

CELEBRATING 200 REMARKABLE YEARS

As we close 2024, the City of Tallahassee's bicentennial year, we celebrate our remarkable achievements and reflect on 200 years of rich history, growth and community spirit. From vibrant cultural events to impactful projects that enhanced infrastructure and quality of life, this milestone year showcased the best of Tallahassee.

We tackled new challenges with innovation and resilience, consistently delivering best-in-class services, even in the face of unprecedented events and natural disasters. When the City was hit by tornadoes in May, destruction to our electric grid was extensive with over 500 broken poles and 325 damaged transformers, leaving more than 80,000 customers without power and requiring a complete rebuild of significant portions of the system. Within just two days, the City had restored 91% of the electric grid.

This bicentennial year also marks the final year of the 2020-2024 strategic plan. Over 90% of current strategic plan targets have been completed. Using the strategic plan as a guide, the City's focused efforts, including significant investments in its infrastructure, have created a robust economic environment, promoting

smart growth and development that attracts businesses and investors. As a result, Tallahassee has the Strongest Economy in the U.S. according to Area Development, a national site-selection industry magazine.

The City made progress this year on transformative projects that will enhance economic, educational, and leisure opportunities, as well as safety, for residents. Construction projects underway include the international processing facility at Tallahassee International Airport, the Southside Transit Center, second senior center and headquarters for the Tallahassee Police Department, to name a few.

As 2024 ends, the City of Tallahassee celebrates its many accomplishments that have significantly advanced our mission and strategic priorities.

These achievements are a testament to the power of teamwork, with staff working together seamlessly to enhance the quality of life for residents and address key areas.

Through this spirit of collaboration, we have made meaningful progress, fostering a stronger, safer and more resilient community. Learn more about the outcomes of our collective efforts and the impact we've made together at [Tal.gov/YearInReview](https://www.tal.gov/YearInReview).





MLK DAY

Mark your calendar to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with special City of Tallahassee events!

Find more at Talgov.com/MLKParade.



STEP BACK IN TIME

As Tallahassee closes out its bicentennial year, stroll through the First Florida Capitol at Cascades Park, a replica of the log cabin constructed to house Florida's early government. Built by volunteers with the support of many community partners, the cabin will be open to the public for tours each weekend through spring 2025. Find more details at FirstFloridaCapitol.org.

STAY SAFE THIS SEASON

Help keep holiday moments merry by making sure safety is top of mind.

- While holiday shopping, keep bags in your trunk and don't leave valuables in plain sight.
- Some decorations can increase the risk of a home fire, especially if not monitored and used properly. Check light strings for signs of wear before decorating, and always unplug holiday lights before going to bed. If using a real tree in your holiday decorations, water it daily.
- Before traveling over the holidays, make a plan to have a trusted friend or family member check on your home and bring in mail. Lock all doors and windows before you leave.

For more seasonal safety tips, follow the Tallahassee Police Department and Tallahassee Fire Department on social media.



GET IN THE GAME

Interested in playing spring sports? The City will offer youth baseball and softball, as well as adult softball, flag football and beach volleyball. To register, visit Talgov.com/Parks.

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MEETINGS IN JANUARY

Visit Talgov.com for the current list of Tallahassee City Commission, Community Redevelopment Agency, Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency and Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency meetings and workshops. Call the Department of Communications at 850-891-8533 for more information and view the current meeting agendas online at Talgov.com.

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