



From the desk of Commissioner Robert S. Weinroth

Containment is key! Stay home if possible. Stay away from large groups of people and limit group sizes to 10 or less.

Starting today, all Palm Beach County beaches and *additional* businesses have been ordered to close immediately through the end of the month by an executive order issued by Gov. De Santis.

The businesses referenced in the Executive Order are as follows: **movie theatres, concert houses, auditoriums, playhouses, bowling alleys, arcades, gyms, and fitness studios.**

In addition to the above, all county restaurants, bars, pubs, cabarets, breweries and other alcohol and/or food service businesses with seating for more than 10 people in Palm Beach County must close, ***except for take-out and delivery services.***

The county has closed libraries and beaches. Other county departments are still operating such Palm Tran, Engineering, Planning, Zoning and Building Departments, Palm Beach International Airport, Parks and Recreation, and the Solid Waste Authority, just to name a few.

More information on closures
at <http://discover.pbcgov.org/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx>.

Also, the county has activated the Emergency Operations Center and a special telephone hotline at 561-712-6400.

Information is changing rapidly and I am working with local officials in keeping the public informed with current information. Follow me on [Facebook](#) for up-to-date info.

If you're sick, stay at home & avoid crowds and call your doctor or healthcare provider. The elderly and those with underlying medical problems like high blood pressure, heart problems and diabetes are more likely to develop serious illness.

If you have returned from any international travel or a cruise within the last 14 days and you are sick, call your health care provider or county health department.

Palm Beach County Health Department

COVID-19 call center (24/7): 866-799-6121 or
email: COVID-19@flhealth.gov

Job Loss Benefits

Loss of job/reemployment financial assistance:
<http://www.floridajobs.org/Reemployment-Assistance-Service-Center/reemployment-assistance/claimants/apply-for-benefits>

Claims must be filed online, but if you need assistance or additional information you may contact Florida RA for:
General info: 800.204.2418 or www.floridajobs.org

How to file a claim: 800.681.8102 or www.floridajobs.org

To Create a PIN: 800.297.0586

Expect long delays in handling phone calls due to the expected surge in the number of applicants.

Important links and hotlines to other agencies

Call 211 for mental health and community services such as food assistance, medical clinics, foreclosure prevention, parenting info on developmental concerns (Help Me Grow), special needs and senior services.

Free meals for kids during school closures: Call 211 or text FLKIDSMEALS to 211-211 for food distribution locations.

Federal Disaster Loans for businesses, private nonprofits, homeowners and renters at US Small Business Administration.

Florida Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program at FloridaDisasterLoan.org. For eligibility requirements and necessary documentation, please visit the Florida Business Disaster website at <https://floridasaster.biz>.

Volunteers needed

Boca Helps: <https://bocahelps.com/>

Cros Ministries: <https://www.crosministries.org/>

Feeding South Florida:

https://volunteer.feedingsouthflorida.org/?fbclid=IwAR2NsY2cRLWpZEMfQh06hDPTv-TqC86IT_CPBwvagmFkAQspA23JoDuqYPg