



---

**September 2025**

**Friends and Neighbors:**

As summer comes to a close, we turn our attention to the start of a new school year. This season marks a time of renewal, learning, and growth for students, educators, and families across our community.

With Labor Day approaching, we also pause to honor the dedication of our nation's workforce. This holiday serves as a reminder of the importance of fair labor practices and the contributions of all who work tirelessly to support our economy and society.

As we enter this new season, let us move forward with purpose and a shared commitment to the well-being of our community. Wishing you a productive start to the school year and a restful Labor Day.

**Best wishes,**

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

**Lori Berman**

---

**PALM BEACH COUNTY LAUNCHES PBCMOVES.COM**  
**AND INVITES PUBLIC INPUT**

Palm Beach County, in collaboration with its consultant WSP, is inviting the community to help shape the future of transportation through a series of eight public meetings and a public survey, which will be available on the newly launched project website, [www.PBCMoves.com](http://www.PBCMoves.com). Both efforts are part of the Countywide Transportation Master Plan (CTMP), which will guide how people and goods move across the region for decades to come.

## **MEETING SCHEDULE:**

### **Western PBC / Glades**

Includes: Belle Glade, South Bay, Pahokee, Loxahatchee Groves, Royal Palm Beach, Wellington, Westlake

Venue: Palm Beach State College: Loxahatchee Campus

Address: 15845 Southern Blvd., Loxahatchee, FL 33470

Date/Time: Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2025 | 6 – 8 p.m. | In-person

### **Lake Worth / Greenacres**

Includes: Palm Springs, Atlantis, Lake Clarke Shores, Cloud Lake, Atlantis

Venue: Palm Beach County Library: Main Branch

Address: 3650 Summit Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Date/Time: Thursday, Sept. 11, 2025 | Noon – 2 p.m. | In-person

### **Delray Beach / Boynton Beach / Boca Raton**

Includes: South Palm Beach, Highland Beach, Gulf Stream, Briny Breezes, Ocean Ridge, Manalapan, Hypoluxo, Lantana, Golf, Highland Beach

Venue: Arts Garage

Address: 94 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

Date/Time: Thursday, Sept. 11, 2025 | 5 – 7 p.m. | In-person

Includes: Unincorporated Palm Beach County areas west of Boynton Beach and Delray Beach

Venue: Palm Beach County Library: Canyon Branch

Address: 8915 Senator Joe Abruzzo Ave., Boynton Beach, FL 33472

Date/Time: Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025 | 1 – 3 p.m. | In-person

### **Countywide: Palm Beach County**

Includes: All municipalities, unincorporated Palm Beach County communities and surrounding areas

Venue: Palm Beach County Vista Center - Room 4750

Address: 300 N. Jog Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33411-2741

Date/Time: Thursday, Sept. 18, 2025 | 6 – 8 p.m. | In-person

### **PUBLIC SURVEY: Available for All Stakeholder Groups**

In addition to the public meetings, an online public survey has been developed to collect feedback from:

- **General Public and Elected Officials** – to understand residents' experiences and priorities for transportation.
- **Business Community** – to gather input on how the transportation system affects operations, workforce, and access.
- **Technical Advisors** – to provide expert insights on infrastructure, performance measures, and future innovations.

The surveys are available now at [PBCMoves.com](https://PBCMoves.com) under contact and will be open through October 18, 2025. Responses from the surveys will inform CTMP's strengths and opportunities analysis and help shape strategies for a safe, efficient, and resilient transportation network.

### **ABOUT THE CTMP**

emerging technologies. It is designed to address near-term needs and prepare Palm Beach County for growth through 2050.

For more information, meeting details, and to take the [surveys](#), visit [PBCMoves.com](http://PBCMoves.com).

---

## **SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY UPDATES**

Garbage, recyclables, yard waste and bulk waste collection will not be impacted for residents and businesses in unincorporated Palm Beach County on Monday, Sept. 1, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA) disposal facilities will be open and haulers in unincorporated Palm Beach County will run their regular routes. Residents should place all garbage, recyclables and yard waste curbside by 6 a.m.

While SWA administrative offices will be closed, a limited number of customer service team members will be available to assist residents with any garbage or recycling collection questions or concerns. SWA Customer Information Services can be reached at 561-697-2700 or 866-792-4636 (toll-free) or [contactcis@swa.org](mailto:contactcis@swa.org).

Residents in unincorporated Palm Beach County can always see their collection schedule, set reminders and sign up for collection information by clicking the “**My Pick-Up Days**” button on the SWA’s website .

Residents living in one of Palm Beach County’s 39 municipalities should contact their municipality directly for holiday collection information. A [list of municipal contacts](#) can be found online.



On Monday, August 18, representatives from the Florida DOGE team visited Palm Beach County. DOGE, which stands for Department of Government Efficiency, is a state group that says it is interested in reducing wasteful spending. DOGE auditors, among other things, appeared interested in spending on Electric Vehicles (EV), EV infrastructure as well as the Mounts Botanical Gardens, a non-profit organization that receives county funds.

On the second day, the DOGE team conducted in-depth meetings and interviews with over 35 Palm Beach County employees across 14 departments, including Community Services, Housing and Economic Development, Human Resources, Parks and Recreation, and Transportation. Chief Financial Officer

---

## Community Voices Shine at Town Hall

The recent town hall with Representative Skidmore was a great success, and I am so grateful to everyone who joined us. The strong turnout demonstrated just how engaged our community is, and hearing directly from constituents about the issues that matter most is what drives us forward. Your input and perspectives are invaluable as we move into committee weeks and prepare for the legislative session ahead



**Congratulations to my Legislative Aide, Brenda  
Bryant!**

On May 12, 2025, Brenda proudly graduated from the Belle Glade Chamber's Leadership Glades Program. During the eight-month program, Brenda was elected by her class to serve as one of two class representatives, helping to lead the class through the selection and execution of a successful class project. The class project raised over \$725.00 for each of the elementary schools in the Glades Region. Brenda has now been invited to join the Leadership Advisory Council, where she will help prepare and guide future Leadership Glades classes.





Labor Day, celebrated on the first Monday in September in the United States, honors the contributions and achievements of American workers. It originated during the labor movement in the late 19th century, a time when labor unions were growing in response to poor working conditions and low wages.

The first Labor Day was celebrated on September 5, 1882, in New York City, organized by the Central Labor Union. It became a national holiday in 1894 after the Pullman Strike, a nationwide railway strike, led to a deadly clash between workers and federal troops. In response, Congress passed an act making Labor Day a legal holiday.

Today, Labor Day is seen as a day of rest, with many people enjoying parades, barbecues, and other leisure activities. However you choose to celebrate, I hope you do so safely.

---



### District Office

2300 High Ridge Road  
Suite 161  
Boynton Beach, FL, 33426  
(561) 292-6014



### Tallahassee Office

228 Senate Office Building  
404 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399  
(850) 487-5026



### Email

berman.lori.web@flsenate.gov

## CONTACT US



### Facebook

facebook.com/loribermanfla



### Twitter

@loriberman



### Instagram

@senloriberman

