

Town of Oak Island

BUSINESS BULLETIN

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Welcome to the Town of Oak Island's Business Bulletin! Every edition is crafted to illuminate the latest updates, insights, and opportunities, tailored exclusively for the local business community. Join us as we shine a spotlight on the heartbeat of commerce in the Town of Oak Island, fostering connections, and fostering growth.



New Façade Improvement Grant Program

The Town of Oak Island is committed to maintaining and improving the aesthetic appeal of its commercial districts, which are crucial to the Town's image, and economic vitality. To support this goal, the Town Council has approved the Façade Improvement Grant (FIG) Program, approved by Town Council August 13, 2024.

This program provides an exciting opportunity for commercial property owners and tenants in

Oak Island to receive financial assistance for exterior improvements to their buildings. By participating in this program, businesses can not only enhance their own properties but also contribute to the overall revitalization and charm of Oak Island.

The FIG Program offers matching grants that cover up to 50% of the cost of qualifying façade improvements. Grants can range from a minimum of \$250 to a maximum of \$10,000 per project. Only one application per property will be accepted each year, and funding is limited. Awards are made on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to the availability of funds.

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Join the Town of Oak Island Medallion Hunt Celebrating Our 25th Anniversary!

The Business Advisory Board, is thrilled to announce the upcoming Town of Oak Island Medallion Hunt; a community-wide event celebrating the Town's 25th Anniversary.

This fun and exciting event brings the community together in a race to find the hidden medallion! Whether you're a long-time resident or just visiting, this thrilling treasure hunt is a chance to explore our beautiful Town, discover local businesses, and enjoy a little friendly competition.

How it works: Every morning of the event, a new puzzle will be posted on the Medallion Hunt page of the Town Website, as well as the Town's Facebook page. The answer to the puzzle will be the name of a business in the Town of Oak Island.

Once you solve the puzzle and identify the business, head over to that location to find a clue that will lead you closer to the medallion's hiding spot. Each day, new puzzles and clues will bring you closer to the final location, so be sure to participate every day to maximize your chances. The Hunt will continue daily until someone successfully finds the medallion!



Collection Service Reminders: Keep Our Town Clean and Green!

As a reminder to all residents and property managers in Oak Island, it's important to adhere to the Town's guidelines for garbage and recycling collection services. Please note that **ROLL BACK service is NOT provided** by the Town. It is the responsibility of the resident or property manager to bring carts to the street for collection and return them afterward. While some private businesses may offer roll back services, this is not included in the Town's standard service.

Carts should be placed curbside no earlier than the afternoon before your collection day and must be returned to storage no later than the evening after collection. Proper storage of carts is essential—carts should always be kept on ground-level, non-elevated surfaces.

Important Collection Note: The Town's contracted service provider, GFL Environmental, Inc., is only responsible for collecting items inside the carts. Please ensure no additional items are left in the right-of-way or beside the carts, as they will not be collected.

Accepted Recycling Materials:

- Aluminum Cans
- Cardboard & Paper Bags
- Clear & Colored Glass
- Household Plastics
- Food & Beverage Cartons (e.g., milk, juice, broth)
- Junk Mail, Newspaper, & Office Paper
- Magazines, Catalogs, & Paperboard
- Plastic Jugs/Bottles
- Phone Books
- Steel & Tin Cans

Not Accepted:

- Chemicals (Dry or Liquid)
- Concrete
- Electrical Cords/Batteries
- Flammable Liquids
- Garbage/Compost Food Waste

- Garden Hoses
- Household Cleaners
- Medical Waste/Syringes
- Plastic Bags
- Propane Tanks
- Styrofoam Containers/Packing
- Tires
- Wood Items

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Oak Island Par 3 Sponsorships

The Oak Island Par 3 Golf Course is offering a unique chance for local businesses to gain year-round exposure while supporting our cherished community asset.

For just \$450 annually, your business can secure a prime spot on our picturesque course. Here's what you get:

- Customized Signage: Your company's name and logo prominently displayed on a dedicated hole sign.
- Visibility: Exposure to thousands of golfers, visitors, and event attendees throughout the year.
- Community Engagement: Demonstrate your support for the Oak Island community. Contribute directly to the maintenance and enhancement of our public golf course.

If you're interested in sponsoring a hole please reach out to Hallie Willis, Economic Development Manager at 910-933-6344 or hwillis@oakislandnc.gov.



If you could add one new feature to Oak Island's landscape, what would it be?

Please select an option below.

A new park or green space

Enhanced walking and biking trails

Expanding parking and transportation hubs

Mixed-use developments combining residential, retail, and office

More community event spaces



Upcoming Town Events

Sunset on Summer Music Festival

Saturday, September 7

NOON - 8:00 PM

Middleton Park

This event will host multiple bands throughout the day; along with food trucks, craft beer, wine, and spirits on site. All capped off with a special FIREWORKS show to help say goodbye to an awesome Summer!

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Upcoming Town Meetings

Special Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 3 | 5:30 PM | Town Hall

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 10 | 6:00 PM | Town Hall

Planning Board

Thursday, September 19 | 9:00 AM | Town Hall

Business Advisory Board

Tuesday, September 24 | 9:00 AM | Police Training Room

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