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President's Message



Greetings FBC-LEO Members and Friends,

With the anticipation of fellowshipping with everyone and hearing a dynamic message from State Attorney Monique Worrell, my heart sings with joy and my enthusiasm for this year's Annual Breakfast Meeting can hardly be contained.

Today is the last day to register for the FBC-LEO Annual Breakfast/Business meeting. Admission cannot be guaranteed onsite.

Reminder: All members, please bring your FBC-LEO stoles, for pictures.

We are still seeking volunteers to assist at the FBC-LEO Booth during the annual breakfast. Time slots can be viewed **here**.

I can't wait to see everyone at the Florida League of Cities' Annual Conference, August 10-12, 2023, to be held at the Signia by Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek in Orlando, Florida.

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President Morris West Commissioner, City of Haines City

2023 FBC-LEO Annual Breakfast Meeting

ANNUAL BREAKFAST KEYNOTE SPEAKER

MONIQUE H. WORRELL State Attorney

9th Judicial Circuit Court



We are so excited to welcome State Attorney Monique H. Worrell of the Ninth Judicial Circuit as our Keynote Speaker for this year's FBC-LEO Annual Breakfast/Business Meeting. Don't miss this important annual event of information, inspiration and fellowship. Join us by registering at **bit.ly/430AmmE**.

Register Here

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations must be sent to **fbcleo@flcities.com** no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 4, 2023, to be eligible for a refund. All refunds will be processed after the breakfast meeting.

FBC-LEO Booth at the FLC Annual Conference



WE NEED YOU!

Help recruit new members and share information about FBC-LEO at the 2023 Florida League of Cities Annual Conference on August 10-11, 2023.

Register to volunteer at https://volunteersignup.org/LEF73.

#FBCLEO #Volunteer #EachOneReachOne

Volunteer Sign-up Here

View FLC Conference Agenda

If you have questions about time slots or duties, please contact Caressa Andrews-Moye at 850.701.3621 or **candrewsmoye@flcities.com**.

2023-2024 Slate of Officers

The 2023-2024 Slate of Officers will be presented at the Annual Breakfast/Business Meeting on August 11, 2023, at 7:00 a.m.

FBC-LEO 2023-2024 SLATE OF OFFICERS

Secretary Vice Mayor Melissa Dunn, City of Lauderhill

Assistant Secretary Commissioner Rufus Borom, City of Palatka

Treasurer Council Member Yvonne Minus, City of Melbourne

Assistant Treasurer

Commissioner Alexander Smith, City of Apopka

Regional Coordinator/Membership Director (North)

Councilwoman Nandrycka King Albert, City of Midway

Regional Coordinator/Membership Director (South)

Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, City of Lauderdale Lakes

Chaplain Mayor Constance Butler, City of Green Cove Springs

> **Sergeant-at-Arms** Mayor Felicia Brunson, City of West Park

Historian

Mayor Pro Tem Dianne Williams-Cox, City of Tallahassee

Parliamentarian

Commissioner Regina Hill, City of Orlando

Breakfast Meeting Agenda

Member News



Welcome the newest FBC-LEO Members:

We are thrilled to have you as a member of the FBC-LEO organization and look forward to getting to know.

- Councilman Shaun Ferguson City of Rockledge
- Legislative Aide Shannel Gordon City of Riviera Beach
- Human Resource Administrator LaSharon Hampton City of Pinellas Park
- City Clerk Sharon Lauther City of Haines City
- Commissioner Vernel Smith City of Haines City
- Councilmember Charles Williams City of Midway

From our Partners



Are you interested in serving on a Florida League of Cities Legislative Policy Committee? Now is your chance! **Sign up** is now open to serve on a 2023-2024 committee. The FLC Legislative Policy Committees set the legislative agenda for

the League and Florida's 411 municipalities.

The Committees include:

- · Finance, Taxation and Personnel
- · Land Use and Economic Development
- · Municipal Administration
- · Transportation and Intergovernmental Relations
- · Utilities, Natural Resources and Public Works.

If you would like to serve on a policy committee, be sure to **sign up** by **August 14th**. If you served on a policy committee this past year, you still need to sign up again. Contact *medenfield@flcities.com* for questions or **click here** to learn more.



In previous years, the League provided a complimentary hard copy of the annual Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual as part of our commitment to keeping Florida's city officials informed about evolving municipal issues.

The Manual is now available in PDF format, ensuring easier access.

To access the Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual in PDF format, please visit **2023 Sunshine Manual**.

While the complimentary hard copy distribution is being discontinued, we understand that some officials may prefer a physical version of the Manual. To purchase the bound copy, please visit **The First Amendment Foundation**.

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Important information about Form 6

Resources for Full Disclosure of Financial Interest (Form 6)

Elected municipal officials will need to start filing Form 6 beginning in 2024 with the Commission on Ethics. The League held a webinar on June 20 related to the new law and Form 6, and this webinar can be watched here:

https://www.gotostage.com/channel/270e67f662b2489e858d9ea3c6 9164cf/recording/7953d2d8a121492fa008e4449c863268/watch?sour ce=CHANNEL

If you have specific questions on the Form and its content there are helpful resources on the Florida Commission on Ethics' website, including a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) column linked here: https://disclosure.floridaethics.gov/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2f

It is important to note that elected municipal officials in office now will still file Form 1 for this year, and then file Form 6 next year instead of Form 1. Staff at the Commission on Ethics can also answer specific questions related to Form 6 by calling (850) 488-7864.

The Florida League of Cities will hold a workshop on Form 6 at the Annual Conference, August 11 at the Bonnet Creek Hilton; registration for this conference is now open, and linked here:

https://members.flcities.com/FLC/Events/Event_Display.aspx?EventK ey=FLCAC23

Meetings and Events



Be sure all of the upcoming FBC-LEO events are on your calendar.

Annual Breakfast/Business Meeting Registration Cost: Member - \$50.00 per person Non-Member - \$60.00 per person	Friday, August 11, 2023 7:00 a.m 8:30 a.m. ET Signia by Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek (In conjunction with FLC Annual Conference, August 10-12, 2023) Register Here
General Membership Meeting	Tuesday, October 10, 2023 6:00 p.m. ET via Zoom
2024 FBC-LEO Annual Conference	April 4-5, 2024 Embassy Suites Kissimmee, FL

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If you have an FBC-LEO Member and/or member city you would like to have featured in our monthly newsletters, please submit to fbcleo@flcities.com.