



Orange County Clean and Attractive Neighborhoods!

Clean and Attractive Neighborhoods are great places to live – they create pride, deter crime, and increase property values. Participating in a project is also a great chance to get to know your neighbors and address your neighborhood's individual needs. Orange County is filled with ideas and resources for your neighborhood's next project. Whether you want to clean up an area, plant trees, keep your lake clean, apply for a grant, or learn about landscaping, the County has a number of programs and services to help!

Orange County Clean and Attractive Neighborhoods, or CAN, is a new initiative to provide residents and neighborhoods with easier access to the County's clean up and beautification programs and services. Through CAN, residents can take advantage of over twenty different programs to improve the look and feel of their neighborhood. Neighborhoods will also receive rewards, incentives, and recognition as they take on additional projects.

Ready to get started? Each opportunity below is part of the Orange County Clean and Attractive Neighborhoods (CAN) program. Projects range in size, scope, and commitment level. Find a project that interests your neighborhood and call the corresponding phone number for additional information.

Not feeling organized enough? Call Neighborhood Services at 407-836-5606 to get help setting up and neighborhood organization or for additional questions.

[Housing and Community Development, 407-836-5181](#)

- *Paint the Town:* Work together with volunteers, businesses, and Orange County to paint qualified homes in need of a little TLC!
- *Minor Repair Grant Program:* Rehabilitation grants to qualified homeowners for emergency repair of their homes.
- *Mobile Home Repair Program:* The Orange County Mobile Home Repair Program provides assistance to qualified owners with repairing their mobile homes.

[Comptrollers Office, 407-836-5770](#)

- *MSBU/MSTU (Municipal Service Benefit Unit/Taxing Unit):* Need street lighting or a new wall to replace an existing wall? MSBU/TU's collect funds from benefited property owners for these services.

[Neighborhood Services, 407-836-5606](#)

- *ReNEW Grants:* ReNEW (Resident and Neighborhoods Empowered to Win) provides grants to neighborhood organizations and non-profit corporations to fund projects that improve the Orange County community.
- *Community Clean Up:* Work with Neighborhood Services to plan, recruit volunteers, and implement a major Saturday clean up at your neighborhood.
- *Community Code Enforcement:* Be trained to act on behalf of your community by observing and requesting correction of code violations.
- *Additional Neighborhood Services:* Neighborhood Services can assist your neighborhood with other activities such as a Yard of the Month contest, Anti-Litter Campaigns, and other projects.

Environmental Protection Division, 407-836-1400

- *Adopt-A-Lake*: Learn how to care for and monitor your lake while providing Orange County with important water quality data.
- *Storm Drain Labeling*: Enables neighborhoods to have their storm drains tagged with “No Dumping, Drains to Lake” signs. Labeling storm drains educates citizens about the role storm drains play in the environment and promotes good lake stewardship.
- *Seniors Waste Elimination Program (SWEeP)*: SWEeP offers a safe way for elderly or disabled citizens to properly dispose of their household hazardous waste. To request service call: 407-836-1414.
- *Outreach and Education*: The Environmental Protection Division will provide presentations on a variety of environmental topics to neighborhood groups. Such topics include information on household hazardous waste, air quality, aquatic plant management, lakeshore protection, and stormwater pollution prevention.
- *Home Heating Oil Tank Removal/Abandonment Program*: This program is intended to assist homeowners in emptying and/or removing old heating oil tanks in a safe and environmentally sound manner.

Cooperative Extension, 407-836-7570

- *Environmental Horticulture*: Attend educational classes that can help landscape your home or teach you how to grow a portion of what your family would like to eat. Your local Extension Agents and Master Gardeners provide many services that include answering your gardening questions, providing soil tests and identifying plant, pest and weed problems.
- *Streetscape*: Free trees! If your neighborhood provides volunteers to plant and care for trees, the Cooperative Extension will help you develop a plan, select the right tree, and provide the trees for your neighborhood.

Solid Waste Programs, 407-836-6601

- *Solid Waste Services*: The Solid Waste Division provides a number of services for residents of unincorporated Orange County, including curbside trash, yard waste, recycling, and large item pick up. Additional services offered to county residents include household hazardous waste collection events and drop off locations, as well as free compost.

Water Division Programs, 407-836-6800

- *School Gardening Program*: Do you know a school that could use drought tolerant plants to help conserve water? The Water Division offers a program called Florida Friendly Gardening - Easy as ABC. Schools within the Orange County Utilities service area can learn how to put the right plants in the right place and create an attractive, water-wise garden.
- *Florida Friendly Landscape Workshops*: Attend a landscape workshop to help you and your neighbors design your landscaping and conserve water at the same time. You will also learn how much water and fertilizer should be used on your lawn, good bugs vs. bad bugs, and how to keep your landscaping looking great with minimal maintenance!
- *Mobile Irrigation Lab Audit Program*: Ever wonder if your in-ground irrigation system is working properly and efficiently? If you are a high water user, the Water Division will complete an audit of your system to make sure it is running at its best, saving you money and conserving Florida’s precious water resources.

Code Enforcement, 407-836-3111

- *Lot Clearing Assistance*: Code Enforcement will clean private property for citizens over the age of 70 or who are under a hardship and need special assistance. Code Enforcement also identifies crack houses for demolition.
- *Community Meetings*: Code Enforcement wants to partner with your community to educate residents on code enforcement regulations and assist with improving your neighborhood. Request a representative to attend one of your neighborhood meetings to discuss code related topics, share ideas about revitalizing your community, and establish an effective relationship with your group.

Roads and Drainage, 407-836-7739

- *Adopt-A-Highway*: Select a road near your neighborhood to adopt and take responsibility for periodically removing litter! Volunteers will receive safety training, Adopt-A-Highway signs displaying your group’s name, safety vests, plastic bags, traffic control signs as required, and bagged litter pick up.