

Palm Beach County

# SPEAKERS BUREAU

Whatever your interest,  
let's talk about it!



## Palm Beach County Public Affairs

coordinates the Speakers Bureau, a resource for businesses, civic organizations, homeowners associations, volunteer groups and other organizations in need of a specialized speaker.

Knowledgeable representatives from several county departments are available to speak on a variety of topics as a free public service. Topics range from agriculture and animals to youth services and zoning. Many departments will tailor a presentation to fit your specific interests.

This brochure provides examples of topics and services addressed by Palm Beach County departments and divisions that participate in the Speakers Bureau.

Please call Public Affairs at **561-355-2754** at least two weeks in advance of your scheduled event to allow sufficient time to meet your request. We look forward to serving you!



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### ADMINISTRATION

Overall management of all county operations  
Water resources issues of Southeast Florida

### AIRPORTS

General aviation  
Noise abatement  
Operations  
Security

### ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

Animal ordinances  
Animal cruelty and neglect investigations  
Rabies surveillance program  
Dangerous dog investigations  
Community cat program  
Disaster preparedness for pet owners

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

Homeless outreach  
Senior programs/elder care  
Social services  
Veterans services

### COMMISSION ON ETHICS (COE)

Jurisdiction  
Code of ethics  
Lobbyist registration ordinance  
Post employment ordinance

### CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Scams - techniques and consumer prevention to protect against modern day scams  
Tips for buying a new or used car  
Identity theft - prevention, protection and recovery  
County consumer protection ordinances: moving, water taxi, towing and vehicle-for-hire ordinances, adult entertainer, home caregiver

### COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

4-H youth program  
Agriculture  
Environmental horticulture  
Family and consumer sciences  
Mounts Botanical Garden of Palm Beach County

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

Criminal courts  
Criminal justice system  
Local and state corrections  
Ex-offender reentry  
Racial and ethnic disparity  
Body worn cameras



## ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

Five-year road plan  
Land development issues  
Traffic performance standards and concurrency  
Traffic signals and calming devices

## ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES MGMT.

Natural and artificial reefs  
Beach renourishment and sea turtles  
Lake Worth Lagoon and manatees  
Natural areas and outdoor recreation

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Equal employment  
Fair housing  
Handicapped accessibility  
Public accommodations

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT & BUDGET

County budget

## FIRE RESCUE

Child passenger seat safety  
Drowning prevention and pool safety  
Emergency medical services  
Fire safety and injury prevention  
Juvenile firesetter intervention program

## HOUSING & ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY

Business initiatives  
Housing initiatives  
Community development initiatives

## HUMAN RESOURCES

Labor relations

## INFORMATION SYSTEMS SERVICES

County Web infrastructure & online services  
Enterprise network  
In-house development success stories  
I.T. cost-sharing/partnering opportunities  
New technology initiatives and programs  
Cyber security

## INSPECTOR GENERAL

Accountability & integrity in government  
Preventing & detecting fraud

## JUSTICE SERVICES

Adult Drug Court  
Court psychology  
Ex-offender reentry services  
Family Drug Court  
Pretrial services

## LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Constitutional ballot initiatives  
State and federal funding appropriations  
State and federal issues

## LIBRARY

Consumer Health Information Service  
Genealogy research  
Job search & business assistance  
Talking books for the blind & visually impaired  
Early childhood literacy  
Technology resources and training

## MORIKAMI MUSEUM AND JAPANESE GARDENS

Florida's history  
Japanese immigrants in Palm Beach County  
George Morikami's story  
The Japanese culture and Morikami today  
Japanese art exhibits - contemporary and classic  
Walking through six Japanese gardens at the Morikami

## PALM TRAN & PALM TRAN CONNECTION

Palm Tran Connection (door-to-door services)  
Travel training

## PARKS & RECREATION

Environmental conservation: raptors and birds of prey; natural land management; outdoor recreation; Nature Ninja Warriors  
Water safety: general safety around water; beach safety and rip currents; drowning prevention/learn to swim; Ocean Rescue/Aquatics profession; ocean marine life  
Great Parks = Great Communities (The many benefits of parks)  
Health & wellness, youth development and volunteer opportunities  
Riverbend & Loxahatchee Battlefield Parks - Pioneer and Second Seminole War history  
Therapeutic recreation: Special Olympics & VSA Florida

## PLANNING, ZONING & BUILDING

Building codes, permitting, inspections and flood risk information  
Code Enforcement processes and regulations  
Contractors certification licensing and complaints  
Planning processes and current issues  
Zoning processes and issues

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Media relations  
Overview of county services  
Palm Beach County website [www.pbcgov.com](http://www.pbcgov.com)  
PBC TV Channel 20

## RESILIENCE

Climate Change, sea level rise adaption and mitigation  
Sustainable development

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Managing county risks

## SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

How to do business with Palm Beach County  
Overview  
Certification

## 911 TECHNICAL SERVICES

Text to 911  
Use of 911 smartphone apps  
Location accuracy  
911 myths and misinformation

## TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Arts and culture tourism  
County Convention Center economic driver  
Film & T.V. industry  
The Palm Beaches television channel  
Sports tourism economy  
Leisure tourism and development

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY

Bicycle and pedestrian safety  
Greenways and trails  
Long-range transportation planning  
Regional transportation planning

## VICTIM SERVICES

Domestic violence/stalking/cyber stalking/dating violence  
Human trafficking  
Sexual assault  
Survivor Action Team (empowered survivors)  
Teen dating violence  
Violence on college/school campus  
Violence prevention strategies  
Victim services & rights  
DUI homicide  
Bystander intervention

## WATER UTILITIES

Reclaimed water  
Wakodahatchee & Green Cay wetlands tours  
Water treatment plant tours

## YOUTH SERVICES

Adverse childhood experiences (ACES) and trauma informed care  
Birth to 22: United for brighter futures  
Bullying prevention & intervention

Child abuse & neglect  
Compassion fatigue & self care  
Developing multicultural competence  
Highridge family center & youth counseling  
Improving family relationships & positive parenting  
Making a difference through mentoring  
Understanding child/adolescent behaviors  
Youth violence prevention and juvenile justice

## ADDITIONAL SOURCES

Speakers are also provided by offices and organizations that operate independently from the Board of County Commissioners. These include constitutional offices and the Judiciary, state agencies and special taxing districts. For a speaker, please call them directly:

Clerk & Comptroller .....355-2996  
(Boca, Delray, Glades 888-760-9206)  
Guardian Ad Litem.....355-6224  
Health Care District.....659-1270  
Health Department .....840-4500  
Judiciary.....355-2431  
Property Appraiser.....355-3230  
Public Defender .....355-7500  
Sheriff.....688-3000  
(South County 995-2800, Glades 996-1670)  
Solid Waste Authority.....640-4000  
(Boca, Delray, Glades 866-792-4636)  
State Attorney.....355-7100  
Supervisor of Elections.....656-6200  
Tax Collector.....355-2264

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