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with Leon County  
Services

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## Leon County Offers Local Youth the Opportunity for Summer Employment *Summer Youth Training Program 2010*

Summer is a time when most students look forward to enjoying a vacation, but for some, summer is a good time to explore career opportunities. The Leon County Summer Youth Training Program is designed to allow students to do just that. This six-week program introduces participants to the workplace, imparts valuable employment skills, and provides a summer income for Leon County youth between the ages of 14 and 21. Applications are due Friday, May 7.

There are 59 positions available, all for 20 to 25 hours per week and pay \$7.25 per hour. Summer youth workers have the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of locations throughout Leon County including Public Works, EMS, Parks & Recreation and several others. The 2010 Summer Youth Training Program is scheduled to run from June 14, through July 22.

For more information or to fill out an application, please visit [www.leoncountyfl.gov/HR/summeryouth/](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/HR/summeryouth/) or call the program information line at (850) 606-2430.

Leon County Sustainable Communities Summit 2010  
May 6 & 7, 2010  
Tallahassee, Florida

[www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Summit](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Summit)  
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## Leon County to Host Sustainable Communities Summit in May

Building on its efforts from the 2008 Climate Action Summit, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners will be hosting the Leon County Sustainable Communities Summit 2010 on May 6 and 7 to educate and engage Leon County residents and businesses on the necessity of developing a sustainable community.

The summit aims to provide individuals the tools necessary to translate interest into action. The event will be meaningful for everyone - curious beginners and seasoned professionals alike, especially citizens interested in what they can personally do to strengthen their community. The 2-day event will include 30 breakout sessions allowing attendees to delve into the "nuts and bolts" of a sustainable economy and food systems. Attendees will include consultants, independent produce growers, small and mid-sized businesses, entrepreneurs and representatives from civic groups, government and the education sector.

Presentations and workshops will focus on fostering a sustainable economy and the importance of sustainable food systems. Attendees will learn where to buy locally produced food; meet some of the farmers responsible for those fruits, vegetables, eggs and meat; how to take a garden to the next level and sell produce; and better market their existing farm. Learn how a business can operate more sustainably even if they are not a "green" service provider; find new markets to expand an existing business; locate financial, business or marketing resources; and explore the importance of shopping and investing locally. The summit will address two target audiences: the producer of a local good or service and the consumer. Attendees will benefit from an accelerated educational and networking opportunity.

The summit, coordinated by the Leon County Office of Sustainability, will be held at the newly constructed Florida State University Turnbull Center, a state-of-the-art facility built to LEED Silver standards. To register for the summit, visit [www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Summit](http://www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Summit). For additional information, call Maggie Theriot, Sustainability Coordinator, at (850) 606-5380; Jon D. Brown, Leon County Public Information Officer, at (850) 606-5300; or email [Sustainability@LeonCountyFL.gov](mailto:Sustainability@LeonCountyFL.gov).

## Leon County Recycling and City of Tallahassee Solid Waste Services

are pleased to host a  
**Compost Bin & Rain Barrel Truckload Sale**  
**ONE DAY ONLY**

Saturday, April 24, 2010  
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*First Come, First Served  
While Quantities Last - Rain or Shine*

**Tallahassee Mall**

2415 North Monroe Street  
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**\$55** tax included

For more information, please call

(850) 606-1823, (850) 606-1827 or (850) 891-4968 or visit

[www.leoncountyfl.gov/recycling/](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/recycling/) & [www.talgov.com/you/solid/](http://www.talgov.com/you/solid/)

## 2010 Teen Poetry Slam

The LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library System is celebrating National Poetry Month and will host the 7th Annual Teen Poetry Slam on April 20 and 21. Teens ages 13 to 18 are invited to perform three original poems and be judged by a panel. The preliminary round will be held on Tuesday, April 20, at 6 p.m. at three locations: the main library, the Northeast branch, and the Dr. B.L. Perry branch. The top three poets at each preliminary location will perform at the finals on Wednesday, April 21, at 6 p.m. at the main library. Visit the library's website to print out an application at [www.leoncountyfl.gov/library/](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/library/) or pick one up at any library branch. For more information contact Deidre Tolia at (850) 606-2665.

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## April 2010 Board of County Commissioners Schedule

- 13 Board of County Commissioners Workshop on the Charter Review Committee's Final Report and Proposed Amendments** 12 p.m.- 1:30 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Joint City/County Commission Workshop on Cycle 2010-2 Comprehensive Plan Amendments** 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting** 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing** 6 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- 19 Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) Retreat** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Goodwood Museum and Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Rd., Carriage House
- 27 Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting** 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
- 28 Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting (CRA)** 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers