

TOWN OF SURFSIDE 2025 EARTH DAY PHOTO CONTEST

About the Contest

The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department invites all photographers, both amateur and professional, to share their best original photos of any object that is reused or recycled. We are especially looking for high-resolution photos that best represent Earth Day and the importance of reusing and recycling. All photos submitted have the possibility of being used in Town publications and promotions, along with photographer acknowledgment, when feasible.

Submit up to five of your favorites reused or recycled shots taken by April 25, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., and show us what Earth Day in Surfside means to you!

All photos will be displayed and voted for at the Town's Earth Day Event on April 27, 2025, at the Surfside Community Center, 9301 Collins Avenue, Surfside, Florida.

Prizes

The Grand prize-winning photo will be framed and displayed in the lobby of the Town's Parks and Recreation main office for one year and be featured in the Town's Gazette.

- **GRAND PRIZE** \$100 Parks and Recreation Gift Certificate
- **First Prize** – \$75 Parks and Recreation Gift Certificate
- **Second Prize** – \$50 Parks and Recreation Gift Certificate
- **Third Prize** – \$25 Parks and Recreation Gift Certificate

Rules

- Eligibility -The contest is open to all photographers.
- Deadline – The contest runs March 24, 2025, through April 25, 2025. Submissions must be delivered to the Parks and Recreation office by 5:00 pm on April 25, 2025.
- Photographer's Rights – By participating in the contest, Photographers retain all rights to the Photographs, including ownership, except those rights licensed to the Town as described in the next sentence. Photographers grant the Town: (a) A nonexclusive, worldwide, irrevocable, royalty-free license to reproduce, distribute, use in publications and associated trade magazines, publicly display and publicly perform the photographs submitted to the Town as part of the Contest; and (b) The right to use Photographer's name, city, state, country of residence, and information regarding the Photographs in promotions and other publications.
- Photographer's Responsibility – Photographs must not include shots of people.
- Photo Criteria:
 - All photographs must have been taken within the past three years in Surfside to be considered.
 - Photos should accurately reflect the subject matter and scene as it appeared. Photos should not be digitally altered beyond standard optimization (removal of dust, cropping, reasonable adjustments to exposure, color and contrast, etc.). Multiple exposures that have been combined to produce a single "high dynamic range" image are acceptable.
 - Image orientation may be portrait or landscape.

- Images should be high resolution.
- Images that do not meet these requirements may or may not be included in the display or may be rejected from the contest.

How to Submit:

- The Town will accept prints with 8-inch by 10-inch dimensions only. On the back of the photo please write the photographer's first name and last name and image number.
- A maximum of 5 submissions.
- Photographers are to complete and sign the attached Contest Entry Form and Agreement to be submitted along with their prints.
- On the entry form photos should be listed with the following information:
 - Image # – should correspond with the number on the back of the picture.
 - Location – identify the location where the photo was taken.
 - Description – title or name of the picture.
 - Year Taken – (No photographs older than three years, please.)
- Mail or deliver the prints along with the Contest Entry Form and Agreement by 5:00 pm on April 25, 2025, to:

Mailing & Delivery Address:

Photo Contest
 Parks and Recreation Department
 9301 Collins Avenue
 Surfside, FL 33154

- Voting –Voting will take place at our Earth Day Event, on April 27, 2025, at the Surfside Community Center.
 - All Earth Day attendees will receive 3 voting tickets to choose their 3 favorite pictures.
 - Winners will be chosen at the end of the Earth Day Event.
- Legal Conditions – By participating in the Contest, Photographer agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Town from and against any and all claims, demands and causes of action of whatsoever kind or nature sustained by the Town arising out of, or by reason of, or resulting from the Photographs or Photographer's involvement with the Contest, and from and against any and all resulting losses, injuries, costs, expenses, attorney's fees, liabilities, damages, orders, judgments, and decrees in connection with this Agreement and the matters contemplated herein, including but without in any way limiting any claims for copyright infringement, violation of any potential right to privacy and/or publicity right. The contest is void where prohibited by law.

Other

The Town of Surfside is not responsible for lost entries. The Town of Surfside reserves the right to adjust any deadline(s) as the result of causes beyond its control.