



Monday Morning Update February 4, 2019

News

File your taxes for free with the VITA program, sites now open!

Was your 2018 household income \$66,000 or less? You can receive free tax preparation assistance at one of the several VITA locations throughout the county! The VITA Program gives you three choices to electronically file your tax return. All options are confidential, safe and free. All filing options are supported by IRS-certified Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers. [Click here](#) to learn more and for site locations.

Gift to TMW Center for Early Learning + Public Health will boost efforts to improve outcomes in children

The Ballmer Group, the philanthropic organization founded by Connie and Steve Ballmer, is giving \$4.2 million to University of Chicago's TMW Center for Early Learning + Public Health to fund its work that develops a model for a community-wide approach to promote cognitive and language development in young children. The initial phase of the work will be to partner with Palm Beach County, Fla., as the site for the first community-wide rollout of TMW programs. Working alongside Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, the TMW Center will embed its suite of evidence-based interventions within the community's already existing health, education and social service systems. [Read more.](#)

2019 William A. Cruickshank Scholarship Program

The Palm Beach County League of Cities is pleased to announce the 2019 William A. Cruickshank Scholarship program to promote and provide financial assistance to those pursuing areas of study that benefit municipal government professionalism. The scholarship program provides up to \$1,000 in individual scholarships for expenses associated with academic endeavors to qualified high school seniors and municipal employees. [Click here](#) to learn more and apply online. Deadline to apply is **Feb. 22**.

Council Update: Nearly 97% of funded programs meet performance assessment

At its monthly meeting, Children's Services Council staff updated the board on the most recent Comprehensive Program Performance Assessment (CPPA), for year-end 2017-2018, in which programs were monitored on data quality and program implementation, operations and outcomes. Of the 61 programs reviewed, 41 were scored using the standard CPPA assessment and 20 were given the short form, which

Nominations for Heroes in Medicine Awards

Palm Beach County Medical Society Services is proud to host its 16th Annual Heroes in Medicine Awards luncheon at the Kravis Center on **Friday, May 17, 2019**. These prestigious awards honor people throughout Palm Beach County who use their skills and resources to provide outstanding services. Award categories include community organizations working in health care, heroes working in outreach, wellness and prevention; health care educators and high school

Palm Tran launches Go Glades transit service

Get around the Glades easily and affordably! Palm Tran launches Go Glades transit service, which is exclusively for Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay. Go Glades brings four new routes to the Glades region serving more than 70 stops. Get picked up or dropped off at a bus stop or call two hours before the time you want to be picked up at an off-route location. [Click here](#) to learn more.

reviews whether programs are meeting deliverables. To learn more, [click here](#).

student heroes. To be considered for an award, nominations must be received by **Friday, Feb. 15, 2019 at noon**. [Click here](#) to learn more and to nominate your Hero in Medicine.

Farm Share free food distribution Saturday, Feb. 9

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Palm Beach Habilitation Center
4522 South Congress Ave.,
Palm Springs

Farm Share's mission is to alleviate hunger and malnutrition by recovering and distributing fresh and nutritious food to those who need it most. Join them this

Saturday for a free food distribution event. Free food will be provided to any person in need on a first come, first serve basis. For more information or to volunteer, please call 561.357.4824.

Scholar Career Coaching Scholarship application is now available

Scholar Career Coaching Scholarship Application is Now Available Under Scholar Career Coaching Scholarship Program, nonrenewable scholarships will be awarded to local high school graduating seniors. Students must provide their college or university acceptance letter, and the scholarship check will be made payable to their selected institution. [Click here](#) for more information about the requirements and to download the application. Deadline to apply is **May 3, 2019**.

Call for presenters for the 2019 Youth Summit

Apply today to become one of the dynamic presenters at the 2019 Youth Summit on April 6, 2019, at Palm Beach Lakes High School. The length of the presentation is 50 minutes. If selected, you must be available to provide your presentation twice, in the morning and in the afternoon. [Click here](#) to view the application. Submit completed applications to bahiam@pbso.org by Feb. 28.

Apply today for the Summer Camp Scholarship Program

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program provides full-tuition and fees for summer camp for children residing in families with income at or below 150% of Federal Poverty Guidelines. It allows parents to work with the knowledge that their children are safe. It gives children educational and recreational opportunities for growth. Parents may choose from participating camps in Palm Beach County. [Click here](#) for eligibility and to apply.

CSC conducting Healthy Beginnings Family Support Study

Parents who receive home-visiting services funded by Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County are invited to participate in an important study about families. The study, conducted by RTI International, began in November 2018. It includes an in-person parent interview and a child assessment to help learn about the needs of families in Palm Beach County, the kinds of services they receive and the different ways these services help families. [Click here](#) to learn more. A \$50 gift card will be offered to each family who participates.



New video: Expert advice for a tired parent

Exhausted? Grab some sleep whenever you can! More expert advice on how to handle exhaustion in [this video](#). For more information, local tips and trusted advice, create a family profile on EveryParentPBC.org.

Events

Super Saturday Story Time BRIDGES at Pahokee

Saturday, Feb. 2

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Loula V. York Library

525 Bacom Point Rd, Pahokee

Young children and their parents are invited to the Loula V. York Library for stories and creative activities! Saturday's theme is "Inspire Your Heart with Art!" For children ages 2-7. (45 Min.) Preregister at 561.924.5928. [Click here](#) to view the calendars for all ten BRIDGES sites.

Palm Beach County Library System celebrates Black History Month

Celebrate Black History Month with Palm Beach County Library System (PBCLS). Sponsored by Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, in branches throughout the entire county, PBCLS will be offering events that honor the heritage, contributions and achievements of the African American community. Enjoy book discussions, musical performances, films, African American genealogical research, and much more. With over 20 events being offered, there will be something for all ages and interests. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Family event: Magic Wheels and Special Deals

Friday, Feb. 8

6 - 7:30 p.m.

Barrier Free Park,

3111 S. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach

Join the City of Boynton Beach for a free event for families! FREE face painting, children's crafts, magic wheelchair, food available from Foodies4Autism, vendors who support inclusion, ASL Interpreter and much more. [Click here](#) for more information.

Save the date: 2019 Birth to 22 Business Breakfast

Friday, April 12

7:30 a.m. networking

8 a.m. Start

West Palm Beach Marriott

1001 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach

Mark your calendar for the 2019 Birth to 22 Business Breakfast to learn what's

Book Signing Luncheon: "A Dedicated Life" by David Lawrence, Jr.

Wednesday, March 27

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Children's Services Council of Palm

Beach County Barrie A/B Room

2300 High Ridge Rd.,
Boynton Beach

You're invited to this free event to include an autographed book and lunch to join

Sugar Sand Park Community Center's programs for special needs

Winter/Spring 2019

Sugar Sand Park Community Center

300 S Military Trail

Boca Raton

Sugar Sand Park Community Center offers a variety of classes and activities for special needs children and their families like play groups, parent lectures,

happening in Palm Beach County to shape the future for all our children. Don't miss this opportunity to hear about the progress - and the opportunities and challenges ahead. Registration, agenda, sponsorship opportunities and more information to come. [Click here](#) for the Save the Date and [click here](#) for more information about Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures.

Vision Zero Community Safety Fair
Saturday, Feb. 9
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Flagler Drive/Clematis Street at the West Palm Beach Waterfront

Vision Zero is an internationally renowned road safety project whose mission is to create a road system that will eliminate fatalities and serious injuries. Stop by the Safety Fair this Saturday for free bike helmets and fittings (while supplies last), children's bike rodeo, roll-over vehicle demonstrations and more. [Click here](#) for more information.

Second Annual Literacy Luncheon
Friday, Feb. 8
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Palm Beach Outlets
1751 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach

The Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group invites you to the Second Annual Literacy Luncheon. This year's theme is "Love of Literacy." Guest speaker is Laura Boldin-Fournier, Florida author and former elementary school teacher and a librarian who writes stories for all ages. [Click here](#) for more information.

United for Community Change Nonprofit Panel Discussion
Wednesday, Feb. 13
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Urban Youth Impact
2823 N. Australian Ave., West Palm Beach

Interested in learning how your donation makes a direct impact on the lives of individuals and families in our community every day? Join United Way of Palm Beach County and the executive directors of four United Way partner agencies for an interactive and informative discussion. Enjoy lunch and learn about the variety of services and programs funded by United Way. [Click here](#) to register.

Castle Wealth Management in supporting the children in our community. A luncheon and book signing event with David Lawrence, Jr., author and chair of the Children's Movement of Florida, will be hosted by Castle Wealth Management. [Click here](#) for more information or to RSVP.

Prime Time's Afterschool Symposium 2019
May 16 - 17
7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
West Palm Beach Marriot
1001 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach

The Afterschool Symposium 2019, themed "Spark the Mind that Changes the World," will be two days of networking and learning while celebrating the accomplishments and strides made to create quality afterschool programs that provide opportunity, education, positive relationships and fun to the children and youth who attend. Event and presenter opportunities are now available. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Writers LIVE! Returns to the Palm Beach County Library System

Through April, 2019

Writers LIVE!, the Library's flagship author event series, returns for another season of bringing the community together with authors and their books. From January to April, a line-up of best-selling, critically acclaimed, award-winning authors from a variety of genres, will discuss their work, chat with you, and sign books. The Library has strived to make this a memorable year by providing something for nearly every reader in our area. [Click here](#) for the event lineup and to register.

Sunday sensory-friendly movies, events at the Children's Science Explorium and more. [Click here](#) to view the Winter/Spring 2019 flyer.

My Brother's Keeper Race to Equity Summit
Feb. 20 - 21
Palm Beach County Convention Center
650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach

The My Brother's Keeper Network is a coalition of public and private entities that work together to improve life outcomes for boys and young men of color through internal agency policy review, education and employment opportunities. In partnership with Birth to 22 United for Brighter Futures, the Race to Equity Summit will convene for in-depth days of learning, inquiry and problem-solving about how best as community we can face, embrace and lead with racial equity. [Click here](#) to learn more and [click here](#) to register.

South Florida Water Safety Symposium
Thursday, Feb. 28
Sunrise Civic Center
10610 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise

The South Florida Water Safety Symposium is a multi-county educational opportunity designed for any professional who many come in contact with a child. This conference is designed for professionals in the following tracks; healthcare, childcare, aquatics, fire department, police department, realtors, inspectors, pool industry, family strengthening providers, child protective investigators, and/or local government officials. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Save the date: PBC Youth Summit 2019
Saturday, April 6
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Palm Beach Lakes High School
3505 Shiloh Dr., West Palm Beach

Join local youth for a day of fun and connecting to local resources at the PBC Youth Summit 2019. Parents can attend the Parenting Workshops to learn how to talk with your teens about various topics. Morning snack and lunch will be provided. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Trainings

Free educational classes with Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies
Throughout February

Join Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies for free education programs for pregnant

Presentation on "Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence"
Weds., Feb. 6
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Highridge Family Center

Nonprofit Strategic Planning Workshop
Tuesday, Feb. 5
7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
Vegso Community Resource Center
261 NW 13th St.,

women and new parents like Small Steps for Success, Circle of Moms emotional support group and childbirth classes. Programs are free, but registration is required, as space is limited. For more information or to register, [click here](#) or call 561.623.2800.

Star Achievement Series

March 14, April 4, May 9
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
2300 High Ridge Rd.,
Boynton Beach

This four-day Star Achievement series is an elite training program for administrative, executive assistants and operational support staff. Designed by Joan Burge, founder and CEO of Office Dynamics, the Star Achievement training incorporates innovative methods of teaching such as interactive role playing, presentations, self-reflection exercises, team competitions, case studies, brainstorming, modeling, and more. [Click here](#) to register.

Fearless Caregiver Conference

Wednesday, Feb. 27
10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Carolyn Sims Center
225 NW 12th Ave.,
Boynton Beach

Register for Today's Caregiver magazine's 24th annual Fearless Caregiver Workshops, a training that educates family members on how to become fearless in their caregiving efforts! This daylong workshop will focus on how caregivers can find partners with community and private resources for loved ones with Alzheimer's, developmental disabilities, diabetes, cancer and Parkinson's. Lunch will be included. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Promoting Emotional Regulation in Children: Applied and Evidence-based Practices

Wednesday, Feb. 13
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Highridge Family Center
4200 N. Australian Ave.,
West Palm Beach

The Palm Beach County Youth Services Department will host the training "Promoting Emotional Regulation in Children: Applied and Evidence-based Practices." Advance submission of registration form is required to guarantee your seat is reserved. [Click here](#) to complete the registration no later than Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 3 p.m.

4200 N. Australian Avenue
West Palm Beach

The Palm Beach County Youth Services Department is now accepting RSVPs for the presentation "Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence" presented by Danniella Jones, Psy.D., of the Youth Services Department's Education and Training Center. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Training on Cultural Humility, Solidarity and Responsiveness

Feb. 22, April 24 and May 1
Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
2300 High Ridge Rd.,
Boynton Beach

Cultural humility was formed in the physical healthcare field and adapted for therapists and social workers to increase the quality of their interactions with clients and community members. Cultural humility is different from other culturally-based training ideals because it focuses on self-humility rather than achieving a state of knowledge or awareness. [Click here](#) to learn more and for training registration.

Navigating the Foundation Directory Online Workshop

Weds., Feb. 6
10-11 a.m.
Vegso Community Resource Center
261 NW 13th St.,
Boca Raton

Learn how the Foundation Directory Online (FDO) can help your nonprofit organization identify potential funders during this free workshop. Taught by a professional grantwriter, this workshop will help you research grants and other information in the FDO. [Click here](#) to register for this free workshop, and [learn more](#) about nonprofit support programs.

Upcoming Touchpoints trainings for 2019

Feb. 7,
March 29
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
2300 High Ridge Rd.
Boynton Beach

Through observation of videotapes, group discussion, and role-plays, participants will deepen their knowledge and skill in the Touchpoints Approach. By focusing on the parent-child relationship, providers will notice the parallel between themselves and the families they serve and the significance of giving up their agenda in the service of the relationship. Participants are encouraged to present case examples for group discussion on applying the Touchpoints principles and

Boca Raton

The Junior League of Palm Beach County's Leadership Series is a breakfast program focused on those who lead nonprofit organizations. Nonprofit board members, management, staff, and supporters are all encouraged to attend. This workshop will be presented by Dr. Christopher Noe and will focus on strategic planning for the long-term. [Click here](#) to register for this free workshop, and [learn more](#) about nonprofit support programs.

Open House with ACE Mentor Program

Bi-weekly sessions,
Through May 2019

ACE is an after school program that introduces high school students to careers in architecture, construction management, engineering and other disciplines. Learn more about the ACES Mentor Program at an Open House on Thursday, Jan. 17, 5 p.m. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Loving with the Brain in Mind: A Relational-Neurobiological Approach to Couple Therapy

Feb. 11 - 12
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
FAU Boca Raton Campus
Student Union Majestic Palm Room
777 Glades Rd.,
Boca Raton

Distressed couples often get caught up in mutual blame and cycles of emotional reactivity. This workshop explores the psychodynamic, interpersonal, intergenerational, cultural and neurobiological processes that shape these cycles. Based on the latest studies from neuroscience as well as relationship research, Dr. Fishbane presents an integrative approach that empowers couples to transform their interpersonal dynamics. [Click here](#) for more information.

Next Step Program

Fridays through Mar. 29
11:30 a.m - 2 p.m.
Palm Beach State College
Lake Worth Campus, CBP 307
4200 S Congress Ave, Lake Worth

The Dress for Success Next Step Program is now accepting applications for women 18-25 who would like to build their confidence and acquire relevant career readiness skills. This free 10-week program begins Friday, January 18th. Limited space available! [Click here](#) to learn more and to apply.

assumptions to specific cases. [Click here](#) to register for these upcoming trainings.

Using Play Therapy Skills for Consultation within School Settings

Friday, Feb. 22
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Quantum Foundation
2701 N. Australian Ave.,
West Palm Beach

This training is recommended for anyone working within a school or childcare settings. Participants will learn about the ACT Model: Acknowledge the Feeling, Communicate the Limit, and Target an Alternative Behavior; Child-Parent Relationship (CPR), and will be able to demonstrate Play Therapy skills with teachers and within the classroom setting. Earn 4 CEU's and contact APT's. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy with Dr. Debbie Joffe Ellis

Monday, March 18
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
2300 High Ridge Road
Boynton Beach

For years Dr. Joffe Ellis worked with her husband, the brilliant and renowned pioneer of modern cognitive therapies: Dr Albert Ellis, giving public presentations and professional trainings in his approach of Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy (REBT), as well as collaborating with him on writing and research projects until his death in 2007. Earn 6 CEU's. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Case Conceptualization and Treatment Planning

Tuesday, April 2
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
2300 High Ridge Rd.,
Boynton Beach

This workshop describes a step-by-step strategy and process for developing a concise, accurate, and compelling case conceptualization and treatment plans based on the client's basic pattern of movement. Earn 6 CEU's. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Caregiving Youth Institute Conference

Thursday, April 4
8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Safe Schools Institute
1790 Spanish River Blvd.,
Boca Raton

Connect with the world's leading experts on caregiving youth. This one-day event will shed invaluable insight into caregiving youth issues, opportunities, current case studies, best practices, and solutions. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Parenting Safe Children training

Saturday, Feb. 23
9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Church Of The Palms UCC
960 North Swinton Ave., Delray Beach

Sunflower Creative Arts presents Parenting Safe Children, a workshop that empowers parents and professionals to raise kids and build communities that are off limits to child sexual abuse. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Additional Resources

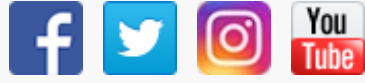
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