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Puzzle Solution Sudoku

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Brandon Area Briefs

Current needs at the
Brandon Food Pantry

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are granolas bars, bottled juice, canned soups (not Chunky-type), saltine crackers, canned pasta, small boxes of fruit snacks, bagged rice, cereal, laundry detergent (32 oz.), shampoo.
To make appointments for pickups or donations, call 582-7001. The BAFP is open from 4-6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club may be dropped off at the BAFP. Used eye glasses may also be dropped off at Jones

Free bike registration in
Brandon

Brandon Police will register bikes for kids and adults from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, May 17 on Main Avenue. The no-charge event is hosted by the VFW Auxiliary Three Rivers Post 4726 and is open to all residents.

Brandon Tree Branch
Disposal Day is Saturday

The City of Brandon will host its annual Tree Branch Disposal Day from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, May 17. Only branches up to 12 inches in

Family Eye Care and Lewis in
Brandon.

diameter and 10 feet in length may be brought to 409 N. Sioux Blvd. (entrance north of the Fire Station.
The branch disposal is open to Brandon city residents only. Proof of residence must be provided (i.e. SD driver's license and/or current city utility bill). A small fee will be charged (cash or check only): Pickup truck or smaller, \$10; Trailer, \$10; pickup with trailer, \$15.
Items that will not be accepted include leaves, grass, lumber, yard waste and pet waste. Also, commercial contractors may not dump unless contracted by the city of Brandon.
Illegal dumping outside of operation days/hours or non-approved items will be prosecuted.

The city is not responsible for
accidents or injuries.
To learn more, call City Hall at (605) 582-6515.

Brandon Farmers Market
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The Brandon Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at 925 N. Splitrock Blvd.
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Dear Motor Medics,
I have two older cars. The first car is a 2012 Toyota Prius, and the second one is a 1999 Volkswagen New Beetle. Here is my dilemma. I need to send one of these two cars down to me daughter who lives in Florida but I can't seem to make a decision. I want her to have the most reliable and safest car while she is there. How do I choose? The Beetle has only 70k miles and the Prius is almost 200. Both cars are well kept and driven daily.

Thank you, Chris, in Luvern Minnesota.

Dear Chris,
We won't tell you outright which car to choose as we would probably end up being wrong so that is up to you. We will say this though. If it were our car and our daughter, we would look at the overall condition of both cars first. You say that both are well kept. Has the Beetle had a new timing belt yet? So many people say they are well kept and never change their belt and that is a disaster waiting to happen. Whichever one you choose make sure you have a trusted mechanic look it over before you send it down there. Here is something else to consider in a car that far away. A 99 Beetle is fairly easy to get repaired at many shops. Need an alternator, many shops will fix it right up. Need a prius fix, not as easy.

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Dear Motor Medics,
I have a 1989 Pontiac Trans Am turbo car with only 30k miles on it and I have no Air Conditioning. I started having to recharge the system every summer back in about 2005 then it became so expensive to recharge it with r12 freon that I no longer had it done. I tried to buy a conversion kit consisting of adapter fittings for the valves and recharged it with one of those DIY cans from Wall Mart, but it did not work very well. I tried one then two then it made a loud screeching noise, and the belt fell off. Now I can't turn the compressor. I let all the juice out and it still won't turn. What should I do?

Thank you, George in Huron South Dakota.

Dear George,
Stop man. Go directly to a professional shop who specializes in AC work. So many things are wrong with this letter. First, changing valves using adapter fittings and just adding refrigerant is a very bad idea. Second, charging a system without evacuating it first and adding proper lubrication is a death sentence for the system. Three, don't let the juice out. We assume you mean refrigerant. It needs to be professionally recovered. As for the compressor, it's likely toast due to the extra refrigerant and wrong oil. This is a classic ride that deserves special attention. A shop can advise you on how to fix it right.

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- Water pressure will not change
- Less calcium buildup on appliances & water fixtures
- Home water softeners can continue to be used with adjustments



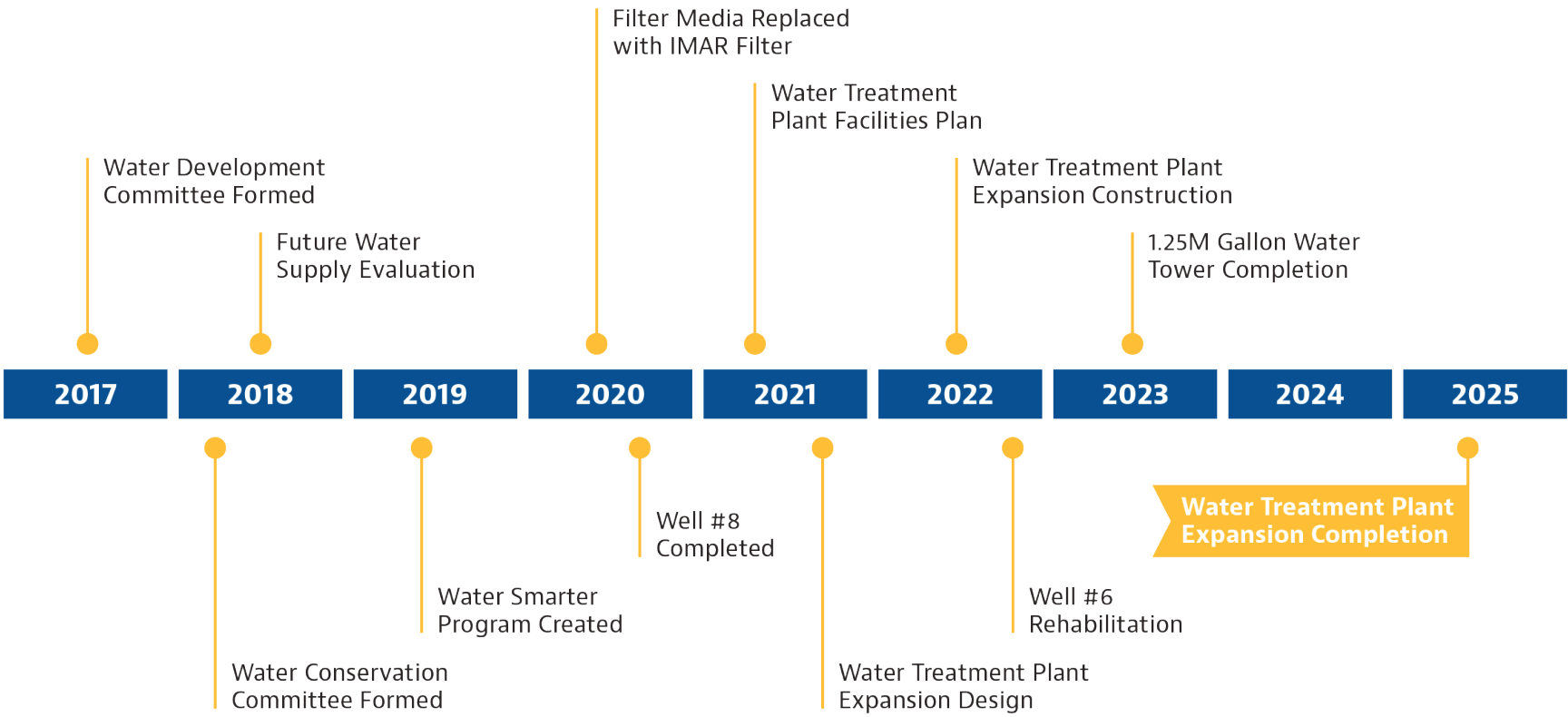
NEXT STEPS

The City of Brandon will alert residents when the RO treated water begins flowing. Before that happens, the City needs to test the hardness of the water.

We will let everyone know the new grains per gallon (gpg) setting for water softeners. Do not adjust your softener until we announce the new setting.

If you have a water softener, the City of Brandon encourages you to reach out to your water softener provider with the updated gpg setting to help you adjust your settings.

BRANDON WATER PROJECTS TIMELINE



On average, Brandon uses 750,000 gallons per day (gpd) for everyday activities like cooking, cleaning, and bathing. During the summer, lawn watering accounts for 750,000 - 1 million gpd. That's 1,750,000+ gpd in the summer!

Brandon is currently in **STAGE 1 - Green**

Please continue:

- Odd / Even lawn watering
- No watering 10am-6pm
- Limit watering to once on your permitted days



Sign up for general city alerts at CityofBrandon.org/notifications



WATER SMARTER INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Rebates are available for irrigation controllers, timers and sensors, rain barrels, toilets, washing machines, and dishwashers.

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 - It gives a good reception
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 - Not of this world
 - American social reformer Baker
 - Westernmost Aleutian
 - Heston epic
 - Handy to
 - What's-his-face
 - Pilfer
 - They can bear cafeteria food
 - Sampan propeller
 - Checkers, compared to chess
 - In close combat
 - Crookedly
 - Autographs
 - Ornamental container
 - Govt. agency since 1949
 - Held title to
 - ___ for tat
 - Back muscle, to Billy Blanks
 - Weave in and out
 - One with parts
 - How some like to see things
 - Quick on the uptake
 - Type of meal?
 - Less common
 - Uno, for one
 - After a while
 - Grand story
 - Gerald Ford's birthplace
 - Heavenly glow
 - Kind of cracker
 - Pat or Richard
 - Word with line or post
 - Shearing sound
 - Wield, as influence
 - Princely Italian family

- Down**
- Places where jets are a big draw
 - "The Elder" Roman statesman
 - Vega ___, Puerto Rico
 - Dudley Do-Right, e.g.
 - Shakespearean subject
 - Metal mixture
 - Pen or lighter
 - Sweet-smelling necklace
 - Contiguous
 - "Ronin" star
 - On the safe side, at sea
 - Montenegro native
 - Fabled fast starter
 - Emulated Homer Simpson's creator
 - Homburg and derby, e.g.
 - Word in a Bugs Bunny catchphrase
 - Links' rara avis
 - Analyze
 - Make tracks on ice
 - Molding type
 - "___ Frutti" (Little Richard tune)
 - Celestial hunter
 - Journal item
 - Move from side to side
 - Perfectly matched
 - Ascend suddenly
 - Wilderness or staging, e.g.
 - Slaughter
 - Shoe part
 - Legendary Bear of Alabama
 - Find loathsome
 - Robert Stack role
 - Resting atop
 - Skirt style
 - Twosomes
 - Impish one
 - Jodie Foster's alma mater
 - Be sociable
 - Give the heave-ho

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. Digits cannot repeat within the same row, column or box. Solution on Page 2

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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