



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES

November 2nd Board of Director's Meeting

This month's meeting was held at the Senior Family Center in Miami Gardens. Thank you to all attendees for your participation.

The League appreciates you.



NOVEMBER Board Meeting RECAP



President Harris, Mayor of the City of Miami Gardens, began the meeting by thanking everyone in attendance for being at the League’s first meeting in the City of Miami Gardens. He paid tribute to MDCLC Past President, Shirley Gibson, Former Mayor of Miami Gardens, who recently passed away. **Councilman Robert Stephens** of the City of Miami Gardens conducted the invocation lead us to the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nakeischea Smith, Director of Planning and Zoning, City of Miami Gardens, provided the host city presentation. She expressed how the City of Miami Gardens is growing and spoke about the new developments, such as a training facility for the Miami Dolphins, the Miami Open facility and Baptist Health Hospital, along with their future downtown.

Consul General Ms. Sylvia Cesaratto, Canada was welcomed to address the kind relationship between Canada and Florida. Ms. Cesaratto emphasized Canada’s role as Florida’s most significant economic partner.

Greg Ross, Florida League of Cities President and Mayor of Cooper City, gave a presentation highlighting the role of the Florida League of Cities in supporting city officials when they make critical decisions for their cities.

He encouraged city officials to become more involved with the Florida League of Cities.

President Harris mentioned that there is a vacancy on the League's Executive Board. The League's nominating committee appointed **Commissioner Fortuna Smukler**, City of North Miami Beach. **President Harris** asked for a motion to confirm **Commissioner Smukler's** appointment. The motion passed by unanimous vote. **President Harris** then welcomed City Clerk Andrise Bernard, City of North Miami Beach to proceed with the installation of the League's newest Executive Board member.

Richard Kuper then concluded the meeting with the Executive Director's report. He shared how having the League's Board of Directors meetings in different municipalities gives members the opportunity to learn about all of the positive things taking place in each municipality. He informed the attendees that the December Board of Directors meeting will take place in Palmetto Bay and that we will be collecting toys for our 17th Annual Toy Drive.

**Congratulations to the MDCLC
Executive Board's newest addition!**

CONGRATULATIONS

Commissioner Fortuna Smukler

on becoming a member of the

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
Executive Board



17th Annual Toy Drive



Holiday

TOY DRIVE

DECEMBER

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DONATE ON AT OUR MEETING!



Collections will take place at our December Board Meeting for distribution on December 15th at the Jackson Memorial Holtz Children's Hospital.



Join us at our Last Board Meeting of 2023!



**MIAMI-DADE LEAGUE OF CITIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**DECEMBER 7, 2023 7-10PM
THALATTA ESTATE
17301 OLD CUTLER ROAD
PALMETTO BAY, FL 33157**

On behalf of President Rodney Harris, you are cordially invited to beautiful Thalatta Estate for our December meeting. Thalatta's tented outdoor terrace overlooks beautiful Biscayne Bay and provides a lush green backdrop and a serene ambience amongst natural surroundings.

- 7:00 pm Reception Begins
- 8:00 pm Dinner Served

Agenda Presentations to follow serving of dinner



RSVP using the QR code by December 1st

If you need to cancel for any reason you must do so by Friday, December 1, 2023 by no later than 5:00 pm, otherwise, you will be charged since we have to pay for your reservation. Any RSVP's made after the deadline will be charged an additional \$10.00 surcharge.



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ANNUAL HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

In the spirit of the holiday season the League will host its Seventeenth Annual Toy Drive during this Board meeting. We are asking that you please bring an unwrapped toy for a girl or boy, which will be distributed to the children who are spending the holidays at Holtz Children's Hospital-Jackson Health System.

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