

Palm Beach County



Speakers Bureau

Palm Beach County Public Affairs

Whatever your interest,
let's talk about it!



coordinates the **Speakers Bureau**, a resource for businesses, civic organizations, homeowner's associations, volunteer groups and other organizations in need of a specialized speaker.

Knowledgeable representatives from several county departments are available to speak on a variety of topics as a free public service. Topics range from agriculture and animals to youth services and zoning. Many departments will tailor a presentation to fit your specific interests.

This brochure provides examples of topics and services addressed by Palm Beach County departments and divisions that participate in the Speakers Bureau.

Please call Public Affairs at **561-355-2754** at least two weeks in advance of your scheduled event to allow sufficient time to meet your request. We look forward to serving you!



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Pictured on the cover: Assistant County Administrator Shannon LaRoque-Baas

ADMINISTRATION

- Budget and finances
- County charter and management
- Legislative issues
- Max Planck Society
- The Scripps Research Institute

AIRPORTS

- General aviation
- Noise abatement
- Operations
- Security

ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

- Animal ordinances and enforcement
- Dealing with aggressive animals (business/professional organizations)
- Humane education programs (K-12)
- Pet-friendly, emergency shelter for pets and people
- Rabies

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Head Start
- Homeless outreach
- Senior programs/elder care
- Social services
- Veterans services

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

- Consumer protection: law & practices
- Hurricane warnings = consumer warnings
- Identity theft prevention
- Regulations for moving, towing, vehicles-for-hire

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

- 4-H youth program
- Agriculture
- Family and consumer science
- Florida yards and neighborhoods (horticulture)
- Mounts Botanical Garden

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

- Criminal courts
- Criminal justice system
- Juvenile justice
- Local and state corrections
- Youth Violence Prevention Program

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Business incubators
Enterprise zones
HUD Section 108 loan program
Incentive grant programs

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/EOC

9-1-1 system
Emergency medical services
Hurricane preparedness
Terrorism

ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

Adopt-A-Road program
Calming devices and signals
Five-year road plan
Land development issues
Traffic performance standards and concurrency

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES MGMT.

Beach renourishment
Invasive exotic plants
Lake Worth Lagoon
Natural areas and preserves
Sea turtles

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Equal employment
Fair housing
Handicapped accessibility
Human relations camp

FIRE-RESCUE

Child passenger seat safety
Drowning prevention and pool safety
Emergency medical services
Fire safety and injury prevention
Juvenile firesetter intervention program

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Economic development assistance
Emergency shelter grants
First-time home buyer assistance
Housing rehabilitation assistance

HUMAN RESOURCES

Recruitment and hiring process
Testing and assessment

INFORMATION SYSTEMS SERVICES

County Web infrastructure
Enterprise network
New technology initiatives and programs

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Ballot initiatives
State and federal funding appropriations
State and federal issues

LIBRARY

Families Sharing Books
Genealogy research at your library
Health Information Service
Library services and resources
Literacy assistance for adults

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORG.

Bicycle and pedestrian safety
Greenways and trails conceptual plan
Long-range transportation planning
Regional transportation planning

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT & BUDGET

Budget and finances

PALM TRAN & PALM TRAN CONNECTION

“Go Bus, Go!” Youth Program
Paratransit eligibility
Senior rider assistance
Travel training
Understanding system maps

PARKS & RECREATION

Environmental topics
Pools, beaches and water safety
The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens
Therapeutic recreation:
 Special Olympics
 VSA arts of Florida
Volunteer opportunities

PLANNING, ZONING & BUILDING

Building inspections, permitting and codes
Code violations and enforcement process
Contractors certification licensing and complaints
Planning process and issues
Zoning process and issues

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Cable TV in unincorporated PBC
PBC-TV Channel 20 government/education TV
Media relations
Overview of government services
Web site www.pbcgov.com

PUBLIC SAFETY

Domestic violence
Sexual assault
Victim services/victim rights

SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

How to do business with Palm Beach County
Small business assistance overview
Small business certification

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Arts and culture
County Convention Center
Film production
Sporting events
Tourism

WATER UTILITIES

Reclaimed water
Video/Lecture: Created Wetlands
Wakodahatchee & Green Cay wetlands tours
Water treatment plant tours

YOUTH AFFAIRS

Highridge Family Center
Improving family relationships
Positive parenting
Understanding child/adolescent behaviors
Youth Service Bureau

Speakers are also provided by offices and organizations that operate independently from the Board of County Commissioners. These include constitutional offices and the Judiciary, state agencies and special taxing districts. For a speaker, please call them directly:

Clerk & Comptroller	355-2996
<i>(Boca, Delray, Glades 888-760-9206)</i>	
Health Care District	659-1270
Health Department	840-4500
Judiciary	355-2431
Property Appraiser	355-3230
Public Defender	355-7500
Sheriff	688-3000
<i>(South County 995-2800, Glades 996-1670)</i>	
Solid Waste Authority	640-4000
<i>(Boca, Delray, Glades 866-792-4636)</i>	
State Attorney	355-7100
Supervisor of Elections	656-6200
Tax Collector	355-2264



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