
1/11 storm recovery update

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- Video from the Jan. 10 Captiva Community Panel meeting is online at <https://youtu.be/A58oQYkMY4E> (or use the link on the News page at captivacommunitypanel.com).
- Lee County has ended the curfew on Captiva, but note that the Sanibel curfew (9 p.m. to 6 a.m.) remains in place... and, since you have to cross Sanibel to get to the mainland, late-night travelers may still be stopped by police/
- Debris removal continues, but the county urges owners and crews to bring debris to the right of way to ensure it gets picked up. Trucks will continue to sweep the island in the month ahead... but ending the removal is inevitable, so moving the debris sooner rather than later is prudent.
- A property tax refund was approved by the Florida Legislature at its special session in December. Go to <https://www.leepa.org/hurricane/propertytaxrelief.aspx> for details and links.
- If you missed the FDOT presentation on rebuilding the Sanibel Causeway, it's online at <https://youtu.be/A58oQYkMY4E> and an update will be provided at either the March or April Community Panel meeting as designs start to finalize. Also, remember that the causeway is a

construction site subject to lane closures to allow for work to continue, so allow time when crossing and be patient.

- Just a reminder there are rules regulating how close vegetation can be to the Captiva Drive roadway... at least two feet away and trimmed at least eight feet. We will be sending a more complete summary soon.
- If you missed the Jan. 9 CEPD board meeting, the video is online at <https://youtu.be/SZWkcUVbWjg> or use the link on the Jan. 9 board meeting page at mycepd.com.

FEMA assistance deadline Jan. 12

The deadline for filing for FEMA Disaster Assistance and/or a Small Business Association (SBA) low-interest loan is Thursday, Jan. 12.

- Applications for FEMA Disaster Assistance can be filed at disasterassistance.gov or by calling 1-800-621-3362.
- Apply for Small Business Association loan at <https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/> or call 1-800-659-2955 for customer service.
- If you have questions or require in-person assistance, you can visit one of our Disaster Recovery Centers. Locations are listed at www.leegov.com/storm.

SCCF replanting guide

The SCCF Native Landscapes & Garden Center's new Post-Hurricane Ian Replanting Guide offers tips for re-vegetating lawns and landscapes in Southwest Florida following Hurricane Ian, with a focus on storm-resilient native plants.

The Native Landscapes & Garden Center will re-open to the public on Jan. 24, with limited hours of 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

The Native Landscapes & Garden Center is located at the historic Bailey Homestead Preserve at 1300 Periwinkle Way, Please direct any questions to info@sccf.org or 239-472-1932.

To download the guide, click here: [DOWNLOAD GUIDE](#)

Or copy and paste this link to access: <https://www.sccf.org/news/blog/new-post-hurricane-replanting-guide>



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