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OCPA's Bright Lights Big County Holiday Lights Map Returns for Second Year

- Online Crowdsourced Map Features Photos of County's Best Holiday Decorations -

Orlando, FL – One of the best ways to get into the holiday spirit is to enjoy all the beautiful, glimmering holiday lights that fill the streets of Orange County, Florida. Whether you want to show off your own decked-out property, or take a drive and visit the best of the best holiday light displays, the **new [Bright Lights Big County: OCPA Holiday Lights Crowdsourced Map](#)** is just the tool you need.

Back for a second year, the crowdsourced map is located within the Orange County Property Appraiser's website (www.ocpaf.org) and can be reached by clicking on the graphic on the home page. This map is for both homeowners and sightseers. New this year, the map is accessible through the [OCPA app](#) which will make driving around looking for houses even better!

"We are thrilled to bring this back for our friends and neighbors," said Rick Singh, CFA, Orange County's Property Appraiser. "By inviting residents to our website to access the holiday lights map, we are also educating them on the extensive amounts of data and information available to them. Our office is extremely proud of our award-winning website. [Bright Lights Big County: OCPA Holiday Lights Crowdsourced Map](#) utilizes a small portion of our state-of-the-art mapping capabilities to add to the holiday experience of our residents."

How does it work?

Individuals can submit their Orange County holiday decorated properties to the [Bright Lights Big County: OCPA Holiday Lights Crowdsourced Map](#) and once approved, the homes & businesses will show up on the map for users to visit in person. Here's all you need to do:

Homeowners

Take a high-quality photo of your decorated home or business at night. Cameras on most cell phones will do fine. On the map, click on the blue "Submit Holiday Lights Display" button and provide all the required information. Then, agree to the terms and conditions, and click "SUBMIT." We will review the photo, verify the address, and add it to the map within 1-2 days.

Sightseers

Before you load up the car with family and friends and head out to look at lights, make a note of the addresses of the homes and businesses on our map so you will know some good ones to go see. Pro tip: use the [OCPA app](#)! Passengers can access it on mobile devices while out on the road. And check back during the holiday season, as more decorated locations will be added daily.

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The map goes live on Monday, November 18, and will remain accessible until the new year. We hope Orange County residents will find this venture enjoyable, whether they have taken the time to decorate their home or business, or enjoy looking at holiday lights.

For more information, to add a location, or to access the map to see where the bright lights are, visit <http://www.ocpaf.org/PressRoom/HolidayPromo.aspx>

To access and download the OCPA app, visit the App Store, Google Play or <https://attendify.com/app/tpqxh2/>

About OCPA

The Orange County Property Appraiser's office (OCA) provides a fair and equitable tax roll, remarkable service and superior professionalism. The office also assists taxpayers with applying for homestead and other exemptions as well as understanding their Truth-In-Millage (TRIM) Notices each year. Under Rick Singh's leadership, OCA has returned more than \$1 billion in value to the tax roll through compliance initiatives. An award-winning agency, OCA was recognized in 2019 with a Gold Stevie® Award and Customer Service Team of the Year by the American Business Awards®, and by the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) with its prestigious "Certificate of Excellence in Assessment," earned by less than 1% of assessment authorities. The Agency has also been honored by the Center for Digital Government with a 2018 "Digital Government Experience" Award citing its effective online strategies for meeting constituent needs.

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