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Building Safety Month commemorates a 30-year legacy of leadership

To help raise awareness of building safety, Sarasota County Planning and Development Services is celebrating Building Safety Month during May.

Four areas will be highlighted under the theme of “Building Safety: Commemorating a 30-year Legacy of Leadership.”

- Energy and “green building.”
- Disaster safety and mitigation.
- Fire safety and awareness.
- Backyard safety.

“The important work we do is often overlooked until a catastrophic tragedy occurs,” said county Deputy Building Official Greg Yantorno. “When building safety and fire prevention experts inspect buildings during and after construction, we help ensure that the places where you live, work, worship and play are safe.”

Building safety and fire prevention codes address all aspects of construction, such as the structural soundness of buildings, the reliability of fire suppression systems, plumbing and mechanical systems and energy efficiency and sustainability. To ensure buildings are safe requires the active participation of building safety and fire officials, architects, builders, engineers and others in the construction industry, as well as property owners.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000.

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