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WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

I always learn something
that I can incorporate into
my neighborhood.

Great informative
information and look
forward to other workshops.

Keep these
workshops coming!
I learn something
new every time.

Presented valuable
information in an
organized manner.



2026 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

WORKSHOPS HELD AT:

ORANGE COUNTY INTERNAL OPERATIONS CENTER

450 East South Street, Orlando, FL 32801

**All workshops are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month
from 9 - 11 a.m.***

*January workshop will be from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | October workshop will be from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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JANUARY 10 | 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

HOA AND CONDO BOARD OF DIRECTORS CERTIFICATION TRAINING

Serving on a HOA or condominium association board requires Florida's certification compliance within 90 days of being elected. This workshop will provide an overview of the many responsibilities and areas of oversight required by condominium and homeowners' association board of directors. You will learn about condominium and HOA operations, records maintenance and owner access to records, dispute resolution options, budgets and reserves, election requirements and financial reporting. *Meets new legislative requirements.

FEBRUARY 14

BUILDING FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SUCCESS

Ready to launch a small business or organization in your community? This workshop offers a simple, step-by-step process to help you get started. From creating a budget to securing funding, managing cash flow and planning for long-term success, you'll learn the essential strategies needed to bring your vision to life. Perfect for beginners, this session breaks down each stage into easy-to-follow steps, ensuring you have the knowledge and confidence to start your venture on solid financial footing.

MARCH 14

GET OUT AND PLAY: ARE YOU TAKING FULL ADVANTAGE OF YOUR CITY AND COUNTY PARKS?

Are you taking full advantage of your city and county parks? The City of Orlando and Orange County provide 250 parks and green spaces for your recreational pleasure. Did you know you can fire up a grill at a pavilion, rent an overnight cabin, or catch a BMX bike race? Both city and county parks offer a wide variety of amenities and programming for individuals, families, youth and seniors. Join us for an on-site park tour and begin to explore what your local parks have to offer.

APRIL 11

HEALTHY CONFLICT: CREATING BOARDS THAT WORK

Using an assessment from The Five Dysfunctions of a Team, this facilitated program explores the basis of organizational politics and board failure. It helps members identify barriers to effective, functional boards and explores tools they can use to overcome board dysfunctions.

MAY 9

8 FRONT DOORS CHALLENGE: BUILD STRONGER, MORE CONNECTED NEIGHBORHOODS

In this interactive and inspiring workshop, participants will dive into The 8 Front Doors Challenge—a powerful framework for re-imagining how we build, invite and sustain authentic community connections. This challenge offers a fresh perspective on what it really takes to open your community to others. Each “front door” represents a unique pathway into community life—from shared meals to storytelling spaces, from service projects to rituals of belonging. Together, we'll explore how to design these doors with intention, ensuring they are welcoming, inclusive, and deeply rooted in relationship rather than transaction.

JUNE 13

ENGAGE THE NEXT (AND YOUNGER) GENERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP

Explore practical ways to strengthen communication with younger residents and invite them into meaningful leadership roles within the neighborhood. Participants will learn how to listen across generational differences, create spaces where young people feel valued, and tap into the energy, creativity, and perspectives they bring to community life. This workshop will identify strategies for shared decision-making, collaborative projects, and nurturing a new generation of neighborhood leaders.

AUGUST 8

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, YOUR STORY: ENVISION THIS

Every strong community starts with a shared vision. In this first of a two-part series, participants will come together to imagine, design, and articulate a collective vision for their neighborhood's future. Through guided activities and collaborative dialogue, we'll explore community values, identify common goals, and begin shaping a roadmap for action. This session is ideal for anyone ready to move from ideas to impact while strengthening unity and purpose within their community.

SEPTEMBER 12

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, YOUR STORY: BRAND IT

Now that you've identified your neighborhood's shared vision, this second session in the series focuses on transforming that vision into a clear and compelling neighborhood brand. A brand is more than a logo or a slogan, it helps shape neighborhood image and fosters pride, unity and community. Participants will learn about brand elements and steps they can take to develop a strong brand that promotes their neighborhood's presence within and beyond its boundaries.

OCTOBER 10 | 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

In this workshop, participants will gain insight into the 2026 legislation updates that impact HOA and Condo associations. Attendees will also learn how to stay informed about upcoming bills and how to effectively advocate for their community's interests.

NOVEMBER 14

ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

The annual Orange County Community Conference provides an opportunity to learn about innovative ways to engage and strengthen neighborhoods. Event offers onsite resource providers, dynamic speakers, and relevant workshop topics for residents, voluntary neighborhood organizations, homeowners associations, and other community groups.