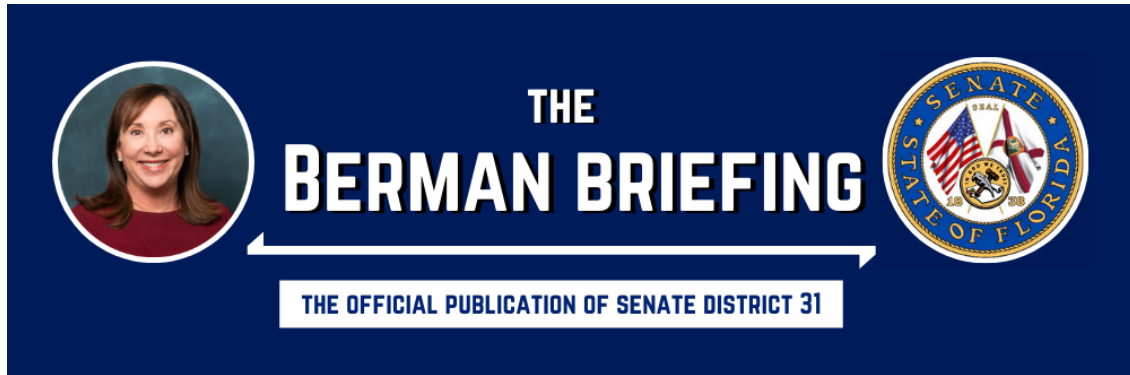


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JANUARY 2022 - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Wishing everyone a wonderful, happy and healthy new year! Here's hoping this is a new year with a lot of optimism and good health ahead.

This newsletter will be brief as we will begin our weekly newsletters next week. The 2022 legislative session begins on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, so stay tuned for more happenings in our Tallahassee updates!

Of course, my office stands available to help you with any needs you may have.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Lori Berman' followed by a horizontal line.

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- 2022 Legislative Session About to Commence;
- Senator Berman's 2022 Committee List;
- COVID Testing & Vaccine info;
- Food Assistance;

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Annual Legislative Session Begins on Tuesday, January 11, 2022

My legislative agenda has closed out with 19 bills this session. [Click here to view all of my filed bills.](#)

In my "Berman Buzz" weekly newsletters, I will be bringing to you a comprehensive update on these bills as they travel through the committee process and receive hearings. In addition, my office will provide updates on other significant legislation moving through the legislative process as well as redistricting. If you ever have questions about a bill or a procedural issue, please do not hesitate to inquire.

Appropriations

I have filed over 30 individual Local Funding Initiative Requests (LFIRs) - the most I have ever carried! LFIRs serve to help our local cities and county government, non-profits organizations and other groups with special projects, ranging from critical road improvements to helping our parks and environment to a patient navigator for breast cancer. I am honored that so many organizations and local governments approached me and entrusted me with their requests and it is my hope to work hard to ensure I bring back a sum to help out each of these organizations out.

Click [here](#) to view all LFIRs. Type 'Berman' in the search box to view all of these projects.

Senator Berman's Committee Assignments for the 2022 Session

- ***Appropriations Subcommittee on
Agriculture, Environment, and General
Government***
- ***Education***
- ***Ethics and Elections***
- ***Finance and Tax***
- ***Transportation***



COVID Testing & Vaccine Sites And More

The county has a comprehensive list of vaccine locations, information and statistics [here](#).

In light of the new Omicron variant, booster shots are now recommended by the CDC after six months for all adults over 18 who already had their first series of Pfizer or Moderna and two months following those who had a J&J shot. Refer to the CDC's guidance [here](#).

NEW DRIVE-THRU SITE!

[Palm Beach County](#) has opened a new drive-through Covid-19 testing site in Boynton Beach at Caloosa Park (1300 SW 35th Ave.) as of 9:00am today. Enter the site from Congress Ave., south of Woolbright Rd.

Testing is free, but where available, insurance or Medicare/Medicaid programs will be billed to help cover the cost of testing. Please bring your insurance card to the testing center.

This new location will be open 7 days a week, from 9 am to 5 pm, until further notice.

Food Assistance

Click [here](#) to review an interactive map of food banks and resources. Cross Ministries also has multiple food banks throughout the county, all listed in the chart below.



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 33460 Monday – Friday 11:00am to 2:00pm	Mobile Food Pantry – Lake Worth Sunlight Community Church 1325 N A St., Lake Worth 33460 2 nd and 4 th 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 33461 1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursday 4:00pm to 6:00pm
Mobile Food Pantry – Greenacres City of Greenacres Community Center 501 Swain Blvd., Greenacres 33463 2nd & 4th Thursday 4:00pm to 6:00pm	Mobile Food Pantry – Greenacres Legacy Church 400 Jackson Ave., Greenacres 33463 3rd Thursday 9:30am to 11:30am	Mobile Food Pantry – Greenacres Church in the Palms 3812 Jog Rd., Greenacres 33467 Saturday 8:30am to 10:00am
Mobile Food Pantry – Haverhill Haverhill Community Church 671 Haverhill Rd, Haverhill 33415 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 33404 Wednesday 9:30am to 11:00am	West Palm Beach Food Pantry Urban League Community Service Center 2107 N. Tamarind Ave. West Palm Beach 33407 Friday 9:30am to 11:00am
Central Palm Pantry First Christian Church 215 S Congress Ave. West Palm Beach 33409 Monday and Wednesday 9:30am to 11:30am	Delray Beach Food Pantry Delray Beach NRC 141 SW 12th Ave., Delray Beach 33444 Monday – Friday 12noon to 3:00pm	Jupiter Food Pantry El Sol Jupiter's NRC 106 Military Trail, Jupiter 33458 Tuesday & Friday 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Mobile Food Pantry – Wellington Village Park 11700 Pierson Rd Wellington 33414 Friday 9:30am to 11:30am	Lighthouse Food Pantry – Belle Glade Community United Methodist Church 401 SW 1st St., Belle Glade 33430 Tuesday & Thursday 1:00pm to 3:00pm	Indiantown Food Pantry The Village Church of Indiantown 15364 SW Yalaha St., Indiantown 34596 Tuesday 11:00am to 4:00pm

CROS Administrative Office: 3677 23rd Ave. S., #B-101, Lake Worth, FL 33461
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Mission: CROS Ministries serves the hungry in Palm Beach and Martin Counties through community collaborations.

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ARTZY
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SATURDAY
JANUARY 22, 2022
4:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

Join us for a celebration of our local arts at this unique event. Event will feature art work of all ages, group performers, wine, food and more! Join our Junkanoo Band as they parade around the event! ARTZY Evening features something for everyone!



GREENACRES CITY HALL
5800 Melaleuca Lane, Greenacres, FL 33463

EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE

For more information please call (561) 642-2090 or visit www.greenacresfl.gov



A Series of Community Conversations which will cover a variety of different topics. These conversations take place once a month, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, at the Greenacres Community Center Banquet Hall located at 501 Swain Blvd.

For more information, or to register to attend this event in-person, please call (561) 642-2090

Sessions are free. Space is limited. Masks are required.

Community Service hours for high school students that attend.

Date	Topic	Presenter
Jan. 12, 2022	Anxiety	Dr. Rachel Needle
Feb. 16, 2022	Bullying	Dr. Essence Rivers
March 16, 2022	Depression	Dr. Rachel Needle
April 13, 2022	The Autism Spectrum	Jacqueline Woods
May 18, 2022	Suicide Prevention	Monica Mendes, M.A.
June 8, 2022	Developmental Disabilities (Down's/ADHD/Cerebral Palsy)	Christine Martin and Sue Kilian Davis
July 13, 2022	Eating Disorders	Dr. Rachel Needle
August 17, 2022	Opioid Epidemic Awareness	Dr. Rachel Needle
Sept. 14, 2022	Gender Based Violence	Markos Fleury and Melanie Rodriguez

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