

Commissioner's September Message

September 6, 2022

Dear District 2 Resident,

As you know, we at the Board of County Commissioners have worked very hard over the past several weeks determining the best way to provide relief for renters affected by rising rents, evictions, and lingering effects of financial loss due to COVID-19.

Just last week we approved a program slated to begin in October that could provide up to \$20,000 or 18 months of assistance for affected renters. The county program will use money from the federal American Recovery Plan Act.

I voted in favor of the program. Now let's look at the details below.

Warmly,

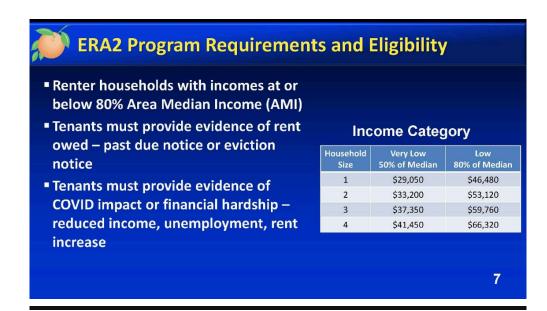
Commissioner Christine Moore District 2

New Rental Assistance Program (ERA 2) Approved



The communication about this program is being developed right now. It is designed to serve an applicant who is behind in rent by at least one month, and whose household fits into certain income guidelines.

Priority will be given to renters facing eviction through the court system.



Corridor of the Year Friendly Competition is Here



District 2 neighborhood leaders are ready for my annual Corridor of the Year Contest (COY).

Five corridors/roads have been selected as candidates to win! They are: Lester, Hiawassee, Thompson, Magnolia Homes, and Sheeler roads.

Between now and the day of judging – Sat., Oct. 1, 2022 – at 8 a.m., COY corridor leaders and their groups will trim, trees, put down fresh mulch, remove weeds, pressure wash walls and sidewalks, paint walls around neighborhoods if

needed, edge sidewalks, and remove trash and snipe signs.

On Oct. 1, judges will score each corridor and the winning road receives new LED streetlights, artwork, benches, or pole banners and more. Beautifying roadways significantly aids in crime reduction and increases property values.

Between now and Oct. 1, I plan to join several communities in their neighborhood workdays leading up to the competition and you can too!

See below and help your community win!

Corridor	Leaders	Dates
Team North Apopka	Dexter Chase 407.497.6696	Sat. Sept 17 8am (Paint) Sat. Sept 24 8am (Mulch/Trash pick up)
Team Wekiwa Springs	Jeff Engelbrecht 321.388.2800 Jean Ford 407.921.6677	Sat, Sept 25 8am Sun, Sept 26 8am Meet at: Thompson/Votaw
Team Lockhart	Danny Moran 407.683.4971 Debi Walter 407.947.6460	Sat, Sept 10 8am Sat, Sept 17 8am Sat, Sept 24 8am Meet at: Time of Refreshing Christian Church 7919 Magnolia Homes Rd
Team North Pine Hills	Cheryl Soriano 407.592.6624 Patricia Rumph 407.325.8225	Sat, Sept 17 8am Sun, Sept 18 8am Sat, Sept 24 8am Sun, Sept 25 8am Meet at: Entrance to Carolina Estates
Team Southern Apopka	Jon Ware 407.414.6989 Troy Johnson 850.251.9585	Sat, Sept 10 8am Meet at Sheeler Oaks sign by Cleveland St. Sat., Sept 24 8am Meet at Silver Oaks North Entrance

Stop Signs Coming to Your Neighborhood Soon



More than 3,000 yield signs will be converted to stop signs throughout Orange County.

Through the years, we have received numerous requests to replace yield signs with stop signs in residential neighborhoods. This is safer for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

The new stop signs also have a diamond grade material which will produce better reflectivity at

night.

In our district, the changeout will begin after Oct. 1, 2022.

Free Self-Help Forum at Clerk of Courts



The Orange County Clerk of Courts Self Help Center will host a free legal forum on Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Self-Help has served nearly 90,000 customers in need of access to legal assistance. These customers either did not have a lawyer or could not afford one.

The virtual legal forum will show attendees how to get legal guidance and low-cost attorney consultations in Family Law, Small Claims, and Residential Evictions.

Attorney consultations are done by appointment and held virtually.

The cost is a minimum of 15 minutes for \$1 dollar a minute. To learn more about this program, register for the free legal forum.

Legal Matters: Self Help Center Forum

Tuesday, September 20 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Hispanic Heritage Month



From September 15 through October 15, Orange County recognizes Hispanic Heritage Month to celebrate the broad diversity in our community.

For 2022, the Hispanic Heritage Network of Orange County will feature an art exhibition of local artists featuring traditional dresses and artwork that highlight Hispanic culture.

This year's art and dress exhibition offers two locations for residents to visit; one at the Mall of

Millennia from September 15 through October 15 and the other at the Orange County Administration Building from September 30 through October 28.