

### Citizen Planner Academy

Did you know, [Orange County's Citizen Planner Academy](#) is a series of free workshops designed to educate and engage residents in the County's land development process for communities? The next workshop will focus on "Permitting Process." Register now! **This year, all workshops will be virtual.**

- 📧 Register: <https://bit.ly/3r9UPOJ>
- 📅 Upcoming Classes: <https://bit.ly/31bJ4wE>
- 📅 Next Meeting: Saturday, April 24, 2021
- 🕒 Time: 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.
- 📍 Location: Virtual

### Arbor Day is a celebration of forest and trees!

Did you know the first Arbor Day originated in 1872 and more than 1,000,000 trees were planted on that day? Trees are known to have a list of benefits to mankind and animals. This list includes but is not limited to, providing drinking water, serving as a noise buffer, preventing stormwater pollution, providing a habitat for wildlife as well as a source of clean breathable air.

You and your community can celebrate this Arbor Day, April 30, by taking part in 4 simple actions:

- Plant a tree
- Have kids draw their favorite tree
- Volunteer to help clean up a park or natural area
- Connect with nature by taking a walk in your local park or wilderness area while practicing social distancing

## COVID-19 & VACCINATION UPDATES

### EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND EVICTION MORATORIUM

Recently, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) [extended its moratorium on evictions](#) to June 30, 2021.

Residents **must be proactive** and file the necessary paperwork with their landlord for the federal program, as they do not automatically qualify.

Visit [ocfl.net/HousingFAQs](http://ocfl.net/HousingFAQs) for a list of frequently asked questions and additional resources.

For more information, visit [ocfl.net/rentalassistance](http://ocfl.net/rentalassistance).

### TESTING STILL A PRIORITY

Providing free testing for residents continues to be a priority for Orange County Government Health Services Department. [Testing at Barnett Park runs through April 30, 2021](#). Residents are encouraged to get a test if they have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19. Testing is essential in helping contain the spread of the virus.

Drive-thru location:  
**Barnett Park (Both PCR/molecular and rapid testing)**  
**4801 W Colonial Dr., Orlando**  
**7 day per week, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

For more information, visit [ocfl.net/Testing](http://ocfl.net/Testing).

### COUNTY'S PHASED REOPENING

Orange County re-opened the **County's senior centers, gymnasiums, fitness centers and outdoor courts** at a limited capacity of 50%. For information, visit the [County's COVID-19 page on Facilities reopening](#).

In addition, the [Orange County Public Works Department](#), [Planning, Environmental, and Development Services](#) and the [Utilities Department](#) will re-open customer lobby areas and/or main buildings to the public on a limited, appointment-only basis. For more information, visit [ocfl.net](http://ocfl.net).

### COVID-19 VACCINE APPOINTMENTS

All Florida residents who are age 16 + and up are now eligible for the COVID vaccine at ANY vaccination site.

The Florida Department of Health in Orange County's vaccination site is now able to handle 4,000 appointments per day. Sign up for alerts at [ocfl.net/vaccine](http://ocfl.net/vaccine).