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Homegrown Cale Curtis Named City Manager

The Margate City Commission has named Cale Curtis as the City's new City Manager. Cale joined the City of Margate in August 2018 as the Assistant City Manager. With the retirement of former City Manager Sam May, Cale was appointed to serve as City Manager.

Previously, Cale served seven years as the Finance Director for the Town of Highland Beach. He holds two degrees in accounting and is currently working on his Master's degree at Florida Atlantic University.



As City Manager, Cale serves as the chief administrative official of the City and is responsible for leading the day-to-day operations and implementing the policies established by the City Commission.

Cale grew up in Margate attending Atlantic West Elementary and Margate Middle, and played baseball on Margate's ball fields. He met his wife of 13 years in Margate, and they now have 5 children who are active in the community and sports programs in neighboring cities. His passion is serving local governments.

3-Peat for Margate Middle School

They've done it again! For the third year in a row, the students of **Margate Middle School** have earned the tremendous honor of being named National Champions of the **Vocabulary.com** competition.

Each year, Margate Middle School students use the website, vocabulary.com, to improve their language and reading skills. They compete with other middle and high school students across the country to see who can master the most vocabulary words, and they WON! Congratulations to all!



School administrators, School Board members, City officials and representatives from Vocabulary.com celebrate the students' win

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Margate Police Department Embraces Community Policing Philosophy

The Margate Police Department is and has for many years been a huge enthusiast and participant of the Community Policing Philosophy. Our goals include, but are not limited to, citizen and property safety; establishing new working partnerships with other City departments, county; state and federal agencies; homeowner associations; and members of the private sector.



Officer Sam Phanor meets two young residents at Coffee With a Cop event

If you scroll through our social media feeds, you should get a good sense of our "hometown feel" and what we are doing on a daily basis. From school visits to teach preschool aged children about what we do at the police department to larger scale events such as Trunk or Treat, the positive impact our officers make on our community is priceless! We often hear from residents who share how they feel about living in a safe environment surrounded by those who protect and serve them 24 hours a day. These are our reasons why we do what we do. The interaction with families, those who have businesses, travel through or just come to our City to enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, is the motivation that our department has in order to keep community policing alive and well.

Within the past two years, the Margate Police Department has taken this philosophy to a whole new level. From the inception of our Facebook and Instagram pages, to just recently partnering with RING Neighbors App., we are continuing to seek out the best opportunities and formats to best meet the needs of the citizens in our community.

We've partnered with our neighboring agencies to develop solutions to problems and increase the trust that our residents have in our officers. Every few months we host "Coffee with a Cop," a nationwide initiative that fosters relationship-building with residents and officers over a cup of coffee. After 18 years, our National Night Out event continues to grow in attendance, attractions and vendor participation.

The Margate Police Department takes great pride in our community policing philosophy and continues to grow as an agency in an effort to educate, inform, communicate and work with our residents to keep our community safe! [#mpdproud](#)

City Earns Recertification of CRS

The City of Margate has been re-certified by the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS), a voluntary incentive program that encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements. As a result, flood insurance premium rates for residents are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from actions the City has taken to (1) reduce flood damage to insurable property, (2) strengthen and support the insurance aspects of the NFIP, and (3) encourage a comprehensive approach to floodplain management. For more information, go to margatefl.com.

Congratulations to the ALS Team

Congratulations to the Margate Coconut Creek Fire Rescue Department's Advanced Life Support (ALS) team for defending their championship at the First There First Care competition - beating out 22 other teams! The team members are Captain Vito Labriola, Lieutenant Rolando Jimenez and Firefighter Charlie Gandia. Great job!



Resident Wins \$1,000 for Conservation

From February to April, Broward County residents played the Broward Water Partnership's online game "Play Conservation Pays and Win!". Residents who played demonstrated their knowledge of conservation, climate change and sustainability. Players answered questions and completed quests to move through various levels to earn drops, unlocking content and earning points along the way. Each point was an entry to win one of the top prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Margate resident, **Thomas Michand** (pictured, fourth from the left), was one of the winners in the game - winning \$1,000!



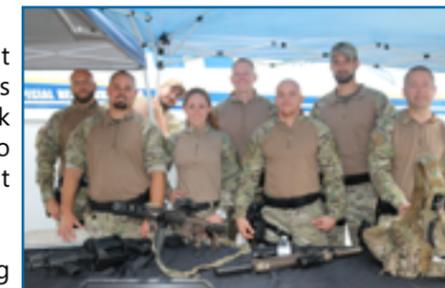
While the Game has concluded, Margate residents are reminded that toilet rebates offer a way to engage in conservation solutions and are available to residents. Upgrading to water efficient toilets offers a simple, but significant way to maximize water savings and increase environmental stewardship.

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of the incentives offered for water conservation, such as \$100 high efficiency toilet rebates and free water saving devices. Go to ConservationPays.com for more information.

Upcoming Events

National Night Out Set for Tuesday, August 6th

The Margate Police Department is hosting its 19th Annual National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 6th beginning at 6 p.m. at the Margate Sports Complex, located at 1695 Banks Road between Copans Road and Coconut Creek Parkway. This award-winning event draws thousands of people who come out to learn more about the various services provided by the Margate Police Department and other law enforcement agencies.



National Night Out Against Crime is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships; and to send a message to criminals, letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against crime. The National Association of Town Watch selected the City of Margate as a National Award winner 2004 through 2012, 2014 and 2015.

Free hot dogs, popcorn, snow cones, refreshments and carnival rides will be available for the kids. There will be plenty of photo opportunities for adults and children alike.



Enjoy music, entertainment and performances on the stage. Come meet and mingle with the men and women of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies and the military personnel who defend our way of life. Parking is free!

For further information, please call the [Community Involvement Bureau](#) at (954) 972-7111.

4th Annual Mayor's Fitness Challenge

Third graders from Margate Elementary, Liberty Elementary and Atlantic West Elementary Schools recently participated in the 4th Annual Mayor's Fitness Challenge. More than 500 students tested their fitness level by competing in various activities. Each participant received a Fitness Challenge t-shirt and a certificate. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each event, girls and boys, received medals. Congratulations to all!



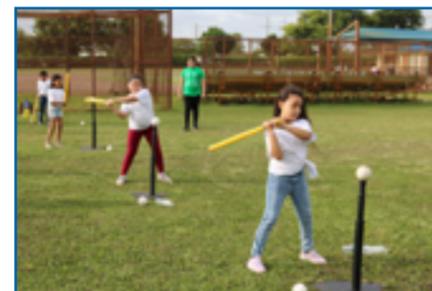
Atlantic West Elementary



Liberty Elementary



Margate Elementary



Free Immunizations

Broward Health is hosting FREE immunizations for kids this summer. The Mobilize to Immunize program offers parents a free alternative to getting your kids immunized before the new school year begins. Free immunizations and physicals are designated for uninsured children, ages 4 to 18, only. Parent or legal guardian must be present and have child's current immunization record. **Immunizations will take place from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Mondays, July 29th, August 5th and August 12th, at the Margate Health Center, 5109 Coconut Creek Parkway.**



For more information, please call the Margate Health Center at (954) 759-7477 or visit browardhealth.org.



Home of the Month Winner

The City of Margate is pleased to announce the **Home of the Month** winner for July 2019. Congratulations to Bill and Roxann Holtman who live on the 2700 block of NW 79th Avenue. Congratulations, and keep up the good work!

Home of the Month winners receive a \$50 gift card and recognition by the Margate City Commission. To enter the Contest, visit margatefl.com/homeofthemoth.

At Your Fingertips...

Emergency	911
Police/Fire Non-Emergency Line	(954) 764-HELP (4357)
City Hall	(954) 972-6454
Building	(954) 970-3004
DEES*	(954) 972-0828
Development Services	(954) 979-6213
Neighborhood Policing (Code)	(954) 972-1232
NW Focal Point Senior Center	(954) 973-0300
Parks and Recreation	(954) 972-6458
Public Works	(954) 972-8126
Waste Management	(954) 974-7500
Water Billing Customer Service	(954) 972-6454
After Hours Water Reconnection	(954) 972-0828

*Department of Environmental and Engineering Services

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Temporary Conversion to Free Chlorine

To maintain high water quality in the City's water distribution system, the City of Margate Water Treatment Plant will change its treatment process temporarily to increase the level of free chlorine disinfection from July 30th through August 20th. This proactive measure prevents bacterial growth in the water mains and keeps the water safe for potable uses. For more information, please call the **Department of Environmental and Engineering Services** at (954) 972-0828.

Request Your Water Quality Report

AVAILABLE NOW! The City of Margate's 2018 Water Quality Report is available online at margatefl.com/ccr2018. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. To have a report mailed to your home, submit your name and address to the **Dept. of Environmental & Engineering Services** via:

Web: margatefl.com/ccr2018
Email: dees@margatefl.com
Phone: (954) 972-0828
Fax: (954) 978-7349
Mail: 901 NW 66th Ave., Margate, FL 33063

City Commission Meetings Broadcast Live on Comcast Cable Ch. 78 & Online at margatefl.com

City Commission Meetings are broadcast live on the City's local access channel, Comcast Channel 78. Meetings normally take place the first Wednesday of the month beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the third Wednesday of the month beginning at 7 p.m. (Meeting dates are occasionally different. Please check website for dates.)

For those who prefer to watch the meetings online, log on to the City's website and click on "Agendas and Minutes," then "Watch Live". Can't watch live? Archived Meetings are available at margatefl.com.

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