



VILLAGE OF PINECREST

Press Release

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Village of Pinecrest and Florida International University Partner to Develop App for Pinecrest Gardens

Pinecrest, Fla. – The Village of Pinecrest has partnered with the Florida International University School of Computing and Information Sciences to develop an app for Pinecrest Gardens.

Four seniors in the Computer Science program will be working with the Village's Information Technology Manager, Gabriela Wilson, who will act as their mentor, to develop an app that will provide iPhone and Android users with an interactive app that will guide them through daily activities offered at Pinecrest Gardens' 14 acres of native forested wetland, tropical hardwood hammock and native cypress slough hammock.

The opportunity to work with students is a win-win situation as students will gain hands-on experience and Pinecrest Gardens will have an app developed at no cost.

"It is a great opportunity for both entities to collaborate and for me to pass on valuable knowledge and experience that can only be gained through hands on projects," said Wilson, who has been working in the technology industry for over a decade and holds a Master's of Science degree in Information Technology.

The app will include tabs that feature functions that will allow users to plan their trip, learn about educational programs, buy tickets for performing arts events and learn about volunteer opportunities.

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The project is a multifaceted assignment that serves as a culminating academic endeavor, and gives the students hands-on experience with not only building an app but working with a municipal and/or corporate client. The students expect to have the app completed by the end of April.

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