

**"Our First In-person Only Meeting
In Over 6 Years!"**



"Welcome Back!"



**Tuesday April 7, 2026
9:00 am Meeting**

In-person Only!

Meetings run the First
Tuesday of each month August-June
(we are off July) Guest Speakers Listed Below

Location For April's Meeting: Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies offices

Located in the Golfview Shopping Plaza
842 N Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415



April Guest Speakers

Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies

Circle of Moms Program

As the first program of its kind in Palm Beach County, our emotional support groups are designed to support the one in five women who will experience depression and other mood and anxiety disorders before, during and after pregnancy. Through screening, peer-to-peer support groups, individualized care coordination and training for health professionals, this program reaches both pregnant and postpartum families and promotes healthy moods, bonding strategies with babies, and how to cope with stress.

In-person and Virtual Emotional Support Groups

Circle of Moms Postpartum (English and Spanish)

Circle of Moms Pregnancy (English and Spanish)

Mothers & Babies Course (Creole and English)

Getting Ready for Baby Sessions (English and Spanish)

Postpartum Wellness Group Sessions (English and Spanish)

Circle of Dads (English & Spanish)

Couples Becoming Parents (English & Spanish)

Share (Pregnancy and Infant Loss) – Group for grieving parents (English, Spanish, Creole)

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Bridges- Community Partners of South Florida

BRIDGES are neighborhood hubs located in 10 areas throughout Palm Beach County, each operated by a local nonprofit. Community Partners of South Florida operates five of the BRIDGES locations.

These neighborhood hubs act as local systems of care, connecting families to supports and resources. Each BRIDGES site is unique, but all work with families to increase the number of babies born healthy and children ready for school, while decreasing incidences of child abuse and neglect

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Meeting Chat Notes

CHAT from the March IAN Meeting

[Click here to get monthly meeting invites](#)

Community Activities/Events

Note: some items are time sensitive & may not be in chronological order- so scan all for timeliness

Continue to scroll to bottom to catch all of the updates.

Please reach out to the agencies themselves for any additional information-
as I am merely the messenger!

Signature
BARBER ACADEMY

HAIRCUTS FOR A CAUSE

MONDAY - MARCH 23
12PM-5PM

ANY AGE!
ANY GENDER!

SHORT TO
MEDIUM LENGTH
HAIR STYLES!

NO APPOINTMENT
NECESSARY!

**TREE OF LIFE
RESOURCE CENTER**

2701 Vista Parkway, A6, WPB, FL 33411



If you earned \$78,000 or less in 2025

You may be eligible for up to \$8,046 in Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

FILED FOR YOU

Tax preparation provided at several county-wide sites. No appointment needed.

FILED YOURSELF

MyFreeTaxes.com - It's simple, secure and support is available via a toll-free helpline or web chat.

All options are supported by IRS-certified Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers.



Scan the QR code for a list of site locations, or call 2-1-1.



Documents needed to get your Taxes Filed Free!

- 2024 tax return
- Social Security cards and correct birth dates for all family members
- All W-2 wage and tax statements for 2025
- Form 1098 - mortgage interest, property taxes
- Form 1099 DIV, G, INT, MISC, NEC, K, Q, R, RRB, SSA for 2025
- A photo ID (you and your spouse, if filing jointly)
- Joint returns require both filers to be present to sign the return
- Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit

** Even if you meet the income level, complex returns may be considered out of the guidelines for the VITA Program*

TaxesFiledFree.org

You may also need:

For Dependent Care Credit you need:

- Name, address, tax ID or social security number of care provider

For Education Credit you need:

- 1098-T or 1098-E
- Amount paid for qualifying education expenses

For Premium Tax Credit you need:

- 1095-A

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AT SELECT SITES



ENGLISH | SPANISH | CREOLE





The Palm Beach County Youth Services Department is pleased to announce that parent applications for the 2026 Summer Camp Scholarship Program will be accepted beginning February 9 through April 3, 2026. This vital initiative provides eligible children, ages 5 to 17, with full scholarships to attend participating day camps for the duration of the summer season.

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program is designed to foster both safety and growth, allowing parents to remain in the workforce with the assurance that their children are engaged in productive environments. Funded by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, these scholarships provide comprehensive coverage for all tuition and fees for children residing in families with an income at or below 185% of *the Federal Poverty Guidelines*.

The 2026 program is scheduled to run from June 1 through August 7, 2026. Participating families may choose from a wide selection of camps throughout Palm Beach County, including specialty programs, educational enrichment, traditional day camps, and dedicated special needs camps.

To ensure the application process is accessible to all residents, Youth Services will offer assistance by appointment only, Monday through Friday, through April 3, 2026. Additionally, the department will host 10 community outreach events to provide on-site support for families needing help with their applications.

The schedule for these outreach events is as follows:

Application assistance is available at the locations below

Lantana Rd Branch Library 4020 Lantana Rd Lake Worth Wednesday, February 18 12pm–5pm	Main Library 3650 Summit Blvd West Palm Beach Saturday, February 21 10am–2pm	Glades Rd Branch Library 20701 95th Ave S Boca Raton Monday, February 23 4pm–7pm	Belle Glade Branch Library 725 NW 4th St Belle Glade Thursday, February 26 2pm–5pm
Greenacres Branch Library 3750 Jog Rd Greenacres Saturday, February 28 10am–2pm	Canyon Branch Library 8915 Senator Joe Abruzzo Ave Boynton Beach Friday, March 6 2pm–5pm	Okeechobee Blvd Branch Library 5689 Okeechobee Blvd West Palm Beach Saturday, March 14 10am–2pm	Belle Glade Branch Library 725 NW 4th St Belle Glade Friday, March 20 2pm–5pm
Jupiter Branch Library 705 Military Trail Jupiter Saturday, March 21 10am–2pm	Main Library 3650 Summit Blvd West Palm Beach Monday, March 23 4pm–7pm	SCAN ME  Application Eligibility Calculator Summer Camp Map	 PBCYSD  PBCYSD 

To access the Summer Camp Scholarship parent application, please visit

https://discover.pbcgov.org/youthservices/Pages/Summer_Camp.aspx

For more information:

email YSD-SummerCamp@pbcgov.org or call 561-242-5713.

Mandel Library's: March Events

Intro to Business Boot Camps – Tools to Start Your Career as an Entrepreneur

Business Planning: Tuesday, March 10, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. [Intro to Business Boot Camp: Business Planning | Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach](#)

Intro to AI in Business: Tuesday, March 31, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. [Intro to Business Boot Camp: Intro to Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) in Business | Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach](#) (registration opens March 17th)

Money Basics: Tuesday, April 7, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. [Intro to Business Boot Camp: Money Basics | Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach](#) (registration not yet available)

[City Partners with United Way to Provide Free Tax Assistance City of West Palm Beach](#)

Taxes Filed Free – United Way VITA

Taxpayer's whose individual income was \$78,000 or less in 2025 can work with an IRS-certified volunteer for free, confidential, and secure preparation and e-filing of their taxes. [Mandel Library VITA Tax Prep 2026](#)

January 27 – April 15, 2026 (3rd floor)

- Tuesdays from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.

- Wednesdays from 2:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- Thursdays from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.
- Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. (except March 25 – 28 VITA will not be available due to the boat show)

To book an appointment for resume and job assistance, please visit our job help page:
<https://www.wpb.org/Departments/Mandel-Public-Library-of-West-Palm-Beach/Services/Job-Help-Resources>

Thank you again to all our community partners for all that you do!

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Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach
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wpbcitylibrary.org

New Ground: Transforming Faith-based Land into Affordable Housing

Learn more about YIGBY legislation (“Yes In God’s Backyard”) and discover how faith-based organizations can play a vital role in breaking the cycle of homelessness by developing affordable housing on their property.

19 MARCH 2026

09:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**ANDRE FLADELL CIVIC
CENTER**

16700 JOG ROAD DELRAY
BEACH, FLORIDA 33446



**SCAN
ME!**



Training Division



Homeless Intervention Training

This 40 hour training is to give Law Enforcement and Civilian personnel the tools to assist persons experiencing homelessness. The student will be instructed on the best practice and approach to persons who are experiencing Homelessness. The training begins with an overview of the effective homeless response system, then focuses on the core components of an effective problem-solving approach and defines problem-solving diversion. The training focuses on various diversion and problem-solving strategies, including data collection and analysis; integration with coordinated entry and effective practices. Each attendee will receive a PBSO certification of completion.

Location: THE HUB of Palm Beach County
1939 Broadway Ave Riviera Beach, FL

Class hours: 0800 - 1600 hrs (40 hours)

Date: March 23rd - 27th, 2026

Registration:
PBSO personnel, please contact your supervisor for approval and enrollment. Supervisors can enroll personnel utilizing the [Online scheduling system](#) located on the [PBSO training portal](#).

This class is open to Civilian Case Managers, Victim Advocates, Outreach, Fire Rescue and Law Enforcement Agencies.

Outside agencies, please contact PBSO at mirandak@pbso.org for registration.

Classroom Attire:
All students are reminded of the dress code policy: Casual business attire may be worn; No shorts, tank tops, jeans or spandex permitted.

**Class will be limited to 25 students
(This class is open to Law Enforcement and Civilian Employees)**

For Further information please contact D/S J Mackey Mackeyj@pbso.org

homelesshelp@pbso.org

PBSO will be hosting another Homeless Intervention Class from March 23rd through March 27th. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to commit to participating in the full five days of training.

Please note that there are only 25 seats available, and due to the popularity of this class, it fills quickly.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact D/S Mackey at Mackeyj@pbso.org

[Down Load PDF](#)



FREE 17th All People's Day Diversity Festival

You are cordially invited to the FREE 17th All People's Day Diversity Festival on Sat. March 28, 2026 from 11 AM to 3 PM at 1101 NW 2nd St. & NW 10th Ave. indoors at Pompey Park. in Delray Beach, FL 33444.

For kids Ages 4 to 12: Our Craft Dough People Workshop, also free, is from 9:30 to 11 AM ending just before the main events start. See flyer attached and ask a kid to participate.

If you want to volunteer, have a booth, or become a sponsor, email or call me as below.

More info about the 14 performers, 50 booths, and free food from restaurants at the festival will be in my next few emails. The excitement is starting to build !

CALL (561) 495-9818 EMAIL susan@allpeoplesday.org



FLORIDA RURAL
LEGAL SERVICES
Non-Profit Law Firm



PALM BEACH COUNTY FREE EVENT

Are You Being Sued for Debt? Your Defense Playbook



Monday, March 30, 2026 | 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Doors Open at 5:30 p.m.



Manifest Church (In-Person)

2275 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd.

West Palm Beach, FL 33409

South Entrance

**Learn how to respond when
you're facing:**

- ✓ Credit Card Collections
- ✓ Wage Garnishment
- ✓ Other Common

Legal Hurdles



**SCAN THIS QR
CODE TO REGISTER
FOR THIS EVENT**



FRLS.org | 1-888-582-3410



**EASTER
EGGSTRAVAGANZA
SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
KELSEY PARK
601 US HIGHWAY 1
LAKE PARK, FL 33403**

**EGGHUNTS FOR CHILDREN 3-10 YEARS OLD
FREE PHOTOS WITH THE EASTER BUNNY
MUSIC, GAMES, FACE PAINTING, RAFFLE PRIZES
ADMISSION AND PARKING ARE FREE**

**FOR SPONSORSHIP, VENDOR & VOLUNTEER
INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE SPECIAL
EVENTS DEPARTMENT AT 561-840-0160 OR EMAIL
SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV**



ART & AUTISM EXPO 2026

Florida Atlantic CARD & the City of Boynton Beach will be hosting an Art & Autism Expo in April 2026 to celebrate Autism Acceptance Month.

 **PERFORMANCE ART**

 **FIBER ART**

 **SCULPTURES**

 **TRADITIONAL & MODERN ART**

 **MUSIC**

 **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Save The Date Gallery Opening Reception

When: April 6, 2026 from 5- 7 p.m.

Where: The City of Boynton Beach's Arts & Cultural Center
125 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach Fl 33435

Call for artists! If you'd like to participate as an artist, please register at this link by March 1st: <https://forms.gle/KPshisoTBJ3sphCr5>



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
Center for Autism and
Related Disabilities



Hosted by:

NORTON
MUSEUM
OF ART



Elaine
Flasterstein



People of Purpose Inc.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

GRAND OPENING

SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 30TH, 2026

Holistic Re-Entry Program

1079 Main Street Belle Glade FL, 33430

Join us as we open the doors to a new space dedicated
to purpose, healing, and successful reentry.

Please RSVP

William Freeman - 561 530-9169



Back To School PBC! Registration Open!

Please help spread the word to children and families in your communities by sharing this information and posting it on your website and social media platforms. This will ensure families know how and where to register for free school supplies, backpacks, and other community resources.

Registration through our office for free participation requires students to reside in one of our designated Countywide Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) areas or in any mobile home park in unincorporated Palm Beach County.

[Click here for details](#)



Gain Skills to Effectively Engage Patients

Meet Training Requirements and Advance Your Career

Our program provides all the required education hours and content areas—30 contact hours in total—to satisfy the training requirements for Community Health Worker (CHW) certification. Get certified and take the next step in your professional journey.

Course Offerings Include:

- Advocacy: Supporting Clients through Challenges
- Building Trust & Connecting Clients to Resources
- Empowering Clients through Education & Support
- Foundations of Health: Chronic Conditions, Medication Management, Neurocognitive Health, & Palliative Care
- Motivational Interviewing
- Older Adult Support: Rights, Health & Resources
- U.S. Healthcare coverage & CHW Scope of Service
- Privacy, Safety & Resilience for Community Health Workers
- Social Determinants of Health, ACE's & Community Well-Being

TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!!!!

Total Cost: \$1199. per student

(includes classes, course materials and simulation session)

Licensed by the Commission for Independent Education,
Florida Department of Education
Certified by the Florida Certification Board,
Education Provider Number: 5284-A

To apply, contact Karen Harwood
School Director

561-433-3955 (Ext. 104)
karenh@pbcms.org

**2026
WINTER SESSION
ENROLLMENT OPEN**

YouCanStopHT.com

ANYONE

COULD BE A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Human Trafficking knows no bounds. This modern-day form of slavery claims victims of all ages, sex, ethnicities, and demographics. You can save a life by knowing the signs and reporting the crime.

KNOW THE SIGNS

PHYSICAL

- Branding-scars, burns, or tattoos
- Malnourished
- Serious dental issues
- Disoriented or confused
- Drug addiction
- Infections
- Sleep deprivation

VERBAL

- Responds as if coached
- Allows someone else to speak for them
- Fearful, anxious, or paranoid
- Reluctant to discuss their injuries

AT SCHOOL

- Unexplained absences
- Sudden change in usual attire, behavior, or relationships
- Chronically runs away
- Sudden increase in material possessions

REPORT THE CRIME

To Report Suspected Human Trafficking to Law Enforcement in FL

CALL 1-855-FLA-SAFE

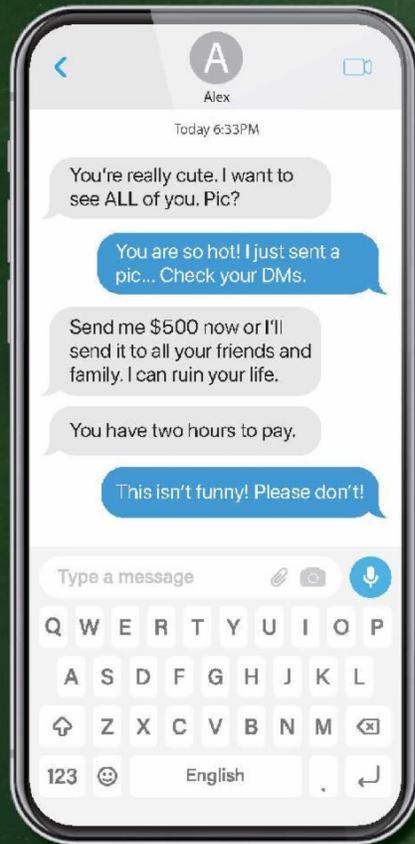


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ATTORNEY GENERAL
JAMES UTHMEIER
Safe, Strong, and Free



SEXTORTION

DON'T BECOME A VICTIM



SEXTORTION is a type of blackmail used to acquire sexual content from a child, coerce them into sexual activity or obtain money.

- Remember, the blackmailer is to blame.
- Show a parent or a trusted adult right away.
- Do not pay money or comply with the blackmailer's requests.
- Report the account through the platform's safety feature.
- Block the suspect, but **DO NOT DELETE** the messages or your profile.
- Report the crime to law enforcement or at Report.CyberTip.org.



The South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force is proudly hosted by the Broward Sheriff's Office.



GET THE FACTS AT



#STOPSEXTORTION



Calling all Agencies!

We need your help to be the best we can be!

Please check to see if you have completed an update with 211.
Any additional changes throughout the year, let us know.
You can also contact Jennifer Harris to verify.

Tel: 561-231-7220 ext. 1510

Email: jennifer.harris@211pbtc.org

or visit <https://211palmbeach.org/partners>

Simple Ideas & Mindfulness

Make Time For Self-Care

- Learn something new
- Laugh often- watch comedies
- Find a way to "connect" each day
- Turn off the news!
- Make sure information you find is from a reliable source
- Learn how to boost your immune system.
- Get enough quality sleep and rest
- Take the time to exercise
- Don't deprive yourself of a little comfort food- but lean towards fresh fruits & vegetables



A nice cup of hot tea & a good read...can be enhanced by nature. Patio, porch or park- nature can uplift your spirits while providing a sense of grounding.

Other Resources

- Simply breath! Breath work can reduce anxiety while enhancing the health of your lungs.



Get "grounded" in nature. Whether in meditation or for exercise- this may lift your mood and help you to sleep better.

[Building Resiliency- click here](#)

Also let someone you trust know how they can best support you...

[Vibrant Emotional Health-Safe Space](#)-for available coping tools & strategies

"We are in this together!"



See you at the next meeting!