

# Cooper Quarterly

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## COOPER CITY EVENTS CALENDAR

DECEMBER		JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
03	City Commission Workshop	01	CITY HALL CLOSED	01	SENIOR LIFESTYLE EXPO
03	City Commission Regular Meeting	04	Cooper City Chess Challenge	01	Cooper City Chess Challenge
04	Special Magistrate Hearing	07	Charter Review Meeting	08	Mayor's Countywide Chess Challenge
06	Light Up Cooper City	11	Cooper City Chess Challenge	11	Help with Homestead
07	Cooper City Chess Challenge	14	Help with Homestead Exemption	11	City Commission Meeting
09	City Commission Workshop	14	City Commission Regular Meeting	15	Cooper City Chess Challenge
10	Help with Homestead Exemption	17	Eat to the Beat, At the Park	18	Cooper City Little Miss Teen, Miss and Senior Pageant
10	Charter Review Board Meeting	18	Cooper City Chess Challenge	25	City Commission Meeting
11	Special City Commission Meeting	21	Charter Review Meeting	22	Cooper City Chess Challenge
14	Household Hazardous Waste	25	Touch-A-Truck, At the Park	29	Cooper City Chess Challenge
14	Cooper City Chess Challenge	25	Cooper City Chess Challenge		
14	Brunch with Santa	28	City Commission Meeting		
17	Swearing In Ceremony				
17	City Commission Regular Meeting				
20	Holiday Movie, At the Park				
21	Cooper City Chess Challenge				
24	CITY HALL CLOSED				
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28	Cooper City Chess Challenge				
31	CITY HALL CLOSED				



\* Dates subject to change. Calendar does not include all events. Please call 954-434-4300 or refer to the City website at [www.CooperCityFL.org](http://www.CooperCityFL.org) for full schedule.

## SENIOR LIFESTYLE EXPO

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, February 1, 2020, our annual Senior Expo, held at Cooper City High School from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. This complimentary event features Cooper City's adult program resources and a vendor showcase offering free health screenings, medical and health insurance information, refreshments, door prizes and giveaways. For more information, please call (954) 434-4300, #255.



## Active Adult Programs

Cooper City invites our seniors to participate in our Active Adult Programs that feature a wide variety of services for our residents. The Community Center and Pool & Tennis Center both provide a great place to meet new people, socialize and expand leisure activities for an active adult lifestyle. Ceramics, day trips, knitting, lectures, luncheons, movie matinees, Silver Sneakers, social games, transportation services, walking club and so much more...get involved today! For more information, please call 954-434-4300 #255.



**REGULAR BULK PICK-UP SCHEDULE: DEC 16—21 / JAN 20—25 / FEB 17—22**

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## Sign-Up for WaterSmart

Want to know how much water you use, or review and pay your bill online? Did you know that a leaky toilet wastes about 200 gallons per day? Don't let your money and water go to waste -- register with **WaterSmart!**

The **WaterSmart** customer portal and mobile app gives our customers easy access to their utility accounts and water meter data. Customers can view and pay their bills, monitor water usage, get leak alerts, and have access to tips and information to help conserve water. Customers that have electronic water meters will have access to greater information and analysis, but it will still be very useful for those that have traditional, manually-read meters. The app, which is free to customers, also allows City staff to send messages to individuals, groups of customers, or globally to all customers.

Register now to gain access to your personal water utility profile at <https://coopercityfl.watersmart.com>. For more information, please contact Cooper City Utility Billing Customer Service at 954-434-4300 Option 1.

#waterfacts

#waterconservation

## Stop the Bleed Training



No one should die from bleeding to death when it's preventable. Each year more than half a million people bleed to death following traumatic injuries. It takes only three minutes to bleed out from life-threatening injuries. 16% of these deaths could have been prevented with immediate bleeding control action.

Cooper City has taken steps to ensure that all City employees receive training in basic bleeding control with the Memorial Health Care System, CERT and BSO Fire Rescue. City facilities and vehicles have all been equipped with Stop The Bleed kits so tools and supplies are readily available if needed. Visit [BleedingControl.org](http://BleedingControl.org) for more information or call BSO Fire Rescue at 954-432-8905.

**BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**Holiday Season SAFETY TIPS**

Follow us    [sheriff.org](http://sheriff.org)

 Sheriff Gregory Tony





- » **BSO's Vacation Home Watch** program: Deputies will perform a daily check for signs of break-in or suspicious activity; Call or stop by your district office
- » **BSO's Shred-A-Thon:** Visit the monthly program to shred sensitive documents such as receipts, credit cards, credit or bank statements
- » Share vacation fun on **social media** only upon **returning**



- » Always **park** in busy, well-lit areas and keep **valuables** in the trunk
- » Make a plan if separated when **shopping with children**
- » Drive defensively, be well rested and alert, & always use a **designated driver**
- » Always buckle children in the car using a car seat, booster seat, or seat belt



- » Always designate an adult to watch children; If a child is missing, **check the water** first
- » Wash hands often and thoroughly with **soap and warm water**
- » Keep potentially **poisonous holiday plants** away from children or pets
- » Keep **button batteries** and **choking hazards** away from children



- » Use **space heaters** with automatic shut-offs
- » Use **flameless** candles
- » Make sure there are no exposed or frayed **wires**, loose **connections** or broken **sockets**
- » Install a **smoke** detector and **carbon monoxide** detector in your home



## Cooper City Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG)

### Purchase Assistance Program - Inquire Now!

Income eligible applicants will be awarded a maximum of \$40,000 each in down payment and closing cost assistance to a maximum of two (2) low-income (80% of below the AMI) prospective homebuyers.

This assistance will help you purchase an eligible property (i.e., single family residence, townhome, condominium) located anywhere within the City of Cooper City. Assistance will be in the form of a deferred no interest, no payment forgivable loan, if program requirements are met. For additional information please call 954-357-4900.

To apply, applicants need to meet the criteria below:

- Under contract
- First-mortgage approval
- Completed First-time homebuyer class and current certificate
- 3% minimum down payment

Household-Size Income Eligibility Chart			
Household Size	Extremely Low (30%)	Very Low (50%)	Low (80%)
1 Person	\$17,000	\$28,300	\$45,300
2 Persons	\$19,400	\$32,350	\$51,750
3 Persons	\$21,850	\$36,400	\$58,200
4 Persons	\$25,100	\$40,400	\$64,650
5 Persons	\$29,420	\$43,650	\$69,850
6 Persons	\$33,740	\$46,900	\$75,000
7 Persons	\$38,060	\$50,100	\$80,200
8 Persons	\$42,380	\$53,350	\$85,350

Effective April 1, 2018 – Established by Federal Guidelines – Subject to Change.



## COOPER CITY UPDATES

### Utility Payment Drop Box

For residents who prefer to drop-off their utility payments in person, we have added a 2d drop box outside of the Community Center. Just drive through the circular driveway from the east end of the City Hall parking lot and make your payment without ever leaving your car! We hope it's easier than having to find a parking space or leaving your car running, with the kids inside, while you're parked in the fire lane.



### Sign-Up for Utility E-Bills

The Cooper City Utility Department is now offering E-Billing. If you're interested in receiving your monthly utility bill via email, you may send your email address to [utilitybilling@coopercityfl.org](mailto:utilitybilling@coopercityfl.org) or call 954-434-4300 #239.



### Recreation Department

How much do you know about Cooper City's Recreation Department? If you've attended a City event or if you're involved in any of the diverse activities provided by this department, then you know they are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for our residents. You should also know that our active adults are an important part of that audience!



### Census 2020

The 2020 Census is coming! Everyone in your household on April 1, 2020 must be counted—only once & in the right place. Census day is April 1, 2020. You will receive a postcard in the mail between March 12—20, 2020. To learn more, visit: [Broward.org/Census2020](http://Broward.org/Census2020) or call the Census Bureau toll free: (800) 923-8282

#CooperCityCounts





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**www.CooperCityFL.org**

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## Hurricane Irma Reimbursement



While Hurricane Irma was a little over two years ago, the City of Cooper City has been facing the financial consequences of this disaster since it occurred in 2017. The City was extremely fortunate that the damage incurred was not devastating to the City or its residents. Even though Irma was not a major event in Cooper City, the debris removal and other cleanup that the City incurred was significant. City staff and contractors hauled away approximately 146,873 cubic yards of vegetative debris and 1,328 cubic yards of construction/demolition debris from roads and public property (FEMA, 2019). The expenses associated with such debris removal, debris monitoring and other related costs totaled over \$3M. City staff worked extremely hard with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) to ensure that the City would receive the maximum reimbursement for these disaster-related expenses. The City has currently been reimbursed for approximately \$160,000. As of October 17, 2019, FEMA approved additional City projects totaling \$3.1M in funding. The City is thrilled to be approved for this funding and hopes that future hurricane seasons will be quiet here in Someplace Special.

