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CAROLINA YARDS

Free workshops

Thurs/ 08.06

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

PSD Community Room

21 Oak Park Drive, Hilton Head Island

Learn how choose landscaping that works with your property's soil, water wisely, and reduce runoff from your home landscape to protect our island environment.



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The PSD will host Clemson Extension Service's "Carolina Yards" workshop from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Aug. 6 in the PSD Community Room at 21 Oak Park Drive off Mathews Drive.

Clemson Extension's Carolina Yards program teaches how simple and effective landscaping methods can create a low-maintenance yard that works with nature rather than against it.

Join Clemson Extension Agent Ellen Sturup Comeau to learn how to choose landscaping that works with your property's soil, water wisely, and reduce runoff from your home landscape to protect our island environment.

We hope to see you there! Register now at the link below.

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QUESTIONS?
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Did you know a single rainstorm can provide gallons of free water for your landscape?

The Lowcountry Stormwater Partners' Summer Rain Barrel Sale is happening now through July 31.

Purchase a 50-gallon rain barrel made from 100% recycled plastic for just \$77.

Rain barrels are a great way to:

- ✓ Collect rainwater for your flowers and garden
- ✓ Help reduce stormwater runoff

✓ Save on outdoor water use

 Order yours today at the link below.

[Purchase Rain Barrel](#)

It's Smart Irrigation Month!

Water smarter by installing a
WaterSense-labeled irrigation controller.



July is Smart Irrigation Month! Your lawn may not need water as soon as you think it does.

If you're watering your lawn using a clock-timed systems, you could be a lot smarter by installing a WaterSense labeled irrigation controller, which can do the thinking for you in terms of when and how much to water.

Reminder: Please follow Hilton Head town ordinance

Please also make sure you're following Hilton Head's local ordinance on irrigation! This ordinance limits outdoor irrigation to just two days a week—with even-numbered homes watering on Tuesdays & Saturdays and odd-numbered homes on Wednesdays & Sundays. Commercial properties have their own schedule, too.

Plus, all new irrigation systems must include a working rain sensor to prevent watering right after rainfall.

Why you should water smarter

Why does this matter? Residential irrigation accounts for a whopping 40–60% of our treated water use here on the island. By sticking to the rules — setting timers for early morning or evening and maintaining rain sensors — we help protect our local water supply and environment.

Water Smarter by following these water tips:

- Avoid watering during the heat of the day — set your irrigation timer to the early morning or late evening hours.
- Make sure you're not watering the sidewalk, driveway or road — direct your sprinklers to only water your lawn and/or plants.
- Upgrade to a WaterSense-labeled irrigation system or hire a pro to help with your irrigation plan/make sure your system is working efficiently

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WHAT NOT TO FLUSH



Flushing **anything but human waste and toilet paper** can clog pipes, damage sewer lift stations and contaminate our water, including:

WIPES & NAPKINS

Sanitary wipes, baby wipes, napkins, paper towels ... even so-called "flushable" wipes aren't really sewer safe.



PRESCRIPTION MEDS

Unused medications should not be flushed or thrown in the trash, but disposed of in a secure county drop-box.



DIAPERS & FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Flushing diapers and feminine hygiene products can also clog your pipes.



What Not To Flush

Visit our Native Plant Demonstration Garden!



Ready to plant your own pollinator garden, but need help figuring out which flowers to buy? Visit our Native Plant Demonstration Garden!

The garden, which opened last month, is a partnership among the PSD, Hilton Head Audubon Society, and Lowcountry Master Gardener Association. It features a variety of plants that are native to the Hilton Head area and is a great way to encourage and protect local birds.

Stop by anytime between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday - Friday at our facility located at 21 Oak Park Dr.

Why We Love Native Plants

Native plants thrive on their own: They require much less watering and less maintenance in general.

Why? Because they're adapted to our local soil and climate conditions.

Native plants also help the environment by providing natural habitats in your lawn – helping birds, pollinators and other animals and insects thrive.

Want to browse some of the area's native plants before you head to the demonstration garden? Check out the native plant finder from the South Carolina Native Plant Society by clicking the button below.

[Native Plant Finder](#)

CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD OPEN

The HHPSD Commission will have 3 seats up for election during the November general election.



The Hilton Head Public Service District (PSD) Commission will have three seats up for election during the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026. One seat

each in PSD Voting Districts 1, 5, and 7, will be up for election. Commissioners are elected to four-year terms.

The filing period ends at noon on August 17, 2026.

All candidates must reside in and be currently registered to vote in the PSD Voting District for which they are seeking office. Candidates' voter registration must match their current residence at the time of the election.

Citizens who are interested in filing for candidacy must do so in person at the PSD Customer Service Center at 21 Oak Park Drive off Mathews Drive, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Find more information and necessary forms on our website.

[Read more](#)

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR MAIN WATER VALVE SHUT OFF IS?



#STORMREADY



Do you know where your main water shut-off valve is located?

Being able to shut off the water isn't just important in the case of a hurricane — but it's something you should know for many types of emergencies, including leaking pipes.

If you don't know where it's located, the main water valve (usually with a wheel-type handle) is normally located either on the customer side of the meter box or just outside the point where the service line penetrates the foundation of the house.

It will be in line with your water meter, which is usually located near the edge of your property line near the street. The valve can be operated to provide water, if available, for sanitary services only.

Hurricane Preparedness



The Hilton Head PSD team continues to be a leader in sustainability! 🌿

The PSD is officially recognized as an Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary and once again earned the S.C. Department of Environmental Services' Facility Excellence Award for our Recycled Water Plant on Oak Park Drive.

Additionally, our new native plant demonstration garden is open to the public at our Oak Park Drive facility from 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday - Friday. The garden is

not only great for pollinators, but is a fantastic way for Hilton Head locals to learn how to create their own native plant/pollinator gardens at home.

We're protecting wildlife, educating the public, conserving water, and even recycling over 1 billion gallons a year for wetlands & golf courses.

Learn more about our Audubon Certification on our website:

Audubon Certification



**Need help getting your
irrigation system in
tip-top shape?**

**Go with a pro & save
water – and money!**



Need help getting your irrigation system in tip-top shape? Go with a pro to assist with water savings for #SmartIrrigationMonth.

Irrigation professionals certified by a WaterSense labeled program can help you reduce your water consumption, save money, and maintain a healthy and beautiful landscape by maximizing the efficiency of your irrigation system.

All too often, landscape irrigation wastes water. Properly managing your irrigation system can help you reduce your annual outdoor water use by nearly 8,800 gallons, equivalent to the amount of water used to take 500 showers!

Find a Pro

Many homeowners hire contractors to install and service their in-ground irrigation system and maintain their landscapes. Irrigation professionals with the skills and knowledge assessed by a WaterSense labeled certification program can help you improve the health and water efficiency of your outdoor space. A certified irrigation professional can:

- **Design:** Customize your irrigation system to best suit your landscape and account for local climate conditions.
- **Install, maintain, and repair:** Select and service the appropriate equipment, site layout, and ensure proper scheduling of your irrigation system to optimize performance.
- **Audit:** Test your irrigation system to ensure it performs efficiently.

Learn more from our WaterSense Partner:

[**Visit WaterSense Website**](#)



Now's a great time to check your household's monthly water use. If you haven't yet, you should sign up for our water usage portal. It's a great way to get a detailed look at how much water your family uses each month. Plus, you'll get leak alerts — which means you can get money back if you find & fix a leak in your home.

You can also use the portal to sign up for automatic bill pay — allowing you to check another item off of your to-do list for good!

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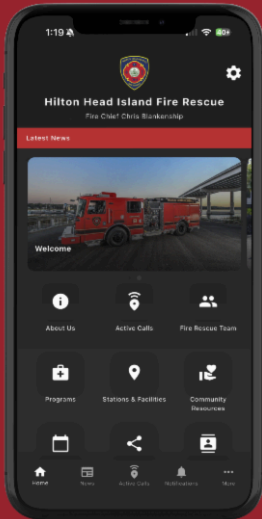
Community Happenings



Sunset Celebrations

Live, local music in the park each Friday night, Jun 19 - Aug 7, 7-10pm. Bring beach chairs or blankets and grab take-out from any of the Shelter Cove Towne Centre (SCTC) restaurants or Kroger and sit back and enjoy the Broad Creek breeze. These FREE concerts are brought to you by the SCTC merchants. SCTC also hosts Summer Jams on Tuesday nights, and Movie Nights on Thursdays.

[Learn more here.](#)



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