



November 24, 2021



Happy Thanksgiving!

Happy Thanksgiving! As we come together with our families, let's take time to give thanks for all that we have, including our health, our homes, and the wonderful food we enjoy. It's never been clearer, after the past couple of years, how precious each moment with our families is.

Let us also remember those who are no longer with us and those not as fortunate who could use our help. In this email, you'll find some charitable efforts if you are in a position to give, as well as assistance efforts offered by Palm Beach County.



United Way Donation Opportunities

WPTV Bill Brooks' Food for Families Bill Brooks' Food For Families is a food drive and fundraiser organized by WPTV aimed at helping our neighbors in need for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Bill Brooks' Food For Families is named in honor of former WPTV Vice President and General Manager, Bill Brooks. Brooks was GM at WPTV from 1981-1998. He died after a battle with cancer.

Channel 12 Project Thanksgiving The United Way, CBS 12 News, and the Palm Beach County Food Bank have partnered to raise money and food supplies to provide to those in need with a hearty, holiday meal.

Did you know?

- It only takes \$20 to feed a family of 4.
- Over 181,000 residents don't know where their next meal will come from.
- 52,000 of those individuals are children.

CROS Ministries Volunteer Opportunity

CROS Ministries is looking for volunteers during the holidays to help with pantry bag packing and sorting food donations. This is a great opportunity for students to earn community services hours. Click [here](#) to sign-up.

Palm Beach County Elections Office Collecting Nonperishable Food Items for Thanksgiving

The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office has partnered with Club 100 Charities' Food Pantry to help local families in need this Thanksgiving. All four Elections Office locations will be accepting nonperishable food items during regular business hours through 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24, 2021.

NONPERISHABLE COLLECTION TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Weekdays, from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Thru 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24, 2021

MAIN OFFICE

240 South Military Trl.,
West Palm Beach, FL 3341

NORTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE

Northeast County Courthouse
3188 P.G.A. Blvd., Rm. #2401
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

SOUTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE

Southeast P.B.C. Administrative Complex
345 South Congress Ave., Rm. #103
Delray Beach, FL 33445

WEST COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE

West County Office Building
2976 State Rd. #15, Second Floor
Belle Glade, FL 33430

Holiday Toy and Food Donations in the Glades

As the holidays approach, donations for both toys and food are being received at Lake Village at the Glades in Pahokee and the Belle Glade Transitional Shelter. Please consider helping these families have a wonderful holiday season. Here is the donated item wish list:

New or gently used

- Pots
- Pans
- Plates
- Utensils

Food Items

- Can goods
- Vegetables
- Canned meats
- Beans

- Rice

Toys 0-5 yrs. old

- Developmental toys
- Building blocks
- Rattles
- Puzzles

Toys 5-12

- Board games
- Cards
- Monopoly
- Operation
- Action figures
- Playhouses
- Barbie dolls
- Play dough
- Remote control cars

Kids 13-17

- Clothes (graphic Tee shirts S, M L and XL) boys and girls
- Shirts (S, M, L , XL and XXL)
- Socks
- Underwear-(S, M, L , XL and XXL)
- Gift cards
- Shoes body wash
- Axe cologne
- Coloring books
- Baseball caps
- Handbags

For more information, contact Yvette Branch at 561-996-4845 or YBranch@lewiscenterpbc.org.

Grocery Card Program

The Palm Beach County Community Services Department (CSD) has launched a new Grocery Card Program for eligible Palm Beach County residents. The department is issuing \$400 pre-loaded grocery cards to be used for food purchases within the county. The program will end when the funding source has been depleted.

To qualify, at least one or more individuals within a household must meet the following criteria:

- Qualifies for unemployment or experienced a reduction of household income, or incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardships due to COVID-19; and,
- Has not received a food card in the past from Palm Beach County Community Services Department; and,

- Has a household income at or below 200% Federal Poverty Guideline (FPG).

All participants must be able to provide documentation to prove they were impacted financially by the COVID-19 crisis. Applications must be submitted online; this program is a limited-time offer and is subject to funding availability.

For a full list of eligibility requirements and to apply, visit www.FoodAssistancePBC.org.

For additional information, please contact the CSD's Contact Center at 561-355-4700.

Emergency Rental Assistance and Utility Assistance

Palm Beach County's Department of Housing and Economic Development is accepting applications for rental and utility assistance. To apply, visit www.rentalassistancepbc.org.

Code Enforcement Lien Forgiveness Program

As a reminder, the Board of County Commissioners has approved a Code Enforcement Lien Amnesty program that will provide Palm Beach County property owners/lienholders with a method to clear Code Enforcement liens.

Many property owners have faced economic difficulties due to COVID-19 and this program will assist so they can obtain clear title and allow them to refinance or sell properties. The County has over 1,000 outstanding Code Enforcement liens on residential and non-residential properties. This program will enable property owners/lienholders to apply to have 100% of the outstanding lien balance forgiven and the lien released. The program will run from October 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021. In order for a property owner/lienholder to participate in the program, the property must be in compliance with all county codes, file an application before November 30, 2021, and pay a \$250 nonrefundable application fee.

To apply for this program, visit [here](#). For more information, please contact Marie Jasmine at the Office of Financial Management and Budget at 561-355-4010.

In Closing

To find vaccine sites near you, click here: [Interactive Vaccine Locator](#)

[Health Care District Weekly Vaccination Schedule](#)

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