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## League City Hosts Community E-Government Forum

*The City of League City and CivicPlus government website experts invite residents to get linked into the City's communications tools.*

LEAGUE CITY, TX - League City's website offers residents dozens of ways to link to information they want and need. From paying utility bills and signing up for sports teams online to getting instant alerts during emergencies, [www.leaguecity.com](http://www.leaguecity.com) puts City services at residents' fingertips. To explain the technology and give residents first-hand experience with it, the City is teaming up with CivicPlus, the leading developer of online community engagement systems, and other vendors at the City's first League City Linked: Community E-Government Forum. The forum will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center at 400 W. Walker St.

Citizens are invited to attend the free forum to learn how to take full advantage of all of the City's web based communication tools. CivicPlus and the City's communication staff will be on hand to discuss the features of League City's websites and provide hands-on demonstrations, a Q & A session and the opportunity to share ideas for the future. There also will be several other City departments and vendors sharing information to help League City residents connect online.

- Blackboard Connect will share options to get linked in through text messages, emails and phone calls, as well customizable messaging for every member of the family.
- Helen Hall Library staff will share online options for book-lovers.
- The League City Police Department will provide information on [crimereports.com](http://crimereports.com), a way to track up-to-date crime data in local neighborhoods.
- The League City Emergency Management Department will share information on staying informed before, during and after a disaster.
- The Utility Billing Department will walk residents through paperless eco-billing and online bill payment options.
- The Public Information Office will give residents a rundown of all other communication tools the City has to offer.

"The City's web and communications tools are much more than just convenient ways to find phone numbers and event announcements. When an emergency situation occurs these online tools can be a lifeline. Even on days when there aren't any emergencies, there are dozens of options available to simplify daily tasks," said Kristi Wyatt, director of communications and media relations.

CivicPlus specializes in using advanced technology to develop websites that increase citizen engagement, government transparency and operational efficiencies. The company has designed nearly 950 local government websites serving 32.6 million citizens throughout North America.

“The more a local government can offer residents electronically, the easier they make it for people to access services and get the help or information they need,” said CivicPlus CEO Ward Morgan. “League City is setting a high standard that will impact what residents across the country will expect from city government in the future.”

The City of League City encourages residents to attend the forum. Advance registration is requested, but walk-ins are welcome. To register or to find out more, please contact the Public Information Office at [website@leaguecity.com](mailto:website@leaguecity.com) or call (281) 554-1021. Those who are not able to attend may log onto our website for a live stream of presentations at [www.leaguecity.com/leaguecitylinked](http://www.leaguecity.com/leaguecitylinked) at 6:30 p.m. or at anytime during the forum to ask questions about League City’s online tools.

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