

# info & updates

February utility bill insert

## Selling your home?

Are you are planning to sell or currently have your home on the market? If the answer is yes, the city is asking you to consider selling it to the City of Winter Park or Habitat for Humanity® to offer more affordable housing opportunities for new residents wanting to call Winter Park home. Winter Park is an economically diverse community that is home to approximately 30,000 residents. The city's Planning & Zoning Department coordinates efforts to maintain and create affordable and workforce housing opportunities within city limits. One way this is accomplished is through an affordable housing linkage fee, which is applied to all new residential construction in city limits. Another way the city works to offer affordable housing opportunities is through partnerships with the Winter Park Housing Authority and Habitat for Humanity of Winter Park-Maitland. Want more information? Please contact:

Jeff Briggs, Planning & Zoning Department  
[jbriggs@cityofwinterpark.org](mailto:jbriggs@cityofwinterpark.org) | **407-599-3440** or  
Habitat for Humanity of Winter Park-Maitland  
[director@habitatwpm.org](mailto:director@habitatwpm.org) or access  
[habitatwpm.org/contact-us](https://habitatwpm.org/contact-us)

## Electric leaf blower rebate

### rebate now available

\$50 rebate [one per Winter Park household]  
applied as a credit on resident's utility bill  
submit application today @ [cityofwinterpark.org/rebates](https://cityofwinterpark.org/rebates) [expires 01.01.2025]

### practicing what we preach

Parks & Recreation has gone electric with:

- 98% of leaf blowers [including backpacks]
- 100% of trimmers
- 2 zero-turn lawn mowers
- 3 utility carts

City's fleet now includes:

- 16 Evs [3 more on order]
- 16 hybrid vehicles
- 147 electric golf carts

## AARP Tax-Aide

### A free income tax preparation service

Tuesdays, Wednesday & Thursdays at Winter Park Library | [1052 W. Morse Blvd.](https://www.cityofwinterpark.org/1052-w-morse-blvd)

**February 1, 2024 through April 11, 2024 | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Appointments are required and can be set up at [AARP.org/taxaide](https://www.aarp.org/taxaide). For more information or questions, please call **[1-888-227-7669](tel:1-888-227-7669)**.

## learn CPR & save a life

access [wpfd.org/classes](http://wpfd.org/classes)

registration required – \$40 per person.

more info [rmattingly@cityofwinterpark.org](mailto:rmattingly@cityofwinterpark.org)

## election info

### Mayor & Commission Seat 2

general election » Tuesday 03.19.24

run-off election [if necessary] » Tuesday 04.16.24

more info » [ocfelections.com](http://ocfelections.com) | [cityofwinterpark.org/elections](http://cityofwinterpark.org/elections) | [cityclerk@cityofwinterpark.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofwinterpark.org) | [407-599-3277](tel:407-599-3277)

for updates on upcoming things to enjoy, please access  
[cityofwinterpark.org/events](http://cityofwinterpark.org/events)

## Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance Program

The City of Winter Park realizes that tragedy can strike at any time. Whether it is a personal or family crisis, city residents can suddenly find themselves at the risk of unpaid bills and losing their utility service among other things. To help city residents through these times of struggle, the city created the “Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance (EUA) Program,” to provide emergency assistance to those in need.

Because emergencies happen unexpectedly and suddenly, this program gives neighbors the chance to help neighbors through donations to the program. All donations are collected by the City of Winter Park and turned over to United Way 2-1-1 for distribution. United Way 2-1-1 is a department of the Heart of Florida United Way, a local, non-profit community assistance agency that has partnered with the city to help customers locate an agency near their home so eligibility and need may be determined.

Donations can be made in three ways...

1. A monthly contribution added to your utility bill.
2. A one-time contribution payable to the City of Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance Program.
3. Through your current United Way donation by designating specific funds to the City of Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance program.

If you would like to contribute to the Winter Park EUA Program to help your neighbors in need, fill out the enrollment form {right} and mail in or drop off at City Hall located at 401 S. Park Ave. You can also contribute by visiting [cityofwinterpark.org/EUA](http://cityofwinterpark.org/EUA) or request a form to be mailed to you by calling [407-599-3220](tel:407-599-3220).

If you are a Winter Park utility customer who is experiencing a financial emergency and in need of assistance, please call United Way 2-1-1. A household can receive a maximum benefit of \$650 in a one-year period. This program was created specifically for those customers experiencing a temporary financial hardship as a result of an emergency, not for customers with chronic or long-term financial needs.

For more information about the EUA Program, please contact Utility Billing Customer Service at [407-599-3220](tel:407-599-3220) or [customer\\_service@cityofwinterpark.org](mailto:customer_service@cityofwinterpark.org). If you are a Winter Park utility customer in need of assistance, please call United Way 2-1-1 or access [hfuw.org/utilities](http://hfuw.org/utilities).

**Yes, I would like to contribute to The City of Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance Program.**

I hereby authorize the City of Winter Park to add the pledge amount indicated below to my next monthly bill and continue to do so until the program is discontinued or until I notify them in writing that I no longer wish to participate. I understand that my contributions are 100% tax-deductible. *(NOTE: The receipt portion of the bill should be kept for your records.)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of monthly donation (please check one):  \$1  \$2  \$5  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop this form in the mail to:

City of Winter Park Emergency Utility Assistance Program  
401 S. Park Ave. | Winter Park, FL 32789

**Thank you for your support!**