

## CELEBRATING PARKS AND RECREATION

Tallahassee's large, diverse, world-class system of parks, green spaces and trails makes the city a great place to live and play! This National Park and Recreation Month, get outdoors and explore your favorite local spot or find a new one. At the close of the 2019-2024 Strategic Plan, the City's goal to establish 100 City parks was realized. This achievement reflects the City's commitment to providing accessible green spaces and demonstrates the importance of investing in public amenities that promote health, well-being and community engagement. With this expansion, the City has taken a major step toward creating a more vibrant and sustainable urban environment, ensuring that every neighborhood has access to outdoor spaces where people can exercise, socialize and relax.



“With more than 100 parks, eight community centers, two service centers and one senior center, with an additional senior center under construction, we're proud to offer opportunities for everyone. Through athletics, events, classes and camps in Fiscal Year 2024, our team served approximately 555,000 participants enjoying recreational programs at our facilities.”

**-Ashley Edwards**  
Director  
Parks, Recreation and  
Neighborhood Affairs

Looking forward in the 2024-2029 Strategic Plan, the City is committed to expanding its park system, with several parks planned for the coming years with the goal of ensuring all City residents live within a 10-minute walk of a park or green space.

Currently, the City manages roughly 4,000 acres of parkland and 70-plus miles of trails. It takes a dedicated effort to maintain the City's large network of world-class parks, so this month, we'd like to say, “Thank you,” to all the Parks and Recreation professionals who make our community more vibrant, healthy and engaging. Learn more at [Talgov.com/Parks](https://Talgov.com/Parks).

*Sustainability Tip*

While staying hydrated in the summer heat, reach for a reusable water bottle and skip the single-use plastic.



## COMING SOON – THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION

The City of Tallahassee is driving our community toward a clean energy future by providing reliable, cost-effective, zero-emission electric vehicle charging stations. Slated to open in 2026, the City's first Level 3 DC Fast Charging station—featuring the fastest and most powerful EV charging technology commercially available—will be capable of charging four vehicles simultaneously, delivering a full charge in as little as 20 minutes. This bold infrastructure expansion will make it easier for residents and visitors to power up and stay on the move, supporting cleaner transportation and a greener community. Find more details at [Talgov.com/PowerTLH](https://Talgov.com/PowerTLH).



# COMMITTED TO WATER QUALITY

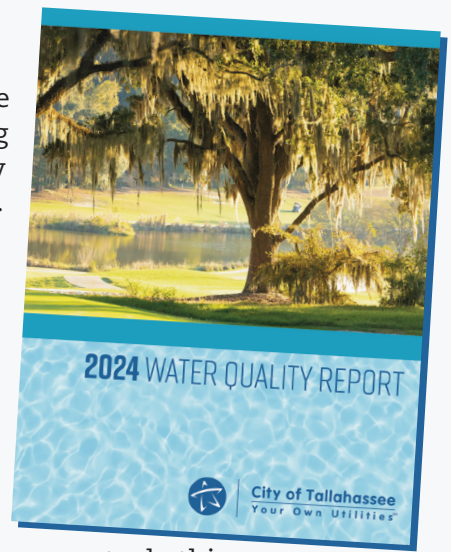
The City of Tallahassee's annual Water Quality Report once again confirms the exceptional water quality provided by the City to its water customers. Drinking water standards for quality and safety in Florida are established at extremely stringent levels by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Florida Department of Health.

The 2024 Water Quality Report, a federally mandated publication that's also known as the Consumer Confidence Report, provides the monitoring data and explains the source and treatment process for the City's drinking water. The 2024 report is based on the results of monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2024, unless noted otherwise.

For more than 120 years, the City has been providing safe, clean drinking water to the community. The best way residents can help ensure that high-quality drinking water delivered to their property makes it from the City's distribution system to their faucet is to maintain their home or business's plumbing system. One way to do this is to flush the plumbing system if it's been stagnant for an extended period. This can be done by running cold water from all the faucets and hose bibs for several minutes to allow fresh water into the building's plumbing. Customers should also consider replacing older pipes.

Always remember to use water wisely. While the Floridan aquifer offers an ample supply, it's not infinite. Conserving water now safeguards this resource for future generations.

For more information about the City of Tallahassee's water utility and to view previous reports, visit [Talgov.com/WaterQuality](http://Talgov.com/WaterQuality).



## LEARN SOMETHING NEW



The Tallahassee Senior Center's L3X (LifeLong Learning Extravaganza) runs from Sept. 3-26. The program offers a robust month of classes, tours, workshops, recreational activities, field trips and entertainment

on the broad themes of art, music, science, history, culture, food and drink. L3X "Preview Parties" will be held at the Tallahassee Senior Center, located at 1400 N. Monroe St. on Monday, Aug. 11, from 10-11:30 a.m., and Tuesday, Aug. 12, from 5:30-7 p.m. In mid-August, courses can be viewed online at [TallahasseeSeniorFoundation.org/L3X](http://TallahasseeSeniorFoundation.org/L3X).

## NATURAL GAS SURVEY

The City's Natural Gas Utility is conducting a survey of residents this summer. Your participation will help the utility continue to provide best-in-class service.

Learn more at [Talgov.com/Gas](http://Talgov.com/Gas).



**Part-Time  
Jobs**

*Available*

Join the team! Learn more about part-time job opportunities for lifeguards and officials for sports including flag football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, baseball and softball. Find details under Job Opportunities at [Talgov.com/Parks](http://Talgov.com/Parks).

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**MEETINGS IN  
AUGUST**

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