

The Utilities Department Newsletter

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE CITY OF VALDOSTA UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

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July 3 - City of Valdosta
closed in observance of
Independence Day

July 4 - Independence Day

WATER TRIVIA

How much of the
human body is
water?



A. 66%

We Love Our Employees



Star Employee

Azhia has made a powerful impact on the Utilities Department in the short time she has been here. Since becoming a part of the City of Valdosta Utilities team, Azhia has added to the growth and support of the department.



Azhia excels in creating creative ways of informing employees of activities within the City. She has restructured our notice boards to make them more appealing and eye-catching, created a Utilities newsletter to showcase our department with insightful thought-provoking articles, and started the Star Employee recognition award to bring attention to employees who excel. Azhia's ability to create fun and exciting ways to engage our employees shows how much she cares about the success of the department. For these reasons and more Azhia Smothers deserves the Star Employee of the month.

Preparing for a Hurricane

Hurricanes can shatter lives, as well as, damage property. Being prepared can help you, your family, or your business minimize the impact of the storm. The best time to start is before the threat is imminent.

Plan your evacuation route well ahead of time.

While you will get instructions from the local government, it's wise to create your evacuation plan well before a disaster strikes. This way, you will know ahead of time about the nearest shelters, take your pets into account, make sure to take important papers and make a trial run.

C O V U

Motivational Quote

What you get by achieving your goals
is not as important as what you
become by achieving your goals.

Director's Corner



As temperatures soar in South Georgia, you can't ignore the Dog Days of Summer are upon us.

It is also time to celebrate our Nation's Freedom and Independence. As you celebrate, please be mindful of activities that could put a damper on holiday events.

- If you plan to use fireworks, notify your neighbors.
- A good practice is to irrigate before ignition and keep a water hose close.
- Do not allow your airborne displays to land on the property of others, and
- Never discharge fireworks in the direction of others.

Through these difficult times, let's celebrate the strength and unity of our nation's accomplishments. One Nation, One State, One City. Valdosta is Stronger Together.

The

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

presents...

the SUMMERTIME



Scavenger



Hunt

**CONTEST IS
OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC!**

The Utilities Department is hosting a Scavenger Hunt!

Be the first to submit a picture of the items on the list below and win a beautiful Utilities Basket.

It includes a gift card, t-shirt, water bottle and other goodies!

1. Utilities Building
2. Water Treatment Plant sign
3. Waste Water Treatment Plant sign
4. Valdosta High School Lift Station (Hint: It is big and yellow with a big paw on the front. It can be found on Inner Perimeter Rd.)
5. City of Valdosta fire hydrant
6. City of Valdosta water meter
7. City of Valdosta water bill receipt
8. Director Muse
9. Utilities Employee
10. Twinning in City apparel
11. Head-to-Toe Blue
12. Group of 5 drinking water
13. Jumping for Water
14. Water Fountain at a Park
15. Water Activity
16. Aquatic Animal
17. Rain
18. Ice
19. Condensation
20. Creek or Stream

All items are Utilities or water related. Let's have fun and Happy Hunting!

RULES:

- Participant MUST be in all pictures.
- Participant can't use the same picture twice.
- All pictures must be current.
- NO Groups.

JULY 1 - JULY 24

Submit to:

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cespanolevaldostacity.com

Send all photos at once, labeled & numbered correctly.

*Printing? Please label, number & place in envelope.

*All contestants must submit by 4:30 p.m. on July 24th.

Winner will be announced August 1.