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The graphic features a chalkboard background with the text written in white and yellow chalk. A green apple sits on a stack of books to the right.



COVID-19 **The New Normal**

- FACE COVERING MANDATORY!** (Icon: person wearing a face mask)
- SOCIAL DISTANCING** (Icon: two people with a dashed line between them)
- WASH YOUR HANDS** (Icon: hands being washed under a faucet)

STOP THE SPREAD (Icon: a red circle with a slash over a blue virus particle)

FLOOD INFORMATION

PURPOSE

The purpose of this information is to provide the residents of Miami Shores with flood insurance requirements, building standards, and safety measures to be taken to protect persons and property.

FLOOD HAZARD

Approximately 40% of the land in the Village is located in a flood plain. Generally, the property east of Biscayne Boulevard is located in a flood plain. This does not mean that the property west of Biscayne Boulevard will not flood. There are still pocket areas with acute flooding west of the Boulevard. Heavy rains from hurricanes and tropical storms bring the greatest potential for flooding in the Village. Flooding can also occur from several hours of continued or scattered rainfall anywhere in the Village.

FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM

The most serious threat of general flooding is during the hurricane season (June 1st through November 30th). Residents should tune to TV and radio weather broadcasts and be alert for special local advisories. The following stations will carry advisories for our area: WFOR Channel 4, WTVJ Channel 6, WSVN Channel 7, WPLG Channel 10, AM Radio, FM Radio, WQAM 560, WKIS 99.9, WIOD 610, WBTV 105.9.

FLOOD SAFETY

There are several actions residents can take to decrease potential injury:

1. Do not attempt to cross a flowing stream where water is above your knees.
2. Keep children away from floodwaters, ditches, culverts and storm drains.

The Village Beautiful


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FLOOD INFORMATION CONTINUED:



3. If your vehicle stalls in high water, abandon it immediately and seek higher ground.
4. Do not drive through standing water and be alert for downed power lines.
5. Evacuate the flood hazard area in times of impending floods or when advised to do so by the Police. Know your evacuation plan ahead of time, which should include care for your pets. Gather your personal supplies, medicine, money and fuel for your car. Let someone out of the evacuation area know where you're going.
6. Turn off all electric circuits at the fuse panel or disconnect switch. If this is not possible, disconnect all electrical appliances.
7. After filling tubs, sinks and containers with water, shut off the water service, as well as the gas valves in your home.
8. During flooding, stay indoors unless you're told to evacuate.

DRAINAGE SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

Miami Shores has a drainage system consisting of catch basins, French drains, roadside swales, and outfalls that drain into Biscayne Bay and various canals. In addition, the Village is trying to limit the amount of paving on the right of ways in order to improve drainage. Clogged basins, ditches or culverts are detrimental to our storm drainage system. Report any occurrences to Public Works at (305) 795-2210. Report any dumping of liquid wastes to DERM at (305) 372-6955 or 6964. Report any dumping of grass clippings in storm drains or canals to Code Compliance at (305) 795-2207.

PROPERTY PROTECTION MEASURES

Every year, flooding causes more damage in the United States than any other type of natural disaster. There are actions which can be taken to flood-proof structures, including retrofitting to minimize damage caused by flooding or hurricanes. These may include:

- 1) Installation of shutters over windows or impact resistant glass windows.
- 2) Securing doorways on the first floor from floodwaters by applying sandbags, duct tape or heavy plastic sheeting.
- 3) Securing all vent and exhaust hoods.
- 4) Elevating or relocating electrical panel boxes,

air conditioning units, water heaters, washers and dryers.

- 5) Floodproofing building walls that leak with waterproofing compounds or impermeable sheeting.
- 6) Elevating of flood-prone structures above the base flood elevation.



Are you prepared for a flood?

FLOOD INSURANCE

If you don't already have flood insurance, talk to your insurance agent. Most homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. For rising water, only flood insurance will cover your losses. Because Miami Shores Village participates in the National Flood Insurance Program and requires new construction and remodeling to meet minimum elevation standards, all Miami Shores residents enjoy a discount on their flood insurance.

FLOOD ZONE INFORMATION

Local flood zone information is available by visiting our website at miamishoresvillage.com. For lenders, insurance agents, realtor's and property owners, elevation certificates are kept on file in the Building Department if there has been recent construction work. The Planning & Zoning Director can tell you what flood zone you are in and if insurance is needed. Detailed information from the Flood Insurance Rate maps is available including:

- 1) If your property is in a Special Flood Hazard Area.
- 2) Firm zones, panel and community #'s.
- 3) Base Flood Elevations: Elevation certificates are available to the public for properties that have had construction improvements over the past four years. For more information, call 305-795-2207.

FLOOD ZONE MAPS

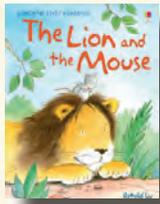
View the Flood Zone Maps using Miami-Dade County's Interactive Web Tool at <https://bit.ly/2CV8Lsk>. Once you navigate to this web tool, Miami-Dade GIS Service: Flood Zone Maps enter your address to view the map for your area.

BROCKWAY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

305-758-8107



CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL PROGRAMS



Virtual Puppet Theatre: Presented by the Brockway Puppeteers, *The Lion and the Mouse*, Wednesday, August 5 at 4 PM!

Virtual Summer Reading Program in partnership with SEFLIN and Page Turner Adventures: Join us daily at 2 PM through our Facebook page (Miami Shores Village Official).

Virtual Village Kids' Book Club via ZOOM! *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies, Wednesday, August 19 at 3:30 PM. Must register! Space is limited.



ADULT VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

Treece Financial: *Your Guide to All the Financial and Retirement Rules Changes This Year.* Tuesday, August 11 at 7 PM. This session is your guide to all the changes and a roadmap going forward to maximize these changes for your benefit, an opportunity to get your questions answered, and access to useful resources. Please register, by visiting: <https://bit.ly/2B1Zqyh>.



Virtual Historical Reenactment with Carrie Sue Ayvar, *More than Orange Blossoms: Florida's Pioneering Women*, Thursday August 13 at 7 PM. Celebrate women of Florida whose character, courage, and commitment helped build, develop and transform our state. Join Carrie Sue Ayvar as she tells engaging stories about a number of inspiring Florida women. To register for this program, please contact Brockway Memorial Library at 305-758-8107. Zoom Meeting ID: 992 0297 9068.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

305-758-8103



Pirates & Mermaids Camp: August 3-7 from 9 AM - 5 PM. This camp will inspire creative thinking as we play, create and dance our way through the seven seas! Ages: 5+ | Fee: \$185

Experimental Art Expo Camp: August 3-7 from 9 AM - 5 PM. A fun exploration of art! Campers will learn interesting and unconventional media they can use to express their creative ideas with string painting, salt painting, doodling, and more! Ages: 7-12 | Fee: \$185

Anything Goes Camp: August 10-14 from 9 AM - 5 PM. From Michelangelo to The Cat in the Hat and all things in between, we'll end summer with an adventure led by campers' choices and limited only by their imagination! Ages: 5+ | Fee: \$185



Shores Soccer Skill Kid Care Camp: August 10-14 from 8:30 AM - 12 PM. Make it your 'GOAL' to enjoy this safe and fun soccer camp and improve your skills of dribbling, passing, and shooting. Ages: 5-12 (Boys/Girls) | Fee: \$140



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COUNCIL INFORMATION

As the Council will be in recess for the month of August, the next meeting of the Village Council will be held virtually on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, immediately following the First Budget Hearing, which will commence at 6 PM.

RECENT COUNCIL ACTION

- Accepted the 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report presented by Caballero, Fierman, Llerena + Garcia, LLP.
- Adopted ordinance, amending the Village code to provide for the Miami Foundation as the designating entity for two seats on the Charter School Authority Board of Directors, and providing for biannual reports to the Village Council.
- Approved Resolution, authorizing the line of credit, not to exceed \$3,760,000, through the Florida Local Government Finance Commission Pooled Commercial Paper Loan Program to refinance the loan for the construction of the Water & Sewer project on NE Second Avenue.
- Approved Resolution, setting tentative operating and debt service ad valorem millage levies for fiscal year 2020-2021 and establishing the time, date and place for the two public hearings for the fiscal year 2020-2021 operating and capital budgets, and proposed ad valorem millage rates.
- Approved resolution, opposing the County code amendment preventing municipalities from requiring right of ways permits on county owned roads.
- Approved resolution, authorizing the Village Manager, Village Clerk, and Village Attorney to execute the agreement for access to certain exempt information maintained by the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser.
- Authorized the Village Manager and Village Attorney to negotiate and execute an agreement with reasonable terms regarding a COVID-19 testing site in Miami Shores.
- Approved the Miami Shores Country Club contract modification with PCM and directed the Village Attorney to draft a formal agreement to be brought forth for Council consideration prior to the September 30, 2020 expiration of the current contract.

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**PRIMARY ELECTIONS
AUGUST 18, 2020**

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Miami Shores Village complies with the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act. If you are a disabled person requiring accommodations or assistance in conjunction with Village functions, facilities, or programs, please notify the Village Clerk's office at 305-795-2207 of such a need at least 72 hours (3 days) in advance. You may also call this number to request printed material in accessible format, sign language interpreter (5 days advance notice required) or information on available access to individuals with disabilities.