



# Miami Shores Village



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## Village Officers Lend Support to Hurricane Ian Relief Efforts

In response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Ian, the Miami Shores Police Department deployed two police officers to the west coast of the state as part of a large contingency of officers from all over Miami-Dade County to assist with rescue and relief efforts. On Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, Officers Fernandez and Rodriguez deployed to the west coast and are currently embedded with the Ft. Myers Police Department. They are assigned to an anti-looting team working twelve-hour shifts to prevent thefts from devastated homes of citizens who evacuated ahead of Ian's landfall.



MSPD joins Fort Myers PD in Hurricane Ian relief efforts.

According to Miami Shores Police Chief David Golt, the goal is to exchange the officers every five days with two fresh officers. Each agency was requested to make a two-week initial commitment if possible. As long as circumstances permit, the rotation will continue for fourteen days and then will be re-evaluated. One of the officers messaged that the residents are so grateful for their assistance, and this was a perfect example of why he became a Miami Shores Police Officer.



## Village Manager Elected President of MDCCMA

On September 23rd, Village Manager Esmond K. Scott was installed as the new President of the Miami-Dade City and County Management Association (MDCCMA) after being elected by other local managers. The investiture was held in Coral Gables, where Manager Scott addressed the assembled guests.

After being sworn in by Mayor Sandra Harris, Scott addressed his fellow managers and local officials. He thanked the outgoing president, those in attendance, particularly Mayor Harris, Vice Mayor Daniel Marinberg and Councilmember Alice Burch, referring to them as his "Village".



From left- Councilmember Alice Burch , Village Manager Esmond K. Scott, Mayor Sandra Harris, Vice Mayor Daniel Marinberg

In speaking directly to his fellow managers, Scott stated, "One of the things we have to do as managers is that we have to support each other more. I want to encourage each and every manager here just to think about those managers in transition who can help us in those areas where we need help."

The MDCCMA brings together local government administrators to stimulate the highest standards of public service. We wish Manager Scott the best in this new leadership role.

## Swearing in and Promotions of New Officers

Miami Shores Police Department welcomed ten new officers to their ranks on September 15th, 2022. Chief David Golt swore in the new officers at a ceremony held at Barry University. Some of these officers had not been sworn in publicly due to Covid restrictions but were already in patrol. Along with the new officers, Chief Golt also promoted eight current officers. Officers Paul Vieira, Joshua Koop, Charles Grandy and Justin Zalonis were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sgt. Paul Cazzola was promoted to Detective Sergeant and Keith Harrell, LeeAnn Jonchuck, and Shmueal Mauda were promoted to Detectives.

Mayor Sandra Harris and Councilmember Alice Burch were in attendance to witness the occasion, as well as friends, family, and staff. Village Manager Esmond K. Scott was also on hand offering words of encouragement and praise for the new officers and promotions. Mayor Harris, in her address, praised the police department's professionalism and gave kudos to its leadership. We look forward to seeing what our new officers will bring to the department, and seeing our new sergeants, detectives and detective sergeant excel in their new responsibilities as they continue their dedicated service to our community.



## MSV Receives Catalyst Grant Check

At the Village Council meeting on September 12, Mayor Sandra Harris was presented a check for \$2,500 for Brockway Memorial Library from the Florida League of Mayors (FLM) Executive Director, Scott Dudley. On August 11, 2022, the Village was awarded a City Catalyst Grant from the FLM and Business Watch for the creation of a StoryWalk in one of the Village's many greenspaces.

Library Director Michelle Brown described the project to the Village Council about how the StoryWalk would be laid out in one of the parks located within the Village. The StoryWalk project was first created by Anne Ferguson and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.



From left-Vice Mayor Daniel Marinberg, Mayor Sandra Harris, Scott Dudley (ED-FLC), Councilmember Crystal Wagar, Library Director Michelle Brown, Councilmember Katia Saint Fleur, and Councilmember Alice Burch accepting the FLC check for MSV.

## MSV Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

Miami Shores Village celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month on September 15th with Plaza 98, which celebrated Hispanic culture. The festive event included vendors, Hispanic food, music, and dancers who performed to the many residents and visitors who attended—including Mayor Sandra Harris, Vice Mayor Daniel Marinberg, and other members of Village staff. We thank everyone involved in Plaza 98 for a night that was enjoyed by all.



## Mayor Harris Speaks on Flood Mitigation and CRS Rating

In an effort to further advance our sustainability efforts, Miami Shores Village is in the process of enhancing its flood mitigation efforts as a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System. Village administration is making a concerted effort to improve the Village's CRS rating, which will in turn reduce the rates that residents pay for their flood insurance, while carrying out flood management measures designed to protect life and property from future flooding.

Currently, flood insurance policy holders in the Village receive a 15% flood insurance premium discount based on the current CRS 7 rating. The Village continues to examine best practices from other communities and is committed to lowering the CRS score through greater education and by investing in innovative flood mitigation strategies. Be sure to check with your insurance agent to ensure your flood insurance policy currently includes the discount!



Mayor Sandra Harris

Only a few inches of water can cost thousands of dollars in damage to walls, floors, furniture, carpets, and appliances. This damage, resulting from rising waters, typically is not covered by homeowner's, business owner's or renter's policies. For many of us, our home and its contents represent our greatest investment. I would like to encourage you to consider flood insurance for your property whether you are an owner or a renter, for your building and/or the contents. With flood insurance, you're able to recover faster and more fully.

To find out more about flood insurance for your property and its contents contact your insurance agent. You can go to the [Floodsmart.gov](https://www.floodsmart.gov) website, or call 877-336-2627 to find an agent and to learn how much flood damage could cost you. The Village can offer flood insurance advice (305) 795-4861.

### Know Your Flood Zone

Everyone should know their flood zone. No matter where you live or work, some risk of flooding exists. Call the Village's Neighborhood Services Department at (305) 795-4861 to find:

- In which flood zone a property is located.
- If it is in an area that has had local drainage problems.
- If it is in a mapped repetitive flood loss area.
- If it is near an area that should be protected due to its natural floodplain functions.

The Village has Elevation Certifications on file for some properties in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).

### Only Rain Down the Drain

It is illegal to dump **anything** into the Village's canals, ponds, lakes, and streams. Dumping materials pollutes our waters, clogs our storm drains and leads to flooding in our neighborhoods. For questions, or to report obstructions or violations, please contact the Neighborhood Services Department at (305) 795-4861.

### Property Protection

If you would like ideas for protecting your home or business and your personal belongings from flood damage, please visit the Village's website at [www.msvfl.gov](https://www.msvfl.gov) and click on "Flood Information".

Village staff can offer advice regarding property protection measures for your property and make a site visit if necessary. Call the Neighborhood Services Department at (305) 795-4861 for assistance.



## Glowing Back to School at Miami Shores Elementary

Excited to greet their students for the 2022-2023 school year, Miami Shores Elementary School welcomed their students with a “Let’s Glow Crazy” back to school dance! The MSES cafeterium was filled with neon balloons, glow in the dark apparel, neon lights, and disco balls creating a night for students, teachers, and parents to dance away, while sharing good wishes for the new school year.



MSES kicked off “Start With Hello Week” by greeting students with a warm and joyful welcome from the MSES cheerleaders, teachers, and staff. This initiative educates youth how to minimize social isolation, empathize with others, and create a more inclusive and connected school culture. This year promises a plethora of opportunities to expand students’ curiosity for learning, community involvement, and loads of fun events! Check out their Instagram page @SHORESELEM and PTA page @MSEPTA, to stay connected.



## MSV Resident Author Reads at Brockway Memorial Library

Miami Shores Village resident author Brenda Arce read to local children at Brockway Memorial Library on October 4th. Arce read from her book, *Kissed by the Sun*, to about twenty-five children who attended the event, which is a continuation of our Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations. This is Arce’s first book, which took her a year and a half to put together. The story is about family, acceptance, diversity, and what makes us unique as it follows a girl named Amalia, who embraces her identity, accent, and use of Spanglish words, and wins over everyone’s hearts. This book teaches children it is important to learn to accept one another no matter how we look, speak, or where we come from. She also presented a slide show on her writing process, teaching the children how to write a book. All enjoyed Puerto Rican delicacies such as pastelitos and bocaditos de linaza at the end of the reading. It was an educational experience that was fun for all.



## MSV 90th Anniversary Bash - Save The Date!

Miami Shores Village will proudly celebrate its 90th anniversary on November 5th, 2022 with a spectacular celebration that kicks off at 4 p.m. at 9825 Park Drive. Save the date and come join us as we commemorate our Village’s history with our Village officials, staff, and residents. Featuring food, live entertainment and fireworks!



## LIBRARY - October Events

### Toddler Time!

October 18, 2022 | 10:30am – 11:15am

For kids, ages 0-4

**Registration required, space is limited!**

**IT'S OKAY TO BE DIFFERENT**

By Todd Parr

Come enjoy this special fun and interactive toddler story time at the Library presented by Miami Theatre Center! This program is for toddlers 0-4 years old and their families, friends and caregivers.



Please Contact: Ms. Holsing at (305) 758-8107 or email [holsingb@msvfl.gov](mailto:holsingb@msvfl.gov) if you would like to register.



## September Village Council Actions

- Approved an Interlocal Agreement, by way of resolution, naming Miami Shores Village a Co-Permittee with Miami Dade County in the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Permit Number FLS000003, which provides for identification and control of discharges from all Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) that may be shared by any parties to this Agreement.
- Approved resolution, awarding Request for Proposals No. 2022-07-01 for operation of a farmers market to the Florida Marketplace Group, LLC. and authorizing the Village Manager to execute an agreement with the top-ranked proposer.
- Appointed to the Charter Review Committee: Michael Bell, Michael O'Hara, Bill Griffith, Judson LaCapra, Francine Steelman, Ed Quinton, and Jesse Valinsky.
- Adopted an ordinance, amending the Village Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6 "Building and Building Regulations", Section 6-7 "Same Fees" to remove the building permit fees from the code of ordinances and provide that the building permit fee schedule shall be adopted by resolution.
- Approved the reconsideration of the ordinance, amending the Comprehensive Plan text and Future Land Use Map (FLUM), on first reading for the October 18, 2022 Village Council Meeting; and directed the Village Manager to host a resident workshop concerning the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments prior to first reading of the ordinance, preferably on a weekend.
- Approved an ordinance, extending the moratorium on the acceptance, review and consideration of applications for rezoning and/ future land use map amendments, as enacted by Ordinance no. 2022-04, until the earlier of six months from the day of adoption or the approval of the Comprehensive Plan/FLUM amendment ordinance beyond expiration of the appeal period.
- Approved a resolution, amending the agreement for professional services between Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc., and the village to modify the scope of services to include (1) additional analyses to amend the future land use element and map of the comprehensive plan, and (2) the state-required comprehensive plan evaluation and appraisal review ("ear") for a total cost of \$68,780.00.
- Directed the Village Manager to plan a Miami Shores Village Community Bike ride with MSPD during FDOT's mobility week 2022 (October 21-28, 2022).
- Directed the Village Attorney to bring forth an ordinance amending the name of the Planning Board to reflect the Planning and Zoning Board, preserving the name for the future.
- Directed the Village Manager to solicit invitations to negotiate concerning the Public Works land and for said proposals and recommendations to be brought forth for Village Council consideration.
- Adopted the final millage rate of 7.8 mills for fiscal year 2022-2023, the calculated "rolled-back" rate is 6.7992 mills, or 14.72% higher than the "rolled-back" rate for fiscal year 2021-2022, adopting the final debt service millage rate of 0.1846 mills.
- Adopted the final operating and capital outlay budget for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, pursuant to section 200.065, Florida Statutes, authorizing expenditures consistent therewith and authorizing certain budget amendments within a department provided that the total of the appropriations is not changed.
- Selected Alternative 1 with respect to the Miami Shores Flagler Trail Greenway designs and construction.
- Approved the ranking of RFQ 2022-04-01 for engineering and architectural design services for Miami Shores Village Bayfront Park and authorizing the Village Manager to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked firm Chen Moore and Associates, Inc. and if negotiations prove unsuccessful, then to negotiate with the second-ranked proposer IBI Group Professional Services (USA) Inc.
- Approved a resolution, authorizing the Village Manager to execute the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program grant agreement documents and to administer the grant.
- Accepted the procurement administrator's recommendation to grant the Village Manager the authorization to accept the final ranking and recommendation of the evaluation committee for appropriate firms to receive continuing services agreements, concerning Architectural and Engineering services, pursuant to terms, conditions and specifications contained in the RFQ and in accordance with F.S. §287.055.
- Appointed to the Planning Board: John Bolton, Michael O'Hara, and Michael Finkelstein.
- Appointed to the Fine Arts Commission: Anne-Camille Hersh, Samantha Kodsi, and Michael Stock.
- Appointed to the Country Club Advisory Board: Irene Fajardo, Thomas Halloran, Bill Griffith, and Michael Puglisi.
- Appointed to the Sustainability & Resiliency Committee: Sarah McSherry, Richard Pluhar, Nicola Meyer, and Marjorie Weber.
- Approved a resolution, awarding ITB 2022-04-03 Miami Shores Village Hall Office and Restroom Renovations, and authorizing the Village Manager or designee to execute an agreement with the lowest responsive bidder, Intertech Construction Corporation of America, Inc., and authorizing the Village Manager or designee to expend an estimated amount not to exceed \$229,663.
- Approved a resolution, creating budget amendment #4 to the fiscal year 2021-2022 operating budgets and appropriating \$229,663 from the general fund balance to transfer to the capital project fund for building improvements.
- Approved a resolution as amended, authorizing the acceptance of cash and in-kind sponsorships for Village-sponsored events.

# OCTOBER 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Artisan Fair! 9am-2pm (BML) Yoga at Optimist Park 10:30am
2	3 Financial Literacy Lecture: Avoiding Scams 6pm (BML)	4 Children's Author Event Ages 4+ "Kissed by the Sun" by Brenda Arce 4PM (BML)	5	6 Council Meeting 6:30pm (9900 N.E. 2nd Ave.)	7 AVMED/ OSHER presents: Medicare 10:30am (BML)	8 Yoga at Optimist Park 10:30am  Modern History of Folk Music with M. Stock 10:30am (BML)
9 Sunday Fall Market 10AM-4PM (9301 N.E. 2ND AVE)	10 Indigenous Peoples' Day Village Offices Closed	11	12 Sustainability & Resiliency Committee 6:30pm (10050 N.E. 2ND AVE)	13 Frost Museum of Science presents: 4pm Circuitry (BML) Challenge  The Incredible History of Dining and Eating! in Greater Miami with Seth Bramson 5:30pm (BML)	14	15 Yoga at Optimist Park 10:30am  Saturday Storytime Ages 3+ Room on the Broom/Halloween 10:30am (BML)
16 Sunday Fall Market 10AM-4PM (9301 N.E. 2ND AVE)	17 Brockway Reading Circle: Fresh Water for Flowers 6pm (BML)	18 Council Meeting 6:30pm Comp Plan First Reading (9900 N.E. 2nd Ave.)	19 Historic Preservation Meeting 6:30pm (10050 N.E. 2ND AVE)	20 Village Kids Book Club – Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone 4pm (BML)  Fall in Love with Opera! 6pm (BML)	21 AVMED/ OSHER presents: Community Resources 10:30am (BML)	22 Yoga at Optimist Park 10:30am  Modern History of Folk Music with M. Stock 10:30am (BML)
23 Sunday Fall Market 10AM-4PM (9301 N.E. 2ND AVE)	24	25	26	27 Hispanic Heritage Film/Lecture with Gaspar Gonzalez 6:00pm (BML)  Planning and Zoning Meeting 6:30pm (9900 N.E. 2nd Ave.)	28	29 Yoga at Optimist Park 10:30am  Modern History of Folk Music with M. Stock 10:30am (BML)
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BML: Brockway Memorial Library - 10021 NE 2nd Ave., Miami Shores, FL 33138

# KIDS CORNER

## Government Week Word Search

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VILLAGE  
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COUNCIL  
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CIVIL SERVICE  
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BOARDS  
CODE



**Note:** Words are hidden in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

## Government Week Oct. 17-23

Florida City Government Week, held annually in October, is a time for cities across the state to celebrate, showcase and engage citizens in the work of municipal government.

Municipal government is the government closest to the people and generally receives higher approval ratings than other levels of government. Yet, many residents are unaware of how city services impact their lives. This week has been set aside to recognize the many services municipal governments provide and their contribution to a better quality of life in Florida. The 2022 Florida City Government Week will be held October 17-23.



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### VILLAGE COUNCIL

Sandra Harris *Mayor*  
Daniel Marinberg *Vice Mayor*  
Alice Burch *Councilmember*  
Katia Saint Fleur *Councilmember*  
Crystal Wagar *Councilmember*

### CHARTER OFFICERS

Esmond K. Scott *Village Manager*  
Ysabely Rodriguez *Village Clerk*  
Sara Johnston *Village Attorney*

### ADMINISTRATION

Tanya Wilson *Deputy Village Manager*

### DIRECTORS

Michelle Brown *Library*  
Angela Dorney *Recreation*  
David Golt *Chief of Police*  
Claudia Hasbun *Planning & Zoning*  
Holly Hugdahl *Finance*  
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### 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 305-762-4870 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, a sign language interpreter (5 days advance notice required) or information on available access to individuals with disabilities.

## Hispanic Heritage Film Talk

Join us as Brockway Memorial Library offers an evening of film and discussion hosted by Gaspar Gonzalez



**HAVANA House**  
Producer and Director: GASPAR GONZÁLEZ

Mr. Gonzalez will show and discuss these 2 short films



**ESPERO FLORINE'S GHOST HOLDS UP IN MIAMI**

**BROCKWAY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
MIAMI SHORES, FLORIDA

For more information, please call (305) 758-8107

Village Offices will be closed on Monday, Oct. 10 in honor of Indigenous Peoples' Day

## From Mozart to Puccini: Falling in Love with Opera, an Introduction



Thursday, October 20  
6:00 - 7:30 PM  
305-919-5900

FIU BROCKWAY

### KIDS CORNER - ANSWER KEY

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