

## NEW INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE UNVEILED ALONG BLACK HERITAGE TRAIL

New interpretive signage has been installed at locations along Daytona Beach's Black Heritage Trail. The project was made possible by a \$50,000 grant from the Florida Department of State's Division of Historical Resources.



***"We are excited to see this vision become reality. These signs not only preserve and honor our city's rich history, but they also invite residents and visitors to learn more about the lasting contributions of Daytona Beach's Black community,"*** said City Manager Deric C. Feacher.

The interpretive signs mark 18 existing sites of historical significance and add a 19th stop at the Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune statue at the Riverfront Esplanade. Each sign highlights important people, places and events that shaped Daytona Beach and the nation over the last 150 years.

### THE SITES INCLUDE:

- Five National Register listings
- Two historic buildings
- A local and a national historic district
- A National Commemorative Site
- The only national historic landmark in the city
- An archaeological park where Timucuan Indian artifacts and mastodon remains were found
- Several historic Black churches
- A former hotel, a park and community centers central to the city's Black heritage

The project was originally identified in the Midtown Master Plan created by Florida A&M University's School of Architecture. The plan called for themed signage, lighting, pavement colors and displays to better connect the historic sites.

Each new sign features a QR code linking to additional digital content, offering an even deeper look into the history of each site. The signs were designed for durability and minimal long-term maintenance, ensuring they will educate and inspire for generations to come.

For information on the city's Black Heritage Trail, visit [DaytonaBeach.gov/BlackHeritageTrail](http://DaytonaBeach.gov/BlackHeritageTrail).





## NEW HOPE ANIMAL SHELTER BECOMES DAYTONA BEACH'S SHELTERING PROVIDER OCT. 1

Starting Oct. 1, New Hope Animal Shelter in DeLand will provide sheltering services for animals brought in through the city's animal control operations. This change ends the city's contract with Halifax Humane Society following a review of rising costs.

### WHAT RESIDENTS NEED TO KNOW:

- **Stray animals:** Call Volusia County's non-emergency line at (386) 248-1777.
- **Owner surrenders:** Contact private shelters or rescue groups. A list is available at [DaytonaBeach.gov/AnimalShelterUpdate](http://DaytonaBeach.gov/AnimalShelterUpdate).

### TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN (TNR):

- Volusia County Animal Services will provide limited support, and Dr. Shelby Wolfe of Granada Animal Hospital will supplement services.
- For TNR appointments, email [AnimalServices@DaytonaBeach.gov](mailto:AnimalServices@DaytonaBeach.gov). Questions? Call (386) 318-3303 or visit [DaytonaBeach.gov/AnimalServices](http://DaytonaBeach.gov/AnimalServices).

## BREAKING BARRIERS: KIM FLAHERTY IS FLORIDA'S ONLY WOMAN MASTER CODE ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONAL



The City of Daytona Beach proudly celebrates Kim Flaherty, who has earned certification as a Master Code Enforcement Professional (MCEP) from the State of Florida.

**Kim is one of only three people statewide to hold the designation and the only woman with this elite certification.**

A Volusia County native, Kim joined the city in 2017 after more than 20 years as a paralegal and real estate closing agent. As Permits & Licensing Project Manager, she embraced the city's professional development program, which encourages advanced training and certifications. While helping manage Daytona Beach's building boom, she completed the rigorous requirements for this certification.

**Please join us in congratulating Kim on this outstanding achievement.**



## TRANSFORM386 TO HOST IN-PERSON INTAKE EVENT

The Transform386 Homeowner Recovery Program will host an in-person application intake event.

**Thursday, Oct. 2, from 4 to 7 p.m.  
Daytona Beach Regional Library  
105 Jackie Robinson Parkway**

County staff will be available to answer questions, review documentation and assist applicants step by step. The goal is to ensure every eligible resident has the necessary support to complete the application successfully.

The program provides funding to repair or replace homes damaged by Hurricanes Ian and Milton. Under the Milton allocation, two new options are available: Voluntary Buyout, which helps families relocate with fair compensation, and Match, which provides financial support for state or federal grants to strengthen homes.

Residents can review eligibility and apply anytime at [www.transform386.org](http://www.transform386.org).

# IN THE WORKS



UPCOMING

## **DAYTONA BEACH GOLF CLUB FENCE REPLACEMENT:**

New fencing is coming to the Daytona Beach Golf Club to replace the existing, damaged fence along Beville Road. The project is expected to begin by the end of the month. The new black vinyl-coated chain link fence will span approximately 2,750 feet along Beville Road. Work is expected to take several weeks, and it will not interfere with play, allowing golfers to continue enjoying the course without disruption. The project cost is \$71,978 for a five-foot fence; however, staff is reviewing quotes for six-foot options.

**BOOKLAND BRIDGE:** Crews have recently completed installing the wooden handrails on the Bookland Bridge, a footbridge located underneath the ISB Bridge, which connects City Island to the Riverfront Esplanade. Work is now focused on resetting stringers, while the electrical team has begun running conduit for new lighting. Remaining tasks include installing stringers, deck boards and mesh grating. **The project is on track to be finished by the end of the year.**

**HALIFAX HARBOR MARINA FISHING PIER:** The Halifax Harbor Marina Fishing Pier project is nearing completion. The purchase order for the channel marker has been issued, and materials have been ordered. **The only items remaining are the installation of the fish cleaning station and the channel marker.** The project's final cost is \$124,956.86, with \$93,717.65 funded through FEMA.

**DERBYSHIRE SIDEWALKS:** Crews have made significant progress to the Derbyshire area with pedestrian upgrades. The intersections of Brentwood Drive and Derbyshire Road, as well as Sixth Street and Derbyshire Road, have received ADA enhancements to improve accessibility. Raised crosswalks were installed on Vine Street and Brentwood Drive to enhance pedestrian safety. Additionally, new sidewalks were recently completed along Sixth Street, from Derbyshire Road to Vine Street, creating safer and more walkable connections in the neighborhood.



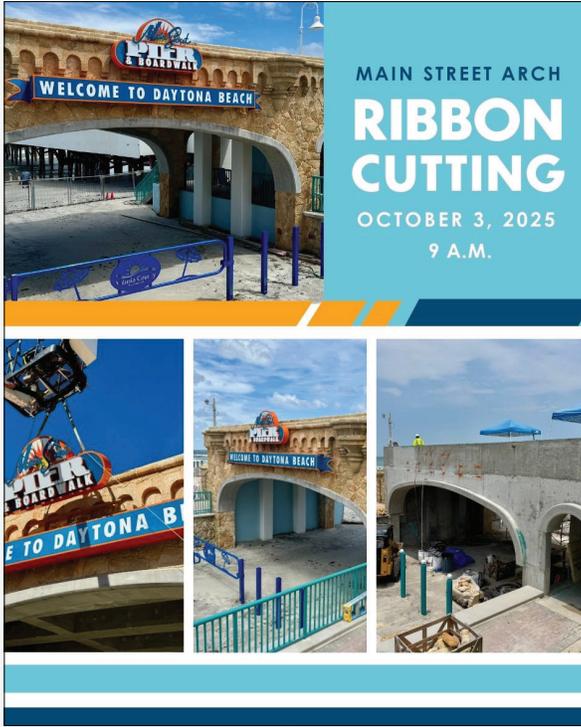
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**FREE TO ATTEND**  
**MAIN STREET ARCH RIBBON CUTTING**

**Friday, Oct. 3 at 9 a.m.**

The city of Daytona Beach will celebrate the completion of the Main Street Arch restoration project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3.

Now nearing 90 years old, the iconic structure has undergone an extensive restoration effort aimed at preserving its original character while improving its structural integrity and appearance.

The project began after engineers discovered exterior cracking on the arch. A deeper assessment revealed deteriorated steel and concrete within the structure, prompting the development of a comprehensive restoration plan. The \$934,000 project was financed primarily by Community Redevelopment Agency funds.

To view the project's progress, visit [DaytonaBeach.gov/MainStreetArch](http://DaytonaBeach.gov/MainStreetArch).

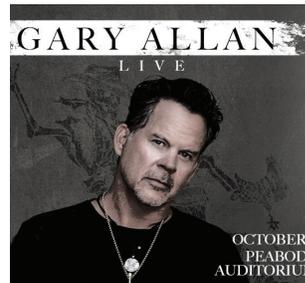


**FREE TO ATTEND**  
**FIRE PREVENTION NIGHT**

**Friday, Oct. 3 at 5 p.m.**

Beach Street and Magnolia Ave.

Presented by the Daytona Beach Fire Department



**TICKETS REQUIRED**  
**GARY ALLAN LIVE**

**Thursday, Oct. 9 at 8 p.m.**

Peabody Auditorium

[PeabodyAuditorium.org](http://PeabodyAuditorium.org)



**FREE TO ATTEND**  
**MIDTOWN SUNDAYZ**

**Sunday, Oct. 12 at 3 to 8 p.m.**

Daisy Stocking Park,  
555 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd.



**FREE TO ATTEND**  
**ARTISAN MARKET AT YSG**

**Saturday, Oct. 18**  
**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

1000 Vine St., Daytona Beach

Presented by Zone 5 City  
Commissioner Dannette Henry