





CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH THE CITY

'Tis the season to make merry memories, and the City of Tallahassee has joyful events planned to help you celebrate with family and friends.

The City's holiday celebrations begin on Friday, Dec. 6, with "Deck the Halls" at the Tallahassee Senior Center.

The next day, Tallahassee's beloved Winter Festival continues a month of joyful tidings. This year's event will be held downtown on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 3-10 p.m. It features the annual Lighting Ceremony, Jingle Bell Run and the Holiday Parade. Festival attendees will enjoy live entertainment, Candy Cane Lane, food and crafts vendors and more.

Let the City of Tallahassee add some extra holiday magic to the season by registering in advance for a call from Santa for your little one during Santa Calling on Thursday, Dec. 12.

On Sunday, Dec. 15, residents can bundle up for an enchanted Holiday Stroll in Cascades Park.

The holiday light display in Dorothy B. Oven Park premieres Thanksgiving evening (Nov. 28) and runs nightly through the New Year (Wednesday, Jan. 1), weather permitting. Elf Night, a signature family-friendly event at Oven Park, is set for Thursday, Dec. 19.



On Saturday, Dec. 21, Soul Santa's calendar is full, with visits to see kids at the Walker-Ford / Smith-Williams centers and the LeVerne Payne Community Center.

For more on these and other holiday happenings hosted by the City, visit Talgov.com.



Proper insulation in the attic will cut heat loss in the winter. To help, the City offers ceiling insulation grants. Call 850-891-4968 for details.





UP, UP AND AWAY FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Making a packing list and checking it twice? Keep holiday gifts unwrapped when heading to Tallahassee International Airport this season for easier processing through security and add the pretty paper when you've reached your destination.



COLD WEATHER SAFETY

When a freeze warning is issued for Tallahassee by the National Weather Service, take these simple steps to help protect your family, pipes and pets.

- Insulate all exposed outside pipes with cloth or a similar material.
- Exercise caution when using supplemental heating units. Keep combustible materials, such as drapes or chairs, at least three feet away from any heating unit.
- Bring outside pets indoors during cold snaps, especially at night when temperatures dip to their lowest.
- The City of Tallahassee wants to ensure all residents know what to do when the forecast calls for a hard freeze. Customers can call 850-891-4968 for utility service needs or visit Talgov.com/ColdWeather for more safety tips.



DINE, DRINK AND SHOP LOCAL

Spread holiday cheer and support your neighbors by keeping dollars local as you gather with loved ones or check the perfect gift off your list.



SEWER MAX RATE

Every April, the City of Tallahassee resets your residential Maximum Sewer Charge based on your prior winter's water usage. The City calculates your Sewer Max based on the highest month of metered water usage as billed from December through March, when most customers used the least amount of water. Smart water choices during the winter months can help you save all year. For more information, visit **Talgov.com**.

For all City of Tallahassee utility related inquiries, please call 850-891-4968 or visit **Talgov.com**.

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