From the Desk of Mayor Weinroth

Property Fraud Alerts

According to the FBI, property and mortgage fraud is the fastest growing crime in the United States.

Scammers file fake deeds as if they own homes and lure people into giving them money to rent or buy those homes.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller's office offers a free property fraud alert service that notifies residents when important documents are recorded in Palm Beach County using their name or business' name.

For more information, visit www.mypalmbeachclerk.com/services/property-fraud-alert.

Mental Health Resources

Experts agree that our nation is facing a mental health crisis and community resources are more critical than ever.

In our area, 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, a nationally accredited 24/7 suicide and community hotline, provides free and confidential crisis intervention, information, assessment and referrals to community agencies.

In addition to mental health services, they offer assistance with food, medical clinics, senior services, foreclosure prevention, parenting information and special needs services.

Another resource available is the county's Community Services Department which works in partnership to assist residents with emergency services such as food vouchers, housing, rent and utility payments.

The county has also allocated millions of dollars for services in conjunction with similar agencies countywide. If you or someone needs help, please call 211.

Animal Fosters Needed

Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control is in dire need of foster parents and loving homes to adopt pets.

Currently, the shelter has more than 100 animals in their care and are looking for nearly 50 foster homes. The Foster Program aims to help as many animals as possible by providing love, care and temporary housing until they are ready for their forever homes.

Adopting today means saving two lives – the one being adopted and the one coming in to take its place in the shelter system.

To find a furry friend, visit secure.co.palm-beach.fl.us/snap/home.

Become a Poll Worker

The Supervisor of Elections Office is currently looking for 5,000 poll workers before the August primary.

To address the need, a new program, "Adopt a Precinct," was recently launched. A charity, association or organization can provide volunteer workers at a precinct on Election Day, and the earnings will be remitted directly to their organization.

The main requirement for poll workers is the ability to work 14 hours on Primary and Election Day.

For more information, visit www.pbcelections.org/poll-workers/adopt-a-precinct.

Things to Do This Summer

The county's website features a unique page that provides links to over 50 websites such as museums, sporting and entertainment venues, natural areas and so much more.

It is a resourceful one-stop opportunity to explore the best of everything Palm Beach County has to offer at discover.pbcgov.org/Pages/Things-To-Do.aspx.

Nonprofit Spotlight: Boca Helping Hands

Boca Helping Hands (BHH) is a local nonprofit dedicated to serving the South Florida community by providing food, financial assistance and job training.

The programs are designed to meet the needs of individuals, children and families with the goal of creating self-sufficiency through employment.

The Resource Center operated by BHH provides emergency financial assistance to help with rent, overdue utilities and childcare.

In addition, access to affordable medical, dental and behavioral care are also provided through a partnership with Genesis Community Health and Florida Atlantic University's Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing Community Based Clinics.

BHH is always in need of volunteers, donations and food for their pantry. For more information, please call 561-317-0913or visit www.bocahelpinghands.org.

If you are interested in having Mayor Weinroth speak at a community, condo or homeowner association event, please contact our office at (561) 355-2204 or email RWeinroth@pbcgov.org.