

## Important Dates

**May 11** City of St. Johns Spring Cleanup

**May 27** Memorial Day, offices closed

**June 19** Juneteenth, offices closed

## 2024 Elections

**May 7** Special Election  
(St. Johns School Bond Proposal)

**Aug. 6** Primary Election

**Nov. 5** General Election

**Polls are open from 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
on election day.**

Voters who have applied to receive a May ballot or signed up as a permanent absentee voter will receive their ballots in the mail. As this is not a federal or statewide election, early voting does not apply.

### Precincts #1 and #3 Voting Location

Due to ongoing construction at the Wilson Center, Precincts 1 and 3 will continue to share the gym at First Baptist Church, 512 S. US-27 in St. Johns for all 2024 elections (please use the Swegles Street entrance).



## Mint City Safety Reminders

### Emergency Communication Network: Smart 911.com

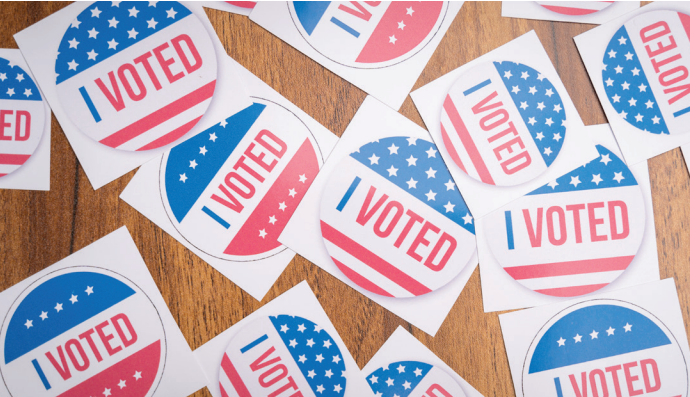
Visit [www.clinton-county.org](http://www.clinton-county.org) or go to [Smart911.com](http://Smart911.com) and subscribe to county-wide emergency alerts by email, text, landline and/or cell phone.

### First Saturday Siren Testing

St. Johns will test early-warning sirens the first Saturday of each month at 12 p.m. from April-September (unless there's severe weather in the area).

### Burn Permits

Recreational fires are allowed in the city when properly contained and supervised. To protect air quality, burning leaves and/or brush is prohibited. (Ordinance 388)



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PO Box 477, St. Johns, MI 48879  
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Office hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (Mon-Fri)

*For night, weekend and holiday emergencies relating to sewer, water drainage or streets, please call: 989.224.9192*

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## Save the Date for Spring Cleanup

**Residents living in one through four-unit dwellings, may place items by the curb no earlier than Saturday, May 4 and before 6 a.m. on Saturday, May 11.**

Cleanup is limited to three cubic yards of material—about the size of a standard pickup-truck bed. Dispose of appliances (doors must be removed, no food inside), bundled carpet or lumber, electronics, furniture, metal, lawn mowers (fully drained of oil and fuel) and more. We cannot collect liquids, car parts, household trash, recyclables, batteries, bricks/stones and tires.

- Property owners pay for this service via summer taxes. Apartments over four units, commercial/ industrial properties and the trailer park are not eligible to participate.
- Placing refuse illegally is subject to a \$500 fine.
- Pickers, please be courteous and keep collection areas tidy.

### Residential Yard Waste Pickup

Arrange for residential yard waste pickup at [cityofstjohnsmi.com](http://cityofstjohnsmi.com).

Requests submitted by 2 p.m. on Mondays will be scheduled for the same week.

Please bag brush and keep yard-waste piles under four cubic feet (4'x4'x4'). Larger loads can be brought to the self-service facility at the Department of Public Works 1000 N. Business 127.

### Is it Time for a Trim?

Help prevent weeds running wild by keeping your grass (and weeds) under eight inches tall. Property owners will be notified if there is a violation and, if necessary, billed for mowing services plus overhead costs. (Ordinance 93.50)

## Trash & Recycling in St. Johns

### Trash

Granger collects trash (brown lids) on a weekly basis. Please bag all trash, limiting the weight of each bag to 30 pounds.

### Recycling

Granger collects recyclables (yellow lids) every other week. Materials do not need to be sorted—just toss them in your bin. **Never put plastic bags of any kind in your bin as they can clog and damage sorting equipment.**

- St. Johns Lions Club Recycling Center at 605 N. Swegles St. accepts household recycling.
- St. Johns City Offices recycle alkaline/zinc carbon, lithium, mercuric oxide (button cell) and nickel cadmium batteries at their first-floor offices in the Clinton County Courthouse.
- Bee's Sports recycles auto and marine batteries free of charge at 2138 S. US-127 BR in St. Johns.
- St. Johns Police Department provides free, safe prescription medication disposal. Please, no liquids, aerosols, inhalers, sharps or over-the-counter medications. Sharps may be taken to Granger.

For detailed guidelines and a collection calendar, go to [www.grangerwasteservices.com/stjohns](http://www.grangerwasteservices.com/stjohns).



## City Services

### Parking in Downtown St. Johns

Scan the QR code or visit [cityofstjohnsmi.com/parking](http://cityofstjohnsmi.com/parking) to see all the free parking options available in downtown St. Johns.

Overnight parking is prohibited from 1-6 a.m. except in designated areas, which require an annual permit. To purchase a permit or request a special-circumstance exception contact the St. Johns Police Department at 989.224.6721.



### Rental Housing Program

The St. Johns Rental Housing Program helps ensure that our city continues to be a great place to live. All rental property must be registered and inspected. To get started, visit [cityofstjohnsmi.com](http://cityofstjohnsmi.com); select "Rental Housing Program".

### Permitting: Pools, Fences, Decks, Sheds and More

Most construction projects require zoning, building, utility and/or right-of-way permits before work begins. All permits must be applied for at [cityofstjohnsmi.com](http://cityofstjohnsmi.com); select "Permits."