



# GAZETTE

JULY 2020

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Surfside Friends and Neighbors,

We are surely being tested. Between our being shut in at home, businesses, beaches and basic service shops being closed, and now, the shocking pain and suffering our Black friends and neighbors have had to endure - we are all likely feeling unsettled and unsure.

While those feelings are not surprising, we must choose to look at the glass as half full - and here's why.

First, Surfside residents, relative to most other Americans, live in a small slice of paradise. We've all decided recently that we wanted to keep it that way, and therefore, Surfside will endure as one of the most special places one could ever hope to live in.

Second, while our recent experience with the Coronavirus, has wreaked death and profound grief on our country, it's also strengthened our resolve. No longer will we take for granted our older generation knowing how vulnerable they are, no longer will we rely on other countries to manufacture our vital drugs and products, and no longer will we take for granted the freedoms that we had enjoyed prior to the enactment of "emergency orders" handed down by governments. Through the pain and the hardship, we have resolved to take back our destiny from those we had given it to, which in the end is a good thing, ...which leads me to a profound element of needed change.

We cannot ignore the giant elephant in the room, which as you know was the shocking treatment of, at the hands of some police in MN, a man repeatedly saying he couldn't breath - and who ultimately died. While nothing will bring George Floyd back or ease the pain for his family, there are things, that should have been done, and can now be done, to honor the memory of Mr. Floyd and to right the wrongs that currently exist in our system.

I know each of our Surfside elected officials have, in their own way, lent support to the effort to reform the system that failed Mr. Floyd and we, along with our Community and our Country are committed to making it better.

Surfside is little, but that doesn't mean Surfside can't lead - and lead we shall, with bold ideas that work.

Now is the time for good people to stand up and be heard. For action to overtake talk. For love to triumph, and for people of good will everywhere to reaffirm their commitment to truth, justice and the American way.

Together we can overcome all challenges, and together we will.

Stay safe & stay well.

- **Charles W. Burkett, Mayor of Surfside**

PS: Your Commission is still having bi-monthly meetings, working through our long agenda of campaign promises and regular business, and we're hopeful that we can resume meetings at Town Hall sometime in July.

## GET COUNTED IN THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS



**The 2020 U.S. Census is underway and it only takes a few minutes to complete the survey!**

The Census determines congressional representation, informs hundreds of billions in federal funding and provides data that will impact communities including Surfside for the next decade. It guides how funding is distributed for disaster response, schools, roads and local services. Business owners use Census data to decide where to open new stores, restaurants or offices, as well as where to recruit employees and what products and services to offer. *Note that everyone is required by law to take the Census.* It is important to participate even if you are undocumented, do not know your immigration status or are living here as a foreign worker or student. There is no citizenship question and your data is protected by federal law. Answers are not shared with immigration, law enforcement or used to determine your eligibility for government benefits.

**Complete the 2020 Census survey today! <https://2020census.gov>**

## PUBLIC WORKS STAFF CONTINUES SERVING RESIDENTS DURING CRISIS

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the essential Public Works staff ensured that all of Surfside’s operational functions continued without disruption. From the water system maintenance to the trash collection, all services remained uninterrupted for the residents of Surfside. The Public Works Department responded to emergencies and worked to adjust shifts during the emergency period, so there were no disruptions. All of this was done while adapting to new personal protection equipment and safety protocols.



## Register to Vote-by-Mail

This election year, the Town of Surfside encourages residents to register to vote-by-mail as a safety precaution amid the coronavirus pandemic.

If you are presently registered to vote in Miami-Dade County, you may request a vote-by-mail ballot online, by email, fax, phone or mail. If you want your vote-by-mail ballot sent to an address other than the one on file in the Florida Voter Registration, then you must send a signed written request. The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot is 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020. More information is available at [https://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid\\_service=ser1512065909614490](https://www.miamidade.gov/global/service.page?Mduid_service=ser1512065909614490)

## CODE COMPLIANCE CORNER

### MARINE TURTLE NESTING SEASON IS UNDERWAY

Marine turtle nesting season typically takes place from May 1 to October 31. However, nesting behavior can occur before or after these dates on the public beach in Surfside (see below).

With marine turtle nesting season in effect, it is vital to take caution with these endangered animals. During nesting season, marine turtles come ashore to lay their eggs in the sand, and return to the sea. After about two months, hatchlings emerge from the nest and crawl into the ocean. In many coastal areas, bright lights on the beach can cause a nesting sea turtle to return to the ocean and not lay her eggs. Lighting near the shore also causes new hatchlings to become disoriented. Rather than crawling to the ocean, they wander inland, often dying of dehydration or predation.

Surfside has lighting ordinances for marine turtle protection. The Town’s lighting regulations require the use of marine turtle-friendly fixtures that direct light down to the ground where it is necessary for safety, shields the light source from being visible from the beach and is outfitted with amber or red LED light bulbs. If you live in an ocean-front property, help nesting turtles by turning off bright interior lights, close your blinds and shades and move lights away from the windows. Remember these simple rules:

- **KEEP IT LOW** - Use low mounting height and low bulb wattage. Flood, spot, and pole lighting are highly discouraged.
- **KEEP IT SHIELDED** - Use full cut-off fixtures that direct the light down to the ground. Shield fixtures so you cannot see the bulb, lamp or lens.
- **KEEP IT LONG** - Marine turtles are less disturbed by long wavelengths of light such as yellow, amber or red.

For additional information, contact the Surfside Code Compliance Division at (305) 861-4863, ext. 204 or the Sea Turtle Conservancy at (352) 373-6441.

### 2020 TURTLE NEST ARRIVES EARLY

The first 2020 sea turtle nest on the public beach in Surfside was confirmed in late February. Their environment is fragile and they are easily impacted by humans. Please follow the specific measures and laws that protect marine turtles.



# Show Some Surfside Love to Our Businesses

Following several months of closures or limited services, restaurants, salons and shops in Surfside were allowed to reopen beginning in late May under the direction of Miami-Dade County's "New Normal" guidelines. For many establishments, the impact has been severe. Restricted operations or closures resulted in steep financial challenges just to remain in businesses. According to a CNBC article, full-service restaurants have been hit the hardest, plunging 79% in transaction levels at their lowest point in late March through mid-April. Now more than ever, our business community needs YOUR support - especially heading into the slower summer months. Here is a list of businesses you can show a little Surfside love to:

## FOOD & BEVERAGE

26 Sushi and Tapas - 9487 Harding Ave. (305) 570-2626  
Backyard BBQ and Brew - 9472 Harding Ave. (305) 998-6131  
Café Ragazzi - 9500 Harding Ave. (305) 866-4495  
Cafe Vert - 9490 Harding Ave. (305) 867-3151  
The Carrot - 9519 Harding Ave. (786) 216-7355  
ChaiWok - 225 95th St. (305) 763-8899  
Cine Citta Caffè - 9544 Harding Ave. (305) 866-8688  
Flanigan's - 9516 Harding Ave. (305) 867-0099  
The Greek Place - 9561 Harding Ave. (305) 866-9628  
The Harbour Grill - 9415 Harding Ave. (305) 861-0787  
Josh's Deli - 9517 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8494  
Kosh - 9477 Harding Ave. (305) 763-8601  
Miami Beach Chocolates Surfside - 9433 Harding Ave. (786) 216-7467  
Moncheese Pizza - 9459 Harding Ave. (305) 868-6499  
Morelia Gourmet Paletas - 9571 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8480  
Rita's Italian Ice Custard - 9461 Harding Ave. (305) 614-5355  
Rolling-Pin Bakery - 9523 Harding Ave. (305) 868-1578  
Rustiko - 9476 Harding Ave. (305) 560-5650  
Serendipity Creamery - 9457 Harding Ave. (305) 865-1506  
Sushi Republic - 9583 Harding Ave. (305) 867-8036  
Le Sirenuse Miami - 9011 Collins Ave. - (786) 482-2280  
Specchio Cafe - 9485 Harding Ave. (305) 865-5653

Starbucks - 9560 Harding Ave. (305) 867-8162  
STREET Kitchen - 9460 Harding Ave. (305) 763-8267  
Subway - 9536 Harding Ave. (305) 866-2033  
The Surf Club Restaurant - 9011 Collins Ave. (305) 769-9940  
Vish Surfside - 9454 Harding Ave. (305) 763-8074

## BARBERSHOPS, BEAUTY SALONS, SPAS

Alexia + Frankie's Beauty Bar - 9448 Harding Ave. (305) 868-7482  
Carousel Barbershop - 9504 Harding Ave. (305) 861-2307  
Esmell Miami - 9526 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8408  
Extension Dreams - 9521 Harding Ave. (305) 868-2044  
Femme Coiffure - 9563 Harding Ave. (305) 864-4444  
Jean Claude Biguine - 9564 Harding Ave. (305) 867-5525  
Justin's Barbershop - 9452 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8401  
Lahh Salon - 9480 Harding Ave. (305) 763-8385.  
LEMEL Medical Spa - 9538 Harding Ave. (786) 309-0000  
Mai Nail Lounge - 9466 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8075  
Surfside Barbershop - 9431 Harding Ave. (305) 866-4352  
The TOX MIA - 9541 Harding Ave. (786) 999-4794  
Uni K Wax Studio - 9567 Harding Ave. (305) 865-3535  
X Beauty by Hanna - 9540 Harding Ave. (305) 397-8242

## RETAIL

7th Plateau - 9559 Harding Ave. (305) 861-3964  
Le Beau Maroc - 9563 Harding Ave. (305) 864-4444  
Condotti - 9565 Harding Ave. (305) 590-5304  
Couture Bridal Miami - 9454 Harding Ave. (305) 864-6270  
Flowers for Heroes - online, [www.flowerforheroes.com/flowers-for-h](http://www.flowerforheroes.com/flowers-for-h)  
Gray & Sons Jewelers - 9595 Harding Ave. (305) 900-4531  
Koukla Kouture - online, [www.kouklakouture.com](http://www.kouklakouture.com)  
Oberle Opticians - 9552 Harding Ave. (305) 861-1010  
Miami Gift - 9482 Harding Ave. (786) 863-3096  
Liborio Cigar & Tobacco Shop - 9520 Harding Ave. (305) 865-0015  
Peikin Empire Jewelry - 9515 Harding Ave. (305) 861-4418  
The Scarlet Letter - 9431 Harding Ave. (305) 866-4352  
TR Runway - 9504 Harding Ave. (305) 861-2307

# Surfside Entrepreneur Shines in Forbes Magazine



Jessica Levison

Twelve years ago, Surfsideer Jessica Levison opened her popular Serendipity Creamery on Harding Avenue and has been serving small-batch ice cream by the scoop to residents and visitors ever since. More recently, she has expanded her product lines by launching Peekaboo, a line of organic ice cream she invented featuring "hidden veggies." Her unusual product aimed at children caught the attention of the national business magazine *Forbes* which featured Jessica and her successful business in the June 2020 issue. In the story she discusses taste testing and experimenting to perfect Peekaboo, which has five flavors that include carrots, beets and, yes, spinach! Congratulations to Jessica and her entrepreneurial spirit. Visit the link below to read more on this Surfside business success story. <https://www.forbes.com/sites/meggentaylor/2020/06/06/this-organic-ice-cream-comes-with-a-side-of-hidden-veggies/#68749e6120cc>

# Surfside Reaches Out With Drive-Thru Food Distribution

More than 1,000 Surfside residents received groceries and fresh produce during the May 26, 2020 drive-thru food distribution. In the planning for more than a month, the successful event moved smoothly along in front of Town Hall. The distribution was held in partnership with the Town of Surfside, Farm Share, Miami-Dade County and Florida Senator Jason Pizzo, 38th district.

Nearly 50 home deliveries were made to seniors and to and at-risk residents who did not have vehicles.

A special thank-you goes to 11 resident volunteers, the members of Parks & Recreation Department and Police Department, as well as other Town staff and Town Commission members who assisted with this effort for residents in need.



## REMOVING SEWER CLEANOUT CAPS IS UNLAWFULL AND WILL COST MONEY

It has been brought to the Town's attention that sewer cleanout caps are being improperly removed to drain standing flood water. Removal of the sewer cleanout caps by a resident is considered an illicit discharge.

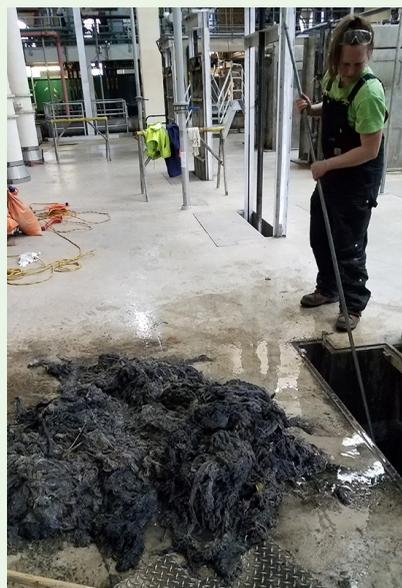


The sewer system is regulated by Miami-Dade County's Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (DERM). More importantly, opening the cap could hit you in the wallet. Surfside sends its sewer to Miami Beach, which bills the Town for every gallon that passes through the system. Storm water displaced through the sewer system is metered and treated at water treatment plants. This could also burden the sewer collection infrastructure, which can then lead to system failures.

On average, the system pumps out 750,000 gallons of wastewater per day. But on May 16, the Town registered 6.7 million gallons of wastewater disposal due to system infiltration, resulting from several cap removals. This equated to an additional \$23,500 in one day. If you witness anyone removing the sewer cleanout caps, contact Surfside Police Department's non-emergency phone number (305) 861-4862.

## FLUSHING WIPES DOWN THE TOILET CAN CAUSE A DISASTER

It seems all of American is flushing their wipes down toilets -and this is causing dangerous problems. Toilet paper is designed to disintegrate in pipes and sewage systems, but wipes - even so-called flushable wipes - are not. They are made from synthetic materials that **do not** break down.



Removing these large clogs of wipes are expensive, time-consuming and dangerous to the workers.

**The Surfside Public Works Department urges residents to only flush toilet paper. Wipes are also not recyclable, so they must go into the trash can.**

## POLICE BEAT

### POLICE DEPARTMENT REACHES OUT TO ASSIST ELDERLY RESIDENTS

The Surfside Police Department is dedicated to serving the community, particularly the needs of elderly residents during the pandemic crisis. At right, Officer Kemuel Gambirazio delivered medication to a senior resident in need of assistance.



### JOSUE CASTRO WINS PRESTIGIOUS LEO AWARD FOR SUPPORT SERVICES

Parking Enforcement Officer Josue Castro won a prestigious LEO award in the Support Services category at the annual Miami-Dade County Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Awards Gala on March 7, 2020. This event recognizes the very best in law enforcement from all local, state and federal agencies in Miami-Dade County each year. In February 2020 Josue was named the Surfside Police Department 2019 Civilian of the Year (see March 2020 Gazette). Congratulations to Josue and well deserved!



### OFFICER OF THE MONTH

### OFFICER LUKE RECOGNIZED FOR ENHANCING COVID-19 SAFETY

Early in the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, Officer Bryant Luke suggested two inventive emergency measures that have been implemented to improve public safety. He also went beyond his law enforcement job to assist a homeless man.

In March, Officer Luke suggested measures to better secure beach access in compliance with Town beach closures and in April he suggested to the Publix management to remove several benches and seating areas around the perimeter of the store. This action discouraged people from congregating in the area as well as promoted social distancing practices.

On Saturday, April 18, 2020, Officer Luke encountered a homeless man he recognized at CVS Pharmacy. Officer Luke selflessly paid for the man's medication, assisting him in a time of need. Throughout Officer Luke's service in Surfside, his compassion for the less fortunate is expressed through his many altruistic actions.

Officer Luke is commended for his job performance, good nature and tireless work ethic. The professionalism and dedication to the community is deserving of the April Officer of the Month Award.



## Summertime Safety Tips for Drivers and Parents

### TIPS FOR DRIVERS

- Be alert, especially in residential areas. Expect the unexpected. Children may cross the street at the wrong place or suddenly run or ride in front of you.
- Obey all laws. Slow down if there are children along the road or crossing the street. Come to a full stop at intersections. Be predictable. Don't make sudden maneuvers that others are not expecting.
- Double check when backing out of a driveway or parking space.
- Don't be distracted. Keep both hands on the wheel. Avoid distractions within your vehicle at all times.
- Yield the right of way to pedestrians. It isn't just courteous, it's the law.

### TIPS FOR PARENTS

- Teach your children to make eye contact with the driver before they cross, even if the walk signal is on.
- Remind them to walk, don't run across the road and to stop, look and listen before crossing the street.
- Teach your children to cross at intersections that have a marked crosswalk or a pedestrian crossing light.
- Teach children to watch out for cars that are backing up.
- When walking with your child, avoid unnecessary shortcuts like walking through a parking lot. Drivers may not see children between parked cars and the children may not see the cars moving.
- Remind children not to play in or around vehicles.

## JUST IN TIME FOR SUMMER, SURFSIDERS HIT THE BEACH

Miami-Dade County reopened all public beaches, including Surfside, on June 10, 2020. Beachgoers must continue to follow safety measures such as maintaining social distancing. Surfside police officers and lifeguards are on hand to monitor activity and assist in keeping residents and visitors safe.



Surfside's lifeguards Eddy Panda and Denisse Francia are part of the Parks and Recreation Department's lifeguard crew that is again keeping an eye on the beach for the safety of residents and visitors.



## NEW SUMMER PROGRAM FOR TWEENS AND TEENS

The Surfside Parks and Recreation Department invites youth ages 11-14 to participate in a new summer program called **"Kickin' It at 96th Street"** from June 29 - August 21. It is a great way for participants to meet new friends and engage in outdoor activities at the 96th Street Park. Activities will include outdoor sports, crafts, Surfside Police activities, on site "field trips," community service and more. In accordance with CDC guidelines, all activities will be conducted with strict health and safety measures in place. The cost to participate is \$30 per week and advance registration is required. **For more information, contact the Surfside Community Center at 305-866-3635 or visit the Town website.**

## LAP SWIMMING RETURNS TO COMMUNITY CENTER

Surfsiders are keeping it cool while exercising this summer by enjoying lap swimming at the Aquatic Center at the Community Center.

Lap swimming is only for residents and reservations must be made at least two days prior to the day of swimming. Swimmers must be eight years and above. For more information on the pool guidelines and to make reservations, visit the Town website: [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov)





# BE HURRICANE READY

## WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

- **SAFELY TRIM BACK ALL TREES** in your property and have grown close to FPL electric lines and other utility lines.
- **BEFORE A STORM IS ON THE HORIZON** put heavy landscaping debris and bulk items out for pick-up. **Bulk pick-ups are every Wednesday.** 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 AND EVACUATION PLAN NOW.** With the coronavirus crisis, early preparation is more important than ever. Prepare your home and plan your evacuation route and destination.
- **SIGN UP FOR CODE RED & TOWN NOTIFICATIONS** to stay connected and aware of the latest information regarding the COVID-19 crisis as well as any storm event that may impact Surfside. Text “Surfside” to 99411 to register, or visit the Town website.
- **AT-RISK SENIORS AND RESIDENTS** who need skilled nursing, use medical treatment requiring electricity or need transportation assistance during a mandatory evacuation should register with the Miami-Dade County Emergency & Evacuation Assistance Program (EEAP) in advance of any storm. **Call 311 for more information or to register.**
- **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL A STORM IS THREATENING** to complete your hurricane kit. Gather non-perishable food and emergency supplies, including facial coverings, for your household. To minimize your exposure to other people, use a delivery service, such as Instacart and Amazon Prime. Avoid a direct hand-off by having bags left at your door.

## WHAT TO DO 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 and other items that are not secured and could become airborne. Unplug all appliances and if power is lost, only use flashlights not candles.
- **SURFSIDE IS ZONE B** in the Miami-Dade Storm Surge Planning Zones. Oceanic 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 has completely passed.
- **A MANDATORY EVACUATION MAY BE ORDERED IN SURFSIDE** meaning residents must 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. The Red Cross is making accommodations to enable social distancing at hurricane shelters. Bring your own proof of residency, bedding, food, snacks, medications, personal items, as well as facial coverings, hand sanitizer and other personal protective equipment.

## WHAT TO DO AFTER THE STORM

- **MANY INJURIES OCCUR AFTER A STORM,** so stay inside until authorities say it is safe to go outside. Call the Surfside Police Department or utility companies immediately to report hazard such as downed power lines, broken gas or water mains or overturned gas tanks. Monitor Surfside 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.** You may have to wait several days to return. Have your picture ID ready to show to authorities when returning. Surfside Police Department will have a secure perimeter around the Town and will assess damage including extreme flooding, downed electric lines and debris blocking roadways. Residents will not be allowed back into Town until an all clear is issued by Surfside Police Chief Julio Yero or his designee.

### STAY CONNECTED AND NOTIFIED WITH THE LATEST INFORMATION

<b>CodeRed</b> Emergency notification service	<b>Town Notifications</b> Email blasts	<b>Nextdoor</b> Local information	<b><a href="http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov">www.townofsurfsidefl.gov</a></b> Visit the Town website and sign-up to CodeRed and Town Notifications
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# Be Environmentally-Gentle When Dealing with Weeds and Bugs

Summer in South Florida means sunshine and beaches, but also mosquitoes and weeds! Surfside is committed to using environment-friendly methods of pest control and has banned herbicides with glyphosate on Town properties. Residents and business owners should follow this tips:

## INSECTS

- To keep mosquitoes, fleas, paper wasps and flies away, use candles and products made with essential oils such as citronella oil, citrus oil or lemon eucalyptus oil. These are natural and nontoxic to humans and pets.
- For pests like aphids, mealy bugs, spider mites, thrips and whiteflies, try insecticidal soap, also called "horticultural soap." It is non-toxic and are available at garden stores. Avoid dish soap, which can harm plants.
- For areas where standing water can't be drained, Bacillus thuringiensis (Bti) is a bacteria toxic to mosquitoes, but won't hurt pets, humans or other animals. Find Bti granules at home and garden centers.
- Avoid being outside at dawn and dusk, when mosquitoes are most active. Wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing covering your skin.

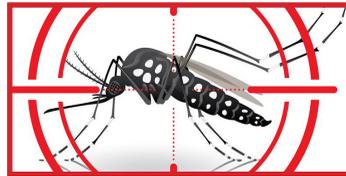
## WEEDS

- Identify the type of weed or insect that causing problems. The University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) has an online guide to common Florida pests. (Go to [www.ifas.ufl.edu](http://www.ifas.ufl.edu); search "Weed Identification" or "Insect ID")
- Weed-pulling by hand is often the best way to start. Be sure to remove all the roots so they can't grow back. Try weeding just after a rainstorm, when the ground is damp.
- Lay down 2-3 inches of mulch in the weed prone area, to prevent weeds returning and to add a finished look to landscaping. Plant native species that can crowd out weeds and prevent them from returning.

For additional tips, check out the University of Florida IFAS extension. Recommended search terms include "natural pest control" and "natural weed control."

## HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF MOSQUITOES

Summer in South Florida has always been a breeding season for mosquitoes. New research shows rising temperatures and longer warming periods from climate change could increase the hazards and length of mosquito season. To protect yourself from mosquito-borne viruses, take these key steps.



- Use insect repellent with DEET
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and pants outside
- Use screens on your windows and doors
- Remove and/or cover any objects that collect standing water, such as old tires, buckets, flowerpots, bird feeders and trash containers
- Clean clogged gutters
- Fill-in low-lying areas on your property that collect water
- Repair leaks, cracks and ripped screens in your home
- Keep your swimming pool clean
- Try to avoid going outdoors during the early morning hours or at dusk, which are peak mosquito times

Stay safe and mosquito-free this summer!

[https://www.cdc.gov/chikungunya/pdfs/fs\\_mosquito\\_bite\\_prevention\\_us.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/chikungunya/pdfs/fs_mosquito_bite_prevention_us.pdf)



## Are you experiencing an iguana invasion like most South Florida locals?

**Here are 10 tips to control the pesky iguana problem plaguing your yard:**

1. Do NOT feed the iguanas. They love pet food, leafy greens, fruits and vegetables. Remove fruit that has fallen from trees or plants.
2. Remove vegetation that iguanas love to munch on, including flowering plants like hibiscus, orchids, roses and impatiens. Instead use tough plants with thick leaves, as well as citrus, pentas and crotons.
3. Protect plants with wire netting, cages or screen enclosures.
4. Install sheet metal guards around trees, approximately 18" inches from the base, to prevent climbing.
5. Make your yard less inviting by removing dense thickets, rock piles and landscape debris that provide protective cover for iguanas.
6. Fill holes left by iguanas.
7. Keep a water hose handy and available to spray sunbathing iguanas.
8. Startle them with loud noises, such as banging two pots together.
9. Further scare iguanas by hanging CDs near sea walls or on trees and plants you want to protect.
10. Set up traps in a shaded area during the day when iguanas are most active for easier removal. Be sure to check traps every 24 hours - it's the law!

The Town of Surfside is not responsible for the removal of iguanas. For your convenience, please find a list of wildlife trappers by county on the Florida Fish and Wildlife's website at <https://public.myfwc.com/HGM/NWT/NWTSearch.aspx>



# KIDS AND TEENS CAN KEEP COOL AT FUN SUMMER CLASSES

## JOIN TEEN/PRE-TEEN SCENE ON ZOOM EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

Are you stuck at home, but want to meet kids or teens who are your age and live in Surfside? The Parks and Recreation Department offers two weekly online Zoom classes where youth can talk to other youth about concerns around COVID-19, share ideas to keep active and learn about volunteer opportunities.

- Register online in advance for TEEN SCENE, held every Tuesday and Thursday at 5 p.m.
- Register online in advance for PRE-TEEN SCENE, held every Tuesday and Thursday at 4 p.m.

## QUARANTINE TALK TIME FOR TWEENS AND TEENS (AGES 10 & UP)

Coping with quarantine and pandemic issues can be scary and difficult for kids and teens. It's normal to experience anxiety, loneliness, sadness and boredom. The Support Zoom Group is an opportunity to connect with other kids to share thoughts and feelings. Moderated by licensed Psychotherapist and Surfside resident Dr. Deborah Dawson, Ph.D. Register online in advance. [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_TFcMZFnQkOq3HWFAXtLQw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_TFcMZFnQkOq3HWFAXtLQw)

## ZOOM IN FOR COOL VIRTUAL CLASSES

Lace up your sneakers and work up a sweat with new virtual classes conducted by the Surfside Parks and Recreation Department via Zoom. The team is offering a variety of sessions from Zumba, creative time, to a meet-up for pre-teens and teens. Additionally, this week's schedule includes a Quarantine Talk support group for teens. Review schedule of ZOOM classes and instructions. <https://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/news-and-events/pages/have-fun-at-home>

## TURN SUMMER VACATION INTO A SAFE ADVENTURE WITH VIRTUAL CAMP EXPERIENCES

From animal education to art to sports to STEM and more, the options for virtual camps are extensive. Keep kids busy by enrolling them into an online camp of their choice. With the following camp ideas, you can avoid the words "I'm bored." Parents Magazine has rounded up a list of 12 Free Virtual Summer Camps Your Kids Will Love <https://www.parents.com/fun/activities/outdoor/free-virtual-summer-camps-2020/>

## REAL SIMPLE MAGAZINE

Enjoy these 22 Virtual Summer Camps to keep the kids entertained.

<https://www.realsimple.com/work-life/family/kids-parenting/virtual-summer-camps>

## PARADE MAGAZINE

Parade Magazine provides 45+ Virtual Summer Camps to keep kids busy while safely social distancing. <https://parade.com/1037196/jessicasager/virtual-summer-camps/>

## SURFSIDE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Right here is Surfside the Parks & Recreation Department provides a variety of Zoom classes and ways to have fun at home. <https://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/news-and-events/pages/have-fun-at-home>

## SUPER COOL SOUTH FLORIDA ALTERNATIVES

- South Florida Parenting makes summertime fun right in our back yard - from science to singing, virtual and onsite summer camps offer range of interests <https://www.sun-sentinel.com/features/south-florida-parenting/fl-ne-virtual-2020-summer-camps-20200527-oczb-klvlzhfff4o5kpkpscetu-story.html>
- Find virtual and onsite camp options in this Miami On the Cheap roundup - <https://miamionthecheap.com/cheap-summer-camp-options/>
- For additional camp ideas, check the Town website - <https://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/news-and-events/pages/have-fun-at-home>



## SURFSIDE DOG PARK IS OPEN

Fido can run around and play (on a leash) at Surfside's Dog Park, which is open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. A list of requirements to keep both residents and their four-legged friends safe is posted at the dog park including keeping dogs on a leash and maintaining social distance.

## BOOK YOUR TENNIS COURT ONLINE

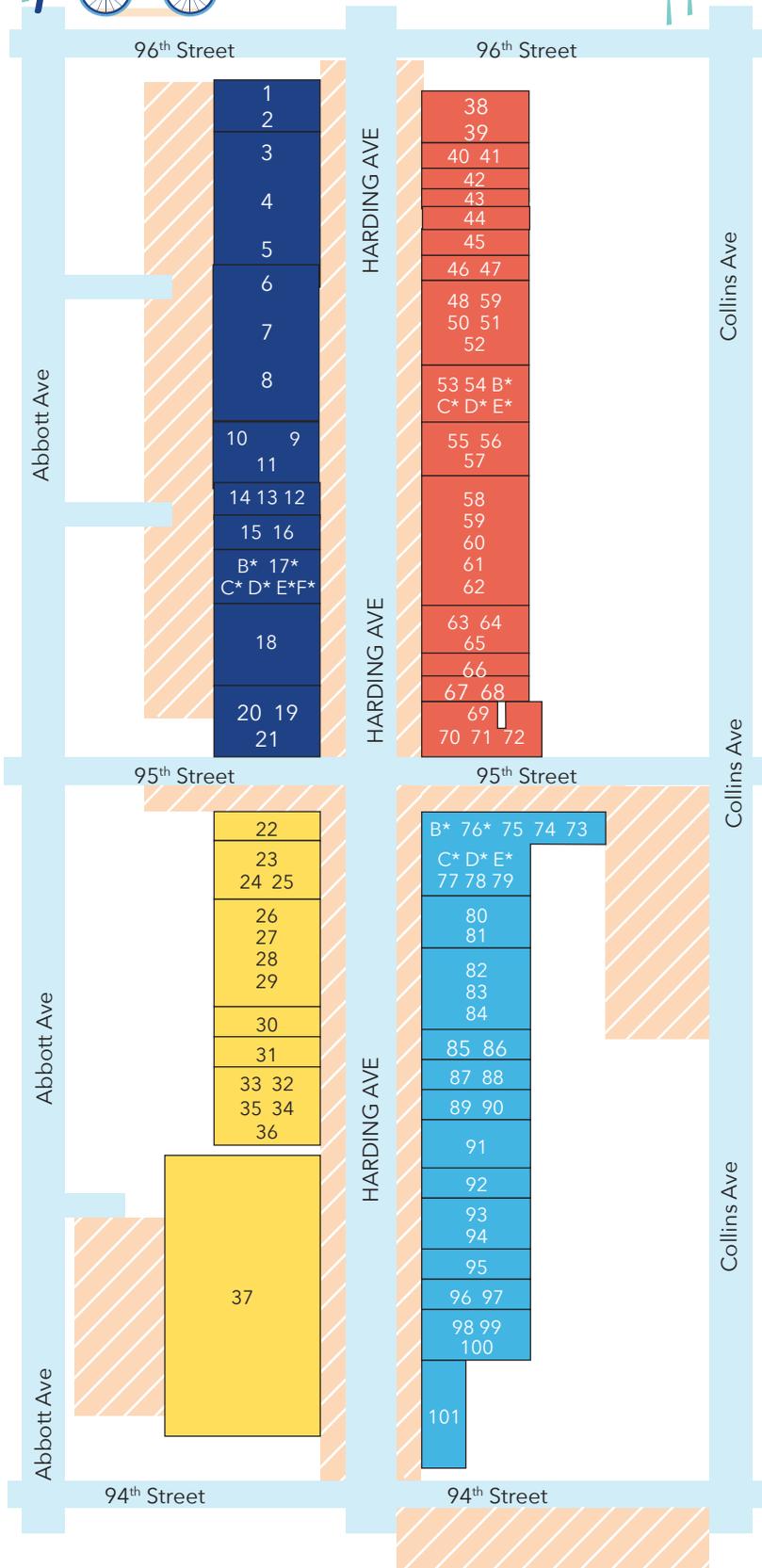
For residents' convenience, the Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting online reservations for tennis. Surfside residents can also book their courts by calling the Tennis Center directly at (786) 618-3080. No walk-ins. Review the Tennis Center's new guidelines amid coronavirus and make your online reservation today! <https://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/news-and-events/news-detail/2020/05/04/tennis-center-guidelines-and-court-reservations>



### LEGEND

 Parking

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### BEAUTY SALON/BARBER SHOP

- 4** Jean-Claude Biguine - 9564 Harding Ave
- 9** X Beauty by Hana - 9540 Harding Ave
- 16** Esmell - 9526 Harding Ave
- 20** Carousel Barber Shop - 9504 Harding Ave
- 27** LAHH Salon - 9480 Harding Ave
- 30** Mai Nail Lounge - 9466 Harding Ave
- 35** Justin Barbershop - 9452 Harding Ave
- 36** Alexia + Frankie's Beauty Bar - 9448 Harding Ave
- 48** Uni K Wax - 9567 Harding Ave
- 50** Femme Coiffure & Spa - 9563 Harding Ave
- 64** Extension Dreams Hair Salon - 9521 Harding Ave
- 95** Surfside Barber Shop - 9431 Harding Ave

### BOUTIQUES/SHOES/TAILORS/CLEANERS

- 12** Lupe's Alterations - 9532 Harding Ave #101
- 13** Penny's Alterations - 9532 Harding Ave #104
- 17C** Verdile's/Mario The Tailor - 9520 Harding Ave
- 25** Geneva Tailor - 9484 Harding Ave
- 32** Tsnout Runway - 9458 Harding Ave
- 40** Lace Star Couture - 9593 Harding Ave
- 49** Condotti - 9565 Harding Ave
- 55** Iris Alterations & Tailoring - 9553 Harding Ave #204
- 56** Couture Miami Bridal - 9545 Harding Ave
- 57** Mercy's Alterations - 9533 Harding Ave #202
- 70** Le Beau Maroc - 9507 Harding Ave
- 85** Rod's Cleaners - 9463 Harding Ave
- 99** Surf-Bal-Bay Cleaners - 9421 Harding Ave

### REAL ESTATE SERVICES

- 17D** Infinity BH Real Estate/Goldfarb - 9520 Harding Ave
- 19** Estelle Stern Realty - 9508 Harding Ave
- 41** M. Kotler Realtors - 9585 Harding Ave
- 59** Real Estate Transactions International - 9537 Harding Ave
- 82** Harding Realty - 9473 Harding Ave

## FINANCIAL/SERVICES

- 1 Amtrust Bank - 9592 Harding Ave
- 6 Chase Bank - 9556 Harding Ave
- 17D Camissar International - 9520 Harding Ave
- 17F Ninter Group USA/NCB Latino - 9520 Harding Ave
- 47 AT&T Surfside - 9569 Harding Ave
- 54B SKF Tech - 9553 Harding Ave #302
- 54C SK Worldwide - 9553 Harding Ave #303
- 54E Gelb Productions - 9553 Harding Ave #311
- 62 CitiBank - 9525 Harding Ave
- 74 U.S. Post Office Surfside - 250 95th St
- 76 Barry Cohen Law Firm - 260 95th St #201
- 76C Executive Auto Group - 260 95th St #203
- 93 T-Mobile - 9427 Harding Ave
- 96 The UPS Store - 9429 Harding Ave
- 101 Wells Fargo Bank - 9401 Harding Ave

## HEALTHCARE/PHARMACY/OPTICAL

- 3 CVS Pharmacy - 9578 Harding Ave
- 7 Oberle Opticians - 9552 Harding Ave
- 10 Lemel Medspa - 9538 Harding Ave
- 14 Veterinary Wellness Center of Surfside - 9530 Harding Ave
- 15 Dr. Curson Podiatry - 9528 Harding Ave
- 33 Dr. Edy A. Guerra Dental Center - 9456 Harding Ave
- 57 Dassler Eye Consultants - 9543 Harding Ave
- 73 Surfside Hearing Aid - 222 95th St
- 76B Bal Harbour Smiles - 260 95th St #202
- 76D Dr. Dorfman, Psychiatrist/Bare Miami - 260 95th St #206
- 76E Beach Dental Specialist - 260 95th St #209
- 91 Dr. Schwartz/Dr. Sugar - 9445 Harding Ave

## GIFTS/JEWELRY/FLOWERS

- 17 Moon Over Miami Gift Shop - 9520 Harding Ave
- 17B Liborio Cigars - 9520 Harding Ave
- 26 Miami Gift - 9482 Harding Ave
- 39 Gray and Sons Jewelry - 9595 Harding Ave
- 43 Amor Flowers - 9577 Harding Ave
- 52 7th Plateau - 9559 Harding Ave
- 54D JS Diamond Enterprises - 9553 Harding Ave #307
- 67 Peiken Empire Fine Jewelry - 9515 Harding Ave
- 80 Absolute Flowers by Manny - 9481 Harding Ave
- 98 The Scarlet Letter - 9425 Harding Ave

## RESTAURANT/SUPERMARKET

- 5 Starbucks - 9560 Harding Ave
- 8 Cine Citta Cafe<sup>K</sup> - 9544 Harding Ave
- 11 Subway - 9536 Harding Ave
- 18 Flanigan's Seafood Bar & Grill - 9516 Harding Ave
- 21 Cafe Ragazzi - 9500 Harding Ave
- 22 Big Daddy's Liquor - 9494 Harding Ave
- 23 Cafe Vert<sup>K</sup> - 9490 Harding Ave
- 28 Rustiko<sup>K</sup> - 9476 Harding Ave
- 29 The Backyard BBQ + Brew<sup>K</sup> - 9472 Harding Ave
- 31 Street Kitchen - 9460 Harding
- 34 Vish - 9454 Harding Ave
- 37 Publix Supermarket - 9400 Harding Ave
- 42 Sushi Republic - 9583 Harding Ave
- 46 Morelia Gourmet Paletas<sup>K</sup> - 9571 Harding Ave
- 51 The Greek Place - 9561 Harding Ave
- 55 Araxi Burger - 9551 Harding Ave
- 63 Rolling Pin Bakery<sup>K</sup> - 9523 Harding Ave
- 65 The Carrot<sup>K</sup> - 9519 Harding Ave
- 66 Josh's Deli - 9517 Harding Ave
- 72 Chai Wok Miami<sup>K</sup> - 233 & 255 95th St
- 78 26 Suhi + Tapas<sup>K</sup> - 9487 Harding Ave
- 79 Specchio Cafe - 9485 Harding Ave
- 81 Kosh<sup>K</sup> - 9477 Harding Ave
- 84 Kosherland Supermarket<sup>K</sup> - 9467 Harding Ave
- 87 Moncheese Pizza - 9459 Harding Ave
- 86 Rita's Ice Custard Happiness - 9461 Harding Ave
- 88 Serendipity Yogurt Cafe<sup>K</sup> - 9457 Harding Ave
- 94 Miami Beach Chocolates Surfside<sup>K</sup> - 9433 Harding Ave
- 97 Harbour Grill Deli<sup>K</sup> - 9449 Harding Ave

## NEW BUSINESS COMING SOON

- 2 9588 Harding Ave
- 24 PB&B - 9486 Harding Ave
- 58 The Tox MIA - 9541 Harding Ave
- 75 262 95th St



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