

Today's MMU: United Way of Palm Beach County seeks 200 volunteers for VITA Program

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News

United Way of Palm Beach County seeks 200 volunteers for VITA Program

Help local families succeed! United Way's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), is looking for 200 volunteers to help provide free tax prep services to PBC households with an annual income of \$70,000 or less. Perfect opportunity for CPAs, retired professionals, college students, or anyone interested in accounting and finance. No experience necessary - all training is provided! [Click here](#) to learn more.

Careers with Prime Time Palm Beach County

Prime Time Palm Beach County is a nonprofit organization that provides resources and supports for out-of-school time professionals to develop programs that inspire children to be their best and allow them to thrive socially and academically. Prime Time's integrated model of services is one of the strongest, most comprehensive and well-respected systems for measuring and improving out-of-school time program quality in the nation. Interested in becoming a member of the Prime Time Palm Beach County team? [Click here](#) to apply for one of the open positions.

WAVES Emotion Lab Baby BEAR Study

The WAVES Emotion Lab in the Psychology Department at Florida Atlantic University is recruiting families for a new research study focused on the foundations of personality. This research study is being conducted at 3 universities across the United States. In addition to local families participating at Florida Atlantic University, other families are participating at Washington State University and at Virginia Tech. Participation involves seven "visits" with us between the time your infant is 2 and 24 months of age. We are recruiting infants who were born full term, with no prenatal or birth complications. The first visit at 2 months is online questionnaires and you will receive a \$25 gift card. [Click here](#) to learn more.

County Victim Services provides domestic violence awareness throughout October

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Awareness is essential because domestic violence takes place in our nation every minute of every day, occurring just about every 15 seconds. Palm Beach County issued 1,221 Intimate Partner Violence injunctions for protection in the first eight months of the year. In collaboration with community partners, Palm Beach County Victim Services and Certified Rape Crisis Center have teamed up to heighten awareness about domestic violence through various events during October. To see the library locations and full schedule of events, [click here](#).

Unicorn Children's Foundation hosts fall in-person and virtual classes

Unicorn Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization that creates cradle to career pathways for people with developmental differences, will offer in-person classes in Boca Raton, as well as virtual classes that are inclusive for everyone. Enroll in classes including Music & Song Writing, Sports Fitness Club, Graphic Design, Simple Cooking on a Budget, and more! [Click here](#) to learn more.

October 2022 Benefits Outreach Program with Palm Beach County Food Bank

The Benefits Outreach Program assists individuals and families with applying for federal food assistance benefits (SNAP). Palm Beach County Food Bank is one of only seven organizations in Florida that provide the DCF required federal food relief interview. This interview will be conducted during your meeting with one of our Benefits Specialists, who speak English, Spanish and Creole. [Click here](#) to learn more and to view the Benefits Outreach Calendar for October.

Congressional Youth Council 2022-2023

Do you know a student interested in learning more about the government? Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Youth Leadership Council is an annual opportunity for junior and senior high school students who reside in Florida's 21st Congressional District, to get a glimpse of how government works and hear from experts on various topics of interest. The Council is an initiative that grants students the opportunity to learn more about Congress, local gov't, and current topics of interest. As a member of this Council, high school students will deepen their commitment to civic engagement and public service. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Center for Child Counseling merges with KidSafe to fight sexual abuse

Center for Child Counseling (CFCC) in collaboration with KidSafe Foundation announce the merger of the two not-for-profit organizations which both serve children and families with the shared goal of healthy families, schools, and communities. Effective October 1, 2022, KidSafe now operates under CFCC, knowing that the two entities will be stronger together in their education and prevention of child sexual abuse and childhood trauma. Learn more [here](#).

Prime Time and local out-of-school time programs celebrate Lights On Afterschool

Lights On Afterschool was launched in October 2000 with celebrations in 1,200 communities nationwide. Today, more than 8,000 Lights On Afterschool rallies are held annually, attracting about a million individuals and media coverage nationwide. Prime Time is helping to host Lights On Afterschool celebrations in three out-of-school time programs in Palm Beach County on October 20, 2022. Palm Beach Public Afterschool Program will offer different learning stations that will include social and emotional learning and STEAM topics. Activities will include yoga, musical activities, planting, team boat building/racing and more! [Click here](#) to learn more.

Meet the Grandparents: At the Heart of CSC

At Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, our staff is our heart. The "At

At the Heart of CSC: Grandparents



the Heart of CSC" campaign introduces you to the CSC staff members who are dedicated to keeping Palm Beach County's children and families healthy, safe and strong. Some of CSC's staff aren't only parents, but grandparents as well. Allow CSC CEO Lisa Williams-Taylor to introduce you to some of the grandpas, grandmas, nanas and mimis who work at CSC. Hear what advice those grandparents have from their own experiences:

[Learn more](#)

Events

Girl Chat Conference

Saturday, Dec. 2
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Aloft Delray Beach
202 SE 5th Avenue,
Delray Beach

The Girls Chat Conference is for young girls in middle and high school who reside and/or attend school in the South Palm Beach County. The Girls Chat Conference is designed to help young girls identify, understand, and flex their leadership muscle within their respective spaces and beyond. The conference creates a culture that is focused on proactively counteracting race inequities by providing workshops on racial equity and awareness. Attendees will receive four (4) Community Service Hours for attending. [Click here](#) to learn more.

4th Annual LSSF Women in STEM Brunch

Thursday, Oct. 20
10:30 a.m - 1 p.m.
Florida Atlantic University
Engineering East EE96, Gangal Hall
777 Glades Rd.,
Boca Raton

This event will feature speakers who are established in their STEM or STEM related careers.

Fall Family Festival

Saturday, Oct. 22
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
801 N. Railroad Ave.,
West Palm Beach

Join the West palm Beach center for Art & Technology for face painting, mini pumpkin painting, arts, crafts story time, pin the pumpkin on the donkey and more. [Click here](#) to RSVP and to learn more.

Breastfeeding Coalition of Palm Beach County Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 8
9:30 - 11 a.m.
The Children's Healing Institute
2161 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd,
West Palm Beach

Join us for our monthly meeting to enrich your knowledge, learn about resources in the community, and refuel your passion and commitment to breastfeeding! Join

Take Back Day

Saturday, Oct. 29
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
4560 Okeechobee Blvd.,
West Palm Beach

The Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition invites you to Take Back Day. Residents can safely dispose of unwanted, unused or expired medications - both over the counter and prescription drugs. In collaboration with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and Florida National Guard and nationally the DEA, this semi-annual event proves to be a safety bonus for our community to keep medications out of the landfill, our water supply and from little hands. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Free Family Fun Night

Every last Wednesday of the month
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
99 SE Mizner Blvd., Ste. 120,
Boca Raton

Join Unicorn Children's Foundation for their free Family Fun Night every last Wednesday of the month. Activities include karaoke, dancing, light bites and refreshments, crafts, board games,

Speakers will share their research, entrepreneurial, personal, and professional journeys to inspire undergraduates and graduate students, university staff, faculty, and community members to continue their purposeful pursuits and paths in STEM. Following the symposium, there will be an opportunity for networking. [Click here](#) to register.

IBCLCs, breastfeeding advocates, and other professionals from across the county. [Click here](#) to learn more.

cups of kindness served by our special Percs Café baristas and tours available upon request. This event is FREE and open to people of all ages and abilities. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Hispanic Heritage Festival and Resource Fair
Saturday, Oct. 22
2 - 5 p.m.
El Bodegon
1910 Lake Worth Rd.,
Lake Worth

Join Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County and Familias Latinas de PBC for our Hispanic Heritage Month Festival and Resource Fair. Activities include music, food, face painting, crafts, fire truck, therapy dogs and lots of fun. [Click here](#) to learn more about this free event.

DownRight ExtraOrdinary Walk for Down Syndrome 2022
Sunday, October 23, 2022
8 a.m. – noon
John Prince Park's Center Drive Pavilion
4759 South Congress Ave.,
Lake Worth

Gold Coast Down Syndrome is proud to continue their tradition of coming together to celebrate people with Down syndrome. Join their DownRight ExtraOrdinary Walk for Down Syndrome and start your team today! Other activities include bounce houses, breakfast, carnival games, DJ & dancing, live entertainment, pony rides, face painting, raffle & silent auction and much more! [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Trainings

Mass Violence Incident Preparedness Training for Nonprofits

Nov. 10
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Greenacres Community Center
501 Swain Blvd.,
Greenacres

Come learn ways to prepare for and respond to a violent incident at your workplace or in your community, featuring CRASE, CPR, and Stop the Bleed. This training is geared towards staff of local nonprofit agencies. [Click here](#) to learn more.

2022 Disaster Cycle Training Series

United Way of Palm Beach County is hosting it's 2022 Disaster Cycle Training Series on the following topics:

- In-person Active Shooter and Mass Casualty Training, November (Date and Venue TBD). Participate in this open-to-the-public workshop and get the most current training on human-made disasters, including Run, Hide, Fight and Stop the Bleed.

[Click here](#) to register.

Upcoming trainings with the Center for Child Counseling

See the links below to upcoming trainings with the Center for Child Counseling:

- November 14: 9am - 3pm [CBT with Children and Youth](#)
- December 2: 9 -10:30 am [Self-Care for Practitioners](#)
- [Parenting 101: A Way of Being](#) - Parenting 101 support group provides a safe space for parents to freely share their parenting experiences including their challenges and strengths within confidentiality in a group setting. his support group is for parents of children ages 3-6. Sessions will take place weekly on Tuesdays 10/4/22 – 11/15/22 at 6-7pm via Zoom. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Florida Association for Infant Mental Health's Official DC:0-5 for Clinicians Online

Tuesday, Oct. 25
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Online via Zoom

This 3-day training series is the first developmentally based system for diagnosing mental health and developmental disorders in infants and toddlers, Zero to Three's Diagnostic Classification of Mental Health and Developmental Disorders of Infancy and Early Childhood (DC:0–5™). This critically important guide is an indispensable resource for practitioners such as mental health clinicians, mental health consultants, social workers, early intervention specialists, psychiatrists, and whose work with infants, young children, and their families involves assessment, diagnosis, and case formulation. [Click here](#) to register.

Provider series with the Early Learning Coalition of Palm Beach County

The Early Learning Coalition is hosting a series for those interested in a career as a family childcare home provider. The series, led by Director of Provider Services Gina Carello, is perfect for those who have a passion for the care and education of young children. This four-part virtual series will give attendees an introduction to opening a Family Child Care Home with step-by-step support, licensing instruction, free professional development opportunities, and much more. Sessions are once a month, beginning September 13th and running through November 3rd. [Click here](#) to register.

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies September Educational Calendar

Throughout October
Virtual

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies of Palm Beach County is here to support you through pregnancy with educational classes and groups. Register today for upcoming support groups and educational classes for pregnant and new parents like Small Steps, Great Parents classes and Circle of Moms. All are at no cost, but registration is required. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Additional Resources

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[CSC Employment](#)
[CSC Provider Agency Employment](#)
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