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## Attend inaugural multiagency 'Green Expo' September 14 at Cattleman's Hall

**September 7, 2023** – The Flagler County community is invited to take part in educational sessions and panel discussions led by sustainability experts from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. September 14 at the inaugural multiagency "Green Expo" that will take place at Cattleman's Hall at the county fairgrounds.

"These sessions aim to inform and engage residents, homeowner associations' board members and managers, as well as green industry professionals on topics such as water conservation and quality, energy efficiency, sustainable gardening, and the importance of making environmentally conscious choices in our daily lives," said Judy Jean, with University of Florida|IFAS Extension. "It will provide community leaders with science-based information on current and future environmental issues in Flagler County and nearby areas. This is a policy-neutral and fact-based program."

The UF|IFAS Extension partnered with St. Johns River Water Management District, various Flagler County professionals, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to organize this first-of-its-kind Green Expo in Flagler County.

There will be presentations about Florida's water, Florida-friendly landscaping, residential irrigation, stormwater infrastructure, common invasive plants, working with HOAs to be Florida-friendly, and green industry certifications. Lunch will be served followed by roundtable discussions.

Vendors and educational booths include the following: citrus trees tolerant to citrus greening; native plants; a variety of seeds; honey products; local microgreens; Florida Department of Environmental Protection; St. John River Water Management District; Florida Sea Grant; and, Flagler County Master Gardeners.

Registration is required and can be done at <https://FlaglerGreenExpo.eventbrite.com>. For questions and accommodations, please contact Judy Jean at 386-437-7464 or by email at [jean.cjudy@ufl.edu](mailto:jean.cjudy@ufl.edu).

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