



## Monday Morning Update September 16, 2019

### News

#### Council fuels great ideas with grants to 16 local nonprofits

For the fourth year, Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County is bolstering our community's grassroots, forward-thinking nonprofits with funding through our Great Ideas Initiative (GII). And new this year, CSC also is supporting six previous Great Ideas Initiative recipients with money for sustainability. [Learn more here.](#)

#### Disaster Preparedness Workshop for local non-profit agencies

Having witnessed the devastation that can be caused by a natural disaster so close to us, we encourage you to take advantage of this free workshop on local preparation for disasters organized by the Palm Beach County Disaster Funders Coalition on **Wednesday, Sept. 25** for a special workshop geared towards helping your agency be better prepared for both human-made and natural disasters. The goal is for you to be ready to help our community recover when the call comes. More information can be found on the attached flyer. Attendance is free but limited to the first 300 registrants. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

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#### Council proposes new tax rate for 2019-2020

The governing board of Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County on Thursday tentatively approved a 2019-2020 millage rate of .6497 – a 1.47% increase from last year's rate of .6403. [Learn more here.](#)

#### Hurricane Dorian Relief Efforts through the United Way of palm Beach County

Since Palm Beach County and much of South Florida were spared from Hurricane Dorian's destructive path, the United Way of Palm beach County is focused on aligning the business community, the nonprofit community and other local and regional partners to coordinate recovery efforts for our neighbors in the Bahamas who have experienced incredible devastation. Our collaborative efforts demonstrate the strength of the United Way network and partners, and will bring help and hope to Bahamian communities. See the links below for three ways to get involved:

- [Make a donation to the Hurricane Relief Fund](#)
- [Donate to a Supply Drive](#)
- [Volunteer](#)

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#### Bahamas Evacuee Immigration Line

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County has set up an immigration information line specifically to answer immigration-related questions for those who evacuated to the United States from the Bahamas due to the impact of Hurricane Dorian. **The number is 561-655-8944 extension 390.** This is a free service but is limited to those evacuees residing/staying in Palm Beach County. Individuals residing in Broward or Dade County should contact the immigration legal service providers in their location.

#### You Choose! Pick a Theme for the 2020 School Bus Prevention Media Contest

The Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition invites you to vote for your favorite poster in its School Bus Prevention Media Contest. To enter, students create a poster using either digital art media or freestyle media, or enter the video category by creating a 30-60 second PSA aimed at sharing why most teens choose to be alcohol free. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### 2019-2020 PEAK Program with the Kravis Center

The Kravis Center's PEAK performances seek to captivate and transport you with moving, enlightening and intriguing artistic experiences that leave an indelible impression. Participate in the PEAK program to get tickets to PEAK performances for just \$5. Tickets are

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limited. [Click here](#) to complete the order form and a list of performances. PEAK tickets go on sale to the general public on Oct. 5, 2019.

#### Accepting new clients: Project Hope Autism Services

Project Hope Autism Services was created to meet the growing need for truly effective services for individuals with Autism and related disorders. The Hope Early Learning Program offers early intervention for children ages 18 months to 6 years old with Autism and related services. Afterschool ABA services and social skills programs for ages 6-10 years old. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### Palm Beach State College IEECE's 2019 Fall Non-Credit Course Schedule for Early Childhood Educators/Teachers

The Institute of Excellence in Early Care and Education operates to create a qualified, well-trained childcare workforce in Palm Beach County, through an effective, comprehensive professional development system that makes education and training opportunities available to all home, center and school based school readiness providers, in order that they are able to positively impact children and families through quality learning environments. [Click here](#) to view the 2019 Fall Non-Credit Course Schedule for Early Childhood Educators/Teachers.



#### New on EveryParent: Your kids can read on-the-go with thousands of free e-books and audiobooks

Trying to find a way to squeeze reading into your family's on-the-go schedule? Mobile devices such as tablets, laptops and smartphones make it possible to easily access online libraries of e-books and audiobooks. The School District of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Library System and the 10 city libraries in Palm Beach County all offer online book options - for free! [Click here](#) to learn more. For more information, local tips and trusted advice, create a family profile today on [EveryParentPBC.org](#).

## Events

#### Vaccine Bus with Palm Beach County Health Department and BRIDGES at Lake Worth

Thursday, Sept. 19  
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
BRIDGES at Lake Worth  
802 South Dixie Hwy.,  
Lake Worth

Does your child have all of his/her shots? Do you need a booster, TDAP, Tetanus or Flu Shot? Palm Beach County Health Department (PBCHD) Nurse and its agents will help you with what shots you or your child may need. Please bring your latest shot records for your child. No charge for immunizations. For more information, please call 561.899.1642. [Click here](#) to see a calendar of events for all ten BRIDGES locations.

#### Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge Sept. activities

Throughout September  
Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge  
10216 Lee Rd.,  
Boynton Beach

In celebration of National Public Lands Day, stop by for a morning of tree planting, fishing, and picking up litter on the Refuge. Students can receive community service hours. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old or accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information or to register, contact Cathy Patterson at [capatterson51@gmail.com](mailto:capatterson51@gmail.com) or 561.301.5056. All events are free, and free commemorative T-shirts are provided to volunteers while supplies last. [Click here](#) for a calendar of events.

#### St. Jude Walk/Run Palm Beach County

Saturday, Sept. 21  
West Palm Beach Downtown Waterfront  
101 South Flagler Dr.,  
West Palm Beach

Register today for the St. Jude Walk/Run during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in September, to raise money for the kids of St. Jude, where families never receive a bill for anything. Create a team, and invite your friends and family to join; or join an existing team. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

#### September Happenings at PBC Parks

Throughout Sept.  
PBC park locations

September is full of fun events and activities for your family at Palm Beach County parks. From archery to food truck invasions, there's something for the everyone! [Click here](#) to view the September calendar of events and activities.

#### Latinx Community Day at the Norton

Saturday, Oct. 5  
12 - 5 p.m.  
Norton Museum of Art  
1450 S. Dixie Hwy.,  
West Palm Beach

In celebration of South Florida's unique, diverse community and the Norton's collection of Latin American art, this inaugural Latinx Community Day features music and dance performances by Kuyayky, Pepe Montes y su Conjunto, Esencia de Boriken with percussionist Pedro Vilanova, as well as films, art-making workshops for all ages, and tours in Spanish and English featuring the special exhibition, The Body Says I Am a Fiesta: The Figure in Latin America Art, and more. This event is free and open to the public. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### Family Studio at the Norton Museum of Art

Saturdays  
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Norton Museum of Art  
1450 S. Dixie Hwy.,  
West Palm Beach

Every Saturday, children ages 5-12, and their accompanying grown-ups, can participate in a thematic tour, followed by a related art workshop. Limited to 25 children; \$1 materials fee per child payable at the time of registration. Registration is required. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

#### Office Holders Breakfast with Leadership PBC

Friday, Oct. 4  
8 - 9:30 a.m.  
Manatee Lagoon  
6000 N. Flagler Dr.,  
West Palm Beach

Public office holders who are alumni of Leadership PBC will share their lessons in leadership before and during their time in office. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

#### All September: Free Admission for Kids at the Palm Beach Zoo

Every day in Sept. 2019  
Palm Beach Zoo  
1301 Summit Blvd.,  
West Palm Beach

Post-hurricane Dorian, the Palm Beach Zoo is happy to announce the Zoo is open and kids 12 and under get in to the Palm Beach Zoo for FREE! From flamingo walks and sloth hangouts with Wilbur to tiger talks and dragon discoveries, the Zoo brings out the animal lover in all of

#### Palm Beach County Library System Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

The Palm Beach County Library System invites you to the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. We celebrate our community's cultural diversity, the beautiful traditions of Latin American countries and the contributions Hispanics have made to American society. Join them for a wide variety of events for the entire family. Check the calendar for special events at your local branch.

us. Limited to families of six children or less with one paid adult admission. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Events are offered in English and Spanish. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### **Dress for Success**

Fridays starting Sept. 13  
11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Palm Beach State College, CBP 307, Lake Worth Campus  
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 and life readiness skills. Classes begin Friday, September 13. Don't wait! Limited space is available! [Click here](#) to register.

#### **Save the Date: Read for the Record**

Thursday, Nov. 7  
4 p.m.  
Multiple locations throughout Palm beach County

Read for the Record brings together millions of people each year in classrooms, libraries, community centers, and homes across the US. This annual campaign was launched over a decade ago to highlight the importance of building early literacy and language skills for EVERY child, so that all children have the opportunity to enter kindergarten prepared to succeed. [Click here](#) for more information and for participation registration.

#### **Domestic Violence Awareness Month Opening Ceremony**

Thursday, Oct. 3  
8:30 - 11 a.m.  
Palm Beach Sheriff's Office Training Division  
4215 Cherry Rd.,  
West Palm Beach

This October, the Domestic Violence Awareness Month Opening Ceremony highlights the significant impact domestic violence has on our community. Each year, the Domestic Violence Council honors the recipients of the Barry Krischer Scholarship recipients. This award is available to youth and adults who have been exposed to domestic violence. The scholarship is a support for those wishing to continue their education despite having endured the trauma of domestic violence. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### **STEAMFEST 2019**

Nov. 16  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Palm Beach State College  
Natural Sciences (NS) Building  
4200 S Congress Ave.  
Lake Worth

Join Palm Beach State College for this FREE family-friendly event children ages preschool - 12th grade. Explore a variety of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) activities and concepts for creative and fun problem-solving, including interactive contraptions, STEM stations, robotics, magnets virtual reality, marine life emergency contraptions, laboratory tours and more. RSVP by Nov. 9. [Click here](#) to learn more and RSVP.

#### **2019 Youth Summit**

Sat, Oct. 5  
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Children's Service Council 2300 High Ridge Rd.,  
Boynton Beach

The Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition invites middle and high schoolers to its Annual Fall Youth Summit. Topics include public speaking, leadership skills, problem solving, drug and HIV education and more. There will be a morning break out session for parents too! This event is FREE and lunch is provided. Students may earn 8 community service hours. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### **Let Your Voice Be Heard: Palm Beach County Advisory Commission on Women**

Sept. 18, 24 and 26  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Multiple locations in Palm Beach County

The Palm Beach County Advisory Commission on Women wants to hear from you! Join them for the 2019 Listen Sessions to gather input on matters pertaining specifically to women. [Click here](#) for the full schedule, locations and more information.

## **Trainings**

#### **2019 FAU CARD Autism Friendly Cities Institute**

Friday, Sept. 27  
9 - 11:30 a.m.  
Florida Atlantic University  
Jupiter Campus  
5353 Parkside Dr.,  
ADM Auditorium,  
Jupiter

This event is for all city, county, and municipal employees. Come learn how to improve access, inclusion and safety for individuals with autism and their families! At this no-cost training, attendees will hear from professionals on how to develop and implement strategies and techniques to improve accessibility, communication, awareness and understanding about autism across city services and programs. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

#### **FSU's Professional Certification in Trauma and Resilience**

Online training

Florida State University has launched a new, online, Professional Certification in Trauma and Resilience through the Center for Academic and Professional Development. The course enables professionals to develop the knowledge and skills they need to understand the impact of adult and child trauma, along with the keys to resilience. Participants will learn crucial information to improve service delivery to clients, students, human services recipients, patients and other members of the public. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### **FAU CARD Little Owls Parent Training on Autism**

10 a.m. - 1:30 pm  
Tuesdays, Sept. 17  
The Main Library at Summit Blvd.  
3650 Summit Blvd.  
West Palm Beach

This free 3-day training for parents of children up to age 6 with autism covers topics such as, encouraging social communication, preventing problem behavior and resources. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

#### **Keeping Each Other Safe: Preventing Suicide**

Monday, Oct. 28  
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies  
901 Northpoint Parkway, Suite 403 West Palm Beach

Learning to support people who are experiencing suicidal thoughts can be challenging. In this course, participants will learn to better understand and work with individuals who express suicidal thoughts or ideation. Special attention will be paid to pregnant women, postnatal women, and families. Participants will learn ways to support people facing suicidal thoughts and ways to keep them as safe as possible. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

#### **LEAP training**

Friday, Oct. 25  
12:30 - 5 p.m.  
Mental Health America of Palm Beach County  
909 Fern Street, West Palm Beach

Join Dr. Jacintha Cauffield, PharmD, BCPS, CDE, CRPS, a clinical pharmacist and certified LEAP instructor, for the LEAP Training event at Mental Health America of Palm Beach County. This course teaches family caregivers, healthcare professionals, criminal justice professionals, and peer specialists how to create relationships with persons who have serious mental illness that can lead to treatment and recovery, reducing involuntary hospitalizations, homelessness, incarceration and other devastating outcomes. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

#### **Turn on the Light Conference on the Wellbeing of Children and Families**

Thursday, October 24, 2019  
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Palm Beach County Convention Center  
650 Okeechobee Blvd,  
West Palm Beach

A full day of education, resources, and networking for parents and professionals. Registration includes continental breakfast, workshops, keynote luncheon, and continuing education credits. Discounts for early registration and groups. Sponsor and Exhibitor opportunities still available! [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

#### **Supporting Literacy in School-Aged Programs (SLSA)**

Online training

The Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation is offering a new online course, Supporting Literacy in School-Age

#### **Save the Date: Understanding the Intersection Between Financial Health and Infant Mortality**

Virtual Convening  
Wednesday, Sept. 25  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### **The 39th Citizen's Criminal Justice Academy**

Mondays, beginning Sept. 23 through Dec. 16, 2019  
6 - 9 p.m.

Members of the public are invited to attend the 39th Citizen's Criminal Justice Academy at

Programs. The goal of this course is to prepare out-of-school time (OST) practitioners to foster the development of reading and writing in school-age children, and to identify and address risk factors for delays in literacy in order to mitigate or prevent future illiteracy. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

**Registration open: Dare to Be A Girl Academy**  
Sept. 2019 - May 2020

The program at Dare to Be a Girl Academy will cultivate holistic approaches to building self-esteem in young girls that will encourage leadership, community engagement, academic success, and occupational exposures. The academy utilizes group discussions, interactive activities, guest speakers, community service, and to provide enriching experiences that offers girls a safe place for self-expression and development. The Academy is serving girls in grades 3rd-6th grade. [Click here](#) to learn more.

**September Workshop Calendar with Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies**

Join Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies for their local events, classes or support groups. Space is limited, therefore registration is required. Use the city links in the link below to sort available classes based on your location or preferred language. [Click here](#) to view upcoming events, classes and groups.

The Florida Institute for Health Innovation invites you to attend its upcoming virtual event. This convening will aim to spotlight best practices, emerging research and innovative strategies being used to reduce infant mortality and improve both outcome in communities throughout Florida. [Click here](#) to learn more.

**Comeback Career program**

Sept. 23 - 27  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Ruth and Norman Rales Jewish Family Services, Inc.  
6413 Congress Ave. Suite 225, Boca Raton

Women are known to adjust their careers and make professional compromises for family life, which often lead to gaps in their resumes. Comeback Career is a comprehensive program designed to help women re-enter today's workforce with confidence. During a one week, boot camp style workshop series, candidates find focus, develop a personal brand, create a resume and learn interviewing skills. Once completed, candidates work with a Career Strategist to overcome barriers and become job ready. The workshop is FREE. [Click here](#) to learn more.

**NAMI Family-to-Family program**

Sept. - Dec. 2019

Multiple locations in Palm Beach County

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Family-to-Family is a free, 12-session educational program for family, significant others and friends of people with mental health conditions. It is a designated evidenced-based program. This means that research shows that the program significantly improves the coping and problem-solving abilities of the people closest to a person with a mental health condition. [Click here](#) to learn more.

various locations in and around West palm Beach. The purpose of the Citizen Criminal Justice Academy is to provide fundamental information to Palm Beach county citizens regarding the criminal justice system and how decisions are made. The classes are free and dinner will be served. [Click here](#) to learn more and to apply.

**Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Program Directors (TICD)**

The Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation is offering a new instructor-led course, Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Program Directors. The goal of this course is to assist child care programs in implementing trauma-informed care for families they serve. This is a multi-session course, which will require the completion of outside assignments and readings. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

**Leadership PBC Aspire Session 1: Management 101**

Friday, Sept. 20

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County

2300 High Ridge Rd.,  
Boynton Beach

You're a great employee who just got promoted, but you need the skills/tools to manage people. This training is for you. Essential skills for managing people and projects in the workplace. Instructed by the energetic Nancy Proffitt of Proffitt Management Solutions. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

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## Additional Resources

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## Do you have information for the MMU?

Email your MMU submission to [mmu@cscpsc.org](mailto:mmu@cscpsc.org). [Click here](#) to review the MMU Submission Guidelines.

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