

# CityScape

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## 2023 Quarterly Clean-Up Schedule\*

March 13 – 15:  
Spring Clean-up



June 12 – 14:  
Hurricane Prep Clean-up

September 11 – 13:  
End-of-Summer Clean-up

December 11 – 13:  
Holiday Clean-up

### What Items **WILL** be collected?

- Toilets
- Boxsprings & mattresses
- Scrap metal: pile separately
- Old appliances, including: washers, dryers, stoves, hot water heaters, microwaves, dishwashers
- Lawn/yard equipment: drained of oil & gas
- Other items must be bundled, bagged, or boxed – under 50 lbs

\* Collection occurs only once during the Clean-up cycle, so it is important to place items at the curb by 6:30AM on your regular collection day.

If you miss the clean-up day, special pick-ups may be requested, for a fee, by calling Public Works.



## SPRING CLEANING *by: Sherri Kennedy, Sanitation Supervisor*

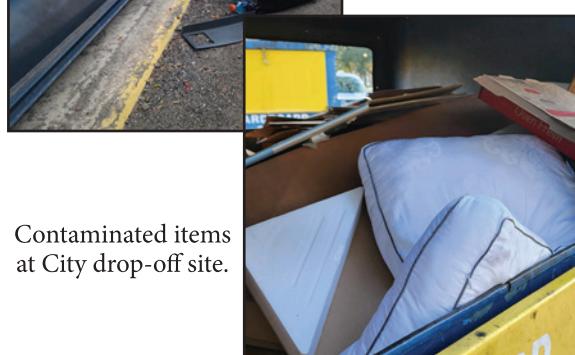
Spring is in the air, and it's a great time to tidy up and clean out. And Safety Harbor Public Works is here to help you in your Spring Cleaning endeavors!

## QUARTERLY CLEAN-UP IS BACK!

Our quarterly clean-up dates are set for 2023 and start in March. Be sure to mark your calendar for the clean-up dates, or cut out the ad to the left and stick it on your fridge! During these clean-up weeks, Sanitation will pick up a variety of bulk items right at your curb on your regular trash day. If you happen to miss the date or have special collection needs between the regularly scheduled events, you can contact Public Works at 727-724-1550 x2002 to schedule a special pick-up for a fee. To see what items will be collected, check out the schedule to the left.



Contaminated items at City drop-off site.



## RECYCLING DROP-OFF SITES

Do you know the City has two recycling drop-off locations? One is located at the Public Works Complex on Railroad Avenue and accepts aluminum, glass, mixed paper, cardboard, and plastics; the drop-off at the Fire Station on McMullen Booth accepts cardboard, plastic, mixed paper, aluminum and newspaper.

## CONTAMINATED RECYCLING

When using the drop-off locations, please do not put any trash into the containers. When residents throw trash (including perishable and non-perishable food), furniture, bags, and Styrofoam packing in the recycling bins, it contaminates the entire load. Contaminated

recycling has to be taken to the solid waste facility and not processed for recycling. It ruins the entire load. Help us keep our drop-off sites clean and sending items to the recycling center.

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# AROUND SAFETY HARBOR

## FIRE SAFETY TIPS *by: Andrew Portale, Firefighter/Paramedic*



As you all know, Safety Harbor's firefighters serve the community around the clock as a bulwark against loss of life and property in the event of a structure fire. The organization constantly strives to improve its fire suppression tradecraft through experience, lessons learned, and training. Another equally critical aspect of the profession is fire prevention. Safety Harbor Fire Department takes proactive steps to avert preventable emergencies by employing a full-time Fire Marshall, executing fire inspections, researching national trends, and educating the public about life safety tips. Much of the fire prevention data we source from industry leaders at the national level is comprised of reports from throughout the country that identify trends over the years. We hope that by sharing these findings and offering a few tips, the citizens of this community can avoid being another statistic.

According to the U.S. Fire Administration, on average, there are nearly a quarter-million residential structure fires in 1- and 2-family homes every year. This specific subsection accounts for nearly two-thirds of the nation's structure fires and amounts to scores of casualties and an estimated property loss of \$6 billion. Naturally, cooking accounts for over one-third of fires in single-family dwellings, and the data shows most fires occur in the evening hours of dinnertime. Proactive steps any family can take include owning a fire extinguisher, monitoring cooking, and maintaining a "safe zone" where kids and pets cannot interfere. Another report finding indicates fires are more common in the cooler months, especially in January. The culprits include, but are not limited to, holiday decorations, heating appliances, and candles. Steps you can take include watering Christmas trees if applicable, monitoring lit candles, and maintaining a healthy distance from combustibles when operating space heaters. Of course, installing operational smoke detectors is a year-round life safety measure that has saved countless lives.

We hope this article proved informative and helps prevent residential structure fires throughout the City of Safety Harbor.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE *by: Michelle C. Giuliani, Engineering Director*

### NORTH BAY HILLS PHASE III WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

On September 19, 2022, City Commission approved a Contract with Augustine Construction, Inc. to perform the construction of a new water main project for the Capital Improvement Project, IFB 2022-01-CIP, North Bay Hills Phase III Water Main Replacement Project. The proposed work will take place along portions of Mallard Drive, Mandarin Terrace, North Bay Hills Boulevard, Avocet Place, Sandpiper Lane, and Teal Terrace. Construction will commence in March 2023. Work hours are limited to weekdays from 7:00AM to 6:00PM. No work will occur between the hours of 6:00PM and 7:00AM on any day or at any time on Sunday (per City of Safety Harbor's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15, Section 15.03).



### PINELLAS AVENUE WATER MAIN AND FIRE PROTECTION PROJECT

On September 9, 2022, City Commission approved a Contract with Carl Hankins, Inc. to perform the construction of a new water main project for the Capital Improvement Project, IFB 2022-02-CIP, Pinellas Avenue Water Main Replacement Project. The proposed work will take place along portions of Philippe Parkway, Pinellas Avenue, Rajel Avenue, Madrid Avenue, Navarez Avenue, Philippe Drive, Club Drive, Melrose Drive, Glen Drive, Morningside Drive, and Avon Drive. Construction commenced in February 2023. Work hours are limited to weekdays from 7:00AM to 6:00PM. No work will occur between the hours of 6:00PM and 7:00AM on any day or at any time on Sunday (per City of Safety Harbor's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15, Section 15.03).

An illustration of a broom with a yellow leaf and a blue trash bag.

## Remember... Only Rain Down the Drain

**Do Not Blow Leaves & Grass into Street, Curb, or Storm Drains**

Leaves should be bagged and disposed of with your regular yard waste collection. The City will collect up to 10 bags on your regular collection day or use the Quarterly Clean-Up to dispose of your yard debris.

An illustration of a storm drain grate with water droplets falling into it.

Mark your calendar for the next Clean-Up on March 13-15!

# HARBOR HAPPENINGS

## MARCH

### CITY MEETINGS

Check [cityofsafetyharbor.com](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com) for meeting locations

6 City Commission, 7PM  
8 Planning & Zoning Board/Board of Appeals, 6:30PM  
9 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM  
14 Library Advisory Committee, 7PM  
15 Code Enforcement Board, 6:30PM  
20 City Commission, 7PM  
23 Diversity Advisory Board, 6PM

### SPECIAL EVENTS

4 Junk in the Trunk (Community Ctr), 9AM-1PM  
17 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Street Celebration (Main Street), 6-10PM  
18 Bloom'N Chalk Art Fest (Main Street), 9AM-8PM  
19 Bloom'N Chalk Art Fest (Main Street), 9AM-5PM  
19 Kiwanis Art & Craft Show (Main Street), 9AM-4PM

## APRIL

### CITY MEETINGS

Check [cityofsafetyharbor.com](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com) for meeting locations

3 City Commission, 7PM  
7 **All City Facilities Closed - Spring Holiday**  
11 Library Advisory Committee, 7PM  
12 Planning & Zoning Board/Board of Appeals, 6:30PM  
13 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM  
17 City Commission, 7PM  
19 Code Enforcement Board, 6:30PM

### SPECIAL EVENTS

1 Paddle the Bay (Waterfront Park), 7AM-5PM  
15 5K by the Bay (Waterfront Park), 7AM  
21 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Street Celebration (Main Street), 6-10PM

## Market on Main

Sundays ↗ 10:00AM - 3:00PM ↗ Gazebo on Main Street



**JUNK in the TRUNK**

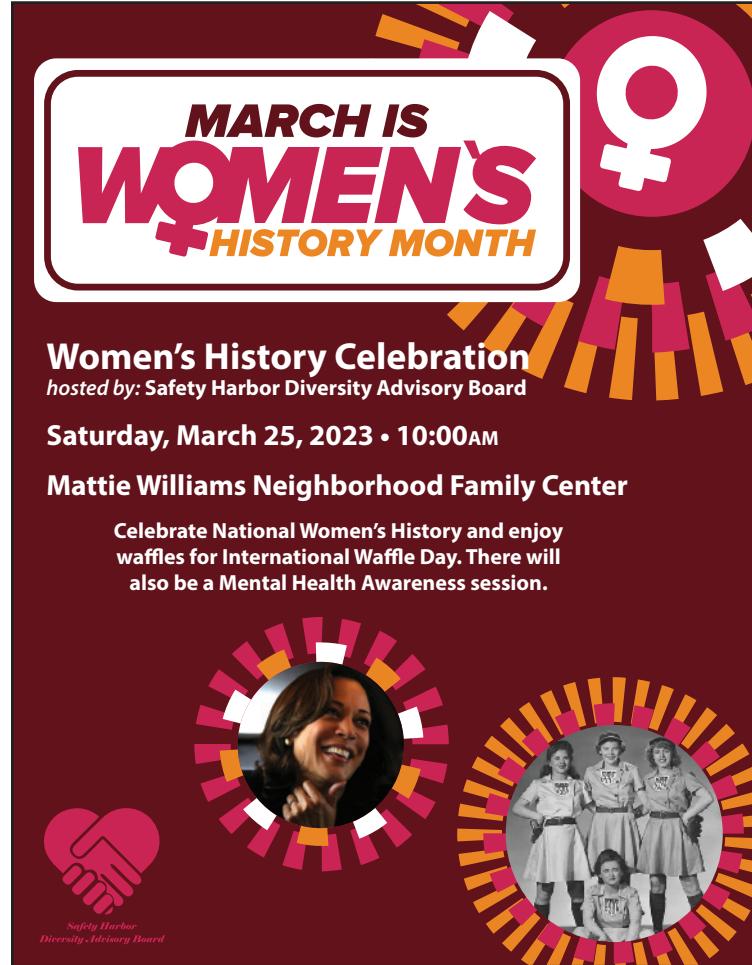
It's a new twist on the old garage sale. Bring your cash and find new-to-you treasures to love!

Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>  
9AM-1PM | FREE

Community Center  
[safetyharborrecreation.com](http://safetyharborrecreation.com)

Recreation-Events-Arts-Leisure  
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This poster features a large orange background with the event title 'JUNK in the TRUNK' in a stylized, blocky font. Below the title, a black banner contains the event details. The background image shows a blurry view of a garage sale with various items on display.



**MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

Women's History Celebration  
hosted by: Safety Harbor Diversity Advisory Board

Saturday, March 25, 2023 • 10:00AM

Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center

Celebrate National Women's History and enjoy waffles for International Waffle Day. There will also be a Mental Health Awareness session.

**Safety Harbor Diversity Advisory Board**

The poster has a dark red background. It features a large white box in the center with the text 'MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH'. To the right is a large pink female gender symbol. Below the text, there are two circular frames: one with a photo of a smiling woman and another with a photo of three young girls in Girl Scout uniforms. The bottom left corner contains the text 'Safety Harbor Diversity Advisory Board'.

# SAFETY HARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

## SAFETY HARBOR LIBRARY SETS SIGHTS ON SECOND STORY CONSTRUCTION

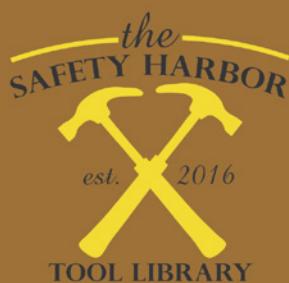
by: Lisa Kothe, Library Director



During the pandemic, library staff learned how to adapt programs to stay safe, create opportunities such as for take home kits and other programs and used outdoor spaces to our advantage. But most of all, we learned patience. The Library Foundation's 2020 Vision – Let's Build a Story capital campaign dropped the 2020 portion of their slogan and is focusing on construction to begin in fall 2023 and consequently hopes to exceed their goal of raising \$500,000 for technology and furniture for the second story of the library. A fall start will allow library staff to focus on summer reading programs for all ages before construction starts, when space to hold programs and events will be limited.

The Foundation will continue to host fundraisers, including the return of the “do over” Prom for adults in August and an interactive mystery dinner theater in the future. Their annual membership drive kicks off in March, providing an effortless way to support the Foundation. Visit [SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org](http://SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org) for updated information on events and membership opportunities. We are thankful to the Friends of the Library for also contributing \$35,000 to the second story project.

The library will celebrate its 85<sup>th</sup> birthday during National Library Week April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> with special events. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with the community. To keep apprised of programs, online resources, and to browse our catalog, visit [SafetyHarborLibrary.com](http://SafetyHarborLibrary.com).



**HOURS:**  
WED - FRI  
10AM - 5:30PM  
**SATURDAY**  
10AM - 4PM

The Safety Harbor Library's tool lending library is the first in the state of Florida. Our mission is to provide access to quality tools at no cost. All you need to borrow tools is your library card!

Tools are reserved through our online catalog at least one day prior to the day you need them and can be picked up during Tool Library hours. Sorry, same day pickup is not available. You'll be required to sign a one-time membership agreement and release form when picking up tools for the first time.

Visit: [SafetyHarborToolLibrary.myturn.com](http://SafetyHarborToolLibrary.myturn.com) to browse inventory and create your account. Questions? 727-724-1525 x4112

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Info: [cityofsafetyharbor.com/cohs](http://cityofsafetyharbor.com/cohs)

727-724-1525 x4112

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

**Story Tots: (Ages 19 months to 4 years)**  
Wednesdays at 10:30 am.

**Baby & Me Story Time: (Ages 18 months and under)**  
Thursdays, 3/9, 3/23, 3/30 & 4/13, 4/20, 4/27 at 10:00 am.

**Pawsome Readers: (Ages 3-8)**  
Saturdays, 3/18 & 4/29 at 10:30am

**Ukulele Sing-Along in the Art Park: (Ages 5 & under)**  
Saturdays, 3/4 & 4/1 at 10:30 am.

**Homework Help: (Grades K-8),**  
Wednesdays (except during school breaks) from 3 to 6 pm.

**Bunny Story Time Party: (Ages 5 & under)**  
Wednesday, 4/5 at 11:00 am.

**Dr. Seuss Story Time Party: (Ages 5 & under)**  
Wednesday, 3/1 at 11:00 am.

**Theater & Improv Games: (Ages 4-8)**  
Mondays, 3/27 & 4/24 at 4:00 pm.

**Wee Discoveries: (Ages 4 & under)**  
Tuesdays, 3/28 & 4/25 at 11:00am

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT**  
**SAFETYHARBORLIBRARY.ORG**

# Tween Library Programs



**Homework Help: (Grades K-8) Wednesdays, 3:00-6:00 p.m.**

**\*Tween Painting: 3/7 & 4/11, 5:00-6:30 pm**

**Tween Switch Tournaments: 3/8, 3/22, 4/5 & 4/19, 4:30-5:30 pm**

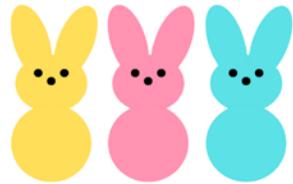
**\*Snacks Around the World with Chef Adam: 3/11, 11:30 am-12:30 pm**

**\*Tween Graphic Novel Book Club: 3/28 & 4/25, 5:30-6:30 pm**

**\*Tween Peeps Taste Test Challenge: 4/4, 5:30-6:00 pm**

**Family Mandalorian**

**Program: 4/22, 11:00 am-12:30 pm**



## \*Registration Required

Register at [events.safetyharborlibrary.com](http://events.safetyharborlibrary.com)

# TEEN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

**\*Registration required**

Register at [events.safetyharborlibrary.org](http://events.safetyharborlibrary.org)



**Teen Rainbow Room**  
3/21, 5:00 - 6:00 PM

**Teen Led Book Club**  
3/6, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5:00-6:00 PM

**Teen D&D- The Witchlight Carnival**  
3/28, 4/11, 4/25, 6:00-7:30 PM

**Snacks Around the World with Chef Adam\***  
3/11, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**All Ages Self-Defense Workshop**  
3/14, 6:00-7:00 PM

**Tattoos 101 with The Ivy Fine Art & Tattoo**  
4/3, 6:00- 7:00 PM (Ages 13+)

**Family Mandalorian Program**  
4/22, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

# LIBRARY EVENTS FOR ADULTS

**Game Night**

3/9 | 6:00 pm

**Sounds of Ireland**

Concert with the  
King of Strings, Gary Lovini  
3/16 | 6:30 pm

**Friends of the Library**

**Book Sale**

3/18 | 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Saturday Movie Matinee**

3/25 & 4/22 | 2:00 pm

**Finding Venus:**

The Astrology of What You Love  
4/20 | 6:30 pm

**ESOL Conversation Club**

Weds. | 10:00 am

**Citizenship Class**

Weds. | 11:30 am

**Book Clubs:**

**Words & Wine**  
3/20 & 4/17 | 6:00 pm

**Books & Bagels**  
3/21 & 4/18 | 10:30 am

Visit us at [SafetyHarborLibrary.com](http://SafetyHarborLibrary.com) for a complete listing of upcoming events.

# SAFETY HARBOR RECREATION

## ENCHANTED GARDEN FEST IS BACK! *by Autumn Reich, Recreation Program Supervisor*



This will be our 3<sup>rd</sup> year of sharing the magic of Folly Farm through our Enchanted Garden Fest on March 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM–2:00PM. The event is free to attend and will have many things to do:

- Plant and Craft Vendors
- Fairy Doors and Homes Scavenger Hunt
- Costume Parade *for those willing to dress up in their very best Fairy or Gnome attire*
- Workshops (see below)
- Plant a Tree to Re-forest Folly Farm
- Talk to Master Gardeners, who will be on hand to share their knowledge and expertise!
- Or just sit back and enjoy the live music at the Gazebo!

You will not want to miss the installation and live build (you can help!) of our 17-feet tall “Gnomeo” to be constructed near the Fire Circle and Wind Phone.

Food Vendors will be on-site and so much more! Park at our off-site lot at the corner of Elm Street and Cedar Street and ride the Trolley to the Farm. Parking and Trolley ride are free.

- Workshops hosted at the Barn during the event:
- Backyard Composting with Living Roots EcoDesign and Amanda Street at 10:30am FREE
- Vertical Garden Workshop at 11:45am, cost \$15 per person
- Rain Barrel Workshop at 1:45pm, cost \$55 per barrel and must have a vehicle large enough to transport home.
- Register at any of our centers or online at [SafetyHarborRecreation.com](http://SafetyHarborRecreation.com)



*Gnomeo is a 17' tall gnome that will be built during the festival.*

## VOLUNTEERS *by Donna Mack, Recreation Program Coordinator*

Most volunteers work regular jobs, care for family members, and keep busy with the demands of life. Yet somehow, they still fit volunteering into their schedules. Former US Representative Elizabeth Andrew said, “Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart.”

In Safety Harbor, we value our volunteers and their contributions to our community. Whether they help with clean-up efforts, outreach events, assist staff in the office, or coach our youth sports teams, their time makes a huge impact on what we do. From October 2021 through September 2022, our volunteers logged 4,959.50 hours saving the City \$148,537.03!



### What Keeps Them Coming Back?

Volunteers get involved for a variety of reasons – from gaining professional experience, improving social skills or self-esteem, or simply for personal growth. Our volunteer opportunities allow people to boost their confidence by taking them out of their comfort zone or even provide an avenue back to self-satisfaction while helping others along the way.

### What Is the Benefit for the Volunteers?

Volunteering makes people feel connected. Volunteers spend hours networking, educating, and socializing with others. This is beneficial to their physical health, stress reduction, mind and body, and it helps bring fun and fulfillment to their lives and our staff – benefits that go a long way!

### Want to Become a Volunteer?

If you'd like to offer your time and talents to Safety Harbor Leisure Services, you can sign up in person at any of our recreation centers or visit [SafetyHarborRecreation.com](http://SafetyHarborRecreation.com) and search activity number 400002 to sign up online.

I, Donna Mack, the Volunteer Coordinator for Safety Harbor Leisure Services truly thank every one of our volunteers for their service. Their willingness and dedication to assist the City has been a tremendous help and has impacted our staff. We look forward to continued volunteer partnership with the city!

# RECREATION EVENTS & PROGRAMS

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

### Showtime for Tykes

Ages: 3-6, Thu, 3/16 & 4/20, 10:30-11:30AM, Free, Folly Farm

### Bakers, Brushes & Beakers

Ages: 3-6, Wed, 3/22- 4/26, 5:15-6PM, \$56, Rigsby Center

### Preschool Sports

Ages: 3-6, Fri, 3/17- 3/31, 3:30-4:15PM, \$25, Rigsby Center

### Basketball Clinic

Ages: 7-10, Tue, 3/7- 4/25, 6:15-7:15PM, \$80, Community Ctr  
Ages: 11-15, Tue, 3/7- 4/25, 7:15-8:15PM, \$80, Community Ctr

### Afterschool Art

Ages: 6-11, Thu, 4/13- 5/18, 3:45-4:45PM, \$60, Museum

### Spring Farm Camp

Ages: 5-10, Mon-Fri, 3/13- 3/17, 9-11AM, \$25/Day, Folly Farm

### Teen Leader

Ages: 13-17, Day/Time Varies, May-Aug, \$75, Museum

### Youth Naturalist

Ages: 10-14, Tue, 3/7- 3/28, 5-7PM, \$50 Folly Farm

For full list of Recreation events, classes, and programs: [SAFETYHARBORRECREATION.COM](http://SAFETYHARBORRECREATION.COM)



## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Intro to Carpentry for Women

Tue, 3/7- 3/28, 6-9PM, \$450, Folly Farm

### Public Art Tour

Mon, 3/27, 10:30AM-12PM, \$10, Museum

### Safety Harbor Resort & Spa Tour

Mon, 4/10, 10:30AM-12PM, \$5, Museum

### Safety Harbor History Museum Tour

Mon, 4/24, 10:30AM-12PM, \$5, Museum

### Rock Painting

Ages: 15+, Fri, 3/31, 6:30-8:30PM, \$20, Museum

Ages: 15+, Sat, 4/29, 1-3PM, \$20, Museum

### Sumi-e Art

Ages: 21+, Thu, 3/2-3/23, 1-2:30PM, \$100, Museum

Ages: 21+, Thu, 4/6-4/27, 1-2:30PM, \$100, Museum

### Lucky Leprechaun BINGO Night

Fri, 3/17, 7-9PM, \$6, Museum

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## CITY DIRECTORY

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Community Center: 727-724-1530  
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Library: 727-724-1525  
Museum & Cultural Ctr.: 727-724-1562  
Public Works: 727-724-1550  
Rigsby Recreation Center: 727-724-1545

## City of **SAFETY HARBOR** Home of the Mineral Springs Florida



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# Flood Zone Information

The City of Safety Harbor is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program/Community Rating System (NFIP/CRS).

We offer FEMA flood map determinations on property located in the city. Elevation certificates, if available, may be obtained through the Building Department.

For more information regarding this program, please contact the City of Safety Harbor at 727-724-1555.

**Enchanted Garden Fest**  
Folly Farm

**Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup>**  
10am - 2pm

**FREE**

Plant & Art Vendors • Family Activities • Garden Demos

Workshops at the Barn:

- Backyard Composting 10:30AM, FREE
- Vertical Garden Workshop 11:45AM, \$15
- DIY Rain Barrel Workshop 1:45PM, \$55

Offsite Parking at Elm St. & Cedar St.  
Free Shuttle to & from Event

Contractor: Sean Carbery  
Artists: Chris Dotson & Kumpa Tawornprom

# Safety Harbor Summer Camps

Summer Camp Expo and Summer Job Fair

Wed. 3/1/22 • 6-8pm  
Community Center

Registration:  
Residents: 3/2/23-3/10/23  
Open Registration: 3/11/23

[SafetyHarborCamps.com](http://SafetyHarborCamps.com)