



Charlotte Harbor Community Redevelopment Area

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Vacant Lot Maintenance Program

The Charlotte Harbor CRA is working to coordinate a vacant lot maintenance program to remove invasive non-Florida vegetation on both residential and commercial vacant property within the Charlotte Harbor CRA. The intent is to improve the appearance of the property and to enhance the safety of the neighborhoods. The CRA will hire a contractor and coordinate the removal of the vegetation and continue to maintain the property for 12 months. The cost of the maintenance would be due at the time the property is sold or would be forgiven after a five year period provided the property is maintained by the owner. ■

Bayshore Live Oak Park Upcoming Activities:

- **May 8, 2010:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pre Mother's Day Gift Fair
11 a.m. Fashion Show
- **July 4, 2010:** Fourth of July Celebration: Music and dancing prior to the fireworks
- **Children Summer Camps:**
 - **June 7 -12:** Acting for Young People
 - **July 31 – August 7:** Stand-up Comedy for Young People
- **October 24:** Wine Festival
- **December 5:** Holiday Spectacular
- **January 29, 2011:** Hands Across the Harbor



Bayshore Live Oak Park



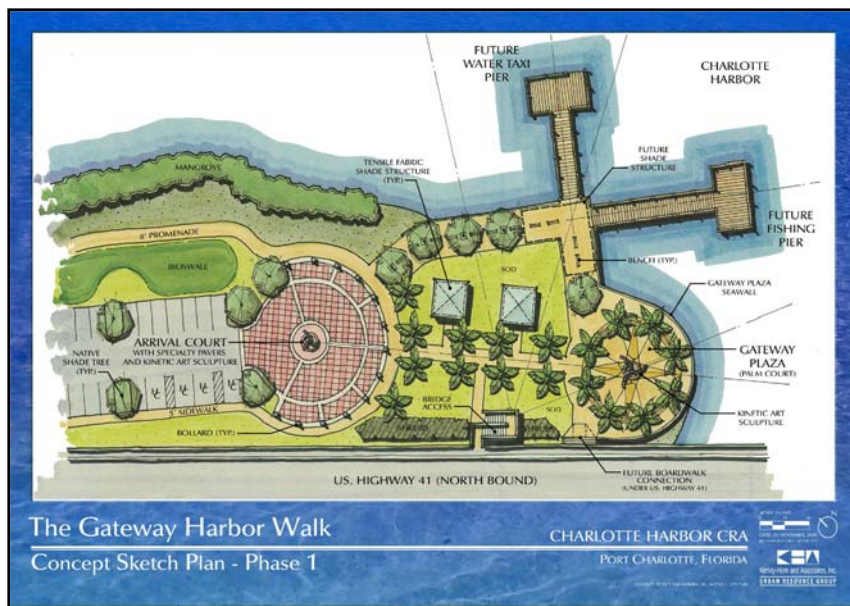
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Harbor Walk Phase I

The Harbor Walk will provide a pedestrian and bicycle connection between the east and west side of US41 via an intermodal trail. Components of Phase I of the project will include a sidewalk from the foot of the north-bound US41 bridge to Melbourne Street, replacement of the seawall, a pedestrian plaza and promenade, parking and bathroom facilities.



For more information on activities and projects, please visit:

www.charlottecountyfl.com/charlotteharborcra.

The **Charlotte Harbor CRA Advisory Committee** meets on the first Monday of every month at 11 a.m. in Room 119 of the Charlotte County Administration Building, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida.

To be added to the committee's mailing list or for more information, please call Debrah Forester at 941.743.6241



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On March 23, 2010 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 2010/2011 workplan for the Charlotte Harbor CRA.

The plan includes:

- Finalizing Phase I of the Harbor Walk Project, and proceeding to construction.
- Extending the Rehabilitation Grant program to include both residential and commercial properties.
- Approving a vacant lot maintenance program.
- Continuing to provide organized programs at Bayshore Live Oak Park

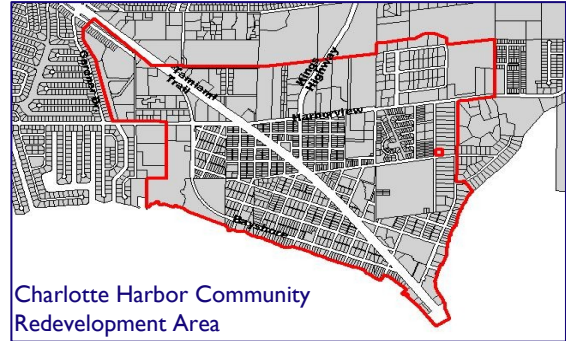
Rehabilitation Grant Program



Eligible activities include replacement of windows and doors.

The Charlotte Harbor CRA has approved extending the \$2000 grant program to commercial buildings. The grant is available to residential and commercial structures that are currently connected to the Charlotte County central sewer system.

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SIGN CODES

The Charlotte Harbor CRA appreciates everyone's efforts in maintaining the appearance of their buildings and following the Charlotte Harbor CRA codes. To continue our efforts in improving the area, and to help you stay in conformance with sign regulations as identified in Section 3-9-50.4 of the Charlotte County Land Development Code, a copy of the sign code is attached for your reference.

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Snipe Signs do not meet codes



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Rehabilitation Grant (continued from page 1)

The grant program will fund exterior improvements including exterior painting, replacement of windows and doors to improve energy efficiency, landscaping and improving pedestrian access to the front of the building. The program does not require a match. For more information please visit:

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Eligible activities include exterior painting and new windows

Sign Code (continued from page 1)

As you will note, the code identifies the size, number and location of signage allowed in the Charlotte Harbor Community Redevelopment Area. Several signs are **prohibited** by code, including Snipe Signs; portable illuminated, revolving, or whirling signs and roof signs. At times, a business may need to add additional signage for special events and a Temporary Sign Permit may be issued based on specific criteria with approval not to exceed 30 days within a 6 month period.

If you have any questions regarding signage, please call the Zoning Department at 743-1964. If you are in violation of any of the sign codes, you may be cited for a violation and could be fined up to \$250 per day until the violation is corrected. ■

Approved monument sign:



The following signage is against code:



Roof Signs



Exceeding Total Sign Square Footage