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**Programs are subject to change.**

Follow county departments, elected officials and community partners to keep up with the latest news, events and happenings throughout Palm Beach County. You’ll also find tools to help you use Palm Tran, the county’s public transit system, as well as parks and recreation facilities as well as our library resources.

Be the first to receive emergency information and alerts as county officials release them. Log on to [http://pbcgov.com/stayconnected](http://pbcgov.com/stayconnected) today and always be in the know!

**Blogs**
- Discover the Palm Beaches Florida
- PBC Library System
- Morikami Museum & Japanese Gardens
- Mounts Botanical Garden
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**Stay Connected**

Follow @PalmBeachCounty on Twitter and like us on Facebook for the latest updates and news.

**Competition COVID App: Information Is Power**

Fight the spread of COVID-19 by downloading the Competition COVID app: stay informed at your fingertips.

**http://pbcgov.com/stayconnected**

**Download the iOS/Android Apps**

Download the Palm Tran app from your mobile device’s app store to view the competition’s real-time routes, maps and bus stops.

**Go to the App Store or Google Play Store**

For your free download.

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**Safety Matters**

Palm Beach County Fire Rescue encourages residents and visitors to start the 2021 New Year off with the right resolution. This month, “Safety Matters” focuses on health and nutrition. You will hear from professionals that diabetes does not have to be your destiny. Your doctor can help. Because, it is proven that a customized weight-loss plan and regular exercise can affect your quality of life in the long-term.

**Airs Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:00am, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00pm, Fridays at 3:30pm and Saturdays at 11:00am**

**Every Parent PBC**

First-time and even more mature parents are invited to tune in for answers to some pressing parenting questions. PBC TV presents the “Every Parent PBC” program, which is made possible by the Children’s Services Council. You will hear medical professionals discuss and provide insight into simple and complex questions that face every parent.

**Airs Mondays at 7:30pm, Tuesdays at 9:00am, Wednesdays and Sundays at 11:00am, Thursdays at 4:00pm and Saturdays at 11:30am**

**Adopt A Friend**

The new year brings forward a familiar program with a few new tricks to help you find your new best friend. Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control along with PBC TV presents a new edition of “Adopt A Friend.” Find out if your house can become a home by adding one of the fun, loving and energetic animals waiting for a family at Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control.

**Airs Sundays at 4:30pm, Mondays at 9:00pm, Thursdays at 10:00am, and Fridays at 11:00am**
Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission Presents

A Forum on Policing in Palm Beach County
~ The Glades Area ~

Join us for the 4th in a series of forums for an insightful, open dialogue that will allow the public an opportunity to ask questions of representatives of law enforcement regarding policing in Palm Beach County.

Wednesday, January 27, 2021
5:30 - 7:30 PM
Palm Beach County Library
725 NW 4th St,
Belle Glade, FL 33430

In-person attendance limited to 30, all others can participate via Webex.

Questions
Advance questions can be submitted with your RSVP or live during the event.

RSVP Now!
Scan QR code to RSVP or visit:
pbcgov.com/criminaljustice for all event information.

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The 42nd Citizen’s Criminal Justice Academy

Mondays, beginning February 1 through April 12, 2021, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. (Virtual Sessions Available)

Members of the public are invited to attend the 42nd Citizen’s Criminal Justice Academy. Sessions will be held on twelve consecutive Mondays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at various locations in and around West Palm Beach. The classes are FREE, and dinner will be served. Anyone over the age of 14 is welcome, and up to 33 hours of community service credit can be earned.

The purpose of the Citizen’s Criminal Justice Academy is to provide fundamental information to citizens of Palm Beach County regarding the criminal justice system and how decisions are made. Participants will learn about the criminal justice system with the experts. Each week there is a different topic, including what to do if stopped by the police, how the grand jury works, as well as tours of the courthouse and jail. During these unsettled times, racial equality is at the forefront. Therefore, as we engage in discussions, it is important that we review things through the racial equity lens.

The Academy is a partnership between the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission and the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office.

Applications are required. For more information and to apply, visit the Criminal Justice Commission website (under Programs), www.pbcgov.com/criminaljustice, call 561-355-4943, fax 561-355-4941 or email RMurray@pbcgov.org.
Reduce Tax With the Homestead Exemption

If you are a permanent Florida resident, you may be eligible for a homestead exemption, which can save you generally $750 to $1,000 in property taxes each year.

A $25,000 exemption is applied to the first $50,000 of your property’s assessed value if your property is your permanent residence and you owned the property as of January 1. This exemption applies to all taxes, including school district taxes. An additional exemption of up to $25,000 will be applied if your property’s assessed value is between at least $50,000 and $75,000. This exemption is not applied to school district taxes. In addition, a homestead exemption limits any increase to your assessed value to a maximum of 3% each year or the amount of the change in the Consumer Price Index, whichever is lower.

Visit pbcgov.org/PAPA for information on other available exemptions for seniors, families, veterans, and more.

THREE WAYS TO APPLY:

- E File at pbcgov.org/PAPA
- Complete the application online, print it out, and mail it to our office
- Visit one of our five service centers to file in person

All homestead exemption applications must be submitted by March 1. Once you qualify, we will renew your homestead exemption annually as long as you continue to qualify for the exemption.
Offering Families A Hand Up, Not A Hand Out!

Can’t afford to live in Palm Beach County?  Do you want to secure your future and live your best life?

We want to help!

WE OFFER:

✔ Job Training and Placement
✔ Intern / Apprenticeship
✔ Housing Supports
✔ Transportation Supports
✔ Food Supports

*Must have at least one child (between ages 0–18) in the household and earn less than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level to participate.

Call (561) 355-4792 and ask about the Securing Our Future Initiative or visit www.SecuringOurFuturePBC.org
Grow your Business in Palm Beach County

Loans from $10,000 and up
Interest rates as low as 3%

The Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability offers business loans with favorable terms and low rates to stimulate economic development growth and job creation.

Mission Statement:
“To advance the quality of life for Palm Beach County residents through Housing, Public Services, Infrastructure Improvements, and Economic Development”

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www.pbcgov.org

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Low Rates
Great Terms
Personal Service

Palm Beach County
The Business Loan Program implements several loan funds to support a broad range of new and existing businesses located in Palm Beach County.

**Uses:**
- Real Estate Acquisition
- Construction or Renovation
- Machinery & Equipment
- Working Capital
- Line of Credit

**Objectives:**
- Support borrowers who are unable to access traditional lenders or receive favorable terms
- Provide long term fixed or variable rate financing at interest rates lower than conventional loans
- Offer subordinated financing to borrowers to fill a financing gap between private lenders & equity investments
- Increase economic activity & create jobs by stimulating business development & investment

**Program Basics:**

**Borrowers:** Generally, private, for-profit businesses with 2+ years of operations. “Start-Ups”, for-profit businesses with less than 2 years of operations, are eligible for Micro-Loans.

**Borrowers Contributions:** At least 10% of the total project cost.

**Fees:** Application Fee is $100 to $1,000 depending on the loan fund. Closing costs are 2% to 3% of the amount borrowed depending on the loan fund. Attorney fees and other related costs are paid by the borrower.

**Job Creation:** If required by the loan fund, job creation criteria must be met within 5 years of receipt of funds.

**Guarantees:**
Personal guarantees are required of all persons owning 20% or more of the business.

**Matching:**
If the business is located within the city limits of Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, Jupiter, Palm Beach Gardens, West Palm Beach, or Wellington, a required match to the loan must be provided by the municipality.

**Collateral:**
All loans, including lines of credit, require collateral.

**Review Criteria:**
All loans are subject to underwriting and review of the following:
- Cash flow
- Collateral coverage
- Credit history
- Business tax returns or audited financial statements.

### Loan Funds Overview

**HUD Section 108 Loans**  
**Area:** Palm Beach County  
**Amounts:** Up to 40% of total project cost  
**Rate:** Three month LIBOR rate plus 100-200 basis points  
**Term:** 7 to 20 years

**USDA IRP Loans**  
**Area:** Rural cities of Belle Glade, Pahokee, & South Bay as well as unincorporated areas in the Glades such as Canal Point  
**Amounts:** Up to 75% of total project cost or up to $150,000, whichever is lower.  
**Rate:** Fixed at 3%  
**Term:** 7 to 20 years.

**CDBG Micro-Loans**  
**Area:** Palm Beach County  
**Amounts:** $10,000 to $25,000  
**Rate:** Minimum of 5% fixed  
**Term:** 3 to 5 years

**EPA Brownfields Loans**  
**Area:** Designated Brownfield area within Palm Beach County  
**Amounts:** Up to 80% of total project clean-up costs  
**Rate:** Fixed at 3%  
**Term:** 5 to 15 years

**Energy Loans**  
**Area:** Palm Beach County  
**Amounts:** $15,000 to $150,000, but no more than 90% of the total project cost  
**Rate:** Fixed at 3%  
**Term:** Not to exceed 10 years

**SBA 504 Loans and Debt Refinancing**  
Referrals to SBA Certified Development Companies serving Florida, including Palm Beach County, for the provision of affordable long-term capital for the purchase of major fixed assets and/or relief from high-interest commercial mortgage debt.
Wellington Branch Library Closed for Renovations and Lantana Road Branch to Close for Renovations

The Wellington Branch Library has been closed for renovations and chiller replacement. The $4.2 million project includes new lighting, fixtures and flooring; painting, and construction of new interior spaces, design services, and select new furniture items. The branch is expected to reopen in late 2021. The building was renovated and expanded in 2007 and was the first project completed as part of the 2002 bond referendum. Funding for this project comes from the Library Taxing District. “Due to its heavy use over the past 13 years, the building was in need of renovations,” said Library Director Doug Crane. “We believe the residents of Wellington will appreciate the upgrades and refurbishments as the library continues its mission to connect communities, inspire thought and enrich lives.”

While the Wellington Branch is closed, members are encouraged to visit one of the Library System’s other nearby locations:

- Royal Palm Beach Branch 500 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach
- Greenacres Branch 3750 Jog Road, Greenacres
- Main Library 3650 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach
- Okeechobee Blvd. Branch 5689 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach

The Bookmobile will visit the Wellington Amphitheater in the Community Center Complex at 12100 Forest Hill Boulevard on Thursdays from 4 to 7 p.m. while the Wellington Branch is closed.

The Lantana Road Branch will close at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021, for renovations. The $3.9 million project includes new lighting, fixtures, flooring, painting, construction of new interior spaces, expanded children’s area, relocation of the teen area, additional study rooms, service desk consolidation, design services and select new furniture items. Air conditioning work will be done in reconfigured spaces. Funding for this project comes from the Library Taxing District. The branch will reopen in late 2021. The building opened to the public in April 2009 and was funded by the 2002 Library Expansion Program bond referendum and impact fees. “The Lantana Road Branch filled a gap in our library service area. Overwhelming use of the building has required us to accelerate needed improvements for safety and service enhancement,” said Library Director Doug Crane. “We believe the upgrades and refurbishments will be well received by the residents and allow us to continue to fulfill our mission to connect communities, inspire thought and enrich lives.”

While the branch is closed, members are encouraged to visit one of the nearby locations:

- Greenacres Branch (4 miles away) 3750 Jog Road, Greenacres 33467
- Main Library (6.5 miles away) 3650 Summit Boulevard, West Palm Beach 33406
- West Boynton Branch (5 miles away) 9451 Jog Road, Boynton Beach 33437

The Bookmobile will visit Buttonwood Park, 5300 Lantana Road, on Mondays from 4 to 7 p.m. beginning on Feb. 1 (excluding holidays) while the branch is closed.

Materials borrowed from either location prior to closing can be returned to any of the Library System’s 15 open locations or the Bookmobile. Members are encouraged to use the wide range of electronic resources and services available through the website at www.pbclibrary.org.
Looking for fresh books, movies or music?

This monthly Zoom activity showcases a variety of voices sharing their latest discoveries and to help you discover some new favorites of your own.

Visit www.pbclibrary.org, click on the Digital Activities or Past Digital Activities to tune in and find something new to enjoy.

You will find many of the selections on

www.pbclibrary.org/rwl
RECONNECT with your library.

Digital Activities

www.pbclibrary.org/digital-activities

Sign up for our e-newsletter to receive a schedule of digital activities www.pbclibrary.org/enewletters
Hands Only CPR can save many lives in our community with people who are trained to give sudden cardiac arrest victims the immediate help they need to survive until professional medical help arrives.

Class will be held
The 2nd Thursday of the Month from 6pm-8pm
And
The 3rd Saturday of the month from 10am-12pm
Registration is required
Click this link to register online:
or call 561-616-7033

What you will need:
1. Email address
2. Computer with internet
3. Doll, Pillow, stuffed animal or ball to use as practice tool.
Please complete the information below and mail or fax to (561) 656-7523

1) Did you know that you can get information about all Palm Beach County departments and agencies by going to www.pbcgov.com? □ Yes □ No

2) Have you used the Palm Beach County website www.pbcgov.com as a resource in the last 30 days? □ Yes □ No

3) How frequently do you use the Palm Beach County website www.pbcgov.com as a resource?
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   □ Once per month □ During meeting broadcasts □ During storm season □ Do not use

4) Did you know you can connect to the Palm Beach County social media channels by going to www.pbcgov.com? □ Yes □ No

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6) What topic would you like to see more information about on the Palm Beach County website www.pbcgov.com?

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