

SEPTEMBER UPDATE

Dear Friends,

Please see below for important county information regarding COVID-19 vaccine and testing sites, mortgage and utility assistance, and upcoming events.

Recently, I wrote an opinion piece imploring the Governor to declare a sate of emergency in Florida. The pandemic is at its worst phase yet -- it is imperative the state move every lever of government as our hospitals face severe staffing shortages and waning capacity. Click here for the <u>Sun Sentinel op-ed</u>.

If there is anything our office may assist you with, please do not hesitate to reach out: 561.292.6014 or at Berman.Lori.Web@flsenate.gov.

For those who celebrate, wishing you a L'Shana Tova/Happy New Year.

All the best,

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Vaccine Sites

The county has a comprehensive list of vaccine locations, information and statistics here.

Select immunocompromised individuals should consult the <u>CDC's recommended</u> <u>guidelines</u> (in addition to your physician's advice) to determine eligibility for a third dose, or booster shot.

Schedule your booster at participating **CVS** and **Walgreens** locations.

Health Care District's Schedule for Free, Walk-up COVID-19 Vaccinations

Free, walk-up COVID-19 vaccinations are available to adults and children as young as 12 at the Health Care District of Palm Beach County's mobile clinic sites listed below. Those vaccinated can receive a \$10 voucher for grocery shopping courtesy of the Florida Department of Health. No appointment is needed. Individuals 12 to 17 years old must be with a parent or a guardian to be vaccinated.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	LOCATION	1st & 2nd DOSE	VACCINE BRAND	AGES
Monday - Friday, through and including September 3 rd	9am - 4 pm	Lakeside Medical Center Parking Lot 39200 Hooker Highway Belle Glade, FL 33430	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Monday - Friday, through and including September 3 rd	9am - 4pm	Lantana Clinic Parking Lot 1250 Southwinds Drive Lantana, FL 33462	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Friday, August 27 th	12pm - 6pm	Palm Beach Atlantic University 900 S. Olive Ave. West Palm Beach, FL 33401	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Saturday, August 28 th	12pm - 4:30pm	City of Boynton Beach "I Have a Dream" Event Centennial Park next to City Hall 120 E. Ocean Ave. Boynton Beach, FL 33435	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Thursday, Sept. 2 nd	9am - 1pm	Pahokee Housing Authority Padgett Island 899 Padgett Circle Pahokee, FL 33476	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Thursday, Sept. 2 nd	5:30pm - 9pm	Clematis by Night 201 Clematis St. West Palm Beach, FL 33401	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)
Saturday, Sept. 4 th	9am - 1pm	Wayne Barton Study Center 269 NE 14 th St. Boca Raton, FL 33432	1st & 2nd dose	Pfizer & Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)	12 and up (12 to 17 Pfizer only)

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Local businesses and organizations interested in hosting the Health Care District's mobile vaccination clinic for their employees and clients can visit www.hcdpbc.org, click the purple "Mobile Clinic Vaccination & Community Event Request" button and submit the completed form for review and approval.

The Health Care District provides COVID-19 vaccinations to patients during regular doctors' office visits at all of the nine C. L. Brumback Primary Care Clinic sites across

the county, which are located in areas of need. Appointments can be made by calling 561-642-1000.

For those wishing to view hospital data in Palm Beach County, you can link to the county website <u>here</u>.

COVID Testing Sites

Palm Beach County is reminding the public that COVID-19 vaccination and testing locations are widely available for all Palm Beach County residents. This includes most commercial pharmacies, doctors' offices and public health sites. All testing locations

can

be

found here.

This site is open seven days a week during the hours listed below:

Mid County Senior Center - Main Auditorium

3980 Lake Worth Road Palm Springs, FL 33461 Mon-Sun: 9am to 7pm

Two drive-thru sites are also available:

South County Civic Center

16700 Jog Road Delray Beach, FL 33446 Mon-Sun: 9am to 7pm

Gardens Branch - PBC Libraries

11303 Campus Drive Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

Mon-Sun: 9am to 7pm

For more info on COVID-19, visit the Palm Beach County <u>COVID-19 website</u> or contact the Department of Health COVID-19 Call Center, available 24/7, at 1(866)



Community Service Programs

Mortgage Assistance Available to PBC Homeowners

The Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Development will begin Round 2 of its Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Mortgage Assistance Program. This program allows new applicants, impacted by COVID19, to apply for financial assistance to help with paying delinquent first mortgage, escrow payments (PITI), second mortgages, late fees, condominium and homeowners' association payments, special assessments, and other mortgage associated costs related to COVID-19.

Up to 6 months of assistance (*not to exceed \$10,000*) will be provided to income eligible households who are at least one-month (30+ days) delinquent (after February 29, 2020) in their home mortgage, escrow payments (PITI) and/or condominium and homeowners' association payments. Assistance cannot be used to cover payments already made; and will be provided as a grant or a forgivable loan.

All requests for assistance will be reviewed based on approved criteria. To qualify, all homeowners must demonstrate that the costs are directly tied to COVID-19. Additional criteria include but is not limited to income eligibility (<80% or less AMI), residence must be owner occupied, not under contract or listed for sale within the past 60 days, property must be in Palm Beach County, and the assessed value cannot exceed \$331,888.

All applications must be submitted online and will be processed on a first come, first qualified, first served basis, subject to funding availability. The online application will open on **Monday**, **August 16**, **2021 at 8:00am**, **through Tuesday**, **September 7**, **2021 at 11:59pm**. Applications can be accessed at the County's Department of Housing and Economic Development's website http://pbcgov.com/HED

Utility Assistance

Each day in Palm Beach County hundreds of families are faced with utility service disconnection. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is designed to provide financial relief from high-energy costs to prevent service disconnection for families in crisis.

Households that do not have an energy crisis, but whose total income is at or below 150% FPLG, can receive a credit of \$200 - \$600. The benefit amount will depend on total household income, household composition, and if there are any elderly, disabled or children under age 6 in the household.

Click here to see eligibility and apply: https://pbcgov.com/OSCARSS



CROS Community Food Pantries

Requirements to receive a Full Allotment of Food Bring a photo ID and identification for all family members Call 211 to verify hours of operation

Lake Worth Food Pantry Our Savior Lutheran Church 1615 Lake Ave., Lake Worth Monday - Friday 11:00am to 2:00pm

Mobile Food Pantry - Lake Worth Sunlight Community Church 1325 N A St., Lake Worth 2nd and 4th Tuesday *Drive-Thru Pantry* 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm



Mobile Food Pantry - Lake Worth Lakeside United Methodist Church 1901 12th Ave. S., Lake Worth 1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursday

Mobile Food Pantry - Greenacres City of Greenacres Community Center 501 Swain Blvd., Greenacres 2nd & 4th Thursday 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Mobile Food Pantry - Greenacres Legacy Church 400 Jackson Ave., Greenacres 3rd Thursday 9:30am to 11:30am

Mobile Food Pantry - Greenacres Church in the Palms 3812 Jog Rd., Greenacres Saturday 8:30am to 10:00am



NEW Mobile Food Pantry - Haverhill Haverhill Community Church 671 Haverhill Rd, Haverhill 1st, 3rd, & 5th Tuesday 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Mobile Food Pantry - Riviera Beach St. George's Episcopal Church &Center 21 West 22nd St., Riviera Beach Wednesday 9:30am to 11:00am

Friday

Mobile Food Pantry - West Palm Beach Urban League Community Service Center 2107 N. Tamarind Ave., West Palm Beach 9:30am to 11:00am

Delray Beach Food Pantry Delray Beach NRC 141 SW 12th Ave., Delray Beach Monday - Friday 12 noon to 3:00pm

Jupiter Food Pantry El Sol Jupiter's NRC 106 Military Trail, Jupiter Tuesday & Friday 2:00pm to 4:00pm



Lighthouse Food Pantry - Belle Glade Community United Methodist Church 401 SW 1st St., Belle Glade Tuesday & Thursday

Indiantown Food Pantry The Village Church of Indiantown 15364 SW Yalaha St., Indiantown Tuesday

11:00am to 4:00pm

CROS Administrative Office: 3677 23rd Ave. S., #B-101, Lake Worth, FL 33461 (561) 233-9009 • (561) 233-9819 fax • www.crosministries.org Mission: CROS Ministries serves the hungry in Palm Beach and Martin Counties through community collaborations.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR AND PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, September 2, 2021 Florida Atlantic University, Acura Club, Second floor of the FAU Stadium 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton, FL 33431 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

LOCAL BILL AND PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, October 28, 2021

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

The Clayton E. Hutcheson Agricultural Services Center 559 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415

PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

1977 SW College Dr, Belle Glade, FL 33430

WORKSHOPS

Joint Meeting with the Palm Beach County League of Cities

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Palm Beach Gardens City Hall 10500 North Military Trail

Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Joint Meeting with the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Palm Beach Gardens City Hall

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

10500 North Military Trail Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

Joint Meeting with the Palm Beach County School Board

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Palm Beach Gardens City Hall 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

10500 North Military Trail Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

This schedule is subject to change.

If you have any questions or need more information please contact the Delegation office at 561-355-2406 or 561-355-3452.

Interim Committee Week Schedule

This month will be our first committee week in advance of the <u>2022 session</u>, which begins on January 11, 2022.

Below are the weeks we will be in Tallahassee for the fall. We are still building our legislative agenda and have many great ideas. Should you have proposals you would like to share with my office, please do not hesitate to call (561.292.6014) or e-mail me (berman.lori.web@flsenate.gov).

September 2021 — Week of the 20th

October 2021 — Week of the 11th

October 2021 — Week of the 18th

November 2021 — Week of the 1st

November 2021 — Week of the 15th

November 2021 — Week of the 29th



Throughout the 2021 season, Florida Atlantic University athletics will be honoring its inaugural head football coach, the legendary *Howard Schnellenberger*, who passed away in March.

In conjunction with the Schnellenberger family, FAU is hosting a Celebration of Life to honor Coach Schnellenberger on Friday, Sept. 10. The event will be held at FAU Stadium and is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. with a video tribute and photos and at 7:30 p.m. the main program with featured speakers will begin on *Howard Schnellenberger* Field.

The event will feature a slate of speakers, who represent the breadth of Coach Schnellenberger's career. The event is open to the public and there will be no admission charge.

Free FAU Football Tickets

FAU is providing <u>free tickets</u> to upcoming football games this season. The voucher is good for up to four complimentary tickets for one home game this season.

Labor Day Message

Labor Day is a day to reflect on the grit and sacrifice of the blue-collar American worker. Countless of them have served on the frontlines during this pandemic and deserve our admiration. Let's also remember the achievements won by those before us who dramatically improved workers' rights and workplace conditions, won the two-day weekend and a 40-hour work week, and much more. Happy Labor Day!





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