2024 – ANNOUNCEMENTSFrom The Golf Lakes Office

Beginning October 11, 2024

Oct. 18, 2024

Regular Trash Service Resumes on Tuesday (10-22-2024)

Today, Friday, is the last day for household waste collection at the Maintenance Area. After today, there is no additional trash collection until Tuesday's regular service.

The RECYCLING CENTER is CLOSED until further notice. We hope to be able to re-open after dumping early next week. Please do NOT bring recycling at this time.



Arbor Landscape has resumed mowing. They are in Phase 5 today. We will work to get to everyone next week while navigating around any remaining debris.



Collection of Debris

If you are helping to collect loose debris and have placed foam, insulation and the like in trash bags, those can be brought to the north parking lot and placed on the appropriate trash pile, separate from yard waste and aluminum.

Oct 14, 2025

MONDAY MORNING UPDATES LATEST INFORMATION.

OUR SERVICEMASTER CREWS ARE BUSY AT WORK. PLEASE DO NOT STOP AND DISTURB THEM FROM THEIR WORK. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE WITH QUESTIONS. WE WILL RETURN CALLS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

If you are assisting with the clean-up efforts, please avoid the immediate vicinity of bobcats at work. They cannot see or hear you. Please wear closed toed shoes, gloves, stay hydrated and DO NOT TOUCH ANY WIRES. Stay 50' away from all downed lines.

HOUSEHOLD TRASH, items from refrigerators and freezers, can be taken just inside the gates of the maintenance barn area and placed on the blue tarp. No other storm debris, etc. PLEASE STOP PLACING TRASH IN THE RECYCLE CENTER.

If we do not answer the phone, leave a detailed message with your name, address, and what information you need.

Power is expected to be on around 6-7 PM. Water should not be affected. Thank you.

Oct 12, 2024

Recovery Plan – Phase 1
WHAT THE ASSOCIATION IS DOING -

Power Restoration – FP&L was onsite making repairs to transformers today. While some homes in lesser damaged areas of the park had power restored, this may take days or weeks depending on the level of damage in a particular location in the park. We are allowing FP&L to park trucks in Golf Lakes which means no waiting for crews to arrive each day.

Power is on at the CLUBHOUSE. It is open and available to power and charge cell phones, golf carts, or whatever you need. There is also air conditioning; however, no working bathrooms or water. There are many damaged electrical backboards and service disconnects. FP&L has and will be removing service to badly damaged properties due to fire and safety concerns. Power cannot be turned on unless they know there is no danger to the structure or others. Necessary repairs to re-connect will need to coordinated by the owner and FP&L.

Many disconnects and backboards were destroyed. Bryan's Electric will be working to identify any homes needing new disconnects or new service from the weather head. The park is planning to contract for this work; however, the cost is the responsibility of owners and will be billed accordingly. The association wants to ensure our side of the service is ready and available while making sure meters can be energized safely and in accordance with FP&L requirements. These services only address the service to the back board and nothing inside your home.

Water and Sewer Restoration – The first priority is getting the sanitary sewer lift stations pumped down. We need power to do that. While we have attempted to secure a generator large enough to handle the task, the contractor has not been to deliver thus far. At present the lift stations are at capacity. The use of water is not possible without a substantial risk of a sewage back-up into homes. Once we are able to power the lift stations, the water can be turned on. Just in case we don't have power restored in short order, we have 20 port-apotties being delivered on Tuesday.

Debris Clean-Up - We are working with multiple contractors to get manpower and equipment into the park to start debris clean up. While we are in the queue many contractors were already hired to clean up Hurricane Helene, so this too will take time. We will start with the help that we have including Arbor Landscaping who is sending us manpower on Monday to start the clean-up. This is to remove unsafe conditions and damage to additional properties from loose debris.

If you are not here, it is hard to imagine the debris throughout the property. The contractors will be able to assist owners with picking up, clearing and removing debris. That said, owners need to be involved and diligent in trying to find contractors to address specific needs. The association cannot perform any work inside homes nor are we a substitute for insurance companies. If you don't know the condition of your property at this point, please call a neighbor or send an email to the office and we will try and get volunteers to photograph your home for you. This too will take time.

Tarps and Water Available at Clubhouse – Many of our residents went to GT Bray Park today and secured tarps and water for residents in Golf Lakes. These items are in the Clubhouse, so if you are in need, stop in and pick up what you need. We also bought heavy duty garbage bags and you can see any Board member or stop in at the Clubhouse and pick up what you need.

WHAT YOU CAN DO-

Residents need to inspect and secure their homes and belongings. Contact your insurance companies and have photos taken to document your damage. Hire vendors to handle any repairs or re-construction. Keep debris piles on your lot so the streets remain clear and do not place on neighboring lots, unless you have received permission to do so. The association will work to have either dumpsters or trucks brought in to remove piles after the initial clean up.

- 1. Keep streets clear of debris.
- 2. Separate debris piles into aluminum, wood, and other construction debris.
- 3. Report any power pole or electrical service issues directly to Florida Power & Light.

- 4. Have patience. This will not be an overnight process.
- 5. Be grateful and thankful for residents in the park who are working tirelessly for you.

Information comes in very quickly and changes throughout the day. While we try and keep all informed, there will be times that we just can't get the information out fast enough. Please know that we are doing everything we can to restore Golf Lakes as quickly as possible. We are here to help and support the community. We will recover. Don't despair or lose hope. We are in this together.

October 12, 2024

Do NOT Put Anything in Sinks or Toilets

If you are staying overnight in your home inside Golf Lakes, please know anything you put in your sink, shower or toilet is creating a very high probability of sewage back up inside people's homes. Please find somewhere to shelter until sewer is restored.

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Tarps & Water at GT Bray Park

You can get two cases of water and two tarps per car until supplies run out by going to GT Bray Park. The address 5502 33rd Ave Dr W, Bradenton, FL 34203.

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Household Trash Only

If you have household trash that you need to dispose of, we will have a trailer in the main parking lot and will be taking household trash to the landfill. Please bring your garbage to the Clubhouse parking lot.

Porta Potties

We have ordered 12 porta potties that will be delivered on Tuesday in the event we remain without sewer and power.