

What's New in Delray Beach & Palm Beach County

Alliance Meetings Are the Best!

July 1, 2026 meeting

Photos are of tropical fruit buffet, USA 250th Anniversary Celebration and Dr. Ron Rice presenting on the Everglades Agricultural Area and Agricultural Reserve. With take-home fruits and patriotic items.



Alliance Receives the Most Recent Reports on the Financial State of the County *And Here Are Some Facts for Fiscal Year 2024-25*

Where does your money go? More than 6 billion dollars in property taxes and fees were collected. The collections were then distributed to Palm Beach County's taxing authorities to fund public services. Examples of some of these services are waste/water/utilities, fire departments, schools, parks, agriculture, Health Care District, and library.

The Clerk & Comptroller provided a breakdown of governmental activities expenses. In 2025, public safety accounted for 50% (nearly 1.5 billion dollars) of the cost. The other 50% of costs included general government (22%), with the balance of 28% including transportation, culture & recreation, physical & economic environment, human services, and interest expense.

The County has a policy which requires investments that minimize volatility and preserve principal. During Fiscal Year 2025, the County's portfolio earned \$222 million in investment income. Certificates of Deposit and Money Market accounts made up 54% of the portfolio with Small Business Administration 22%, Collateralized Mortgage Obligations 8% and Israel Bonds 16%. For the Guide to County Finances "Checks & Balances" go to: mypalmbeachclerk.com.

Agricultural Reserve Update

The Board of County Commissioners at its July 14, 2026 meeting directed staff to work on a master plan for the Agricultural Reserve engaging stakeholders and consultants. The master plan is expected to take 18 months to complete. There will be community input and public meetings during the coming year and a half. Following the formation of the new master plan, staff are expected to return to the county commissioners with information and recommendations. The Alliance will be engaging our communities for their input during the next year and a half.

AI (Artificial Intelligence) Data Centers

The Board of County Commissioners has denied the application for an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Data Center which would have been located next to a school and residential community. Further, a moratorium has been placed on building any AI Data Center in Palm Beach County. Noise, vibration, use of water, water quality, and health issues are some of the components that will be addressed while formulating new rules for this type of development. Classification into either the light or heavy industrial land use will be a major consideration.

The Alliance will follow this closely, especially as it relates to the Agricultural Reserve's Master Plan.

Thank You to
Our Sponsors:



Community
Association
Program





Alliance of Delray Residential Associations, Inc.

10290 West Atlantic Avenue #480504, Delray Beach, FL 33448

www.allianceofdelray.com

Pre-Sort Standard
U.S. Postage
PAID
Boca Raton, FL
Permit No. 280

©July 2026

Preserving the Community Lifestyle & Keeping the Membership Informed From the Everglades to the Ocean

Enjoy the Summer   See You in September! 

September Meeting will take place on Wednesday September 2, 2026

Speaker:

Wendy Sartory Link, Supervisor of Elections

What you need to know about the November 3, 2026 Election.

plus

Updates from PBSO, PBCFR & Government Officials

Doors open 9am. Meeting begins 9:30am.

Coffee, tea, and bagels will be served.

The public is welcome.

**Alliance meetings take place at the South County Civic Center
(now known as the Dr. André Fladell Civic Center), 16700 Jog Road in Delray Beach**

Thank You to Our Sponsors:

