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State Of The County Breakfast



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The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches hosted a memorable State of the County Breakfast, filled with unmatched energy and insightful presentations, featuring Palm Beach County Mayor Maria Marino and a dynamic lineup of speakers.

Mayor Maria Marino delivered a creative golf-themed presentation that highlighted key accomplishments and opportunities shaping Palm Beach County's future.

Milton Segarra, CDME, CEO of Discover The Palm Beaches, the presenting sponsor, shared a powerful message about the county's economic impact as a premier tourism destination.

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate the progress and promise of Palm Beach County. Together, we're fostering connections for our members, supporting businesses, and driving growth to ensure a thriving and prosperous community.









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2025 Breakfast Lineup

Feb. 20 — Economic Forecast March 26 — Healthcare April 4 — Sustainability May 23 — Business Awards June 20 — Legislative Update Aug. 5 — Back to School **Oct.17** — Firefighter Awards Nov. 21 — State of the County



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Adidharma Purnomo



Adidharma Purnomo is a seasoned real estate professional with more than 25 years of expertise in acquisition, planning, design, construction and commercial transactions for mixed-use developments.

Since 2021, he has served as senior vice president of development at the Great Gulf Group, where he oversees all aspects of high-rise development - from acquisitions to project delivery. Established in 1975, the Great Gulf Group is

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ganizations. With major projects in Canada and the United States, the company's fully integrated activities span the entire real estate spectrum.

Before joining Great Gulf, Mr. Purnomo served in senior leadership roles at distinguished real estate firms, where he managed the delivery of many notable mixed-use residential developments in Toronto, and played a significant role in developing urban mixed-use projects across the United States.

Mr. Purnomo has a Master of Science in real estate from New York University and a Bachelor of Architecture from Cornell University.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday JAN. 9

PowerNetworking

When: 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Where: Hilton Palm Beach Airport Cost: Discount Registration Deadline: Jan. 2, 2025. Members: \$45 before the deadline, \$50 after

the deadline. Nonmembers: \$55 before the deadline, \$60 after the deadline. Day of event: \$65 at the door. Subject to availability.



Coffee & Chat

Presented by Women in Business When: 9-10 a.m. Where: Chamber of Commerce Boardroom Cost: Free to Chamber Members only

Contact: Belinda Ocasio, bocasio@palmbeaches.org



2025 Mayor's State of the City Breakfast

Presented by Good Samaritan Medical Center When: 7-9 a.m. Where: Palm Beach County Convention Center Cost: Discount Registration Deadline: Jan. 23, 2025. Members: \$70 before

the deadline, \$80 after the deadline. Nonmembers: \$90 before the deadline, \$100 after the deadline. Contact: Belinda Ocasio, bocasio@palmbeaches.org

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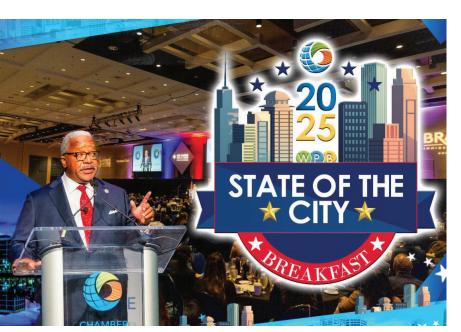
THE CHAMBER'S MISSION

The Chamber was founded in 1913 by local business leaders as the Board of Trade, an association committed to ensuring the continued growth and prosperity of the county. Over the years, the Chamber has expanded to keep up with our rapidly-growing area, while maintaining our original goal of ensuring growth prosperity for the Palm Beaches.

The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches is a private, not-for-profit association of businesses that have come together to advance the economic, industrial and civic interests of the Palm Beaches. The Chamber strives to support projects that lead to a stronger economy and an improved quality of life.

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State of the City Breakfast



City of West Palm Beach Mayor Keith James will deliver the 2025 State of the City Address. Mayor James will reflect on the City's accomplishments in the past year and announce updates on key city priorities.

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025 When: 7-9 a.m.

Where: Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Admission: Discount Deadline is Thursday, Jan. 23, 2025 at 5 p.m. Members: \$70 before deadline, \$80 after deadline. Corporate Table of 10: \$800. Nonmembers:

\$90 before deadline, \$100 after deadline. Corporate Table of 10: \$1,000 Contact: Belinda Ocasio, 561-421-5129, bocasio@palmbeaches.org



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A LETTER FROM THE CEO Looking Toward the Future



As we close out the year and look forward to what's ahead, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible legacy of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches and share my excitement for the journey we're

about to embark on together.

It's an honor to step into the role of president and CEO of an organization with such deep roots in our community. For more than 111 years, the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches has been a cornerstone of Palm Beach County's business community and a foundation of support behind its growth and transformation. For more than a century, this organization and its members have played a vital role in transforming Palm Beach County into the vibrant economic hub we see today. That prosperity is a testament to the leadership, vision and hard work of our members and partners, past and present.

As I've taken on this role, my focus has been on listening and learning about the challenges our members and community face, the opportunities ahead and your vision for the future. What's clear is that our Chamber's strength lies in its members: from small businesses to large corporations, we thrive because of the collaboration, innovation and shared commitment of our members.

While we honor our rich history, we must also look toward the future. The world is evolving, and so must we. My priority is to ensure that the Chamber continues to meet the diverse needs of our members, providing opportunities for connection, advocacy and growth. Together, we'll build a Chamber that not only serves today's business community but inspires future generations to engage and lead.

I want to express my gratitude to our Chamber Board, Executive Committee and Chamber staff for their unwavering support as we begin this new chapter. I also want to thank Dennis Grady for his nearly four decades of steady leadership, which has left a foundation we will continue to build upon with purpose.

As we move into 2025, I look forward to sharing more about the exciting initiatives we'll undertake to ensure the Chamber remains a driving force for growth, innovation and prosperity in the Palm Beaches.

Thank you for being a part of this journey and for your dedication to our community. Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a very prosperous New Year.

Michael Zeff

President & CEO, Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches



RECon Recap

Experts from the Property Appraiser's Office shared keen insights, tips and tactics about property appraisal at the RECon event. Join us in January for the next event where we discuss Insurance Pros and Woes.



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Former Palm Beach County Mayor Melissa McKinlay to host Coffee & **Chat Conversation at the Chamber**

Presented by the Women in Business Committee

Melissa McKinlay is an award-winning community advocate and single mother of



Melissa McKinlay

League pillars of promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and improving the community - an organization she's served for

volunteer. she holds strong to the Junior nearly 30 years.

After terming out of office two years ago, McKinlay joined the executive leadership team of West Palm Beach-based national engineering firm WGI as Vice President of government relations. She now quite literally — works for a firm dedicated to building stronger, more resilient communities.

McKinlay has a hard time saying no to meaningful community volunteer opportunities and also serves as the Chair of the Homeless Coalition and on the boards of the South Florida Fair, the Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Florida Gulfstream Council and, most recently, County Commissioner Maria Sachs' Housing Task Force.



When: 9-10 a.m. Where: Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33401



Liderazgo: Empowering **Hispanic Leadership Through** a Three-Part Luncheon

Join us for a transformative series of panel discussions designed to inspire, connect and empower leaders across industries. This three-part series highlights the journey of entrepreneurs, executives and women leaders who are shaping the future with resilience and vision. Lunch buffet and refreshments to be served after the panel discussion.



Wednesday, March 19, 2025

When: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. EST Where: Hilton Palm Beach PBI 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33406 Admission: Discount Deadline is Wednesday. March 12, 2025. Members: \$45 before deadline, \$50 after deadline. Nonmembers: \$55 before deadline, \$60 after deadline Contact: Belinda Ocasio, 561-421-5129, bocasio@palmbeaches.org