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# Palm Beach County Day

⚓ January 13-14, 2026 ⚓

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Commissioner Gregg K. Weiss and Commissioner Maria Sachs

# Schedule of Events

## Tuesday, January 13, 2026

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.



**Registration**  
Aloft Hotel

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.



**Hospitality Suite**  
w xyz Lounge at the Aloft Hotel

## Wednesday, January 14, 2026

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.



**Breakfast**  
AC Marriott, Aloft or DoubleTree Hotels

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.



**Registration**  
2nd Floor of the Capitol Rotunda

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



**Exhibits**  
2nd Floor of the Capitol Rotunda

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



**Lido Deck Lounge**  
3rd Floor of the Capitol Rotunda

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



**Speaker's Forum**  
Senate Portico

Noon - 1:30 p.m.



**Legislative Appreciation Luncheon**  
22nd Floor of the Capitol

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



**Capitol Reception**  
South Plaza

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.



**Hospitality Suite**  
Charlie Park at the AC Marriott Hotel



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# “Charting Our Course”

## WELCOME TO PBC DAY 2026

This year, we invite you to set your sights on Charting Our Course, a theme that reflects our shared commitment to navigating challenges, embracing change, and steering Palm Beach County toward a brighter future. As we gather in the spirit of civic pride and collaboration, PBC Day 2026 becomes more than just an event; it's a compass guiding our journey to connect with leaders, elevate community voices, and propel impactful policy forward.

To stay up to date with the latest information and navigate PBC Day with ease, be sure to **download the Whova event app**, your compass for schedules, speaker information, and networking connections. Whether you're charting out your day or making waves with fellow attendees, the app keeps you on course. Plus, **scan the QR code below** to log your voyage with photo recognition and capture unforgettable moments as we set sail together in Tallahassee.

Let's navigate the tides of change; **together, we sail forward.**



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# JOINT LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

**Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners  
Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.  
Palm Beach County School Board**



## WORKFORCE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- Support Governor's recommendation that the Sadowski State and Local Government Housing Trust Funds are fully funded and appropriated only for affordable and workforce housing projects.
- Fund Hometown Heroes Program from General Revenues.
- Encourage State recognition for local governments who have implemented a dedicated funding source for housing by providing additional housing credits or budget proviso language to provide direct funding to leverage locally raised funds.

## WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES

- Support funding for the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative and the Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative.
- Support legislation that enhances the development of alternative water supply sources and full funding of the Department of Environmental Protection's Beach and Inlet Management Projects at \$30.7 million.
- Support funding to assist residents moving from septic tanks to sewer systems and legislation that promotes the development and expanded use of reclaimed water.
- Support appropriations for the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program to fund both large and small projects that enhance parks and recreational facilities, as well as funding for PFAS monitoring and clean-up with enforceable remediation standards for drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems across Palm Beach County.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- The state's economic development toolkit should be funded in a manner that supports continued economic growth, availability of workforce housing, and financial stability for regional businesses. This would include full funding of the Job Growth Grant Fund and the permanent extension and redesignation of Opportunity Zones.
- Continued support for Visit Florida and the Florida Sports Foundation to continue marketing Palm Beach County as an attractive destination. Because the arts mean business in Palm Beach County, we additionally support the restoration of full funding for the statewide Division of Arts & Culture Grants.

## TRANSPORTATION/GLADES REGIONAL INITIATIVES

- To provide economic growth, resiliency, and stimulus to the Glades region surrounding Lake Okeechobee, support full funding for the complete reconstruction of CR 880 as a Farm-to-Market roadway, through the County Incentive Grant Program, and support affordable housing, stormwater and water infrastructure improvements, agricultural community development, and workforce and career training initiatives.
- Support key funding for FDOT as well as broadband expansion access and availability.
- Support only authorized use of state transportation funds dedicated to specific transportation and infrastructure purposes.
- Support continued funding for Tri-Rail operations through the Florida Rail Enterprise Program and inclusion in FDOT's Five-Year Work Program.
- Support and encourage all modes of transportation and transit.



## PUBLIC SAFETY

- Support immediate blood test screening for officers significantly exposed to bodily fluids.
- Support legislation that strengthens services for survivors of sexual assault.
- Support legislation that strengthens the Florida Building Code and Fire Prevention Code in mobile and manufactured home communities.
- Support restoring local government authority to license occupations to enhance public safety.
- Support funding for juvenile diversion, re-entry programs, detention alternatives, and upgrades to the Juvenile Justice Center.
- Support extended foster care eligibility for youth aging out while in DJJ programs.
- Support expanded resources for treatment-based drug courts and stronger youth driver safety laws.

## HEALTHCARE

- Support recommendations of the State Attorney's Addiction Recovery Task Force.
- Support life-saving interventions, including medically assisted detox and full-spectrum addiction treatment.
- Expand treatment beds, prioritizing youth services and expectant mothers to reduce complications and birth defects.
- Strengthen diversion programs to move individuals with addiction away from the criminal justice system and into recovery.
- Ensure affordable, accessible substance use disorder care across the entire continuum of services.
- Support hunger-relief efforts through coordinated work with the PBC Hunger Relief Plan, food banks, nonprofits, and local farmers.

## PRE-K-12 EDUCATION

- Support full funding for state mandated school security requirements.
- Support full-day, high quality Voluntary Pre-K program for all and the expansion of school district programs that are dedicated to developing future teachers and employees in collaboration with local universities, colleges, and technical centers.
- Provide an increase in Base Student Allocation (BSA) commensurate with unprecedented inflation and cost of living increases to meet the rising costs of operations.
- Support appropriation requests for West Tech's Growing the Workforce in the Glades program and for Roosevelt Elementary School Program Enhancements.

## HIGHER EDUCATION

- Support Palm Beach State College's renovation of the Boca Raton Campus Administration Building into a modern One-Stop Student Services Center.
- Support PBSC's Transportation Technology Expansion Project to train future automotive and alternative-fuel technicians.
- Support PBSC's expansion of Construction Technology Services programs to prepare students for high-demand skilled-trade careers.
- Support Florida Atlantic University's construction of a 150,000-sq-ft Multi-disciplinary Health Professions Clinical Training and Research Facility to expand clinical, educational, and simulation space.
- Advance FAU's strategic plan and funding requests to grow enrollment, recruit top faculty, and expand health programs and research capacity.
- Support continued funding for the FAU Lab Schools Center for Educational Strategy and Innovation to scale innovative educational practices statewide.

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*\*The legislative priorities contained herein are a compilation of various priorities from each of the partnering organizations.*

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**Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners  
Economic Council of Palm Beach County**



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# HOSPITALITY SUITES

**Tuesday, January 13**

**8:00–10:00 p.m.**

**w xyz Lounge at the Aloft Hotel**



Shuttles are available to and from the Aloft, DoubleTree and AC Marriott Hotels.

**Wednesday, January 14**

**8:00–10:00 p.m.**

**8th Floor Rooftop at Charlie Park at the AC Marriott Hotel  
801 S. Gadsden Street**



Due to state law legislators must purchase a ticket to this event.

## LIDO DECK LOUNGE

**Heated Back Chair Massagers**

**Charging Stations to Repower**

**Wednesday, January 14**

**8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Located on the 3rd Floor of the Capitol Rotunda**

**Healthy Snacks & Water to Refuel**





Wednesday, January 14, 2026

# CAPITOL RECEPTION

Time: 5:00-7:00 P.M.



Hoist your sails and join us dockside at the Capitol Reception in the South Plaza on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, from 5:00–7:00 p.m., as we celebrate Palm Beach County Day 2026 and our guiding theme, “Charting Our Course – Together, We Sail Forward.”

This twilight gathering offers a chance to drop anchor with fellow voyagers, key leaders, advocates, and decision-makers; to exchange ideas, navigate shared priorities, and strengthen ties that steer our community forward. Enjoy a selection of great food, drinks and warm up at our hot chocolate bar. Then, gather your friends for a picture with you at the helm of your own ship at our photo booth.

Come aboard for an evening of connection and coastal camaraderie under Tallahassee’s golden sky.

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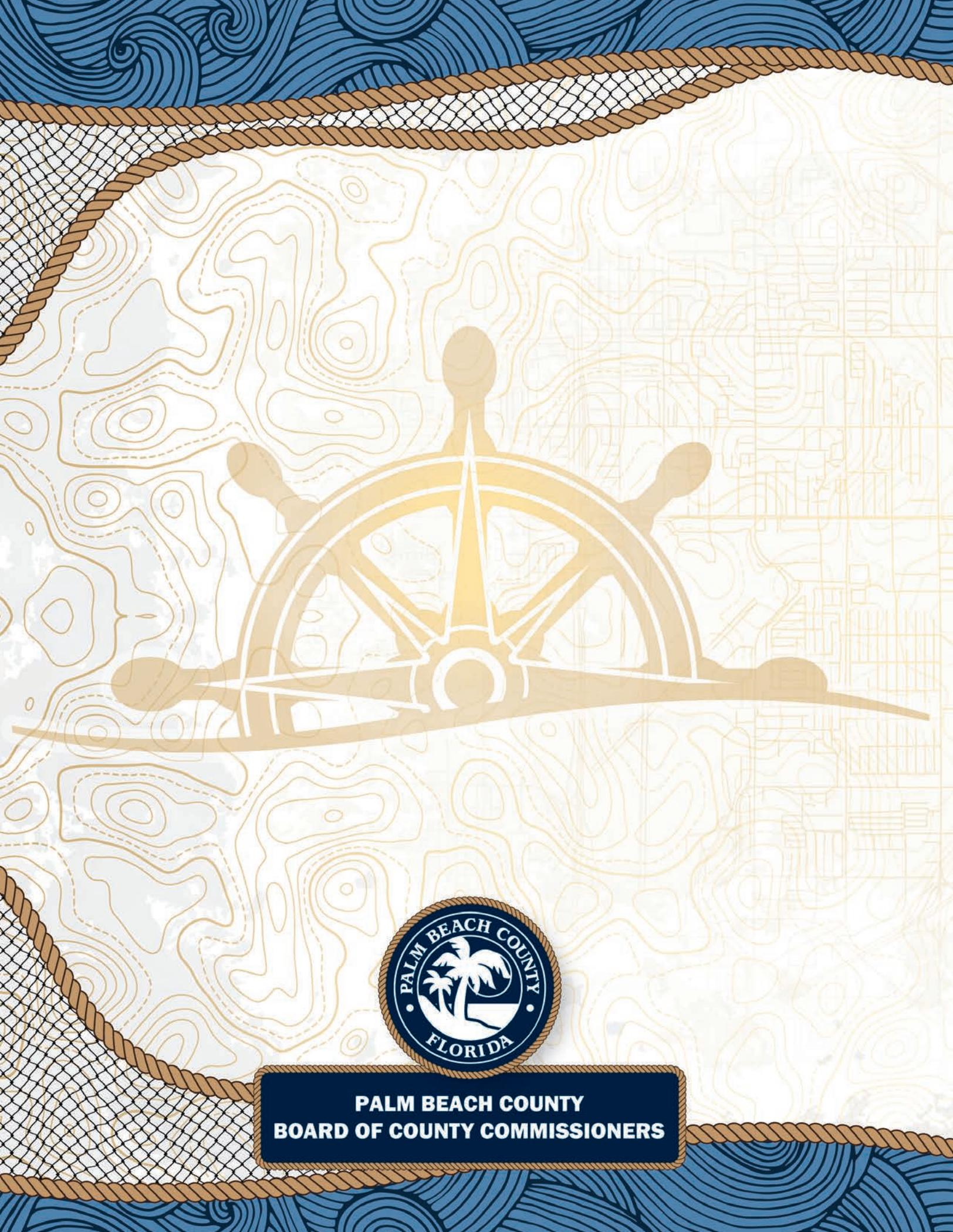


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