner will not convert or alter what has been permitted, and that any enclosed area below the flood elevation plus 2 feet will not be used as habitable space. It may be used only for limited storage, parking of vehicles or access to the building.

For more information on the Community Development Code, visit library.municode.com/fl/clearwater.



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