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## Health Department expands hours for residents to obtain birth and death certificates in Venice

Sarasota County Health Department officials have expanded hours for the Vital Records (birth and death certificates) office at the Robert L. Anderson Administration Center, 4000 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice. The office is now open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., with closure during lunch from 12-12:30 p.m.

Local health officials say that by opening one additional day each week (Wednesdays), they can better respond to residents in need of this service in Venice, North Port and surrounding areas.

Sarasota County Health Department provides certified copies of birth and death certificates to eligible individuals. The Health Department also offers this service on weekdays from 8 a.m.–5 p.m., with no lunch closure, at its office at 2200 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota. A legal photo identification (ID) is required, along with the application.

The cost for a birth certificate is \$15 for the first certificate and \$5 for each additional certificate purchased at the same time for the same individual. The cost for each death certificate is \$10. Both Sarasota County Vital Records offices have birth certificates and death certificates (for deaths after Aug. 1, 2012) available for any Florida county. Death certificates for deaths prior to Aug. 1, 2012 must be purchased in county where the death occurred.

For more information, call 941-861-2810 in Sarasota or 941-861-3528 in Venice, or visit [www.sarasotahealth.org](http://www.sarasotahealth.org).

