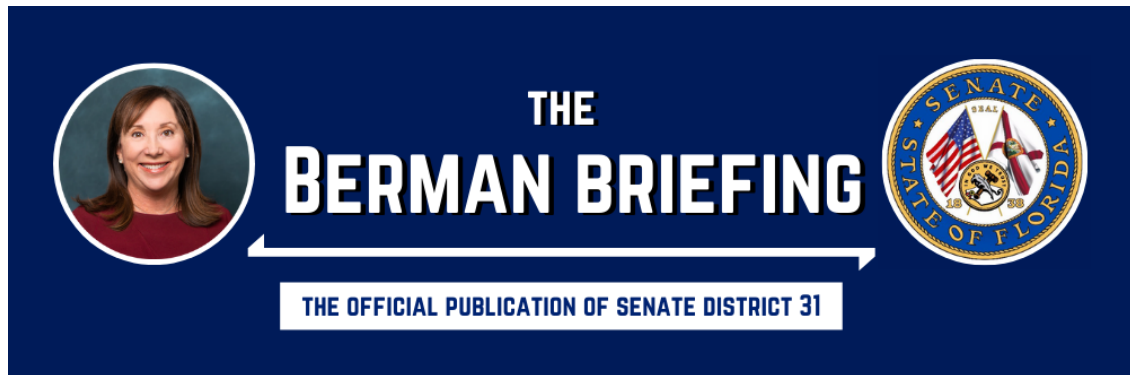


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SEPTEMBER UPDATE

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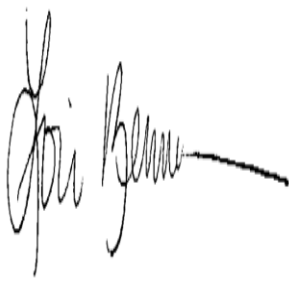
Neighbors,

Below are resources and guides to help you and your families through this difficult time. If there are additional items our office can help you with, please do not hesitate to reach out. We remain available to assist you with your unemployment troubles,

license renewals and other state agency issues. If you simply are not sure where to go or what to do about an issue, give us a call and we will try to help you through it or connect you with the right folks.

For those who celebrate, Shanah Tova. Wishing you a great September!

All the best,



Our office phone number is 561-292-6014 and e-mail is Berman.Lori.Web@flsenate.gov.

Within this newsletter, you'll find the following:

- DEO update as of August 31, including info about the Lost Wages Assistance Program (LWAP);
- Behavioral and mental health resources for Palm Beach County;
- Link to a comprehensive resource guide from the Florida Senate;
- Link to Florida DEO's frequently asked questions guide;
- Palm Beach County free "Combat COVID" App;
- Library Information;
- List of Feeding Sites & Benefits + Emergency Services from Feeding South Florida;
- School Meals During Distance Learning;
- Link to all PBC Orders;
- Link to PBC Order requiring facial coverings in public;
- PBC Mail Out on COVID, hurricane preparedness info and more;

- Community-Based Agencies Assist Residents Applying for CARES Act rent and utilities assistance programs, including drop-off/drive-thru options;
 - PBC Community Services Department Temporarily Suspend Rental and Utility Assistance Applications;
 - Youth Services and Early Learning Coalition of PBC Provide Child Care Scholarships;
 - FPL Special Assistance Programs;
 - Link to all Governor DeSantis' Executive Orders related to COVID-19;
 - COVID-19 testing site info, including link to all PBC testing sites and interactive map;
 - Hurricane Supply Checklist.
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DEO UPDATES AS OF SEPTEMBER 1

- Just last week, the Governor applied for the Lost Wages Assistance Program (LWAP). This program, authorized by a memorandum from President Trump, provides additional temporary benefits for individuals who are eligible for Reemployment Assistance for weeks of unemployment ending on or after Aug. 1, 2020.
- Pending federal approval, this will allow Florida to offer an additional \$300 per week to eligible Reemployment Assistance claimants. To be eligible for this benefit, claimants must be currently receiving at least \$100 in an approved Reemployment Assistance program weekly benefit amount and must certify that they are unemployed or partially unemployed due to the disruptions caused by COVID-19. Pending approval of Florida's application, payments will be retroactive to August 1, 2020.
- The Department is currently preparing to implement the LWA program to ensure eligible Floridians receive the additional benefits as quickly as possible. More information can be found [here](#).
- DEO will be conducting nightly maintenance to the CONNECT system to process claims and payments. CONNECT will be available from 8 a.m. to 7:59 p.m. daily. This schedule does not affect individuals who wish to file a new claim. Individuals can file a new claim 24 hours a day, seven days per week at www.FloridaJobs.org and select "File a Claim."

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- Governor DeSantis has directed DEO to continue waiving the work search, work registration requirements and waiting week requirement for claimants through **September 5, 2020**.

Behavioral and Mental Health Resources

[Link to a Comprehensive Resource Guide from the Florida Senate](#)

[Link to Florida DEO's Comprehensive Reemployment Assistance Guide](#)

PBC Combat COVID App

Palm Beach County has launched a free "Combat COVID" App for Apple and Android devices. To download, [click here](#).

Palm Beach County Libraries Offer Free Wifi

The Library offers free wireless internet access (Wi-Fi) at all branch locations for members to use with their own personal laptop computers and other mobile wireless devices, and it extends to the parking lot as well.

Wi-Fi service is accessible during normal library hours, Monday through Sunday, and is filtered to comply with federal Children's Internet Protection Act regulations.

Benefits + Emergency Services from Feeding South Florida

Feeding South Florida provides direct-service programs to individuals in need of assistance. This includes benefits application assistance, access to their choice pantry, referrals for longer-term food assistance at a partner agency, and home delivery for qualified individuals. To fill out a client services application, [please click this link.](#)

For updates on this week's distributions in Palm Beach County, please see chart below.

Feeding South Florida Food Distribution Sites

Site Name	Address	City	State	Zip Code	Distribution Date	Distribution Time
PALM BEACH						
City of Lake Worth	1121 Lucerne Avenue	Lake Worth	FL	33460	9/1/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Town of Wellington	10300 Forest Hill Boulevard	Wellington	FL	33414	9/1/2020	8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
United Haitian	2015 Parker Avenue	West Palm Beach	FL	33401	9/2/2020	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
City of Delray	1500 SW 6 Street	Delray Beach	FL	33444	9/2/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
The Villages at Royal Palm	11600 Poinciana Boulevard	Royal Palm Beach	FL	33441	9/2/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Greenacres	5800 Melaleuca Lane	Greenacres	FL	33463	9/4/2020	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
City of Riviera Beach	2409 Avenue H W	Riviera Beach	FL	33404	9/4/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of West Palm Beach	1751 Palm Lakes Boulevard	West Palm Beach	FL	33401	9/7/2020	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Hope in Action - Community of Hope	14055 Okeechobee Boulevard	Loxahatchee	FL	33412	9/10/2020	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Hope in Action East - Community of Hope	2341 S. Military Trail	West Palm Beach	FL	33415	9/12/2020	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
City of Boynton Beach	801 N Congress Avenue	Boynton Beach	FL	33426	9/26/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
BROWARD						
City of Tamarac	2699 W Commercial Boulevard	Tamarac	FL	33309	9/2/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Sunrise	Sunrise at Tennis Club - 9605 West Oakland Park Boulevard	Sunrise	FL	33351	9/2/2020	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
City of Miramar	Miramar Regional Park - 16801 Miramar Parkway	Miramar	FL	33027	9/3/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Ft. Lauderdale	Mills Pond Park - 2201 NW 9 Avenue	Ft. Lauderdale	FL	33309	9/3/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Pembroke Pines	City Center - 601 City Center Way	Pembroke Pines	FL	33025	9/4/2020	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
City of Deerfield Beach	Quiet Waters Park - 401 Powerline Road	Deerfield Beach	FL	33442	9/4/2020	9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
City of Plantation	Central Park - 9151 NW 2nd Street	Plantation	FL	33324	9/4/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
The Local Church	1775 S Flamingo Road	Davie	FL	33325	9/5/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Pompano Beach	1955 N. Federal Highway	Pompano Beach	FL	33062	9/10/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of West Park	McTyre Park - 3501 SW 56 Avenue	West Park	FL	33023	9/26/2020	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
MIAMI-DADE						
City of Miami - Tamiami Park	11201 SW 24 Street	Miami	FL	33165	9/1/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Opa-Locka	777 Sharazard Boulevard	Opa-Locka	FL	33054	9/1/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Miami-Dade County - Homestead Air Reserve Park	27401 SW New York Avenue	Homestead	FL	33032	9/2/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
San Lazaro Roman Catholic Church	4400 W 18 Avenue	Hialeah	FL	33012	9/2/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Florida City	Loren Roberts Park - 627 NW 6th Avenue	Florida City	FL	33034	9/3/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Town of Miami Lakes	HOPE Miami Lakes United Methodist Church - 14800 Ludlam Road	Miami Lakes	FL	33014	9/3/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Miami-Dade County - Amelia Earhart Park	401 E. 65 Street	Hialeah	FL	33013	9/3/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Miami-Dade County - Greynolds Park	17530 W. Dixie Highway	North Miami Beach	FL	33160	9/4/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Miami - The Fair Grounds	10901 SW 24 Street	Miami	FL	33165	9/4/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Miami Beach	2100 Collins Avenue	Miami Beach	FL	33139	9/5/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Miami Gardens	Calder Casino - 21001 NW 27 Avenue	Miami Gardens	FL	33056	9/7/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
City of Miami Springs	Miami Springs Community Center - 1401 Westward Drive	Miami Springs	FL	33166	9/9/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Marlins Foundation	Gwen Cherry Park - 7090 NW 22nd Avenue	Miami	FL	33147	9/16/2020	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
NOTE: The above are interim distributions occurring in the community as a response to COVID-19. Please also visit Feeding South Florida's agency locator at https://feedingsouthflorida.org/locate-an-agency/ to find a Feeding South Florida partner agency near you with regular distributions.						
As of 8.31.2020 PM						

School Meals During Distance Learning

Starting August 31, student grab-and-go meals will be available at 174 District-operated and charter schools across the county. Distributions will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Meals are \$2.05 for elementary school and \$2.30 for middle and high school. Reduced-price meals are \$.40. No cash will be accepted at meal distribution.

Families should establish and fund a [School Cash Online](#) account to pay for meals at pick up. Breakfast is free for every student.

Three days' worth of meals will be provided on Tuesdays and two days' worth of meals will be distributed on Thursdays. Due to the upcoming holiday week only two days' worth of meals will be provided on September 1st.


Families may qualify for free and reduced lunch. Eligibility for free and reduced-price meals is based on household size and income. To apply for free and reduced lunch, [click here](#). Only one application is needed per family.

A valid Student ID badge, student number, or bar code letter (that can be found in your [child's student portal](#)) is required to pick up all meals. An email was sent to all students, and all parents with registered emails, with the bar code letter. A mask is also required for meal pick up.

You do not need to visit your child's school for food distribution but instead can visit a location nearest you. Pick up is either in the bus loop or parent pick up of the school. For more information, please visit palmbeachschools.org/schoolmeals.

[Link to Palm Beach County Re-Opening Info/County Orders](#)

[Link to Palm Beach County Order Requiring Facial Coverings in Public](#)



COVID & Hurricane Season:

COVID y Temporada de huracanes: COVID ak Sezon Siklon.

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MAKE A PLAN

With Your Family
Ready Palm Beach County
www.readyabc.org

2

BUILD A KIT

For Your Household
Ready Palm Beach County
www.readyabc.org

3

GET INVOLVED

Volunteer
Ready Palm Beach County
www.readyabc.org

4

BE INFORMED

Updated Critical Information at Your Fingertips
Download our FREE app: **PBCDART**

Mass Care Shelters

Mass care shelters provide life-sustaining services to disaster survivors. Even though mass care shelters often provide water, food, medicine and basic sanitary facilities, you should plan to take your emergency supply kit with you so you will have the supplies you need. Mass care sheltering can involve living with many people in a confined space, which can be difficult and unpleasant.

Preparing for hurricane season in the midst of a pandemic is something none of us has ever had to do. Shelters will be setup to accommodate social distancing. Families will not have more space, but spaces between families will be larger. Be prepared to take cleaning items with you like soap, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes or general household cleaning supplies to disinfect surfaces.

Maintain at least 6 feet of space between you and people who are not in your immediate family and have facial coverings with you for anyone ages 2 and above in your family.

Refugios de Cuidado Masivo

Los refugios de cuidado masivo brindan servicios de asistencia vital a los sobrevivientes de un desastre. A pesar de que los refugios de cuidado masivo a menudo proporcionan agua, alimentos, medicamentos e instalaciones sanitarias básicas, debe planear llevar su kit de suministros de emergencia para tener los artículos que necesita. Es posible en el refugio de cuidado masivo tenga que vivir con muchas personas en un espacio reducido, lo que puede ser difícil y desagradable.

Prepárese para la temporada de huracanes en el medio de una pandemia es algo que nunca nos había pasado. Se instalarán refugios para que sea posible respetar el distanciamiento social. Las familias no tendrán más espacio, pero existirá una distancia mayor entre las familias. Está preparado para llevar artículos de limpieza como jabón, desinfectante para las manos, toallitas desinfectantes o artículos de limpieza para el hogar en general, para desinfectar superficies.

Mantenga al menos 6 pies de distancia entre usted y las personas que no están directamente con su familia y lleve cubiertas faciales para cualquier persona de 2 años o más de su familia.

Abri pou Swen Kolektif

Abri pou swen kolektif la bay sèvis ki prezève lavi pou sivvan katastòf yo. Menm si abri pou swen kolektif la souvan bay dlo, manje, medikaman ak sant sanite debaz, ou dwe planifye pou pran lèkous dijans ou an avèk ou pou ou ka gen pwovizyon ou bezwen. Abri pou swen kolektif la ka gen ladan viv ak anpil moun nan yon espas ki piti, sa ki ka difisil ak pa enteresan.

Prepare pou sezon siklon lan nan mitan yon pandemi se yon bagay okenn nan nou pa te janm gen pou fè. Abri yo pral prepare yon fason pou distans sosyal respekte. Fanmi yo p ap gen plis espas men espas ant fanmi yo ap pi gwo. Prepare pou pote atik netwayaj avèk ou tankou savon, dezinfektan pou men, sèvyèt dezinfektan oswa founiti netwayaj pou kay an jeneral pou ou ka dezefektè sifas yo.

Kenbe yon distans 6 pye pou pi piti ant ou menm ak moun ki pa nan fanmi pwòch ou epi mache ak pwoteksyon figi pou nenpòt moun ki gen 2 ane ak plis pase sa nan fanmi ou.

Shelter information can be found here:

Aquí puede encontrar información sobre los refugios:

Ou ka jwenn enfòmasyon sou abri ist la:

www.readyabc.com

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Suministrado por la Junta de Comisionados del Condado de Palm Beach

Founi pa Konsèy Manm Komisyon Konte nan Konte Palm Beach



STRONGER TOGETHER...

DEAR PALM BEACH COUNTY RESIDENT:

The Board of County Commissioners is committed to protecting the safety and welfare of every resident of Palm Beach County. The COVID-19 outbreak continues to cause disruptions to our daily lives. How long it will be before the health risk passes and our lifestyles settle into a new routine for each of us, we simply do not know. Together we can take steps to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by staying home when you are sick, washing your hands frequently, social distancing by at least 6 feet, and wearing a facial covering when obtaining goods and services. If you suspect you or a family member has been exposed to COVID-19, please visit our testing resources to schedule a test and download our Combat COVID app to stay informed.

Enclosed please find 2 cloth masks and 2 pleated masks for your household. This brochure contains important information and checklists to help keep you and your family members safe during this challenging and uncertain time. Be well!

La Junta de Comisionados del Condado está comprometida a proteger la seguridad y el bienestar de todos los residentes del Condado de Palm Beach. El brote de la COVID-19 continúa causando inconvenientes en nuestra vida diaria. Simplemente no sabemos cuánto tiempo pasará hasta que ya no exista ningún riesgo para la salud y nuestros estilos de vida se conviertan en una nueva rutina para cada uno de nosotros. Juntos podemos tomar medidas para reducir la propagación de la COVID-19 y quedarnos en casa si estamos enfermos, lavamos las manos con frecuencia, mantenemos al menos 6 pies de distancia social y usar una mascarilla facial cuando solicitamos bienes y servicios. Si sospecha que usted o un miembro de su familia ha estado expuesto a la COVID-19, visite nuestros recursos de prueba para programar una cita y descargue nuestra aplicación Combat COVID para mantenerse informado.

Aquí encontrará dos mascarillas faciales de tela y dos mascarillas plegadas para su familia. Este folleto contiene información importante y un listado de verificación que lo ayudarán a que usted y su familia estén protegidos durante este tiempo difícil e incierto. ¡Cuidado!

Konsèy Manm Komisyon Konte a angaje li pou pwoteje sekirite ak byennèt tout rezidan nan Konte Palm Beach. Epidemi COVID-19 la kontinye lakòz deranjman nan lavi chak jou nou. Konbyen tan sa ap pran anvan risk sanle a pase epi pou mòd lavi nou antre nan yon nouvo woutin pou chak nan nou, nou sèlman pa konnen. Ansanm nou ka pran mezi pou redwi pwopagasyon COVID-19 la nou rete lakay nan moun nou malad, lave men nou souvan, kenbe distans sosyal 6 pye pou pi piti epi mete yon pwoteksyon figi la y ap la ou pwodui oswa sèvis. Si ou sipèk ou menm oswa yon manm fanmi ou te ekspozé ak COVID-19, tanpri vizite resous lè nou yo pou pwogram yon lès epi telechaje aplikasyon Combat COVID nou an pou ou ka rete enfòme.

Nan anèks la w ap jwenn 2 mask an twal ak 2 mask plise pou lakay ou. Bwoch sa gen ladan enfòmasyon enpòtan ak lis verifikasyon pou ede kenbe ou menm ak manm fanmi ou san danje pandan moun difisil ak enstèl nan sa yo. Priidan!

IMPORTANT:

<p>Facial Coverings</p> <p>- Enclosed PPE</p> <p>Mascarillas Faciales</p> <p>- PPE Adjunto</p> <p>Pwoteksyon Figi</p> <p>- PPE Nan Anèks</p>	<p>*NEW* Combat COVID App</p> <p>*"NUEVA" Aplicación Combat Covid</p> <p>*"NOUVO" Aplikasyon Combat Covid</p>	<p>2020 Census</p> <p>- Respond Now</p> <p>Censo 2020</p> <p>- Responde Ahora</p> <p>Resansman 2020</p> <p>- Raponn Koumye a</p>	<p>Hurricane Season</p> <p>- Be Prepared</p> <p>Temporada de huracanes</p> <p>- Préparez</p> <p>Sezon siklon</p> <p>- Rete Prepare</p>
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Facial Coverings Required:

Per Palm Beach County Emergency Order 2020-012

View the mandate for all the details and accommodations available.

Se requiere el uso de mascarillas:

Conforme al Decreto de emergencia 2020-012 del Condado de Palm Beach

Consulte la orden para los detalles y alojamiento disponibles.

Pwoteksyon figi yo obligatwa:

Dapre Odonans Dijans 2020-012

Konte Palm Beach

Gade donans lan pou jwenn tout delay ak aranjman ki disponib yo.



***NEW* Combat COVID App:**

Information Is Power

Fight the spread of COVID-19 by downloading the Combat COVID app; stay informed at your fingertips.

***NUEVA* Aplicación Combat COVID:**

Información es Poder

Combata la propagación del COVID-19 descargando la aplicación Combat COVID; manténgase informado al instante.

***NOUVO* Aplikasyon Combat COVID:**

Enfòmasyon se Pouvwva

Lite kont pwopagasyon COVID-19 li ou telechaje aplikasyon Combat COVID la; enfòmasyon yo nan plis men ou.

FREE DOWNLOAD



Go to the App Store or Google Play Store for your free download.

2020 Census - Respond Now:

Censo 2020 - Conteste ahora:
Resansman 2020 - Reponn Kounye a:

It's Quick & Easy

The 2020 Census only takes 10 minutes of your time to complete.

Es fácil y rápido

Completar el Censo 2020 solo le llevará 10 minutos de su tiempo.

Se Rapid ak Fasil

Resansman 2020 an sèlman pran 10 minit nan tan ou pou ranpli li.

It's Not Too Late

You can still complete the census to help shape your community.

No es demasiado tarde

Aún puede completar el censo para ayudar a darle forma a su comunidad.

Se Pa Twò Ta

Ou ka toujou ranpli resansman an pou ede fason kominote ou a.

It's Safe & Secure

The U.S. Census Bureau keeps your information safe and confidential.

Es totalmente seguro

La Oficina del Censo de los Estados Unidos mantiene su información segura y confidencial.

Li San Danje ak Sekirize

Biwo Resansman Etazini an kenbe enfòmasyon ou yo an sekirite ak konfidansyèl.

The Economic Impact for each person counted is \$1,600 per person per year. With 1.5 million residents in Palm Beach County that adds up to \$2.4 billion dollars a year or \$24 billion dollars coming to our community. In these unprecedented times these dollars will help the County plan for future needs. The Census Bureau has begun following up in person with households that did not respond. You can avoid having an in-home visit if you respond online, by phone or by mail today.

Start questionnaire @my2020census.gov

El impacto económico de cada persona contada es de \$1,600 por persona por año. Con 1.5 millones de residentes en el Condado de Palm Beach se llega a un total de \$2.4 mil millones de dólares al año o \$24 mil millones de dólares que ingresan a nuestra comunidad. En estos tiempos sin precedentes, esta suma ayudará al Condado a planificar sus necesidades futuras. La Oficina del Censo ha comenzado a hacer un seguimiento en persona de los hogares que no han respondido. Puede evitar tener que recibir a alguien en su hogar si responde en línea, por teléfono o por correo, hoy.

Enpak ekonòmik pou chak moun ki konte se \$1,600 pou chak moun chak ane. Avèk 1.5 milyon rezidan nan Konte Palm Beach ki ajoute sou \$2.4 milya dola nan yon ane ouwa \$24 milya dola pou kominote nou an. Nan moman san parite sa yo, dola sa yo pral ede Konte a planifye pou bezwen alavni yo. Biwo Resansman an te kòmanse fè swivi an pesòn avèk manm nan kay la ki pa te reponn. Ou ka evite gen vizit nan kay li ou reponn sou entènèt, nan telefòn ouwa imèl jodi a.

Comenzar el cuestionario en @my2020census.gov Kòmanse kesyonè a nan @my2020census.gov

Money Allocation:

- Public Safety**
Seguridad Pública
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Cuidado de la Salud
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- Nutrition**
Nutrición
Nlinsyon
- Education**
Educación
Edikasyon
- Infrastructure**
Infraestructura
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- Roads**
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COMMUNITY-BASED AGENCIES ASSIST RESIDENTS APPLYING FOR CARES ACT RENT AND UTILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Palm Beach County Community Services Department has partnered with eight community-based agencies to help residents apply for the Rent and Utilities Assistance Program through CARES Act funding. For more information or to make an appointment with a partnering agency, visit their website or call the respective number below:

Adopt-a-Family – Family Division of the Lewis Center, 1000 45th Street, West Palm Beach, (561) 444-0398, www.aafpbc.org

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach – 9995 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, (561) 775-9560 or (561) 360-3327, www.catholiccharitiesdpb.org

Farmworker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. – Lake Worth Office:
1123 Crestwood Blvd., Lake Worth, (561) 533-7227 / Belle Glade: 233 W. Ave. A
Suite D, Belle Glade, (561) 992-0603, www.farmworkercouncil.com

Community Partners - (561) 386-2704 or 561-841-3500 ext. 1002, www.cpc-to.org/housing-services

Pathways to Prosperity – 970 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach, (561) 523-0179, www.pathwaysboynton.org

Palm Beach County Housing Authority - 3432 West 45th Street, West Palm Beach, (561) 684-2160, www.pbchafll.org

The Lord's Place - 2808 N Australian Ave, West Palm Beach, (561) 537- 4652 or (561) 494-0125, www.thelordsplace.org

The Urban League of Palm Beach County - 1700 N. Australian Ave, West Palm Beach, 561-833-1461 ext. 3000, <http://www.ulpbc.org>

Locations for CARES Act Rent and Utilities Document Drop-off and Application Assistance

The PBC Community Services Department (CSD) has added new locations to help applicants who have submitted CARES Act applications and need assistance with uploading pending documentation, verifying eligibility and/or processing the application only.

- **Drive-Thru Intake**
- Applicants may make an appointment to submit documents at CSD's drive-thru intake, located at 810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, and 1440 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Riviera Beach, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Call (561) 355-4792 to make/confirm appointments and find out the drive-thru hours.

Library Drop-Off Services

- Applicants with pending documentation may also submit their documents at Palm Beach County Libraries. Some library locations may have limited in-person services. Library staff will only receive documents for pending applications. **Assistance with applying and/or submitting applications for the program is not offered at any Palm Beach County Branch Library.** For more information or to locate your nearest library, click [here](#).
- Drop-off services are only available for clients who have submitted their application and need assistance with uploading pending documentation. For assistance applying for the program. Call (561) 355-4792 or contact any of the eight community-based organizations that are providing navigation services. The list of agencies can be found [here](#).

Palm Beach County Community Services Department to Temporarily Suspend Rental and Utility Assistance Applications

On Sept. 1, 2020, the Palm Beach County Community Services Department (CSD) will temporarily suspend the acceptance of rental and utility applications to allow sufficient time to process applications currently in the queue. The county will reopen the application portal in October if funds are still available. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Aug. 31 in order to be processed.

Currently, more than 3,400 applications have been submitted for a total request of approximately \$8 million. An additional 3,300 applications are in draft status. Individuals who have already submitted applications can check their status at www.pbcgov.com/clientsservicessearch.

To date, Palm Beach County has processed close to 1,000 rental and utility payments totaling over \$1.4 million. The review process has been completed for an additional 360 payments totaling approximately \$560,000. There are 620 applications currently pending due to missing documents, 320 have been denied, and 1,120 applications are under review.

The rental and utility application portal will remain open until 11:59 p.m. on Aug. 31,

2020. Households seeking assistance can apply by visiting www.pbcgov.com/OSCARSS.

Youth Services and Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County Provide Child Care Scholarships to Working Families Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners will provide funding through its Youth Services Department to the Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County to provide child care scholarships for qualifying families with school age children grades K-5 who may be participating in the School District of Palm Beach County's distant learning curriculum.

Monies are made available through the county's CARES Act funding to meet the need of access to childcare services for those families affected by financial difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The scholarship will prioritize homeless children, children residing in families who work or attend school during the hours of the School District of Palm Beach County's distance learning and have a household income at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.

Additionally, Palm Beach County Youth Services procured 1,000 headsets to be supplied to child care centers allowing students to concentrate on their individual lessons in a congregate setting.

For more information, click [here](#).

FPL offers financial assistance information and services

FPL's special assistance programs

FPL Care To Share®

- » Helps customers in need avoid losing their energy service.
- » Funds come from voluntary contributions from FPL customers, shareholders and employees as well as corporate contributions from FPL.
- » One hundred percent of the funds collected are administered by our local nonprofit and government agency partners.
- » Provides assistance with FPL bill once in a 12-month period per household.
- » For more information, visit [FPL.com/caretoshare](https://www.fpl.com/caretoshare) or call the customer service number on your energy bill.

FPL ASSIST

- » Offers payment assistance to eligible residential customers through our vast network of social-service organizations located throughout our service area.
- » We can help refer you to an agency that will be able to determine whether you're eligible for federal financial assistance and also provide the funding.
- » For more information, visit [FPL.com/help](https://www.fpl.com/help) or call the customer service number on your energy bill.

AWARE

(Always Watching for At-Risk Elders)

- » A special service that offers an extra layer of protection to those who are elderly or alone.
- » FPL's specially trained field employees act as an invaluable set of "eyes and ears" to identify elders showing signs of being at-risk.
- » FPL employees help identify and refer at-risk elders (and others) to various social-service organizations that can provide the help they need.
- » For more information, visit [FPL.com/aware](https://www.fpl.com/aware).

Federal energy assistance programs

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

- » The LIHEAP provides federal money to nonprofit agencies and local governments so they can assist low-income families with their energy bills.
- » Funding is distributed by local community agencies that have the ability to make a payment directly to FPL on the customer's behalf.
- » There are household income guidelines and other criteria that need to be met to qualify for assistance.
- » For more information, contact the agency in your local area to help determine if you're eligible.

Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)

- » The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Emergency Food and Shelter Program occasionally provides non-disaster related living assistance.
- » When funding is available, it can be used to pay one month's energy bill.
- » Qualification and eligibility requirements may vary by county. For the full list of agency names and phone numbers in your community, go to the FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program website.

Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly (EHEAP)

- » Florida's EHEAP helps low-income households, with at least one person age 60 and older, when the households are experiencing a home energy emergency and are unable to pay their FPL bill.
- » Households can receive this type of financial assistance up to twice a year.
- » For more information on eligibility requirements and to apply for assistance, contact your local Aging and Disability Resource Center, call the Elder Helpline at **800-963-5337**, or reach out to a community agency EHEAP provider in your area.

Quick Tip

Receive guidance and support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the 211 Helpline, a confidential community resource and crisis hotline. If you are 60 or older, you may also call the Elder Hotline, **800-963-5337**.

These programs are subject to modification or cancellation at any time without notice. Final eligibility requirements are specified in the program standards.

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Link to Governor DeSantis' Executive Orders Related to COVID-19

COVID-19 TESTING INFO/SITES

[Link to Palm Beach County Testing Sites](#)

[Interactive Map of Testing Sites](#)

DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST

A Family Disaster Supply Kit is essential in planning for a disaster. Your Disaster Supply Kit should include the items previously discussed and these additional items.

- ☐ Water (1 gallon per person per day for 7 days)
- ☐ Non-perishable food
- ☐ Sterile gauze pads
- ☐ Flashlight and batteries
- ☐ NOAA weather radio
- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ At least two weeks supply of medication, medical supplies used regularly and a list of allergies
- ☐ Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage
- ☐ Medical records and primary care physician contact information
- ☐ List of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of needed medical devices
- ☐ Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership
- ☐ Supplies for your service animal

- ☐ Special needs items
Be sure to include specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and those family members with a disability.

- ☐ Clothing
Include seasonal or rain gear and sturdy shoes or boots.

- ☐ Vehicle
Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline

- First Aid Kit**
- ☐ First Aid Manual
- ☐ Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes
- ☐ Sterile gauze pads
- ☐ Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- ☐ Triangular bandages
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Tweezers
- ☐ Sewing needle
- ☐ Moistened towelettes
- ☐ Antiseptic
- ☐ Thermometer
- ☐ Tube of petroleum jelly
- ☐ Safety pins
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Latex gloves
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Aspirin or other pain reliever
- ☐ Anti-diarrhea medicine
- ☐ Antacid
- ☐ Laxative
- ☐ Activated charcoal

- ☐ Food
Enough for at least up to seven (7) days, non-perishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary needs.
- ☐ Non-electric can opener
- ☐ Paper plates
- ☐ Napkins
- ☐ Plastic cups
- ☐ Utensils

- ☐ Flashlight
Do not use candles and be sure to have enough batteries.

- ☐ Radio
Battery operated or hand cranked radio, a NOAA weather radio

- ☐ Cash
Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm.

- Important Documents**
- ☐ Insurance cards
- ☐ Medical records
- ☐ Bank numbers
- ☐ Credit card numbers
- ☐ Copy of social security card
- ☐ Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates
- ☐ Other personal documents
- ☐ Set of car, house, and office keys
- Items should be kept in a water proof container*

- ☐ Important phone numbers
Maintain a list of important phone numbers including county emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, and a number for out of town contact.

- Pet care items**
- ☐ Pet food and water
- ☐ Proper identification
- ☐ Medical records
- ☐ A carrier or cage
- ☐ Muzzle and leash
- ☐ Water and food bowls
- ☐ Medications



SAVE THE DATE

Our fourth Racial Justice Panel will be held on **Friday, September 25 at 2:00pm**. Please stay tuned for more details and the Zoom link - we hope you can join us!

For those interested in watching any or all of the previous three panels, click the corresponding link(s) below:

[Panel 1: Friday, June 5](#)

[Panel 2: Friday, June 19](#)

[Panel 3: Friday, July 31](#)

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