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2010

LEON COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT



LEON COUNTY STATISTICS

Population: 274,803
 35.3% unincorporated
 64.7% within city limits
 Area (Square Miles): 702
 Established: 1824
 Charter Date: 2002
 County Seat: Tallahassee
 Districting: Mixed
 Median Age: 31
 Median Household Income: \$48,318
 (Source: Florida Research and Economic Database)

LEON COUNTY

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Vision Statement

Leon County Government is dedicated to preserving and enhancing the outstanding quality of life which has made our community a desirable place to live, work and raise our children. Through the provisions of cost-effective superior services, County Government will ensure the promotion of orderly growth for the economic health and safety of its citizens.

Core Values

Leadership

Empower employees to do their best.

Quality

Provide superior services by commitment to continuous improvement and accepting differences.

Customer Satisfaction

Be enthusiastic and attentive in providing services.

Employee Satisfaction

Value employees by supporting a diverse, motivated and involved workforce.

Professionalism

Deliver services in an honest, respectful and objective manner.



Leon County Board of County Commissioners

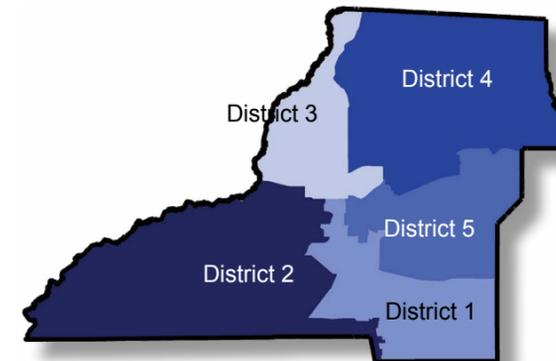
(From Left to Right) At-Large Commissioner Cliff Thaell, At-Large Commissioner Akin Akinyemi, District 3 Commissioner John E. Dailey (Vice Chairman), District 5 Commissioner Bob Rackleff (Chairman), District 2 Commissioner Jane G. Sauls, District 4 Commissioner Bryan Desloge and District 1 Commissioner Bill Proctor.

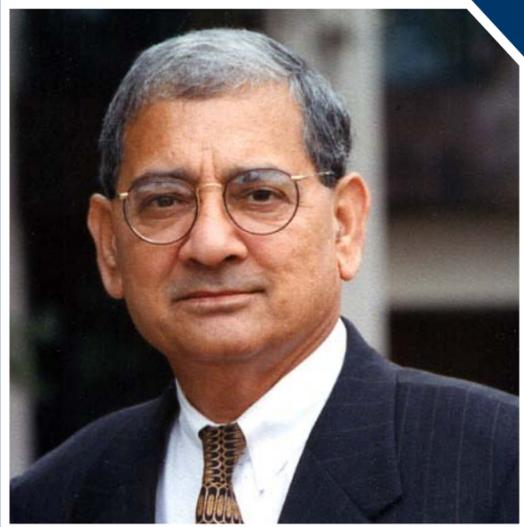
ABOUT LEON COUNTY

Leon County was named after the Spanish explorer, Juan Ponce de Leon. He was the first European to explore Florida in 1513 in search of the "Fountain of Youth" and named the state after the Spanish word for "flowery."

Leon County is home to Florida's capital, Tallahassee, which was established in 1824. Legislative and executive offices, the State House, and Senate chambers are located here. As a political subdivision of the state, the County is guided by an elected, seven-member Board of County Commissioners.

Five members of the Board are elected to serve specific commission districts and two members are elected at-large. Leon County is a Council-Manager form of government, and the County Administrator is appointed by the Board to oversee all functions, directives and policies. Florida Statutes, Chapter 125, establishes the powers and duties of the County Commission and the County Administrator. As of November 12, 2002, Leon County is governed by a Home Rule Charter.





Parwez Alam

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The County Administrator is appointed by, and serves at the pleasure of, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners. Parwez Alam serves as the chief executive officer of the County, and it is his responsibility to implement all policies and programs approved by the Board. The County Administrator leads nearly 800 employees who are dedicated to preserving and enhancing the outstanding quality of life that has made Leon County a desirable place to live, work and raise children. Additionally, the County Administrator recommends an annual County operating and capital improvement budget to the Board and coordinates its meeting agendas and workshops.

Parwez Alam has more than 40 years of management experience in the public and private sectors, and he has served Leon County for more than 20 years. He received his undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering and two master's degrees in Civil Engineering and Management. Alam also served as an adjunct professor at Florida State University from 1986 to 2005.



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MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

It is with great pleasure that I present the 2010 Leon County Annual Report, which provides Leon County citizens an opportunity to have a closer look at the inner workings of their government and to learn about the extraordinary accomplishments of the County's award-winning departments and divisions.

This year, we have included photos and biographies of department and division leaders so that Leon County residents can learn more about the public servants who work diligently and tirelessly for them year-round, engineering, developing, maintaining and enhancing our community.

In fact, many undertook the Herculean task of assuming control of Innovation Park's operations, in addition to their day-to-day responsibilities. Several offices, including County Administration, the County Attorney and Public Information, pulled double duty this past year, establishing policies and procedures that have improved the efficiency and effectiveness of the Park.

Even though these past few years have proved challenging for our citizens and our government, the Board of County Commissioners took several strategic steps to focus its limited resources on maintaining jobs, investing in the community, and creating local infrastructure improvements while maintaining high-quality services for residents.

The preparation of the budget took into consideration the continued constraints of the recession and ongoing market adjustments associated with real estate. This included another decline in property valuations in the amount of \$227 million on top of last year's \$1 billion decline. County, Constitutional and Judicial offices worked together to evaluate where resources could be reduced while still maintaining necessary services.

The Board was able to reduce the budget by \$40.1 million – or 14.25% since FY2008 – while also offering some tax relief to citizens by reducing overall property tax collections by \$1.8 million from last year and maintaining

appropriate levels of reserves. Commissioners also restructured Growth and Environmental Management, which involved the elimination of 9 positions to compensate for a decline in permitting activity. The FY2011 budget demonstrates the Board's ongoing support of community investment projects through the realignment of \$2.6 million, set aside for capital federal stimulus grant matches, into necessary stormwater and transportation projects.



Fire Chief Cindy Dick and EMS Chief Tom Quillin have helped lead the effort to create a Public Safety Complex in Leon County that will house joint dispatch, the County's Emergency Operations Center, the State's Regional Traffic Management Center and the headquarters for the functionally consolidated Fire/EMS Department. The facility is anticipated to be completed and occupied by fall of 2012.

In addition to advance funding these projects, the County has committed \$23.2 million to the Public Safety Complex that will house joint dispatch, the County's Emergency Operations Center, the State's Regional Traffic Management Center and the headquarters for the functionally consolidated Fire/EMS Department. The groundbreaking for the facility is anticipated to begin in the summer of FY2011 and be completed and occupied by 2012.

The Board showed its commitment to job creation by budgeting \$97.7 million in capital project improvements. Based on an analysis performed through the Economic Development Council that takes into consideration previously funded capital projects, total construction jobs created will be more than 800 .

In the previous year's budget process, the Board enacted a local economic capital funding program in the amount of \$14.3 million. Projects included funding for the completion of Buck Lake Road, Northeast and B.L. Perry Library branch expansions, and the Eastside and Lake Jackson Libraries. These projects were started during the current fiscal year, and the County purchased the Huntington Oaks Plaza, the site for the Lake Jackson Library.

Leon County also recognizes the importance of creating a quality cultural and recreational environment as a key component to economic development. For example, constructing community rooms at the Huntington Oaks Plaza and the refurbishing of the plaza's façade – in addition to the expansion of the Lake Jackson Library – adds much-needed amenities to the northwest portion of the County. The effect of these projects has been beneficial to the citizens of Leon County by infusing local funds into capital projects which assists in providing needed jobs in the community. In addition, due to the slowdown in the construction industry, bids received for these projects have been below estimates, which provides the community these capital projects at reduced costs.

During the recession, the County saw a drop in the amount of state-shared revenue provided from statewide sales tax collections, but this year's budget continues to provide property tax relief to our citizens. Overall, property tax collections for FY 2010/2011 will be \$1.8 million less than last year. These savings are a direct result of two factors: (1) the Board maintaining the current combined millage rate; and (2) a decline in property values by \$227 million.

Over the past three years, the Board has reduced 72 positions, including previous positions associated with contracted visitor services, from its workforce, by reorganizing stormwater, transportation, growth management, tourism and administrative functions. This restructuring has allowed the Board to reduce costs while minimally affecting service levels.

The recession and continuing weak economy, combined with property tax reductions, have placed the County in a tenuous position for future years. But because the Board took strategic steps to put the County in a position to weather the storm, we are maintaining a positive outlook for future years and generations to come.

Citizen Charter Review Committee

On October 13, 2009, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners established the first Citizen Charter Review Committee, which was charged with reviewing the County Charter and proposing any changes for the 2010 General Election. The Committee met for 120 days to review and evaluate the County Charter and provide recommendations that would enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of County government.

The Leon County Charter serves as the local constitution and defines the role and function of County government. It was first adopted by the citizens of Leon County in 2002.

Throughout the entire Charter review process, the Board and the Committee placed emphasis on public involvement. A website was established to provide residents with access to agendas, meeting minutes and other Charter documents, and a website also gave citizens the opportunity to email questions and comments to the Committee.

The Committee met regularly on Thursdays at the County Courthouse, alternating between afternoon and evening meetings to provide for greater citizen access. During each meeting, a section was reserved for public input, which was heavily utilized by citizens to express their thoughts on Charter review issues and process.

Additionally, each meeting was broadcast live on the Committee's website and re-aired on Tuesdays on Comcast Channel 16.

The Committee was made up of 15 Leon County citizens that represented a broad cross section of the community. They held 14 meetings during a five-month span, listening to public testimonies and promoting citizen participation through its website and televised broadcast.

The Committee's work resulted in the development of six proposed amendments for the General Election Ballot, and the Board developed an informational booklet in order to ensure that citizens were well informed of the proposed amendments before entering the ballot booth.

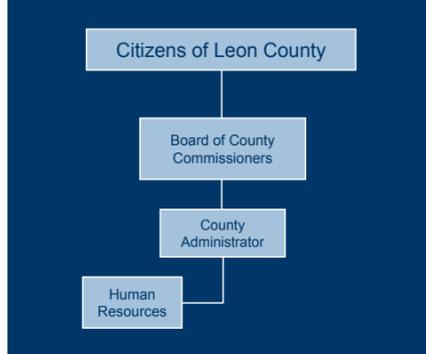
On November 2, 2010, the citizens of Leon County adopted five of the amendments, which will enhance the efficiency and operation of County government.

This marks the first time that the Leon County Charter has been amended.

For more information, contact Special Projects Coordinator Shington Lamy at (850) 606-5300 or the Public Information Office at (850) 606-5300 / pio@leoncountyfl.gov .



HUMAN RESOURCES



ATTRACTING, TRAINING AND RETAINING A QUALITY WORKFORCE

Human Resources provides strategic leadership and management of Human Resources functions to attract and retain a quality workforce. The three major program areas are Operations; Compensation & Benefits; Employee Relations and Performance Management. These programs integrate Leon County's Mission and Core Values into Human Resources Programs and Services and implements Board directives and policies related to Human Capital Management.

Lillian Bennett has served as Director of Human Resources since 2004 and is a member of the National Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). Bennett came to work for Leon County in 1994 and has held leadership positions as Assistant to the County Administrator, Director Office of Management and Budget, Director GEM Support Services and Assistant to the Public Works Director.

Bennett develops and implements annual program goals and objectives and provides program planning, oversight, policy guidance, training and senior level technical assistance to managers. Bennett also develops, implements and interprets Leon County personnel policies and procedures. She leads a Human Resources Team of dedicated professionals who attract, recruit, train and retain a quality workforce for Leon County.

- Developed and implemented the Project SEARCH Program in coordination with Agency for Persons with Disabilities, Opportunity Services, Vocational Rehabilitation and Leon County School Board for students with disabilities to obtain real life work experience.
- Adopted a new employee health insurance plan design for 2011 with a 4% increase in premium rates and maintained the 90/10 ratio of employer/employee contribution.
- Adopted new Leon County Personnel Policies related to adoption of Human Rights Ordinance and the provision of Domestic Partner Benefits. Provided Human Resources staff support to Human Relations Advisory Committee.
- Held informational Board workshop on new Patient Protection Affordability Care Act related to Health Care Reform Revisions and their impacts on Leon County.
- Administered Summer Youth Training Program, New Employee Orientation, Awards of Excellence, Education Incentive and Tuition Reimbursement Programs.
- Reviewed feasibility of a four-day work week and adopted revised Personnel Policies and Procedures on Flexible Work Week Schedules.
- Reviewed and analyzed salary, benefit and retirement impacts of merging City of Tallahassee, Leon County and Leon County Sheriff's Office dispatchers and made recommendations.



Project | SEARCH

- Led the employee "Wellness Works!" Team, which was awarded a Star Award from Working Well Tallahassee for developing numerous wellness initiatives for Leon County employees.



- Presented several potential alternatives to reduce cost of employee health insurance including, on-site medical clinic, alternative pharmacy carve out, self-insured program, joining State of Florida program, Broker Services and a review of City of Gainesville Wellness Program.
- Negotiated new Long Term Disability Product with average cost savings of 30-40% for county employees.
- Developed new Banner Self-Service Pay and Benefits Information System for County employees.
- Conducted e-Appraisal and e-Assessment training for continuous performance management of County employees.



DID YOU KNOW

283 or 36% of Board employees have 10 or more years of service with Leon County.

FY2010/2011 Leon County Adopted Budget

The budget is \$244,130,080; which is a decline of \$3,035,845 from the prior year. This is less than the total approved spending in the FY08 adopted budget. Since FY08, the budget has been reduced \$40,591,217 or 14%.

Property Taxes

- The millage rate of 7.85 mils represents tax savings of \$1.8 million.
- The 7.85 mils, is less than the state-authorized maximum majority vote millage rate and the rolled-back rate. The maximum majority vote millage rate was established to allow local governments to collect enough property taxes to keep pace with inflation. The rolled-back rate is intended to allow local governments to collect at least the same level of property tax revenues as the prior year.
- Over the past two years, the total property tax reduction has been \$10.6 million.

Positions

- Total positions for the County are 1,771, compared to 1,782 in FY10. Over the past three years, 72 positions have been eliminated. (This includes 10 positions previously contracted for visitor services.)
- Position reductions have occurred through a combination of hiring freezes, attrition and reassignment.
- Departments with significant reductions include Growth and Environmental Management - 18 over two years; Public Works reorganization of stormwater maintenance - 6 positions, and the County taking over responsibility for the Convention and Visitors Bureau functions - 10 positions.
- The Economic Policy Institute estimates that for every 100 public sector jobs that are cut, an additional 30 jobs are lost in the private sector.

Capital Projects and Job Creation

- Over the past two years, the Board has taken strategic steps to focus resources on maintaining jobs, investing in the community, and creating local infrastructure improvements. The Board realized the current state of the economy, particularly the local construction industry, and

accelerated the construction schedule for many projects utilizing existing cash reserves. These steps include committing \$88.9 million towards the following capital projects:

Public Safety Complex (includes City and State Funding)	\$45.0 million
Branch Libraries	\$13.3 million
Stormwater Improvements	\$7.8 million
Buck Lake Road	\$5.9 million
Traffic Court	\$3.0 million
Transportation Improvements	\$13.7 million

- Based on analysis performed by the Economic Development Council, for every \$1 million spent, 9.2 jobs are created; therefore, the job creation from the capital project investments, including the Public Safety Complex, is 818 jobs.

Reserves

- Estimated year-ending reserves for general funds - \$25.7 million or 21.3% of the budget; policy minimum is 15%. The 15% is comprised of 10% cash flow, 2% catastrophe fund and 3% emergency.
- FY2010/2011 utilizes \$4.03 million to balance the budget, which will bring the reserves down to 18% of the budget.

Comparative Data

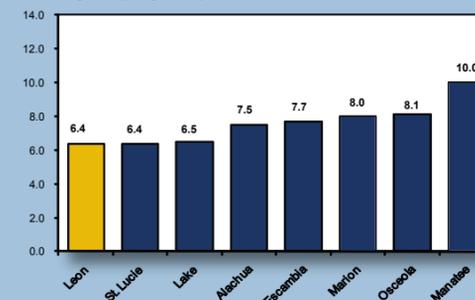
- The lowest number of employees per capita among the seven comparable counties. Leon County has a ratio of 6.4 employees for every 1,000 residents, along with St. Lucie County.
- The fifth lowest number of employees per capita among all 67 counties, with only Pinellas, Seminole, Santa Rosa, and Sumter with lower amounts.
- The lowest net budget per capita among seven comparable counties with \$720 per Countywide resident. The next lowest is Escambia County with \$902 per resident.
- The fourth lowest net budget per capita among all 67 counties, with only Gadsden, Santa Rosa, and Baker with lower amounts.

Net Budget Per Countywide Resident (FY09/10)



Leon County is the lowest for dollars spent per County resident. Manatee County spends over two times the amount per resident than Leon County. Escambia County's net budget per capita is 25% higher than Leon County's.

County Employees per 1,000 Residents (FY09/10)



Leon County has a ratio of 6.4 employees for every thousand County residents. When compared to like-sized counties, Leon County, along with St. Lucie, ranks the lowest, closely followed by Lake County with 6.5 per thousand residents.



COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

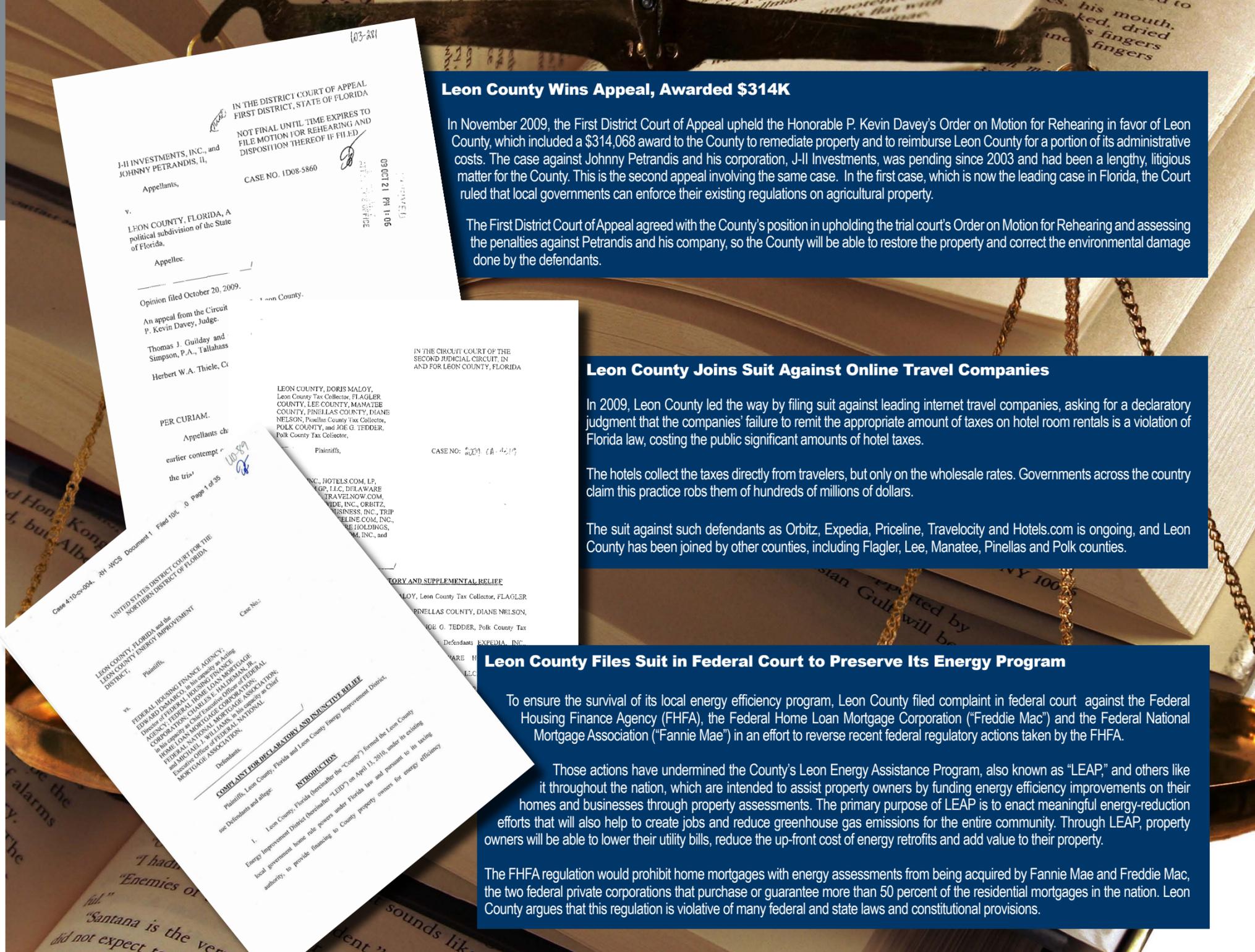
SERVING THE LEGAL NEEDS OF LEON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

- Received and processed 88 public records requests through the County Attorney's Office alone, not including those received and handled by other departments.
- Reviewed 323 agenda items for the Board of County Commissioners.
- County Attorney spoke on Honest Services, Ethics, and Sunshine Law at various Florida forums, including the Florida Association of Counties' New Commissioner Certification Course, the Florida Association of County Attorney's Annual Meeting, the Florida Bar's City County & Local Government Law Section Annual Meeting, the Department of Children & Families, the Procurement Association, the Florida Association of Police Attorneys, the International Municipal Lawyers Association and the Gainesville/Alachua County staff.
- Named interim, transitioning general counsel to the Leon County Research & Development Authority's Board of Governors, and staff provided significant contributions to the preparation of the Request for Proposals and hiring of a new general counsel.
- Provided legal support to the Human Relations Advisory Committee and legal counsel for the Charter Review Commission, staffing all meetings from November 2009 to March 2010.
- Collier v. Brock: filed Amicus Brief on behalf of the Florida Association of Counties and the Florida Association of County Attorneys with the Florida Supreme Court.
- Participated at the Supreme Court in Leon County v. Lewis regarding regional conflict counsel litigation.
- Leon County v. Petrandis: the Florida Supreme Court denied Defendant's request for jurisdiction, upholding the lower Court's judgment in favor of Leon County for \$300,000.
- Handled the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Department of Health Investigation.
- Prepared the Fire Services Fee Collection Issues Notice.
- Closed on the Florida Gas Transmission donation to Leon County of environmentally sensitive property.
- Closed on the purchase of Huntington Oaks Plaza and handled related property swap of View Pointe property at Perkins Road, including subsequent Tenant Matters and lease agreement template for use by TALCOR.
- Copyright Program for GIS and Emergency Operations Center for the Incident Training System
- Drafted new or revised Policies, including Social Media Policy, Bid Protest Policy, HIPAA Policy and the AHAC Affordable Housing Certification Policy.

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DID YOU KNOW

The four lawyers currently on staff with the County Attorney's Office have more than 75 years of combined legal experience.



Leon County Wins Appeal, Awarded \$314K

In November 2009, the First District Court of Appeal upheld the Honorable P. Kevin Davey's Order on Motion for Rehearing in favor of Leon County, which included a \$314,068 award to the County to remediate property and to reimburse Leon County for a portion of its administrative costs. The case against Johnny Petrandis and his corporation, J-II Investments, was pending since 2003 and had been a lengthy, litigious matter for the County. This is the second appeal involving the same case. In the first case, which is now the leading case in Florida, the Court ruled that local governments can enforce their existing regulations on agricultural property.

The First District Court of Appeal agreed with the County's position in upholding the trial court's Order on Motion for Rehearing and assessing the penalties against Petrandis and his company, so the County will be able to restore the property and correct the environmental damage done by the defendants.

Leon County Joins Suit Against Online Travel Companies

In 2009, Leon County led the way by filing suit against leading internet travel companies, asking for a declaratory judgment that the companies' failure to remit the appropriate amount of taxes on hotel room rentals is a violation of Florida law, costing the public significant amounts of hotel taxes.

The hotels collect the taxes directly from travelers, but only on the wholesale rates. Governments across the country claim this practice robs them of hundreds of millions of dollars.

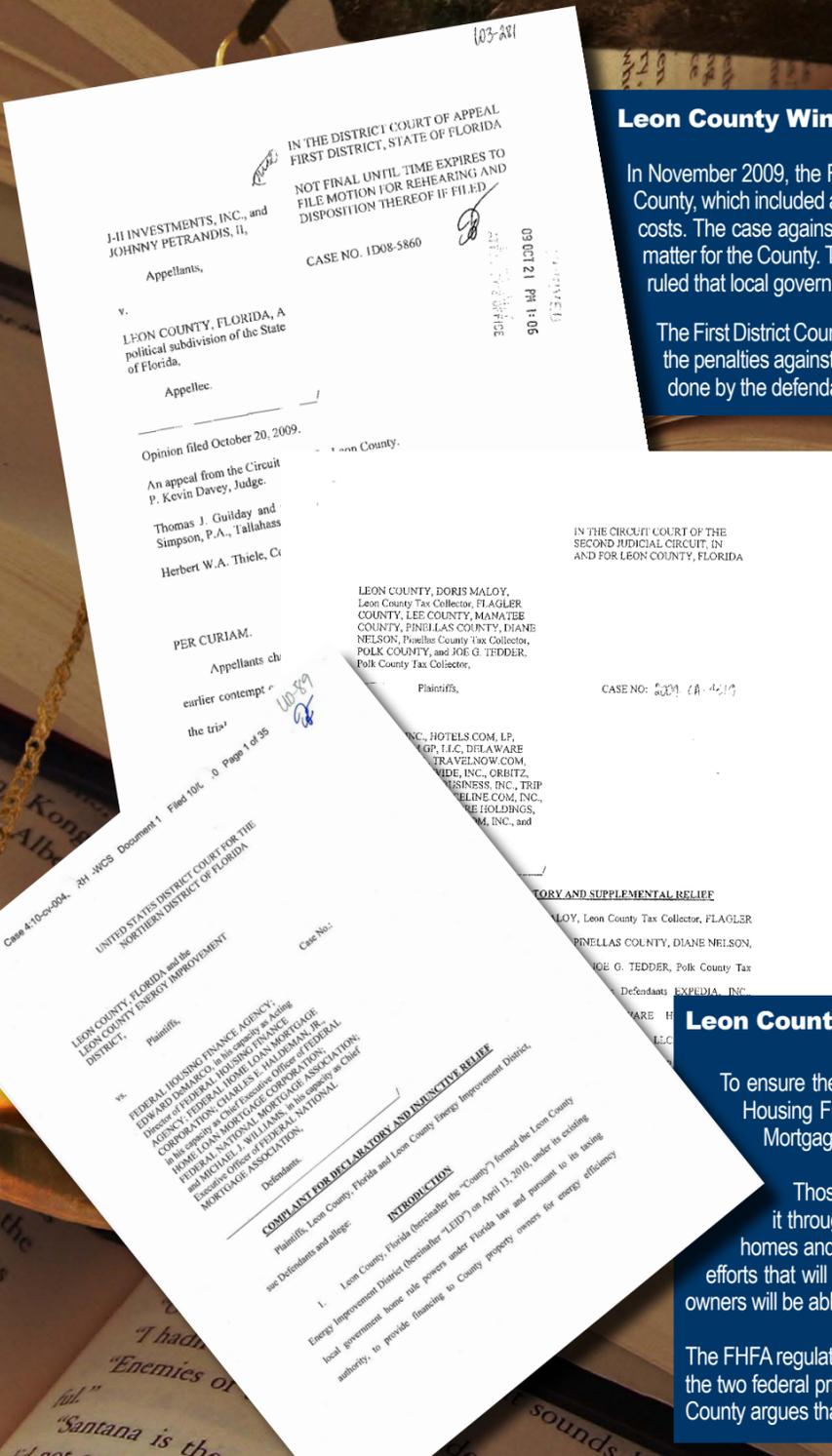
The suit against such defendants as Orbitz, Expedia, Priceline, Travelocity and Hotels.com is ongoing, and Leon County has been joined by other counties, including Flagler, Lee, Manatee, Pinellas and Polk counties.

Leon County Files Suit in Federal Court to Preserve Its Energy Program

To ensure the survival of its local energy efficiency program, Leon County filed complaint in federal court against the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") and the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") in an effort to reverse recent federal regulatory actions taken by the FHFA.

Those actions have undermined the County's Leon Energy Assistance Program, also known as "LEAP," and others like it throughout the nation, which are intended to assist property owners by funding energy efficiency improvements on their homes and businesses through property assessments. The primary purpose of LEAP is to enact meaningful energy-reduction efforts that will also help to create jobs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions for the entire community. Through LEAP, property owners will be able to lower their utility bills, reduce the up-front cost of energy retrofits and add value to their property.

The FHFA regulation would prohibit home mortgages with energy assessments from being acquired by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the two federal private corporations that purchase or guarantee more than 50 percent of the residential mortgages in the nation. Leon County argues that this regulation is violative of many federal and state laws and constitutional provisions.





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Vince Long holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Florida State University and is a graduate of the Harvard University, JFK School of Government Institute for Senior Executives in State and Local Government. He is also a Credentialed Manager by the International City/County Managers Association. Long is also a recent graduate and active member of Leadership Florida. He is active in many community and professional organizations, including the Florida City/County Managers Association and the Florida Workers Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association.

The Deputy County Administrator provides leadership and direction to division directors, as well as the core group of professional staff who perform policy analysis, legislative coordination and public relations activities.



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SERVING THE PUBLIC INTERESTS OF LEON COUNTY CITIZENS

Public Services maintains and enhances Leon County's high quality of life through services that address the public's health, safety and welfare. The Deputy County Administrator works closely with the County Administrator to execute the Board's highest priorities.

Public Services include: Legislative Affairs & Economic Development, Public Information, Library Services, Cooperative Extension, Health & Human Services, Growth & Environmental Management, Emergency Medical Services, Grants, Planning, Tourism Development and Blueprint 2000. Public Services' FY2010 highlights include:

- Led County's efforts to form a new functionally consolidated Fire/EMS entity and the development of a Countywide fire services fee with the City of Tallahassee that would provide residents with enhanced fire-rescue and emergency medical services.
- Implemented a new reorganization of Leon County tourism, branded Visit Tallahassee, which included a new destination brand logo, advertising campaign and the T.O.U.R. Guide program; furthered engaging professional organizations, such as the Tallahassee Society of Association Executives and Meeting Planner International; leveraged relationships with industry partners to bring major tourism events to Leon County; and despite a shortfall in collections, Visit Tallahassee has continued to leverage available resources to maximum impact in promoting the destination.
- Successfully completed the County's first Citizen Charter Review Committee process, resulting in six charter amendments added to the November general election ballot.
- Spearheaded Leon County's sustainable community efforts by hosting the 2010 Sustainable Communities Summit, with an attendance of 400 community members; established the Leon Energy Assistance Program (LEAP), offering financing for energy

efficiency improvements; and received \$1.17 million for energy efficiency improvements to County buildings from the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

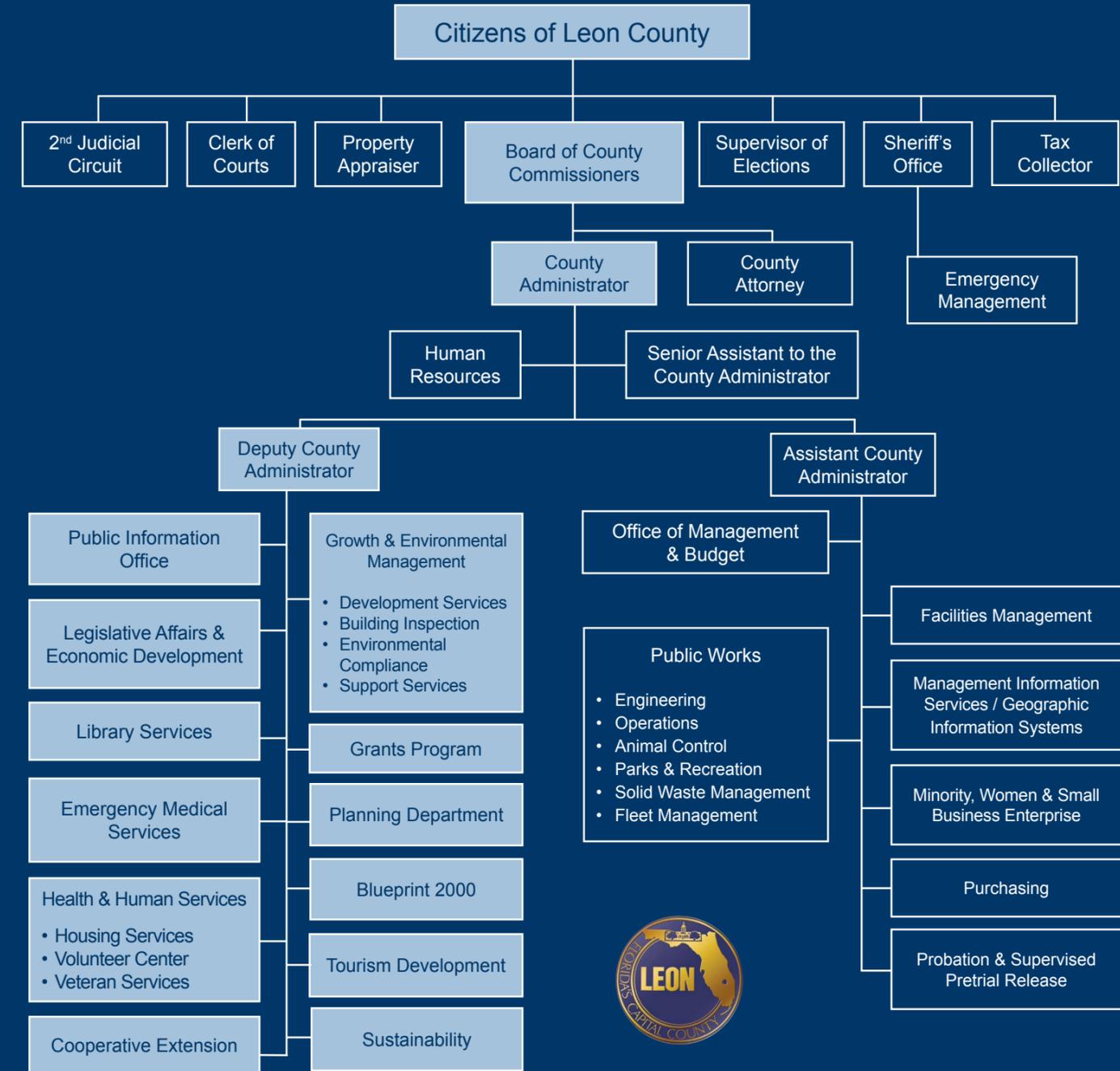
- Implemented expansions to three branch libraries, as well as construction on a green, environmentally responsible new building for the Eastside Branch Library and the new Woodville Branch Library/Community Center.
- Obtained full accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services, becoming the first municipally-based provider in Florida awarded accreditation.
- Implemented a two-track review and approval process for development, which provides a fast-tracked Concept Plan approval process or a Final Design Plan approval.
- Realized \$3.53 in health services for every \$1 of tax revenue expended for the Primary Healthcare Program and provided more than \$1.1 million in funding for nearly 8,000 primary care visits for uninsured patients with limited income.

? DID YOU KNOW

In FY 2009/2010, Leon County was awarded more than \$26 million in grant monies for projects, including law enforcement, court-related services, disaster recovery, affordable housing and local economic stimulus projects.

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PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

The Public Information Office is responsible for public information and education, communications and public relations for Leon County's programs and services. The division aims to develop and maintain a positive image of Leon County by fostering pro-active and responsive communication with employees and the community.

Public Information Officer Jon Brown is responsible for the office's management and daily operations. Before his tenure in County government, Brown started a website development company that grew into an award-winning integrated marketing and creative solutions firm. He currently serves as a board member of the nationwide City-County Communications and Marketing Association, a member of the Florida Public Relations Association and on the board of the Challenger Learning Center of Tallahassee. An honors graduate of Florida A&M University, Brown has a background in Civil and Software Engineering and trained at the Kennedy Space Center and Jet Propulsion Laboratory. He is also a past-president of the American Advertising Federation Tallahassee and a founder of the North Florida Multicultural Marketing Symposium & Multicultural Marketing Student Forum.



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EDUCATION, INFORMATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Received a national Silver Circle Award from the City-County Communications and Marketing Association (3CMA) for excellence in communications, as well as an Award of Excellence for creating digital/interactive government services.
- Coordinated more than 100 press conferences, meetings and community events and distributed more than 180 news releases and advisories to promote County programs and services.
- Sent more than 33,000 bulletins via the County's new media subscription service, GovDelivery, providing residents with up-to-the-minute news at their fingertips on everything from road closures to Countywide events.
- Implemented daily updates for the County's award-winning Emergency Information Portal (EIP), which includes emergency alerts and associated health warnings, road closures, sandbag locations, shelter locations and status, evacuation routes and important health information.
- Played an integral role in a Countywide task force to prepare for severe cold fronts during record-breaking winter, which included Leon County's at-risk homeless population. Staff participated in a multi-agency tabletop exercise to prepare for communications needs during natural or man-made disaster scenarios.
- Served as the temporary communications office for the Leon County Research and Development Authority during a critical transition period and provided public relations and communications assistance.
- Developed Twitter (<http://twitter.com/LeonCounty>) and Facebook presences in order to keep citizens aware of County news.



- Partnered with the Office of Sustainability to present the first Leon County Sustainable Communities Summit, highlighting the County's leadership in green initiatives and environmental responsibility.
- Served on the Tallahassee-Leon County Complete Count Committee for the 2010 Census. Staff also co-hosted the 'Mail-It-Back' Rally, featuring County and City leaders, and participated in the local effort "National Neighborhood Blitz: March to the Mailbox" events.
- Raised awareness of the beginning of hurricane season by participating in a Red Cross-sponsored news conference and distributing thousands of Hurricane Survival Guides with the support of Emergency Management and surrounding counties.
- Added more than a thousand photos to Leon County's photos microsite, www.LeonPhotos.org.
- Collaborated with MIS, HR and the County Attorney's Office to develop a social media/digital communications policy.



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Commission meetings, live or previously recorded, can be viewed online at www.LeonCountyFL.gov or Comcast Channel 16. Agendas and minutes can also be accessed on the County's website or by calling 606-5300.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

LOBBYING FOR LEON COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE & ECONOMIC INTERESTS

- Managed the County's state and federal legislative priorities and provided weekly updates to the Board and senior staff on the progress of legislative activity.
- Continued to oversee the County's Economic Stimulus Quick Response Team to maximize federal funding opportunities for local projects.
- Leveraged \$9.8 million of County and City Recovery Zone Facility Bonds, under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, to entice the construction of a three-story office and retail complex in the heart of downtown Tallahassee.
- Oversaw the development of a community partnership to open a teen center at the Palmer Munroe Community Center.



The Leon County Legislative Delegation conducts an annual public hearing in the County Commission Chambers to hear from Leon County residents prior to each legislative session.

- Managed the County's contract with the Leon County School Board to enhance driver education and behind-the-wheel training for area teens.
- Provided staffing and support to the Leon County Research and Development Authority during its transition period.
- Established the County's Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee to address poverty, economic development, and unemployment issues in distressed areas.
- Secured a \$2.1 million grant for the Joint County/City Public Safety Complex through the federal appropriations process.
- Served on the **WORKFORCE Plus** Reinvest Local Advisory Council to organize efforts relating to employment services and training funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.
- Provided staffing to the Public Safety Coordinating Council, which is charged with monitoring programs that reduce jail overcrowding and alternative programs of incarceration for nonviolent offenders.
- Implemented a one-year vocational training program at the Leon County Jail for non-violent female inmates to reduce recidivism.

? DID YOU KNOW

Leon County collects a \$3 civil fee for all moving traffic violations and provides the revenues to the Leon County School Board to enhance driver education courses for area teens.

Legislative Affairs and Economic Development provides coordination to ensure that Leon County receives resources and support to best serve its citizens. The division provides policy recommendations for the County's high-priority issues, creates the annual legislative priorities and monitors legislative issues.

Director Ken Morris has been employed by Leon County since 2004 and holds a master's degree from FSU's Askew School of Public Administration. Morris has served as the County's point person on numerous projects, including property tax reform legislation, jail overcrowding issues and economic development opportunities.

Prior to joining the County, Morris worked for several offices of the Legislature, including the State Administration Council and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability. He was also selected for the esteemed Speaker's Fellowship Program in 2003, serving as a legislative analyst for the Local Government Committee and the Select Committee on Affordable Housing in the Florida House during the 2004 legislative session.



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OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

LEROY COLLINS LEON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

GROWING GREEN TOGETHER

The Office of Sustainability provides leadership, education, policy analysis, project development, measurement and accountability for the County's sustainability efforts.

The division is a resource for County operations and community residents for topics related to energy conservation, waste reduction and recycling, green building practices and products, greenhouse gas emissions and more.

Sustainability Manager Maggie Theriot, the point person for sustainable actions both internal to the County and in the community, was born and raised in Tallahassee. She holds a master's degree in Public Administration and a master's degree in Urban & Regional Planning from Florida State University.



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- Coordinated the Sustainable Communities Summit in May 2010, which drew nearly 400 community members to the two-day event that featured more than 30 breakout sessions and well known authors Bill McKibben and John Robbins.
- Established the Leon Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) to offer low-interest financing for energy efficiency improvements to Leon County homeowners. LEAP is the first program in Florida to enact a property-based finance program, which is connected with the property, not to the individual owner.
- Through a creative effort, two community gardens are now established on County-owned property. The County provided initial infrastructure, such as fencing and irrigation, while members of the community plant and maintain the vegetables and fruit.
- Through a competitive grant award, the Office of Sustainability received \$1.17 million for energy efficiency improvements to several County buildings. The funds were part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and will provide upgrades to lighting and lighting controls. By installing more efficient lights, using occupancy sensors and controls, Leon County will save an estimated \$164,000 on annual energy costs.
- Implemented "green cleaning" in the County Courthouse and Downtown Courthouse Annex. The "green" aspects of the service include the cleaning equipment, consumable supplies and cleaners.



While reducing the environmental impact of custodial services for two of the largest County buildings, the County will save nearly \$29,000 annually over the previous service contract.

- In partnership with the Fleet Management Division, a Fuel Management System was implemented. By installing monitoring devices on 220 vehicles, staff can monitor detailed fuel consumption data and target individual vehicles or drivers who are not operating to industry standards.
- Once constructed, the new Eastside Branch Library will feature a solar photovoltaic system, recycled building materials, use of natural day lighting and a rainwater capture system to irrigate its landscaping. The entire building will be constructed to Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) Gold standards.
- Environmentally friendly motor oil is now used in all applicable County vehicles. The synthetic blend is recycled used oil that is re-refined a second time while also receiving a performance additive. The oil exceeds the toughest standards in North America for quality and is competitively priced.



? DID YOU KNOW

Leon County hosted the Sustainable Communities Summit in May 2010 to educate more than 350 attendees about locally grown food and 'green' economic development.

INSPIRING A LOVE OF READING AND A LIFE OF LEARNING

- A new high-roof courier van with special shelving increases the efficiency of the library's courier service, delivering materials twice daily to users at all library locations, saving time and fuel.
- The seventh annual Teen Poetry Slam in April featured talented young poets performing their work at the Dr. B.L. Perry, Jr. Branch, the Northeast Branch, and the Collins Main Library.
- The Library brought writer and journalist Michael Grunwald to Leon County for the Tallahassee Festival of Books in March, partnering for this event with the Tallahassee Writers Association and other groups.
- In partnership with the Downtown Improvement Authority, the Library invited journalist and author John Heilemann and local children's author Susan Womble to the Tallahassee Downtown Bookfair.
- Groundbreaking on the expansion of the Dr. B.L. Perry, Jr. Branch Library, which was held April 29, heralded the start of exciting expansion for the library system. The groundbreaking for the expansion at the Northeast Branch took place May 25, and groundbreaking for a green, environmentally responsible new building for the Eastside Branch Library at the County's Pedrick Pond Park took place on July 8.
- The Library System received \$162,000 in grants and donations, including the State Aid to Libraries Grant, Friends of the Library grant match, National Endowment for the Humanities, We the People Bookshelf, the Tallahassee Jewish Federation, and the National Endowment for the Arts Big Read Grant to feature Tim O'Brien's book, "The Things They Carried."



The courier van makes the library system's collection more convenient and accessible to citizens throughout Leon County by transporting requested resources from one library to another.

? DID YOU KNOW

On a typical day in the library system:

- Library users check out more than 5,700 items
- More than 3,300 people visit the library
- Librarians answer more than 900 questions
- The library website and databases receive 8,300 hits
- 40 literacy volunteer tutor pairs meet each day, and
- More than 70 children and adults attend library programs



For more information visit: www.leoncountyfl.gov/library

The LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library System, named for the late Gov. LeRoy Collins, enriches the community by inspiring a love of reading, providing a dynamic resource for creative and intellectual pursuits, and enabling residents to live a life of learning.

Leon County citizens use the downtown Collins Main Library or any of the five branch libraries, the Dr. B.L. Perry, Jr. Branch, the Ft. Braden Branch, the Lake Jackson Branch, the Northeast Branch and the Parkway Branch. Bookmobile services are also available for use.

Cay Hohmeister was appointed Library Director in May 2010, having worked as a Library Services Manager in the System since 2004. She has also worked at the State Library of Florida and as a freelance copy editor.

Hohmeister received her undergraduate degree in History from Eckerd College and earned her master's degree from Simmons College's Graduate School of Library and Information Science.

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

PRESERVING LIFE, IMPROVING HEALTH, PROMOTING SAFETY

Launched in December 2003, the Emergency Medical Services division has provided the highest quality emergency care available and continues to enhance this vital service. EMS provides clinically superior, cost-effective emergency medical services and transport to the citizens and visitors of Leon County.

Leon County EMS Chief Tom Quillin has led the division since 2005, having previously served as the City of Tallahassee's Fire Chief. He leads a team of talented professionals who provide medical services to Leon County citizens and visitors.

Chief Quillin is a member of the State of Florida EMS Advisory Council, the Florida Fire Chiefs Association, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the National Fire Protection Association and serves on the Board of Directors for Capital City Youth Services. He was also awarded the 2010 EMS Pioneer Award by the Florida Department of Health for his innovation and leadership, and his team received the 2010 Florida EMS Provider of the Year Award. LCEMS also obtained full accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services this year, becoming the first municipally-based provider in Florida to be awarded accreditation.



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- The division's Heart Ready Initiative was recognized as one of the first annual State Surgeon General Health Innovation, Prevention, and Management Award recipients in recognition of the division's commitment to providing wellness, disease prevention and healthy lifestyle activities from Florida Surgeon General Ana M. Viamonte Ros. These efforts by the County have also been recognized by the American Heart Association who designated Leon County a Heart Ready Community for the fourth consecutive year.
- Awarded 2010 Florida EMS Provider of the Year award by the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.
- Obtained full accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services, becoming only the eighth EMS provider and the first municipally-based provider in Florida awarded accreditation.
- Paramedic Steven Suarez was named the 2010 Paramedic of the Year by the Florida Department of Health for his involvement in injury and disease prevention programs.
- Partnered with the Leon County Health Department in their response to the H1N1 "Swine Flu" outbreak by providing 16,500 H1N1 immunizations at schools and health clinics.
- Trained more than 700 Leon County citizens in CPR and the use of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and presented "Power to End Stroke" seminars to more than 200 citizens, a community stroke-prevention and awareness program that targets the African-American community, a population at high risk for strokes.



- Presented 130 public-education and injury-prevention programs throughout the community at venues such as schools, universities, businesses, churches, neighborhood associations and civic clubs.
- Successfully established the first annual EMS Safety Fair during National EMS Week. This event included public safety partner agencies such as the Leon County Sheriff's Office, Tallahassee Fire Department, and Tallahassee Police Department. The agencies involved at this event conducted demonstrations and educational activities for the public. A car seat safety checkpoint properly installed child safety seats and a bike safety rodeo provided 120 properly fitted bicycle helmets to participants at no charge.
- Continued to improve the chances of survival for cardiac arrest patients by advocating for the placement of AEDs and CPR through education and outreach activities. Efforts have increased the number of AEDs in the community registered with the EMS from 417 to 594.
- Responded to 31,076 requests for service; including 7,816 traumas; 2,730 difficulty breathings; 3,128 motor-vehicle crashes; 3,410 cardiac problems; and 656 strokes. Of these requests, the division transported 22,144 patients.

? DID YOU KNOW

EMS provides several public-education and injury-prevention programs with topics including CPR and AED training, Healthy Heart Living, Child Passenger Safety Seats, Children and Senior Adult Health and Wellness, Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety, and Power to End Stroke seminars. These programs are designed to preserve life, improve health and promote safety.



PLANNING

PLANNING TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S COMMUNITY

- Recognized by the Florida Department of Community Affairs for Planning Excellence and presented with an award for Land Use and Transportation Planning for the Multimodal Transportation District (MMTD) Comprehensive Plan Amendment. The goal of the MMTD is to reduce automobile use by creating a comfortable, safe and attractive environment for walking, cycling, and transit between neighborhoods, schools, job centers, shopping and services.
- The County and City respectively adopted an ordinance to amend the appropriate sections of Chapter 10 of the Land Development Code to implement Comp Plan Reform and make it consistent with the Tallahassee-Leon County Comp Plan. This amendment removed the Mixed-Use B and C Future Land Use Map (FLUM) categories from the Comp Plan and added Urban Residential 2 and Suburban as new FLUM categories while retaining Mixed Use A in the Bradfordville Study Area only. This amendment also revised the language of the Village Center development pattern and established a new development pattern within the Suburban FLUM category.
- Completed Comp Plan amendments addressing Mahan Categories, implementing a future land use category applicable to Mahan Drive properties and provided guidance for the location and future development of non-residential uses. Also adopted Comp Plan Amendments for Cycle 2009-2. This is the annual Comp Plan cycle



- that implements changes to the Comp Plan that have been filed by citizens, staff, and elected officials.
- The Board approved new design and development standards to implement the Mahan Gateway Node FLUM category. This was a major undertaking by both the Planning and Growth and Environmental Management departments. These standards demand a high quality development product at the Nodes and are expected to produce small urban nodes that are supportive of future StarMetro expansion. The standards are the result of extensive public outreach.
- Adopted Comp Plan Amendments for Cycle 2010-1.
- Received a Tallahassee-Leon County Historic Preservation Award for outstanding achievement in preservation planning.



? DID YOU KNOW

In April, the Board approved funding for the creation of a Community Gardening pilot project at four sites around the community. Planning staff provided a lands inventory, conducted land suitability analysis, and assisted with public outreach. The community gardens will educate children at Nims Middle School, build community involvement at the Ft. Braden Library and Miccosukee Community Center site, and give fresh produce to families in need at the Second Harvest of the Big Bend facility.

The Tallahassee-Leon County Planning department provides information, planning recommendations and expertise to the County and City governments, the Planning Commission, appointed boards and committees, residents, and businesses in the areas of long-range land use, environmental, transportation planning and land-use administration.

The department is led by Director Wayne Tedder, who began working for the Planning department in 1997. He received his bachelor's degree in architecture from the Florida A&M University and a master's degree in Planning from Florida State University. Tedder is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) and has been a recipient of the Leon County Sustained Excellence Award.

He leads a team of AICP-Certified professional planners that fulfill the requirements of state laws and City and County policy direction.



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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT



COOPERATIVE EXTENSION



The department of Tourism Development, which is called Visit Tallahassee, provides staff support and assistance to the Leon County Tourist Development Council (TDC). The department works with the TDC to enhance the local economy and quality of life through the benefits associated with a strong visitor industry.

Director Lee Daniel is a 23-year veteran of the tourism industry. He joined the County in 2009, having previously served as Deputy Director for the St. Petersburg/Clearwater Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, one of the largest CVBs in the United States.

Daniel is a Certified Destination Management Executive through Purdue University and the University of Calgary. He holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a master's degree in Sports Administration.

Daniel and his staff work closely with local tourism and hospitality agencies, elected officials and the business community to highlight some of the area's best features and to market Leon County as a year-round destination.



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PROMOTING AND MARKETING FLORIDA'S CAPITAL REGION

- Collected nearly \$3 million in total tourist development taxes. This amount, representing four pennies, is a decrease of 2.7% compared to prior year collections. Despite the shortfall in collections, Visit Tallahassee has continued to leverage available resources to maximum impact in promoting the destination.
- Introduced a new destination brand logo, video and new advertising campaign; Created new Visitor Guide content and layout and created a new press kit. Also, introduced the new T.O.U.R. Guide program, a six-month campaign aimed at educating the local residents of the many things to do in the area.
- Participated and represented Visit Tallahassee at more than 20 trade shows and networking events targeting government, corporate and association meeting markets. Events included Florida Encounter, National Coalition of Black Meeting Planners, (NCBMP) Fall Conference, Meeting Planner International (MPI), and the Tallahassee Society of Association Executives (TSAE).
- Assisted and hosted 125 travel journalists to Tallahassee since October 2009. Provided assistance to visiting media by securing accommodations and providing tailored itineraries based on story interest. This included hosting the 2010 Florida Outdoor Writers Association Annual Conference.
- Successfully booked 8,549 room nights via motor coach groups, travel clubs, weddings, reunions and special events. Participated in 21 consumer and industry tradeshows to promote the region as a tourist destination. Target markets included a women's show, senior expos, vacation and recreation expos and several military base travel shows.



- Introduced the new www.VisitTallahassee.com website featuring a user-friendly design, updated content, one-click navigation, a book direct feature which allows users to book directly with a hotel, a color-coded events calendar and numerous special sections. The new website provides Tallahassee and Leon County a more competitive edge with other visitor destinations.
- Worked with The Council on Culture and Arts (COCA), The United Way, Harry's Bar & Grille, and other tourism partners to develop and promote a series of July 4th weekend activities and discounts to drive summer visitation. The first ever Big Bend Freedom Fest included a variety of core events taking place over a three-day period with discounts provided by area attractions, restaurants, and hotels.
- Recruited and trained 23 new volunteers to provide exceptional visitor services. Provided customer service to more than 11,535 walk-in visitors and 175 groups at the Visit Tallahassee Visitor Centers.
- Funded events through Special Event Grants, generating more than 58,000 visitors and an estimated 23,700 in room nights.
- Awarded the 2010 AAU Track & Field National Qualifier, which tracked more than 20,000 room nights, more than 44,500 visitors and generated \$22,533,848 in economic impact, as well as a total of 2,250 visitors to the community during a four-day period.

QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

The Tallahassee Sports Council tracked a total of 20,100 room nights with 44,557 actual visitors, which generated more than \$22 million in local economic impact.

CULTIVATING SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR LIFE

- Received \$279,920 in federal grants for nutrition education for limited-resource families. More than 1,100 Leon County families completed 10 classes each, and more than 11,000 educational contacts helped families improve food and nutrition habits to graduate from the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education program.
- Provided coordination and oversight for 15 active school and community vegetable gardens in Leon County, engaging more than 200 participants in a variety of gardening activities.
- Family and Consumer Sciences, Master Gardener, Master Wildlife Conservationist and 4-H youth and adult volunteers contributed more than 26,000 hours of volunteer service to Cooperative Extension programs, an equivalent of approximately 13 full-time employees.
- Master Gardener-Habitat for Humanity Partnership Project volunteers worked with Habitat clients to design and install landscapes, both for appearance and level of maintenance, while adhering to the Florida Yards & Neighborhoods principles of sustainable gardening and environmental stewardship.
- Produced 12 television and 7 radio shows in cooperation with WFSU to promote Florida-friendly landscaping and community gardens. Cooperative Extension, with the help of faculty and volunteers, published 56 garden columns and 18 magazine articles.
- More than 400 youth from low-income families completed a series of five Family Nutrition Program classes, and 595 nutrition educational contacts were made with older Leon County residents on topics including nutrition, food safety and the importance of physical activity.

- Received \$50,000 in federal grants to raise awareness and expertise regarding food safety, state and federal regulations, and marketing skills for limited-resource farmers.
- Awarded Business Partner of the Year by Florida Project Learning Tree for the environmental education training program.
- 2,108 residents received technical assistance with sustainable agriculture, apary production, specialty crop farming and equine care through workshops, group consultations and farm visits.
- Trained more than 250 childcare workers and senior volunteers to improve the nutritional habits of children.
- More than 7,500 youth enhanced decision-making skills, leadership and communication through participation in 4-H programs and activities, including 6,636 youth who gained skills in preparing, writing, and presenting a speech by participating in the 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking County and District Contests.



QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

The Master Gardener Association, in conjunction with UF/IFAS Extension, is now accepting gardening questions via email. Send your question to: Ask-a-MasterGardener@leoncountyfl.gov.

Cooperative Extension is a partnership between state land grant universities, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments. These groups share in the planning, financing and operation of Extension programs. The University of Florida administers Extension services for the state, and Leon County provides support for local faculty, staff and facilities. Local advisory committees make sure programs are designed to meet community needs.

Cooperative Extension, led by Dr. Betty Miller, conducts research-based educational programs in family and consumer sciences, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, natural resources and youth development.

Dr. Miller, who has been designated as a Certified Family Life Educator by the National Council on Family Relations, has been with Cooperative Extension for 15 years and director for six years, serving first as a Family & Consumer Sciences Agent. She provides leadership, program coordination, and professional development for nine university faculty, five program assistants and three support personnel.



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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



HOUSING SERVICES

Health and Human Services provides programs that address health, safety and other social issues. HHS consists of Primary Healthcare Services, Human Services, Housing Services, Veteran Services and the Volunteer Center.

Director of Health and Human Services, Candice Wilson, has approximately 20 years of local government work experience, including several years of supervisory and management experience.

Wilson supervises a staff of 14 County employees and is responsible for oversight of the State Housing Initiatives Partnership and Community Development Block Grant.

Her skilled staff provides assistance to Leon County citizens year-round and works to obtain much-needed grants, such as the \$1.5 million Impact Fee Proviso grant that provides Down Payment Assistance and Foreclosure Prevention Assistance to struggling homeowners.



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PRESERVING & IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF CITIZENS

- Realized \$3.53 in health services for every \$1 of County tax revenue expended for the County's Primary Healthcare Program.*
- Provided over \$1.1 million in funding for nearly 8,000 primary care visits and coordination of specialty care for uninsured patients with limited income at Bond Community Health Center and Neighborhood Health Services.**
- Received \$277,570 in medical and dental services donated by Capital Medical Society Foundation We Care Network, in addition to donated hospital and laboratory services.
- Expanded access to mental health services for uninsured residents by allocating a total of \$257,671 in funding to Apalachee Center, Bond Community Health Center, and Neighborhood Health Services.
- Assisted 104 families through the County's Direct Emergency Assistance Program, providing rent, utility, and prescription assistance in an effort to prevent homelessness, malnutrition, and reduce chronic conditions and disease.
- Provided more than 33,355 prescriptions in partnership with Florida A&M University College of Pharmacy, valuing more than \$5.4 million.
- Supported the opening of Bond Community Health Center's new pharmacy with funding that has provided 3,795 prescriptions valuing \$222,349 since April 2010.
- Distributed the Leon County NACo Prescription Discount Card which provides an average savings of 20% on prescription drugs. Over 10,000 prescriptions were filled for an estimated cost savings of \$100,000.
- Contributed more than \$2.1 million in accordance to Florida Statutes for Medicaid Match and the Healthcare Responsibility Act. Respectively, the programs require the County to pay 35% of the cost of hospitalization for Leon County Medicaid patients with hospital stays more than three weeks and \$55 per month for each County nursing home resident; and pay for out-of-county hospital services received by uninsured eligible residents.
- Granted \$628,004 in funding to Apalachee Center for mandated mental health and substance abuse services provided in accordance with the Baker and Marchman Acts.
- Allocated \$7,514 to Florida Healthy Kids Corporation to subsidize healthcare coverage for non-Title-XXI eligible KidCare children.
- Funded burial services for 24 residents through the Indigent Burial Program in cooperation with the County's Public Works department and local funeral homes.
- Provided over \$375,000 in funding to the Medical Examiner for mandated services.

**\$1,479,423 expended and \$5,217,454 reported value of services.*

***Total of \$1,124,423 to Bond, NHS, and We Care, and 7,955 visits.*

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DID YOU KNOW

HHS assisted 104 families through the County's Direct Emergency Assistance Program, providing rent, utility, and prescription assistance in an effort to prevent homelessness, malnutrition, and reduce chronic conditions and disease.

HOUSING ASSISTANCE, COUNSELING & SOLUTIONS

- Housing Services increased accessibility to affordable housing, assisted families rehabilitate their homes, and helped families save their homes against foreclosure.
- Successfully administered a \$1.5 million Impact Proviso Grant which provided down-payment assistance and foreclosure prevention assistance.
- Provided down-payment assistance to 90 first-time homebuying families that purchased homes in unincorporated areas of Leon County.
- Provided financing to repair and rehabilitate more than 30 homes when the need involved issues surrounding the building code, health, safety, and/or insurability. These families are now occupying safe, sanitary and comfortable homes.
- Provided foreclosure prevention assistance, counseling and funding to more than 100 families who found themselves behind on their mortgage and at risk of losing their home to foreclosure. Because of the program, these families are now current on their mortgage and were able to stay in their homes.
- Worked with the Escambia County Housing Finance Authority in the development of a multi-million dollar Single Family Bond Issue.



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DID YOU KNOW

Leon County provided down-payment assistance to 100 first-time home buyers who purchased homes in unincorporated areas of the County.

The division of Housing Services helps to provide safe, sanitary, and affordable homes for low-income citizens of Leon County through the provision of funds for rehabilitation, home counseling and down-payment assistance.

The division is led by Lamarr Kemp, Sr., who has 17 years of experience in affordable housing program administration, real estate development, home building and real estate finance. Kemp is also a Licensed Residential Builder and a HUD Certified Homebuyer Educator.

Prior to joining Leon County Housing Services, Kemp managed an affordable housing building project of 60,000 homes in Gabon, West Central Africa, was inducted into the "Who's Who" U.S. Registry of Leading American Executives, and earned a "Businessman of the Year Award" from the Vanguard Chronicle.

Kemp's team provides down-payment and closing-cost assistance, housing rehabilitation, disaster recovery, foreclosure prevention, disaster mitigation and home replacement services to the residents of Leon County.

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VOLUNTEERLEON



VETERAN SERVICES



RESPONSIVE VOLUNTEERISM & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- VolunteerLEON's volunteers and interns contributed more than 130,000 hours of time, talent and skill to County government. Increased the number of students placed in internships, both in County government and community-based agencies, by 50%.
- Presented the Florida Administrators Volunteer Management Certification to 20 community-based agencies' managers of volunteers who completed the training. Additionally, VolunteerLEON conducted volunteer management workshops for the United Partners for Human Services Annual Conference, Florida Association of Volunteer Resource Managers, Tallahassee Senior Center, Council of Neighborhood Association (CONA), and conducted many nonprofit site visits for the purpose of training.
- Organized and participated in Disney's Give a Day, Get a Day program with dozens of partner organizations from Big Bend Homeless Coalition to Florida Blood Service. Program accounted for more than 1,500 volunteers who served more than four months and accounted for more than 10,000 hours of service
- Executed the \$25,000 Volunteer Florida Foundation Long Term Recovery Grant to provide long-term recovery assistance due to Tropical Storm Fay. All of the terms of the grant, including financial performance measures were met.
- Held a two-week-long youth leadership camp called "Camp Activate," designed to develop youths' sense of self identity and expand their leadership abilities. The camp promoted acceptance of diversity and taught strategies for non-violent conflict resolution.
- Fostered Directors of Volunteers Association membership and proved instrumental in tripling meeting attendance.
- Created online disaster portal that allows for the recruitment, training and tracking of County staff participating in disaster response and recovery.
- Created online Citizen Information Line and Volunteer Reception Center training modules to allow volunteers to participate easily from their desktops.
- Created a Cyber Volunteer Reception matching system that will connect volunteers to disaster-related needs within minutes instead of hours. The system can be used during small-scale disasters where power is not an issue, getting help out more efficiently.
- Conducted Hurricane Helper Online exercise to test the cyber volunteer matching system. The groundbreaking exercise attracted more than 90 participants from emergency management partners across Florida and around the nation.
- Assisted the State's Office Volunteer and Donations, Volunteer Florida with technical assistance in response to Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill.



? DID YOU KNOW

Despite difficult economic times, the number of Americans volunteering jumped by 1.6 million last year, the largest increase in 6 years, according to a report released today by the Corporation for National and Community Service. A report found that 63.4 million volunteered through a formal organization last year, giving more than 8.1 billion hours of service.

VETERANS HELPING VETERANS

- Assisted more than 1,900 veterans and dependents in person and more than 13,000 by phone or mail.
- Facilitated claim actions resulting in Leon County veterans receiving more than \$6.8 million in retroactive payments and new awards.
- Increased visibility and participation with area veteran service organizations, fostering improved relations with the veteran community.
- Coordinated the transition of responsibilities for the annual Veterans Day Parade to Veterans Events in Tallahassee (VET), Inc.
- Spearheaded the team that displays photographs of Leon County servicemen and women. The display of individual photographs is at the LeRoy Collins Leon County Main Library called "Honoring Leon County's Men and Women in Uniform – The War on Terrorism." Photographs may also be viewed on the County website.
- Provided veterans' benefits presentations for deploying and returning Reserve and Guard units.
- Established the Leon County "Fallen Heroes Recognition" policy to acknowledge military personnel who lost their life in support of Military Operations.



For more info, visit: www.leoncountyfl.gov/vets



? DID YOU KNOW

The Department of Defense distributed almost \$4.3 million to approximately 2,000 military retirees in Leon County during FY09/10.

The Veteran Services division counsels and assists veterans and their dependents with processing benefit claims entitled to them through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and other agencies.

The director of Veterans Services, Maj. Dale Keen, is a disabled veteran of the Army. Keen is accredited as a Veteran Service Officer by the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Military Order of World Wars.

Keen worked for the U.S. Army from 1970 to 1993 and for Veterans Employment from 1994 to 2000. He received his undergraduate degree in Education with an emphasis in Military History.

Since retirement from the military in 1993, he has worked to help veterans obtain their earned benefits from the Veterans Administration and the State of Florida.

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Jeri Bush has been a volunteer manager for more than 25 years, and she currently serves on the executive committee for the Florida Association of Volunteer Resource Management, City of Tallahassee Community Advisory Committee and the Tallahassee Volunteer of the Year Steering Committee.

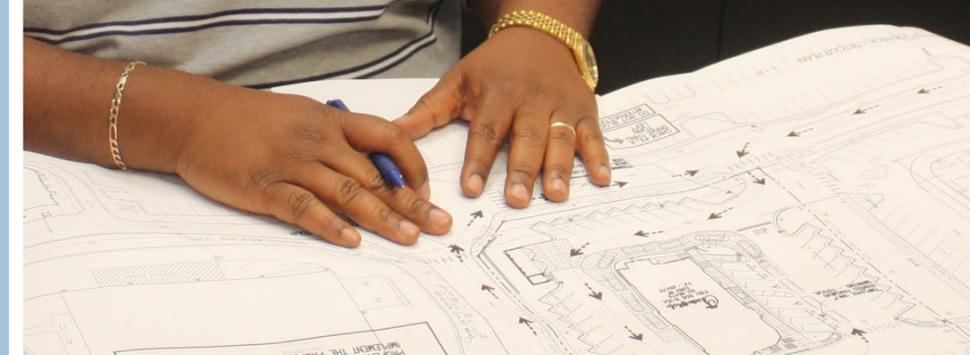
Bush is a past president of the Florida Association of Volunteer Centers, Florida Administrators of Volunteers in Government and the director of Volunteers Association. She has served numerous organizations, including the Red Cross, United Partners for Human Services, the Pandemic Flu Task Force, the Governor's Hurricane Conference and the Oasis Center for Women and Girls.

Bush has also served as Leon County's Volunteer and Donations Coordinator since 1994, and last year, she created Community Organizations Active in disasters (COAD) to streamline service delivery by bringing together all of the agencies that provide disaster relief services under VolunteerLEON.



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GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT



Growth and Environmental Management (GEM) provides one-stop permitting and processing services related to development activities. GEM consists of four divisions: Building Review & Inspection, Development Services, Environmental Compliance, and Permit and Compliance Services. The primary mission of GEM is to ensure the continued vitality of the County, including both the built and natural environments, by promoting awareness and compliance with the Board's adopted growth management regulations.

Director David McDevitt has led GEM since 2005, and he previously served as the Department's director of Development Services. He is a Certified Planner with extensive experience and professional practice in the areas of growth management, land use and transportation planning.

McDevitt is a member of the American Planning Association and has been a member of its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, since 1988. Under his direction, GEM staff have undertaken a renewed commitment to providing exceptional customer service, as well as a comprehensive review and revision of the County's growth management-related regulations.



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PERMITTING, INSPECTION, DEVELOPMENT & SUPPORT

Building Review and Inspection Division

- Building Review and Inspection division negotiated and implemented, with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, an inter-agency agreement with Wakulla County to provide building code administrator and commercial building inspection services to the Wakulla County Building Department.
- Staff from the division served on the Building Officials Association of Florida legislative affairs committee and worked closely with the Florida Association of Counties' lobbyist to monitor proposed legislation affecting the construction industry within Leon County.
- Building Inspection staff coordinated with the City of Tallahassee building inspection department to ensure consistent plan review interpretation and field implementation across jurisdictional lines of the 2009 Building Code supplements.
- Division inspection staff, consisting of seven inspectors, performed and documented approximately 18,426 inspections during the past year.
- Building inspection staff, consisting of two plans examiners, performed and documented approximately 3,290 plans reviews during the fiscal year.
- Staff from the division served on the Big Bend Chapter Building Officials Association of Florida executive board in the capacity of vice-president and secretary.

Development Services Division

- Development Services staff assisted approximately 1,800 walk-in and telephone customers, reviewed 26 site and development plan applications, issued 95 Permitted Use Verification (PUV) certificates,

reviewed 26 applications for concurrency review, responded to 63 alleged code violations complaints, and provided review and assistance to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals on four variance requests.

- Addressing Section staff drafted an ordinance to amend the Leon County Land Development Code to clarify language and provide enhancements to the Addressing and Emergency 911 System.
- Addressing staff assigned 31 new street names, approved 56 street names through the site and development plan review process, and assigned and/or verified 1,809 street addresses.
- The Addressing Section was responsible for the renaming of a portion of Lakeshore Drive to eliminate the duplication of address numbers and the pre-directional (east/north/west) designation, and to correct sequence numbers in order to provide consistency and compliance with the Addressing and Emergency 911 System.
- At the direction of the Board of County Commissioners, staff provided a status report to the Board of County Commissioners regarding 40 parcels that are currently utilized for, or have been previously utilized as, open-pit/sand mine operations.
- Staff from Development Services drafted the following amendments to the Land Development Code that were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners: 1) revisions to the zoning district regulations in order to implement the new Mahan Gateway Node Future Land Use Category; 2) clarification of the requirements for existing antenna support structures; and 3) reduction of the threshold for an event requiring a temporary use permit from 500 to 250 persons.
- Development Services staff assisted the Planning department in drafting revisions to the Residential Preservation zoning district in the Land

Development Code to implement the changes in the Comprehensive Plan requested by the Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA).

- With the approval of the Board, Development Services staff initiated a new process intended to streamline the site and development plan review process by establishing a concept plan approval track and a final design plan approval track.
- In response to the problems resulting from Tropical Storm Fay, and at the direction of the Board, Development Services staff is drafting an ordinance to restrict the establishment of new private subdivisions in order to address the interconnection and infrastructure maintenance deficiencies commonly found in private subdivisions.

Environmental Compliance Division

- The division was instrumental in securing 132 acres of environmentally sensitive land (Eight Mile Pond Tract), at no cost to the County, as mitigation for permitting the new Florida Gas Transmission 36-inch line across the County. Environmental Compliance staff finalized a new Floodplain Ordinance to comply with federal regulations and to maintain the Federal Flood Insurance Program. Staff worked with the Science Advisory Committee to obtain Board approval for the drawdown of Lake Munson to improve its water quality. Staff finalized a new Fertilizer Ordinance to restrict fertilizer content and application rates that was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.
- The Division's staff completed the review of 440 environmental permit applications, 140 site plan and subdivision requests, 45 natural features inventories, and 52 stormwater management facility operating permit reviews.
- During the past year, division staff continued work on the permitting for the widening of Capital Circle Southwest from Tennessee Street to Orange Avenue, monitored the construction of the widening of Mahan

Drive to I-10, and assisted the Citizen's Committee on the proposed Charter Amendment involving Countywide environmental regulations.

- Environmental Compliance staff performed 241 stormwater management facility inspections, 6,500 environmental inspections and assisted 1,904 walk-in customers during the past fiscal year.
- The Division's Underground Petroleum Storage Tank staff, under contract from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, performed 541 petroleum storage tank inspections during the past year.

Permit and Compliance Services Division

- Division staff collected approximately \$930,000 in permitting revenue from applications submitted for development approvals and environmental permitting requests, and approximately \$1.3 million in fees for building permit plan review and inspection requests during FY10.
- Permit and Compliance Services staff assisted approximately 13,000 walk-in customers, processed approximately 4,200 applications, and provided assistance with more than 52,000 telephone calls over the past year.
- The division assisted 1,575 contractor licensing walk-in and call customers and responded to 3,724 code compliance calls that resulted in 1,206 site inspections.
- Division staff prepared and presented 146 code enforcement cases to the Code Enforcement Board for resolution.
- Permit and Compliance Services staff conducted three public hearings to review filed complaints against licensed contractors operating in Leon County, and presented three applications for review and approval for licensing before the Contractor's Licensing and Examination Board.

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BLUEPRINT 2000



PRESERVE, PROTECT & ENHANCE THE COMMUNITY'S QUALITY OF LIFE

- Began construction on Cascade Park in July 2010. While residents will largely use Cascade Park as a recreational area, it will also serve as a much-needed stormwater management facility. Spanning 24 acres, the park will include green spaces and ponds, biking and walking trails, outdoor amphitheater and other historical and cultural amenities for the Leon County community.

- Cascade Park with Segment 3 of the Capital Cascade Trail and the proposed improvements along FAMU Way. The project design is partially funded from a Transportation Enhancement Grant (\$150,000) provided by the Florida Department of Transportation.

- Moved forward on the design and permitting for the double-box culvert between South Monroe Street and South Adams Street; design and permits for the Coal Chute Pond west of Railroad Square, including coordination with the Railroad Square consultants and the City of Tallahassee/CRA; purchase of right-of-way; and 60% design plans for a pond located at the southern end of Capital Cascade Trail.



- Completed the construction of the Capital Circle Southeast project, from Woodville Highway to Tram Road in October 2010, increasing the capacity and safety of the existing highway.

- Funded a design/build project for Capital Circle Southeast to construct the seven-lane roadway from west of Woodville Highway to just east of Crawfordville Road thanks to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

- Initiated the Segment 3 Overall Concept Plan update, which is consistent with the City of Tallahassee's FAMU Way Extension design. The purpose of the update is to incorporate the ditch stabilization and Coal Chute Pond improvements that have already been approved and provide overall trail and amenity concepts for areas that will be designed and constructed under the next phase.

- Selected a consultant for the design of the Capital Cascade Connector Bridge. The proposed bridge will span South Monroe Street just south of the existing railroad overpass, connecting

QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

A complete list of Blueprint 2000 projects can be found online at: www.blueprint2000.org

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE & RECOVERY

- The Leon County Emergency Operations Center was partially activated to coordinate response activities for two emergencies during the last year. The first event was the December 9, 2009 Lake Jackson Tornado, and the second was the community-wide severe weather that occurred on January 21, 2010.

- Provided conference call capabilities and coordination for temporary Cold Weather Shelter operations.

- Participated in the following emergency response exercises: C.H. Corn Hydroelectric Dam annual Emergency Action Plan exercise; Tallahassee Regional Airport annual tabletop exercise; Outbreak Anarchy Business Outreach exercise; City of Tallahassee Tornado Tabletop exercise; Leon County Emergency Operations Center annual full activation exercise; and Leon County Health Department emergency response exercise.

- Conducted 17 emergency preparedness outreach programs for senior citizens, neighborhoods, and other community groups.

- Leon County Emergency Management's director served as President of the 2010 Governor's Hurricane Conference.

- Facilitated three hurricane season response coordination meetings with county, city, state, and non-governmental partner agencies.

- Hosted a special delegation of government officials from Ethiopia and provided information on how emergency management activities are undertaken in Florida.

- Emergency Management's Geographic Information System staff created 604 maps in support of law enforcement and other emergency management partners.

- The Leon County Enhanced 9-1-1 System received 168,238 calls: 98,241 of these calls were from wireless telephones.

- 9-1-1 staff responded to 514 subpoenas and 66 public records requests for audio recordings of 9-1-1 calls.



QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means having your own food, water, and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least three days.

To learn more about building a disaster survival kit, please visit: www.haveahurricaneplan.com

The Leon County division of Emergency Management (DEM) is charged with coordinating the activities of more than 50 local response agencies in the event of a disaster, including the Red Cross, EMS, and the Volunteer Center.

Director Richard Smith manages the 9-1-1 System and the County's emergency preparedness, response and recovery operations. He is Past President of the Florida Emergency Preparedness Association, current President of the Governor's Hurricane Conference, Chairman of the Local Emergency Planning Committee for Hazardous Materials, serves on the board of the American Red Cross' Capital Area Chapter and is a member of the State Emergency Response Commission for Hazardous Materials. Smith served in the Army from 1972 to '75, where he was assigned as a Chemical, Biological and Radiological Instructor.

After graduating from FSU, he was a Nuclear Civil Protection Specialist for the state's Bureau of Disaster Preparedness and worked as the South Florida Area Coordinator for Florida's Bureau of Disaster Preparedness. Prior to coming to Leon County, Smith served as Emergency Management Director for Pasco County and was involved in the evacuation for Hurricane Elena, which set a record as the largest evacuation in American history.

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The Blueprint 2000 program is based on a concept of holistic infrastructure planning. There are several components of Blueprint that link together and focus on the numerous aspects and benefits to the community. Factors that become connected and are positively affected by the holistic planning approach are current flooding and stormwater management/ water quality retrofits, alternative transportation provisions and public accessibility, greenway development, and improved land use compatibility.

Executive Director Jim Davis joined Blueprint 2000 in 2002. Prior to the intergovernmental agency, Davis worked with the Florida Department of Transportation as the Deputy Director for Facilities and Equipment in the Office of Toll Operations, serving as the senior project manager for the Statewide SunPass Program.

He also served in the U.S. Army and retired as a Colonel. Davis took on a wide variety of assignments during his military service, including the management of an airbase in the Republic of Honduras, Chief of Staff Special Operations Command in Korea and Professor of Military Science at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance and a master's degree in Contracts and Acquisition Management.



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Assistant County Administrator Alan Rosenzweig has more than 17 years of experience working in local government and has worked for Leon County for 10 years. He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from Eckerd College and a master's degree in Governmental Administration from the Fels Center of Government at the University of Pennsylvania.

Prior to joining Leon County, Rosenzweig was the Budget Manager for Pinellas County and worked in the budget office in Sarasota County. He began his professional career as a Senior Consultant with Booz, Allen & Hamilton in Washington, DC, and has taught as an adjunct professor at Florida State University and for the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) County Commissioner certification program.

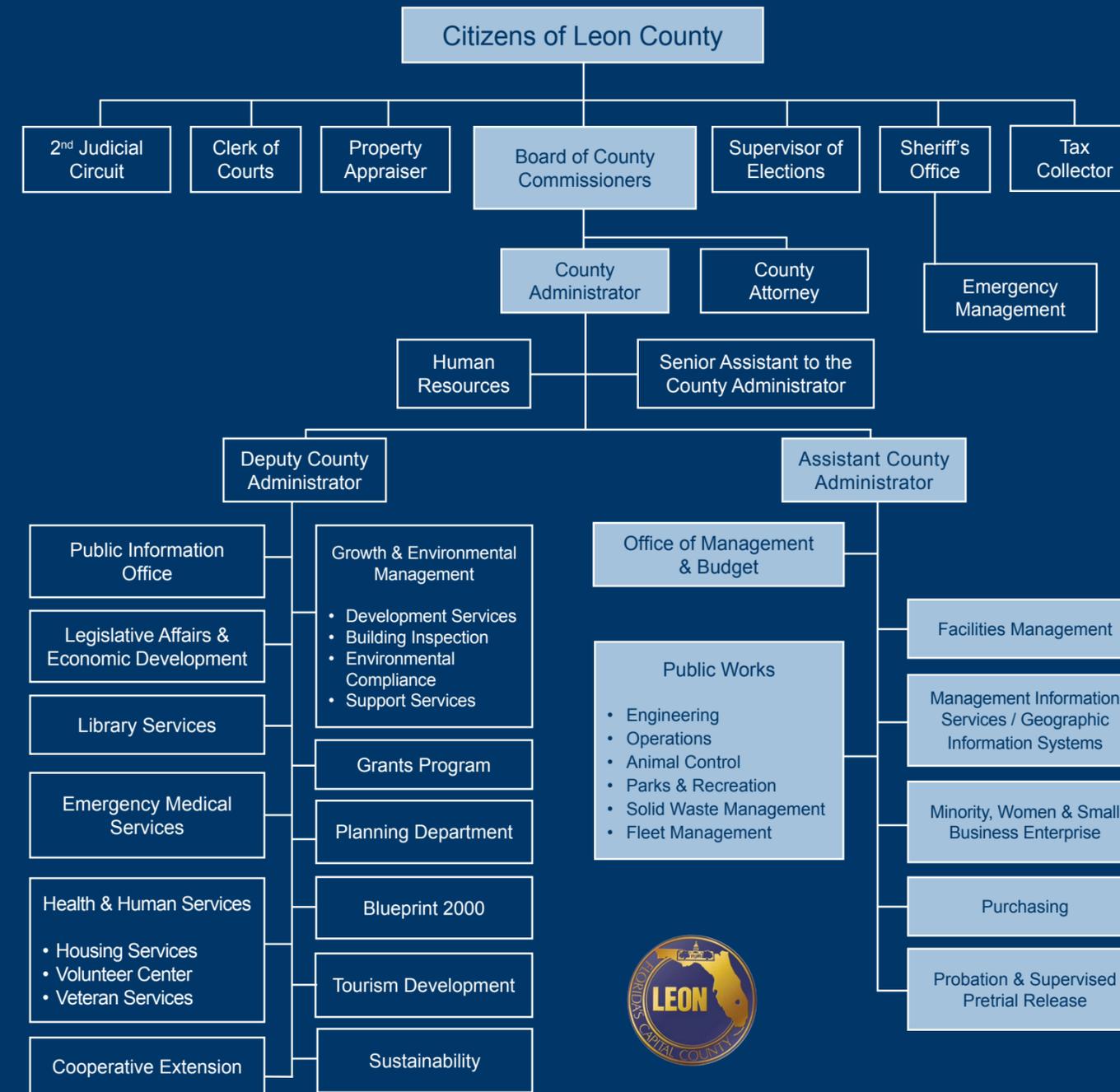
Rosenzweig oversees a number of County functions, including the largest department in the County, Public Works, which consists of Animal Control, Engineering Services, Fleet Management, Operations, Parks & Recreation and Solid Waste Management.

ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

The Assistant County Administrator oversees a number of County functions, including Probation/Supervised Pretrial Release, Minority/Women Small Business Enterprise, Management Information Services and Geographic Information Systems, Purchasing, Facilities Management, Risk Management and the Office of Management and Budget, as well as the largest department in the County, Public Works. During FY 2009/2010, Management Services:

- Earned the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 20th year in a row.
- Led competitive bidding for 15 projects that realized a savings for Leon County of more than \$1,280,000 on contracts valued at more than \$10,400,000 for a savings of 12.22%.
- Formed a Memorandum of Understanding with the department of Management Services and Office of Supplier Diversity in order to reduce barriers created by duplicating certifications and to increase the number of minority- and women-owned business enterprises participating in opportunities afforded by Leon County.
- Secured a \$500,000 federal grant for oblique imagery for a multi-county region, in collaboration with the Leon County Sheriff's Office.
- Implemented a telephone conferencing system for the Emergency Operations Center to provide enhanced services and a cost savings, as well as digital informational displays for Courthouse visitors, showing the court schedule, Courthouse events, weather, breaking news and videos of Board meetings and/or activities.
- Coordinated the design and construction of library expansions at the B.L. Perry and Northeast Branches, as well as the new Eastside, Woodville and Lake Jackson libraries.

- Coordinated the design and pre-construction activities associated with the new Public Safety Complex, which will be a joint-use facility for emergency response functions, the consolidated Emergency Communications Center, the Regional Transportation – Management Center, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and administrative offices for the Fire Department and Emergency Operations Center.
- Completed a major renovation of the Courthouse Annex on Thomasville Road to add courtrooms, an elevator and new office space for the courts, Clerk, Guardian Ad Litem and more. The renovation also dramatically increased its energy efficiency.
- Completed the construction of a Concession Center and restroom facility at the Apalachee Regional Park, which provides both athletic and recreational activities for hundreds of citizens on a monthly basis.
- Coordinated the construction of a replacement Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center at the Solid Waste Management Facility with a drive-through option, increasing the level of customer service and staff efficiency while providing a safer work environment for staff.
- Monitored 80 defendants for court-ordered alcohol abstinence through Secured Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitoring (SCRAM) devices, representing 7,296 hours of 24/7 monitoring to-date.
- Collaborated with the Florida Department of Transportation to plant enhanced landscaping along newly constructed portions of Mahan Drive (Highway 90).
- Rebuilt a slope along Cloudland Drive that included an underdrain system and a synthetic turf enforcement mat. It earned the Big Bend American Public Works Association's Project of the Year Award.



OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & BUDGET

WORKING HARD TO MAINTAIN THE LEANEST BUDGET POSSIBLE - WITH THE LEAST BURDEN ON OUR TAXPAYERS - WHILE DELIVERING THE HIGHEST QUALITY SERVICE IN THE MOST FAIR AND EQUITABLE MANNER.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is responsible for developing and monitoring the annual operating and capital improvements budgets, fiscal policy analysis and special project research.

In addition to continuously reviewing and streamlining the budget process, OMB also coordinates program evaluations and provides management consulting services as requested.

Budget Director Scott Ross has been with OMB for five years, serving previously as Budget Manager.

He is a member of the Government Finance Officers Association.

Ross leads a team of two senior analysts, two analysts and a budget technician who ensure that program managers, based on the availability of revenues, receive the exact amount of resources needed to operate effectively and efficiently.

OMB produces the annual operating and capital budget, the annual and mid-year financial reports, and conduct management reviews.



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- Successfully completed an extensive upgrade of the GOVMAX budgeting software, which included organizational-wide training on its use.
- Received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 20th year in a row.
- Prepared a balanced FY 2010/2011 budget at a 1.23% reduction from FY 2009/2010. Since FY 2007/2008 Leon County's budget has been reduced by \$40.1 million, or more than 14%.
- Provided staffing and representation on the selection committees for the County investment advisor and the external auditor.
- Provided the organizational lead on joining and submitting service level benchmarking data to the Florida Benchmarking Consortium to compare the County's services to other Florida jurisdictions.
- Maintained the fifth lowest number of employees per capita among all 67 counties, with Pinellas, Seminole, Santa Rosa and Sumter having lower amounts.

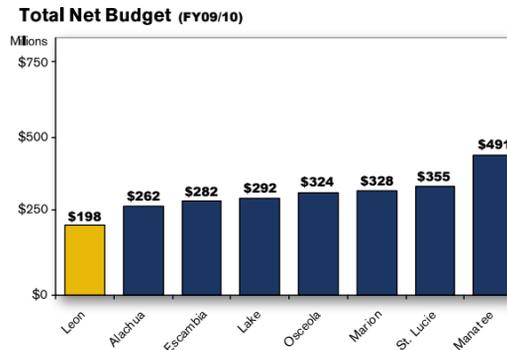
County Budget for Fiscal Year 2009/2010

Budget: \$247,165,925
Countywide Millage Rate: 7.85
Emergency Medical Services: 0.50
Total Millage Rate: 8.35
Total Taxable Property Value: \$14.7 Billion

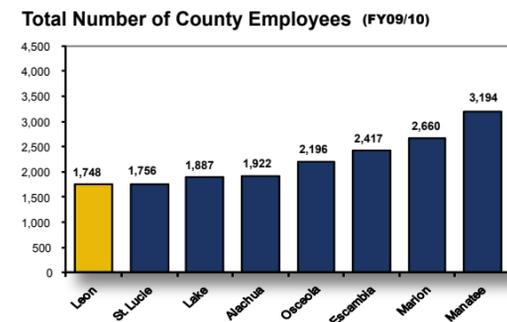
County Budget for Fiscal Year 2010/2011

Budget: \$244,130,080, a decline of \$3,035,845
Countywide Millage Rate: 7.85
Emergency Medical Services: 0.50
Total Millage Rate: 8.35
Total Taxable Property Value: \$14.4 Billion

COMPARATIVE DATA FOR LIKE-SIZED COUNTIES



Leon County ranks lowest in operating budget among like-sized counties, with a net budget of \$198 million. Alachua County's net budget is 32% higher than Leon County's. Manatee County has the largest total net budget, which is over two times, or 150% higher, than the Leon County budget. As recommended by the International City County Management Association, total net budget excludes capital and county total budgeted reserves.



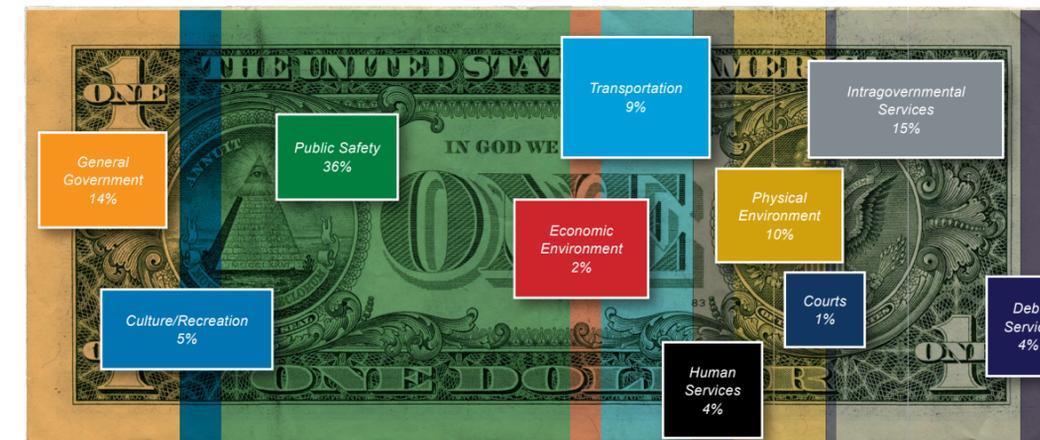
County employees consist of Board, Constitutional, and Judicial Offices. Leon County has the lowest number of county employees among comparables. The closest comparable county to Leon is St. Lucie, which has 8 more employees than Leon. All comparable counties surveyed reported either the same or fewer employees than in FY09. This is largely attributed to property tax reform followed by the recession which has impacted county revenues and services.

FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 BUDGET: \$247.2 MILLION

WHERE THE REVENUE CAME FROM...



...AND WHERE IT WAS SPENT



DID YOU KNOW

When compared to like-sized counties, Leon County has one of the lowest ratios of County employees – 6.6 for every 1,000 residents.



For the 20th consecutive year, Leon County's Office of Management & Budget (OMB) earned the Government Finance Officers Association Award.

On behalf of the County Administrator, and as adopted by the Board, OMB provided the County's Operating Budget, Capital Improvement Program and Budget in Brief online for better accessibility to the public.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented the award to Leon County for its annual budget for Fiscal Year 2009/2010. To win, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan and as a communication device.



PURCHASING



MINORITY, WOMEN & SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE



PROCURING AND MANAGING RESOURCES AND SERVICES

- Implemented E-Payables, an electronic payment system for vendors utilizing the County VISA Purchasing Card platform that allows faster payment to vendors while reducing paperwork processing in Accounts Payable.
- Participated in the 18th Annual Florida Purchasing Conference and Products Exposition, which was sponsored by the Tallahassee Area Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.
- Competitive bidding for fifteen projects through August 2010 realized a savings for Leon County of \$1,280,868 on contracts valued at \$10,479,747 for a savings of 12.22%.
- Implemented a contractor pre-qualification process for three library additions and the Eastside and Northwest Branch library projects.
- Provided value-added services to County staff through on-going procurement customer service and support with policy interpretation, purchase orders, change orders, quotes, informal bids, contract preparation, and other assistance.
- Provided management oversight of the County VISA Purchasing Card program with a purchase volume exceeding \$2.3 million; provided training for new cardholders; implemented an online refresher training course for current cardholders; and realized an annual rebate exceeding \$10,000.
- Represented Leon County in Reverse Trade Shows sponsored by chapters of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing in Panama City and Tallahassee and participated in a Reverse Trade Show and minority awareness event at Florida State University.
- Maintained level of service in warehouse services and mail delivery with the reduction of one position in the fiscal year.
- Provided sales and customer support to County staff through ordering, stocking and issuance of operational consumable products
- Performed annual warehouse inventory of 3,708 stock items with no disruption to customers; Inventory results greatly exceeded industry standards for accuracy and variance.
- Provided daily service to all County offices in the delivery and pick-up of U.S. and inter-office mail.
- Performed annual inventory of 6,251 tangible personal property assets of the County valued at \$40,803,610 and prepared annual report to the Board with no items missing in the annual inventory and 467 items to be removed due to sale or loss.
- Conducted on-site surplus sales and utilized on-line auction services to maximize a return of \$351,385 on surplus items while reducing storage requirements.

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DID YOU KNOW

The Purchasing division holds on-site surplus sales and utilizes on-line auction services to maximize surplus sales while reducing storage requirements.

MANAGING MINORITY-OWNED, WOMEN-OWNED & SMALL BUSINESS NEEDS

- Notified approximately 150 certified M/WSBE vendors regarding various procurement opportunities available for participation with Leon County through an automated email service.
- Formed a Memorandum of Understanding with the department of Management Services, Office of Supplier Diversity in order to reduce barriers created by duplicating certifications and to increase the number of minority- and women-owned business enterprises participating in opportunities afforded by Leon County.
- Hosted a Reverse Trade Show, whereby the local business community was afforded an opportunity to meet with the following Leon County Divisions: Operations, Engineering Services, Parks and Recreation, Solid Waste, Facilities Management, Housing & Human Services, Purchasing, and M/WSBE. The M/WSBE division anticipates hosting a reverse trade show once a year to keep the local community abreast of Leon County's procurement opportunities.
- Sponsored a "Munch and Learn," workshop on reinvesting locally. Workforce Plus presented to local businesses the benefits of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act; benefits included but were not limited to: business owners could receive up to 50% reimbursement for on-the-job training, as well as grants available up to \$5,000 dollars for an employed worker training in Gadsden, Leon and Wakulla counties. SCORE Counselors to America's Small Business attended as well to inform the community of some of the free services they provide which included: free small business mentoring and free how-to workshops. In attendance were several governmental agencies, such as Leon County, the City of

- Tallahassee, Office of Supplier Diversity, The FSU Supplier Diversity Office and Leon County Schools, to extend welcomes and introduce their program benefits.
- Re-introduced the Small Business Program to the community by mail, and nearly 500 local businesses were notified regarding the changes and benefits of becoming small-business-certified.



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DID YOU KNOW

M/WSBE staff provides vendors with the County's current listing of potential projects, as well as informational tips on how to obtain contracts with Leon County.

The purpose of the Minority, Women and Small Business Enterprise (M/WSBE) division is to effectively communicate Leon County procurement and contracting opportunities, to enhance business relationships, to end disparity and to increase participation opportunities for certified minority, women and small business enterprises in a competitive environment.

M/WSBE is tasked with providing opportunities for local businesses to secure Leon County government contracts and for closing the gap in disparities for local businesses that are minority- or women-owned. Staff also develops workshops that assist vendors with bidding on County contracts and provide forums for subcontractors to meet with prime contractors.

Division Director Iranetta Burnett and her team are responsible for determining who is eligible for certifications, maintaining records of certified businesses, making sure vendors are trained and ready to do business with Leon County and establishing relationships with the owners of M/WSBE businesses.

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The Purchasing division is responsible for the procurement of supplies, equipment, and services for all departments under the Board of County Commissioners, as well as the Sheriff's Office, the Court Administrator and the Supervisor of Elections.

Purchasing Director Keith Roberts has been with Leon County for more than 20 years and leads a customer-oriented staff dedicated to the stewardship of County resources.

Roberts is a member and the Immediate Past President of the Tallahassee Area Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

Division staff actively participate in the professional development activities of the Tallahassee Area Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing as well as in leadership roles.

Wendi Sellers is serving as the current Chapter President and Don Tobin is in his seventh term as Chapter Treasurer.



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MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The Management Information Services (MIS) division provides continually improved, efficient, cost-effective technology and telecommunications products, services and information to the County's departments, the constitutional offices and Article V Agencies.

MIS contains four divisions: Applications and Databases, Information and Telecommunications Technologies (ITT), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Justice Information Systems (JIS).

Director Pat Curtis has been with the County for more than 15 years, serving as director for the last 11. She holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Science and a master's degree in Public Administration.

Curtis previously served as the Tallahassee-Leon County GIS Coordinator. Her other work experiences have spanned over 20 years in various fields including banking and finance, civil engineering, chemical manufacturing with Dow Chemical, eight years with the Mississippi State Government's GIS program and one year with Miami-Dade County's Information Technology Department, supporting the 911 System.



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MAINTAINING EFFICIENT & COST-EFFECTIVE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- Procured, configured and installed 129 wireless netbooks purchased by the Library's Knight Grant for improved public computer access.
- In concert with the Public Information Office and Emergency Management, MIS continues to enhance the County's emergency communications website to provide a single location for emergency communications and updates.
- Continued to support an e-subscription service on the County's website that allows citizens to receive immediate updates to matters of interest to them, as well as receive emergency notices to their email and/or cell phone.
- Implemented a telephone conferencing system for the Emergency Operations Center providing enhanced services and a cost savings.
- Continue to support a redundant emergency communication connection from the EOC to WFSU, allowing continued public radio broadcasts of emergency information following an event.
- Implemented Banner database replication to increase disaster recovery response and provide business continuity.
- Coordinated the County's disbursement of new 800 MHz radios to County divisions during the upgrade of the 800 MHz radio system managed by the City.
- Enhanced the backup system infrastructure to provide for stronger security of data.
- Implemented the self-service module for the Clerk's Office for staff to make changes on personal information and access their personal information from Banner.
- Implemented online benefits enrollment process for the Clerk's Office that greatly eliminated the majority of the paper process.
- Implemented a web-based budget matrix process for users of IT, Facilities, Fleet, and HR services, which eliminated the paper handling of requests.
- Deployed and supported credit card processing on the web for the 2010 Sustainability Summit.
- Developed an integrated case management system with JIS for the new drug testing facility and set up its new technology.
- Implemented the Banner document management solution for Human Resources.
- Supported more than 800,000 visits per month from nearly 300,000 unique visitors, an average of more than 26,000 visits per day.
- Procured, installed, and provided training of SmartBoards
- Installed digital informational displays for visitors to see the court schedule, Courthouse events, weather, and breaking news, as well as see a video of the Board meetings and/or activities.



? DID YOU KNOW

MIS won the 2010 International Computerworld Award for its North Florida Pawn Network, a program that was nominated by multinational information technology giant IBM. This award follows several other accolades the program received, including an InfoWorld Award and a National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Award.

MAPPING OUT LEON COUNTY

- Assisted in the implementation of the Hansen Map Drawer extensions for GIS at Public Works. This included a specialized application supporting Mosquito Control.
- Completed sixth year of data compilation for the Incremental Update for the Planimetric Update and Light Detection and Radar. GIS secured a contract extension for an additional year of services.
- Partnered with the Leon County Sheriff's Office to acquire \$100,000 in grants to set aside funds to acquire Countywide oblique imagery, Pictometry.
- Successfully developed a self-deployed mapping application for Interlocal web stewards within the Interlocal to compile and deploy within their own websites.
- Played a significant role in the development of several Internet/ Intranet Web Applications, which include Gang GIS for Law Enforcement, the Gaines Street site and a bicycle site for Planning.
- Introduced the Leon County Growing Green Website with the assistance of the Leon County Sustainability Office and the Citizen's Sustainability Group in May. Since that time, it has adapted to a more regional perspective.
- Took the lead role in performing analyses for the Leon County Stormwater and Solid Waste Assessments, Fire Services Fee and Public and Communications Services Tax. The use of GIS allowed staff to compare multiple data sources, which provided a more comprehensive analysis and an increase in the overall assessment amounts.
- Continued to support the Local Update of Census Addresses, LUCA, in order to ensure that every residence is identified for inclusion in the 2010 Census.
- Coordinated major hardware upgrades, which provide for a stable environment. Reported no outages during 2010.
- Continued to transition the Interlocal infrastructure to a virtual environment.
- Participated in the planning and design of the Technology Center for the Joint Dispatch Center.
- Continued to support the integration of GIS into the ongoing business processes of Leon County.
- Made significant improvements to the Emergency Operations Center Incident Tracking System, EOC ITS. It is now comprised of three related components: the Editor, the Viewer and the Citizen's Online Damage Assessment.

? DID YOU KNOW

GIS is a "one-stop shop" for overview information about your property. The division provides such information as Property Valuations, Land Use, Emergency Services Information, Elections Information, School Zones, and Flood Information, as well as site maps.

Tallahassee-Leon County GIS combines computer hardware, software and data to create a tool for capturing, managing, analyzing and displaying all forms of geographic information. Virtually any information can be linked to a geographic location, allowing users to see that information as part of a complete picture to be analyzed and applied to a problem or issue.

Coordinator Lee Hartsfield has led GIS since 2000, having previously served at Growth and Environmental Management. Hartsfield holds dual bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Geography and a master's degree in Geography. He is a Certified GIS Professional and has served as President of the Seven Hills User Group for GIS. He is currently serving as Past-President of the Florida Chapter of URISA, FLURISA and participating as a charter member of the committee for advancing the development of a state-wide GIS Consortium.

GIS has achieved numerous awards under his leadership, most recently the ESRI Special Award for GIS, the ESRI SAG Award, which was received in 2008.



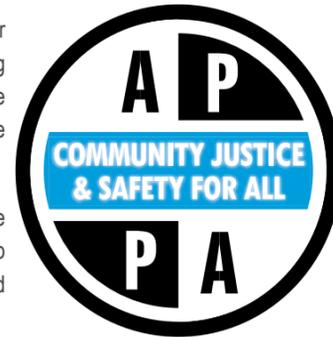
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PROBATION AND SUPERVISED PRETRIAL RELEASE

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

COURT SERVICES, CASE MANAGEMENT & COMMUNITY SERVICE

- In cooperation with the divisions of Operations and Management Information Systems, the Probation division launched an automated work program module, which resulted in a paperless work program attendance confirmation process.
- At the request of the judiciary, Leon County successfully launched a Department of Transportation standard Drug and Alcohol Testing Program in April 2010. Since then, more than 900 drug tests and more than 700 alcohol tests have been performed each month.
- More than \$337,233 was saved by our communities' non-profit agencies by utilizing court-ordered community service workers. More than 900 defendants were referred to these agencies.
- More than 1,500 defendants participated in the Leon County Work Program, helping to keep our community parks and other facilities and properties clean.
- Monitored an average of 464 defendants per month who were released to the Supervised Pretrial Release Program.
- Successfully monitored 46 defendants with mental health conditions who were released from jail and whose cases closed successfully (without being remanded to jail).
- Completed more than 700 defendant assessments and criminal history summaries in preparation for First Appearance judicial review.
- Monitored 80 defendants for court-ordered alcohol abstinence through Secured Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitoring (SCRAM) devices, representing more than 7,200 hours of around-the-clock monitoring to-date.



This program provides pre-employment, post-accident and random drug and alcohol tests for all County employees. It is available to all constitutional offices, such as the Sheriff's Office and Property Appraiser's Office, as well as other local, state and private entities. This process ensures the smooth and efficient operation of the criminal justice system and helps protect the people of Leon County.



QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

A total of 904 defendants were referred to non-profit agencies to complete community-service work. Their participation resulted in a total of 46,515 hours of in-kind services.

PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS

- Coordinated the design and construction of library expansions at the B.L. Perry and Northeast Branches, as well as the new Eastside, Woodville and Lake Jackson libraries. The expansions and new libraries are scheduled to be completed in 2011.
- Coordinated the design and pre-construction activities associated with the new Public Safety Complex, which will be a joint-use facility for emergency response functions, the consolidated Emergency Communications Center, the Regional Transportation – Management Center, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and administrative offices for the Fire Department and Emergency Operations Center. Design activities for this complex are scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 2011 with construction completion scheduled in the summer of 2012.
- Designed and constructed a drug testing unit at the Pre-Trial Office, upgraded the efficiency standards of the elevators at the Courthouse Annex and Main Library, and performed renovations for more efficient use of the Tharpe Street Warehouse, Municipal Services Building and various community centers.
- Completed a major renovation of the Courthouse Annex on Thomasville Road to add courtrooms, an elevator and new office space for the courts, Clerk, Guardian Ad Litem and more. The renovation also dramatically increased its energy efficiency.
- Coordinated the addition of a "Tobacco Cessation Program" classroom at the Roberts and Stevens Health Clinic.
- Coordinated the design and construction of truck sheds at the Public

Works complex. The truck sheds are designed to increase the lifespan efficiency and reduce the maintenance of the Public Works fleet of trucks.

- Completed the construction of a Concession Center and restroom at the Apalachee Regional Park. This park provides both athletic and recreational activities for hundreds of citizens on a monthly basis.
- Constructed a replacement Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center at the Solid Waste Management Facility with a drive-through option, increasing the level of customer service and staff efficiency while providing a safer work environment for staff.



QUESTION MARK DID YOU KNOW

Facilities Management staff maintains more than 80 Leon County buildings and community centers all year long.

The Facilities Management division serves the citizens of Leon County and occupants of County facilities through the provision of professional construction, operation and maintenance services. It also provides and maintains clean, safe and fully functional County facilities.

Division Director Tom Brantley, a multi-state-licensed professional engineer and certified general contractor, has led the division of Facilities Management since 1995, having worked previously as an Assistant County Engineer, a city engineer and a construction superintendent.

Brantley is a member of such organizations as the National Society of Professional Engineers, the Florida Engineering Society and the International Facilities Management Association.

He leads a team of highly-qualified architects, engineers and building support staff who provide professional design, construction, operation and maintenance services to all of the various building facilities owned and operated by Leon County.

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The Probation division provides information to the court system to properly dispose of cases in a timely manner and to inform court representatives of individuals' status while on probation, pretrial release, or the diversion program. The division is dedicated to restoring and enhancing the quality of life of the clients it serves, assisting them in becoming productive and responsible citizens for a safer community.

Wanda Hunter-Donaldson has served as director of Probation since 2005 and has been a Leon County employee for more than two decades. She is a member of the American Probation and Parole Association and has served on the Board of Directors of the Florida Association of Pretrial Professionals of Florida.

Hunter-Donaldson has also been recognized by the National Forum of Black Public Administrators for outstanding service in Law Enforcement and Public Service.



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PUBLIC WORKS: ADMINISTRATION



ANIMAL CONTROL

PLANNING, BUILDING & MAINTAINING QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Partnered with the Florida Department of Transportation, through a Joint Agreement, in planting enhanced landscaping along newly constructed portions of Highway 90/Mahan Drive.
- Completed the update of the Local Mitigation Strategy Plan approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Brought more than 80 items before the Board of County Commissioners for review, consideration and action.
- Provided leadership and guidance on a myriad of issues across the seven divisions.



? DID YOU KNOW

Public Works partnered with the Florida Department of Transportation, through a Joint Agreement, in planting enhanced landscaping along newly constructed portions of Mahan Drive.



PROTECTING LEON COUNTY'S ANIMALS & CITIZENS

- Handled 10,115 service requests resulting from 14,698 phone calls.
- Responded to 413 reported animal cruelty complaints.
- Distributed 129 vouchers to County residents for free spay/neuter services through the Florida Animal Friend (automobile license plate) grant obtained by the Animal Shelter Foundation.
- Provided information on pet care, animal safety, and dog bite prevention at a variety of community events, including Camp Barkley Summer program, the Senior Center's Senior Day, Neighborhood Association meetings and the Santa Paws Walk.
- Completed the deployment of the Emergency Mobile Animal Shelter unit and conducted a mock animal shelter drill, in cooperation with the Big Bend Disaster Animal Response Team.
- Confiscated 43 dogs involved in dog fighting or cruelty cases and, in partnership with the Leon County Sheriff's Office, arrested the owners for alleged dog fighting and animal cruelty.
- Investigated 21 dangerous or aggressive animal petitions, a 75-percent increase over FY09.
- Unveiled the County's Emergency Mobile Animal Shelter trailer, which will house and care for animals in the event of a disaster.

"Promoting Human and Animal Welfare Through Education, Prevention and Enforcement."



? DID YOU KNOW

Hannah, the County's four-legged representative, was honored by the Leon County Humane Society with the distinguished Purple Paw Award for her participation in the County's Animal Bite Prevention Program.



For more information visit: www.leoncountyfl.gov/animal

Richard Ziegler has served the County since 2001 and leads a dedicated group of professionals who provide for the safety and well-being of both citizens and domestic animals of Leon County.

Ziegler is a member, past president and board member for the Florida Animal Control Association and Big Bend Disaster Animal Response Team, and his division received the Florida Animal Control Association's Outstanding Agency Award.

The division works to improve both the area's animal and human well-being through education, prevention and enforcement, and to provide humane animal care and control services for the citizens and animals of Leon County.

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The Public Works department serves the residents of Leon County by planning, developing, and maintaining quality infrastructure. The department delivers both environmentally sensitive and cost-effective products and services. Public Works includes Administration, Engineering, Operations, Solid Waste, Parks & Recreation, Fleet and Animal Control

Public Works Director Tony Park, P.E., has served the community in his position since 2003. He began his career with Leon County as a design engineer in 1979 and has served in several Public Works positions through the years.

Park manages a department that has seven divisions and more than 250 employees. He is a member of the national American Public Works Association and, in years past, has served as an officer of the local Big Bend Branch of the organization.

He is also a member of the Florida Engineering Society and the Florida Association of County Engineers and Road Superintendents.



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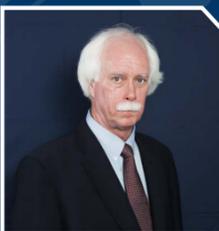


ENGINEERING



Engineering Services provides professional support for Capital Improvement Projects and other programs, including surveying, right-of-way acquisition, design, regulatory permit acquisition, and construction inspection. Other support services include water/sewer franchising, review and approval of publicly dedicated subdivisions, issuance of right-of-way placement permits and driveway permits, and more. Stormwater Engineering strives to implement the most cost-effective options to reduce flooding and to improve surface and groundwater quality.

Division Director Joe Brown has been the director of Engineering Services since 2003 and an employee of Leon County for 15 years. In addition to his public sector work, Brown has owned and operated private consulting engineering firms throughout his 36-year career as an engineer. Brown is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Institute of Transportation Engineers, the American Water Works Association and the American Public Works Association, as are most of his staff.



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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Completed intersection improvement projects at Meridian and Bannerman and Meridian and Ox Bottom roads. The projects consisted of providing southbound left-turn lanes, adding curbs and gutters to minimize tree impacts, and installing traffic signals. These improvements provide for a significant improvement in safety.
- Constructed new sidewalks along Perkins, Dempsey Mayo and Velda Dairy Roads using federal stimulus funds.
- Initiated Phase II of the Buck Lake Road Improvement Project. Phase II consists of intersection improvements at Buck Lake and Pedrick. It includes turn lane improvements, sidewalks, bike lanes and installation of a new signal.
- Constructed improvements to the intersection of Timberlane Road and Timberlane School Road including the addition of left turn lanes, related stormwater infrastructure and pedestrian and ADA facilities. This project also included a left turn extension to the entrance of Gilchrist Elementary School.
- Worked in cooperation with other agencies to construct the Okeeheepkee Prairie Stormwater Management Facility adjacent to the Meginnis Arm portion of Lake Jackson. The facility is a retrofit system that will treat stormwater from an area that was largely developed prior to the implementation of on-site stormwater treatment requirements. Stormwater retrofit projects of this type reduce the detrimental ecological effects of nonpoint source pollution.



? DID YOU KNOW

Engineering Services rebuilt a slope along Cloudland Drive that had failed during Tropical Storm Fay. The construction included an underdrain system and a synthetic turf enforcement mat, a project that was recognized as the Big Bend American Public Works Association's Project of the Year.

FLEET



VEHICLE REPAIR & PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

- Implemented the use of environmentally friendly motor oil in selected applications. The Echo Power Synthetic Blended motor oil is used oil, that is re-refined a second time; plus it receives a state-of-the-art performance additive package. The oil is then formulated with a synthetic blend for an extra measure of protection to the molecular structure against motor oil breakdown.
- Completed the installation of the Syn-Tech Aim-II fueling software package on an estimated 209 vehicles and large trucks. This device automatically records correct mileage, MPG, and idle versus run time. It can be programmed to identify the current location of a particular vehicle and display engine trouble codes or drivability malfunctions.
- Purchased a General Motors dedicated electronic diagnostic scan tool to help facilitate correct repairs on Chevrolet and GMC manufactured vehicles. This tool is indispensable in our effort to diagnose and repair EMS's Fleet of GMC 4500s.
- Performed 1,050 preventative maintenance services.



? DID YOU KNOW

The Fleet Management division collected approximately \$300,000 in surplus equipment sales in Fiscal Year 2010.



The Fleet Management Division, created by the Board of County Commissioners in 1980, provides quality maintenance and repair for County equipment and vehicles.

Fleet performs more than 1,000 preventative maintenance services annually on more than 600 pieces of equipment. Major repairs have more or less been eliminated due to preventative care.

John Pompey has been division director for almost 30 years. Since joining the County, he led the implementation of a comprehensive preventative maintenance program and developed a vehicle and equipment replacement policy.

Pompey's staff works to enhance customer satisfaction by soliciting input before, during and after certain repairs and by performing all repairs with the utmost respect for the environment.

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OPERATIONS



SOLID WASTE

The division of Operations maintains and manages programs and services supporting transportation infrastructure, rights-of-way, canopy roads, roadside beautification, stormwater maintenance and mosquito control, programs that place emphasis on efficiency, cost-effectiveness and environmental awareness.

Dale Walker has served as division director since 2004 and has been an employee of Public Works for more than 35 years, receiving his designation as a Certified Public Manager from the Florida Center for Public Management in 1995.

He is a member of the American Public Works Association and serves as an Executive Committee Member of the North Florida Fusion eXchange. In addition to his service with Public Works, he also worked part-time for the Leon County Sheriff's Office Reserve Unit for more than 20 years, obtaining the rank of Captain. Walker is a graduate of the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy and a recipient of the Leon County Sheriff's Office Distinguished Service Award.

His staff oversees Right-of-Way, Stormwater, Alternative Stabilization, Transportation and Mosquito Control.



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TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

- Performed 1,468 tons of asphalt pothole patching.
- Performed grading on approximately 39 miles of County-maintained dirt roads on a two-week cycle for a total of 1,017 miles graded during the year.
- Repair and installation of 8,522 street signs.
- Investigated and responded to 6,220 service requests.
- Cleaned 25,288 linear feet of storm drains.
- Installed 106,757 square feet of pavement symbols.
- Completed 7,055 work orders associated with mosquito control service requests, activity monitoring and preventative measures.
- Initiated a Wildflower Pilot Project in partnership with the Florida Department of Transportation and adjoining property owners. The program involves restricting the mowing season along roads with potential for native wildflower development. Results will be analyzed for possible future expansion.
- Completed the construction of new truck sheds and additional office space for the Mosquito Control program. The new construction will result in better security for County resources and an increase in efficiency of operations.
- Prepared and conducted a Mosquito Control workshop that examined the no-spray policies and procedures of other programs throughout the state and country. The workshop involved considerable research and input from the County's Science Advisory Committee and citizens.

- Mowed 2,415 shoulder miles of County rights-of-way.
- Stabilized/paved Jack Vause, Godbolt, Lee Reeves, and Bice Roads with an Open Grade Mix providing an alternative to conventional asphalt. The Open Grade Mix is porous and allows stormwater to filter through the surface. This, in turn, reduces stormwater run-off and traps surface contaminants within the stabilized surface.
- Cleaned 25,288 linear feet of storm drains.



? DID YOU KNOW

Leon County's Operations division employs two Certified Arborists.

CUSTOMER SERVICE, ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP & INNOVATION

- Completed a 3,780-square-foot addition to the Electronics Recycling building. The addition improves customer service and increases operational efficiency. Now, both electronics and hazardous materials can be recycled in one location.
- Resurfaced the tipping floor of the Transfer Station to maintain its operability. The project was done in phases in order to keep the Transfer Station in use while construction was in process. The new surface provides another eight to ten years of use.
- Began screening debris after it was ground into mulch. This process allows for small particles and dirt to fall out creating a material similar to compost. These "fines" are available free to the public. This is an excellent material for lawns and gardens and has proved to be very popular.
- Revamped the method for conducting household hazardous waste events. Rather than holding events at various neighborhoods on various dates, the events are now held at a single location and on a firm schedule. The events are held at the Public Works Operations Center on Miccosukee Road. They are scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on the first Saturday of every month, September through May. This has proven to be a successful change.



- Distributed more than 4,000 classroom recycling bins to County Schools, which were donated by Waste Management Inc. and ALCOA Recycling.
- Conducted 130 presentations reaching 6,067 community members including students and adults, and gave 36 tours of the Solid Waste Management Facility.
- Processed more than 10,000 lbs. of Styrofoam.



A new structure was built for the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Center – which is also home to the Electronics Recycling Center. The old collection site was too small, had limited ventilation and did not provide shelter for citizens when it rained.

The new building makes it easier for Leon County residents to pull their vehicles into a covered drop-off area to unload both electronics and hazardous items in one place. It also provides staff with a larger, safer and more efficient facility for recycling and disposing of this waste.

? DID YOU KNOW

Rural Waste Service Centers are designated places for residents living in unincorporated Leon County to drop off their garbage and recycling. From there, the garbage is transported to the Leon County Transfer Station.

For more information or a list of the sites, visit:
www.leoncountyfl.gov/SolidWaste/ruralsites.asp

Leon County Solid Waste Management provides an integrated solid waste management system dedicated to excellent public service and responsible fiscal and environmental stewardship.

The division is comprised of the Solid Waste Management Facility (the landfill), Transfer Station, Rural Waste Service Centers, Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling.

Director Norm Thomas has led the Solid Waste Management division since 2004 and has nearly 30 years of top-level management experience in the solid waste industry. He holds a certificate in Natural Areas Management from the Nature Conservancy, is a graduate of Leadership Gainesville, and he is a Certified Manager of Solid Waste Systems, Landfill Operations and Transfer Station Operations. He also serves on the City of Tallahassee's Environmental Advisory Board and the Board of the Sharing T.R.E.E.

Thomas and each member of his management team are certified as solid waste professionals by either the Solid Waste Association of North America or the North American Hazardous Materials Management Association.



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PARKS & RECREATION



Parks & Recreation



MAINTAINING LEON COUNTY'S PRISTINE PARKS & GREENWAYS

- Opened the new Lake Henrietta Park and connection trail/bridge to the City trail system in Silver Lake Park. The park is located on Springhill Road and contains a 1.2-mile paved loop trail around a beautiful lake.
- Completed the acquisition of the new Fred George Greenways located at the intersection of Fred George Road and Capital Circle. The Greenway contains 158 acres.
- Constructed two new football/soccer practice fields at the Apalachee Regional Park.
- Constructed a new restroom/concession center at Apalachee Regional Park, replacing the portable toilets.
- Installed overhead projector, screens, and computer hookups at Miccosukee and Dorothy Spence Community Centers. This will provide users the capability to utilize PowerPoint or movie projection at these locations.
- Renovated the restroom at Sunset Landing which had been closed more than five years due to vandalism. With water levels in Lake Jackson returning, this building was a high priority for restoration.
- Installed new entrance signs at six County parks and repaved the entrance road, trail and parking lots at J. Lee Vause Park.
- Worked with Pop Warner to open a new league in the Killteam area of the County.
- Completed the dock replacement at Blount Landing.



DID YOU KNOW

Parks and Recreation received a federal grant to renovate two miles of trail system at the Miccosukee Canopy Road Greenways.



Leon County Parks & Recreation develops and maintains the pristine parks in unincorporated Leon County. The division also manages the County's five community centers and provides quality facilities for youth athletic programs, such as Little League baseball, TOPS of Florida Soccer and Big Bend Pop Warner football.

Division Director Pat Plocek has more than 40 years' experience in design, acquisition, construction and management of park systems. He has been recognized for the design of the first playground that had handicapped accessibility and has been recognized by the Governor of the State of Maryland and several city and county governments for outstanding work in the field.

In the past five years with the County, he has developed a new cross country track, received grant funding for several development projects, served as a board member for the National Association of Counties Park & Recreational Officials and worked with volunteers to expand the youth sports in the County.



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LOCAL JOB CREATION

Vision 2020

Launched in 2006, Vision 2020 is a program that collaborates with local economic development partners, such as the Greater Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce, the Tallahassee-Leon County Economic Development Council, and the FSU Foundation to actively evaluate investment opportunities in the area. The goal is to enhance the research assets in the region to compete with the country's top technology hubs for business, capital, and talent by leveraging the efforts of our local institutions for higher learning.

Growth and Environmental Management

The County waived permit fees for the extension of environmental management permits. This action allowed "shovel ready" development projects to remain valid until the economic downturn runs its course. The County's efforts saved developers the money and time associated with the reactivation of expired approvals.

The Board also authorized ten projects to proceed through the development review and approval process with associated fees deferred until the project's building permit phase. This proposal was designed to reduce the upfront costs of development by delaying the payment of review fees until after the proposal has been approved, thereby assisting with the proposed project's construction financing and/or marketing the site to potential developers.

Recovery Zones

The County and City Commissions have jointly approved the financing for the construction of a 37,000 square-foot mixed-use building for the northeast corner of North Monroe Street and East Tennessee Street. Aply named Gateway Tallahassee, construction began in September 2010 for this \$14.5 million mixed-use retail and office site. This three-story urban landscape will include a subterranean parking garage, a Walgreens on the street level, and two floors of office space, while meeting LEED certification standards.



A tract of land around Capital Circle Southeast, known as the Flea Market Tract, is considered an out parcel, an area that is difficult to manage environmentally. The Flea Market Tract is very desirable as it could be used for future development, and it eliminates the need to acquire right-of-way from the numerous businesses located on the north side of Capital Circle. It also allows for the linkage of a southern greenway connecting to the St. Marks Trail.

Landscaping, including wildflowers, bark chips and hammocks of trees and shrubs will be put in place to increase the aesthetics and safety, and a 10-foot meandering trail and bicycle lane will be put in place to increase the level of pedestrian-bicycle access and create a multi-modal roadway. The improvements to Capital Circle will also accommodate future transit service with the incorporation of more right-of-way, which allows for a wider 36-foot median.

Energy

In April 2010, Leon County was the first county in the state to create a Countywide energy improvement district to help residents finance the weatherization of their homes and businesses through a voluntary non-ad valorem assessment to lower utility bills and provide more opportunities for green jobs. The County's efforts compliment the local funding received from the economic stimulus package for the development and training of a green workforce.

Purchasing

In December 2009, the Board demonstrated its commitment to local businesses by enhancing the County's Local Preference Policy to provide local businesses (based in Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, or Gadsden Counties) an opportunity to match the lowest competitive bid for construction projects.

In July, Leon County broke ground on the new 12,000-square-foot Eastside Branch Library, which will be the first permanent library for the residents of eastern Leon County. The new building will replace the leased storefront currently known as the Parkway Branch Library, which dates back to 1982.

The current branch has limited space for materials and collections, and unlike other branches, it cannot host storytelling, book discussion groups or cultural programs due to its small size. Despite these shortcomings, per-square-foot circulation at the Parkway Branch is nearly double that of the next highest branch. A new building will enable the residents of the rapidly growing eastern sector of Leon County to have library service comparable to the rest of the County.

The County worked to maximize the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) attributes of the new facility, which will include an array of solar panels on the roof to generate power consumed by the building from sunlight. The library is expected to be the first County building to achieve LEED-Gold standards. The new building will include structural insulated panels and a stucco finish.



\$1.8M

Sidewalk and Intersection Improvements

\$3.4M

Lake Jackson Ecopassage

\$13.7M

Capital Circle Southeast

\$1.17M

Energy Upgrades to County Facilities and an Educational Program

\$175,863

Enhanced Pretrial Monitoring Program, the Justice Assessment Center and Equipment for Law Enforcement



Job creation and economic development have long been a top priority of the County Commission, but the County has dramatically accelerated its efforts over the past two years in light of the local and national economy.

The Leon County Board of County Commissioners has utilized long- and short-term efforts to promote and sustain employment opportunities in the County. As the regional hub for business, government, and education, the County has aggressively invested in infrastructure improvements and modified existing growth, environmental, economic and purchasing practices to enhance economic opportunities and to promote job creation.

To date, the County has secured more than \$20 million in federal stimulus funds for local projects. And in this year's budget, the County invested \$97.7 million in the local economy through infrastructure improvements, such as roadways and stormwater systems, to create more than 800 full-time jobs.



GOVDELIVERY



GovDelivery

www.leoncountyfl.gov/govdelivery

In Leon County's continuous efforts to increase communication efforts and citizen outreach through traditional and new media methods, the Public Information Office, along with Management Information Services, launched a new media subscription service called GovDelivery that now allows residents to receive up-to-the-minute news.

NEWS YOU NEED AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

In a world where 24-hour news stations and the Internet provide as-it-happens news, the County is doing its part to stay ahead of the game.

Thanks to its new media subscription service, GovDelivery, the County can provide up-to-the-minute updates on anything from emergency alerts to Countywide events.

Residents can stay informed of road closures before their daily commute or be one of the first to know about County employment opportunities by signing up with the new free information service.

More importantly, when a storm hits and power is out, flooding and hazardous weather warnings can be sent directly to a mobile device.

GovDelivery serves federal, state and municipal governments around the country, including Miami-Dade and St. Lucie counties. The government-to-citizen notifications provide instant updates through email and text messaging.

Registration for this service is simple and only takes a few minutes. To register, visit the Leon County website at www.LeonCountyFL.gov and click the "Receive Updates on County News" button in the top left corner. Visitors then enter an email address and/or cell phone number and select what specific County news is most important to them.

For more information, contact the Leon County Public Information Office at (850) 606-5300, or to sign up, visit www.LeonCountyFL.gov.



DID YOU KNOW

Citizens can set their personal options, such as how frequently they want to receive news updates, whether it be daily, weekly or as-it-happens.



For more information visit our website, www.leoncountyfl.gov/govdelivery

EMERGENCY INFORMATION PORTAL

CRITICAL INFORMATION BEFORE, DURING & AFTER EMERGENCIES

When a disaster strikes, it is often difficult for people to know where to turn for the latest news and information. However, residents of Leon County now have the Emergency Information Portal, which can be found at www.leoncountyfl.gov/ei, or by clicking on "Emergency Events" at the top of the County's main website.

The portal offers a wide array of information about weather disasters and other emergency events and how to prepare for them, including useful tips on preparing and protecting citizens in the event that natural or man-made disasters occur in Leon County.

On the left-hand navigation panel, there are links to resources for preparation, response and recovery information, such as the status of available shelters, sandbag locations, road closures, local office and school closings, health advisories and volunteer information.

Localized information such as rain gauges and how to create individual hurricane plans is also included. The portal is regularly updated with weather alerts, active events and other information valuable in an emergency.

For more information during a natural or man-made disaster, please contact Emergency Management directly at (850) 488-5921. For specific information on preparing for hurricane season and weather-related events, please visit www.HaveAHurricanePlan.com



DID YOU KNOW

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For more information visit our website, www.leoncountyfl.gov/ei

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Leon County's Emergency Information Portal offers visitors useful tips on protecting themselves and their family in the event natural or man-made disasters occur in Leon County.

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Emergency Management
488-5921
<http://lcso.leonfl.org/em.htm>

Emergency Medical Services
www.leoncountyfl.gov/lcems

Headquarters/Administration
606-2100

Dispatch
921-0900

Facilities Management
606-5000
www.leoncountyfl.gov/facilities

Fleet Management
606-2000
www.leoncountyfl.gov/pubworks/fleet

Growth & Environmental Management
606-1300
www.leonpermits.org

Building Inspection
606-1300

Inspection Hot Line (IVRS)
891-1800

Code Enforcement
606-1300

Concurrency Management
606-1300

Environmental Permitting
606-1300

Health Department
606-8000
www.leoncountyfl.gov/lchd

Health & Human Services
606-1900
www.leoncountyfl.gov/hhs

Housing Services
606-1900
www.leoncountyfl.gov/housing

Human Resources
606-2400
www.leoncountyfl.gov/hr

Job Line
606-2403

Legal Aid
222-3004

Legislative Affairs & Economic Development
606-5300
www.leoncountyfl.gov/iga

LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library System
606-2665
www.leoncountyfl.gov/library

Main Branch
200 W. Park Avenue
606-2665

Northeast Branch
5513 Thomasville Road
606-2800

Parkway Branch
1210 Capital Circle SE
606-2750

Dr. B.L. Perry, Jr. Branch
2804 S. Adams Street
606-2950

Literacy Volunteers
606-2644

Management & Budget Office
606-5100
www.leoncountyfl.gov/omb

Management Information Services
606-5500
www.leoncountyfl.gov/mis

Geographic Information Services
606-5504

Minority, Women & Small Business Enterprise
606-1650
www.leoncountyfl.gov/mbe

Mosquito Control
606-2200
www.leoncountyfl.gov/mosquito

Parks & Recreation
606-1470
www.leoncountyfl.gov/parks

Planning Department
891-6400
www.tal.gov.com/planning

Probation
606-5600
www.leoncountyfl.gov/probation

Public Information Office
606-5300
www.leoncountyfl.gov/pio

Public Works
606-1500
www.leoncountyfl.gov/pubworks

Operations (24-hour response)
606-1400

Purchasing
606-1600

Solid Waste Management
606-1800
www.leoncountyfl.gov/solidwaste

Hazardous Waste
606-1803

Recycling Information
606-1802

Rural Waste Collection Center
606-1800

Transfer Station
606-1840

Supervised Pretrial Release
606-5700
www.leoncountyfl.gov/probation

Sustainability
606-5300
www.leoncountyfl.gov/sustainability

Tourism Development
606-2300
www.visittallahassee.com

Veteran Services
606-1940
www.leoncountyfl.gov/vets

Volunteer Center
606-1970
www.volunteerleon.org

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES

Clerk of Courts
577-4000
www.clerk.leon.fl.us

Supervisor of Elections
606-8683
www.leonfl.org/elect

Property Appraiser
488-6102
www.co.leon.fl.us/propappr

Tax Collector
488-4735
www.leontaxcollector.net

Sheriff
922-3300
<http://lcso.leonfl.org>

OTHER COUNTY/STATE AGENCIES

Public Defender
606-1000
www.leoncountyfl.gov/pd

State Attorney, 2nd Judicial Circuit
606-6000
www.sao2fl.org

Circuit Court 2nd Judicial
577-4300
www.2ndcircuit.leon.fl.us



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LEON COUNTY CITIZEN COMMITTEES

Adjustment and Appeals Board
Responsible for determining appeals of code-related (Land Development Regulations) interpretations and granting variances to the provisions of the LDRs based on documented hardship.

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
Review the established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations, and adopted local government comprehensive plan and shall recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing.

Architectural Review Board
Reviews and makes recommendations on listing of properties on the Local Register Historic Places and review changes to the exterior of properties zoned Historic Preservation, and issues Certificates of Appropriateness.

Audit Advisory Committee
Promote, maintain, and enhance the independence and objectivity of the internal audit function by ensuring broad audit coverage, adequate consideration of audit reports, and appropriate action on recommendations.

Bannerman Road Corridor Study Citizens Advisory Committee (Ad hoc)
Participation in the Corridor Study; collect public input; and, make final recommendations on transportation improvements to Bannerman Road.

Big Bend Health Council, Inc.
Provide for local representation in planning and evaluating health needs of a regional 14-county service district.

Canopy Roads Citizens Committee
Standing committee that will make recommendations to the City and County Commissions on matters related to Canopy Road preservation.

Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency Advisory Committee
Make recommendations to the CRTPA Board regarding the needs of users of all modes of transportation, including bicycle/pedestrian and transit.

Civic Center Authority
Provide policy direction, planning, developing, operating and maintaining comprehensive complex of civic, governmental, educational, recreational, convention and entertainment facility.

Code Enforcement Board
Conduct hearings on cases involving violations of environmental, zoning, building and junk ordinances and enter orders to enforce County laws.

Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory
Assist with CDBG program planning, implementation, assessment and oversight, as well as counsel and advise the Leon County Housing Program.

Contractors Licensing and Examination Board
Accepts and approves applications, including administers examinations for contractors licenses and issues contractors licenses.

Council on Culture & Arts
Coordinate and disseminate information regarding cultural events and opportunities.

Educational Facilities Authority
Assist institutions for higher education in construction, financing, and refinancing of projects.

Enterprise Development Zone Agency (EDZA) Board of Commissioners
Review, process and certify applications for state enterprise zone tax incentives and provide assistance to businesses and residents within the Enterprise Development Zone.

Fort Braden Community Center Focus Group
Reviews planning, oversight, and general maintenance of the Center.

Frenchtown/Southside Revitalization Citizen Advisory Committee
Develop new approaches and creative solutions to spur revitalization and economic opportunity/development in the Southside and Frenchtown communities by exploring issues of poverty, unemployment, and underemployment.

Growth and Environmental Management Citizens User Group
Provide Board recommendations regarding proposed ordinances that impact growth management and other issues pertaining to current planning, development review, and environmental compliance.

Housing Finance Authority
Encourages investment by private enterprise and stimulates construction and rehabilitation of housing through use of public financing.

Human Services Grants Review Committee
Evaluate human service funding requests during regular budget cycle and make recommendations to the Board.

J. R. Alford Greenways Citizen's Advisory Committee (Ad hoc)
Participate in the update and review of the Greenways' Management Plan, collect public input, and make final recommendations regarding any modifications to the Management Plan to the Leon County Board of County Commissioners for submittal to the state.

Joint City/County/School Board Coordinating Committee
Fosters the coordination of comprehensive planning and school facilities planning programs.

Leon County Human Relations Advisory Committee
Serves as an advisory and public policy sounding board to study nondiscrimination and other human relations issues in Leon County, and report back to the Board with recommendations as applicable.

Library Advisory Board
Serve as a forum for community input concerning library programs and activities and as a liaison and advocate of the library.

Miccosukee Canopy Road Greenways Citizen's Advisory Committee (Ad hoc)
Participate in the update and review of the Greenways' Management Plan, collect public input, and make final recommendations regarding any modifications to the Management Plan to the Leon County Board of County Commissioners for submittal to the state.

Miccosukee Community Center Focus Group
Reviews planning, oversight, and general maintenance of the Center.

Miccosukee Recreation Council
Review provision of year-round youth sports and recreation programming.

Minority/Women Small Business Enterprise (M/WSBE) Committee
Review M/WSBE program.

Planning Commission /LPA/TPAC
Act as advisory committee to City and County commissions seeking its advice and assistance in comprehensive planning and development in the Tallahassee area.

Research and Development Authority
Created for the purpose of planning and financing capital projects in the form of research and development parks to encourage local economic development.

Science Advisory Committee
Evaluate scientific evidence and report findings and recommendations pertaining to environmental issues.

Sustainability Task Force (Ad hoc)
Guide internal government operations and the community toward a more sustainable future through technical assistance and advice on energy conservation strategies.

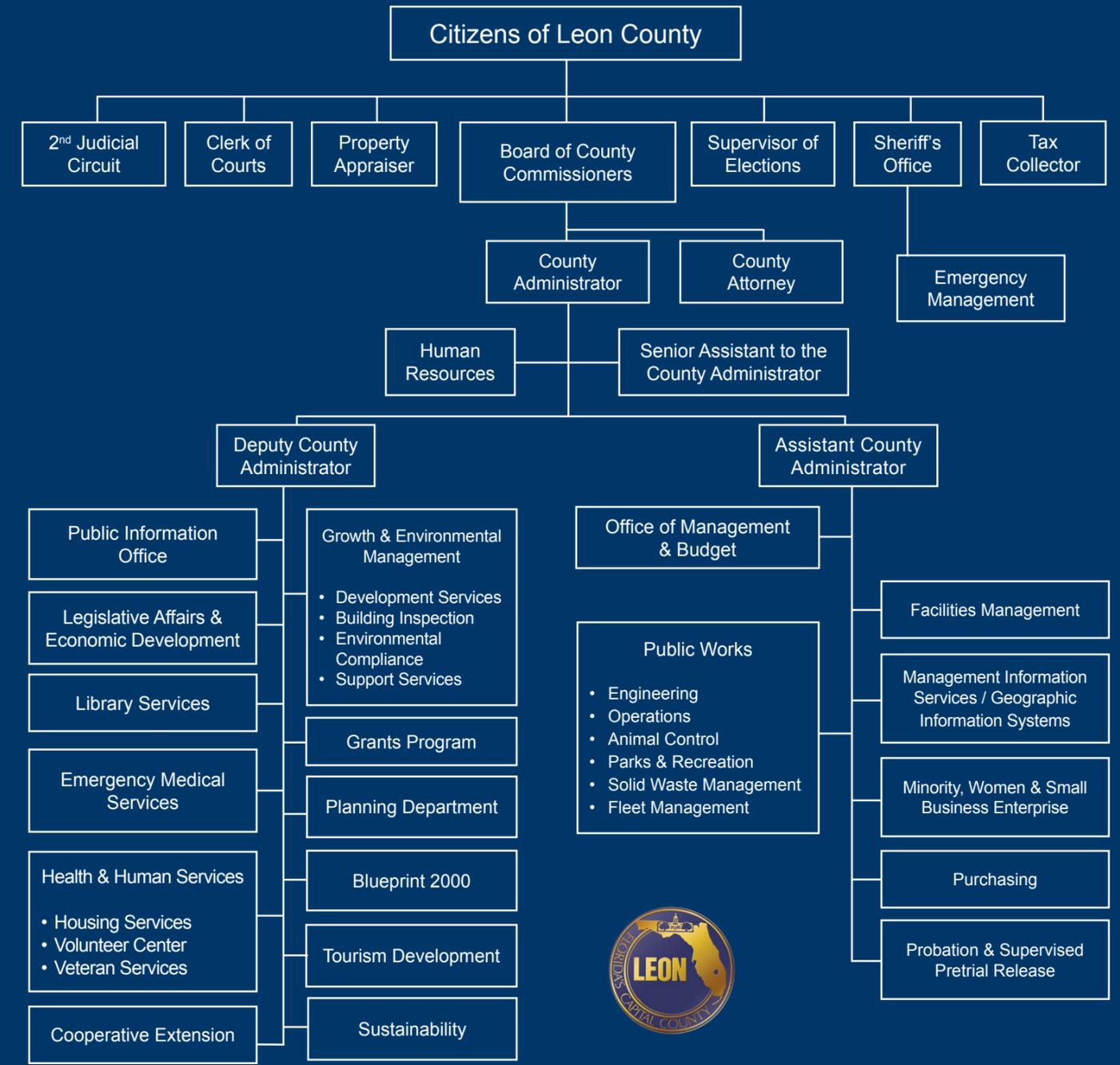
Tourist Development Council
Develop plans for tourist development; make recommendations for operation of special projects or for uses of tax revenue; reviews expenditures of revenue from development trust fund.

Water Resources Committee
Address community-wide concerns such as flooding, recreational and community economic value, watershed management and funding priorities.

Workforce Plus
To review and approve all job training plans under Section 104 of the Title I of the JTPA.

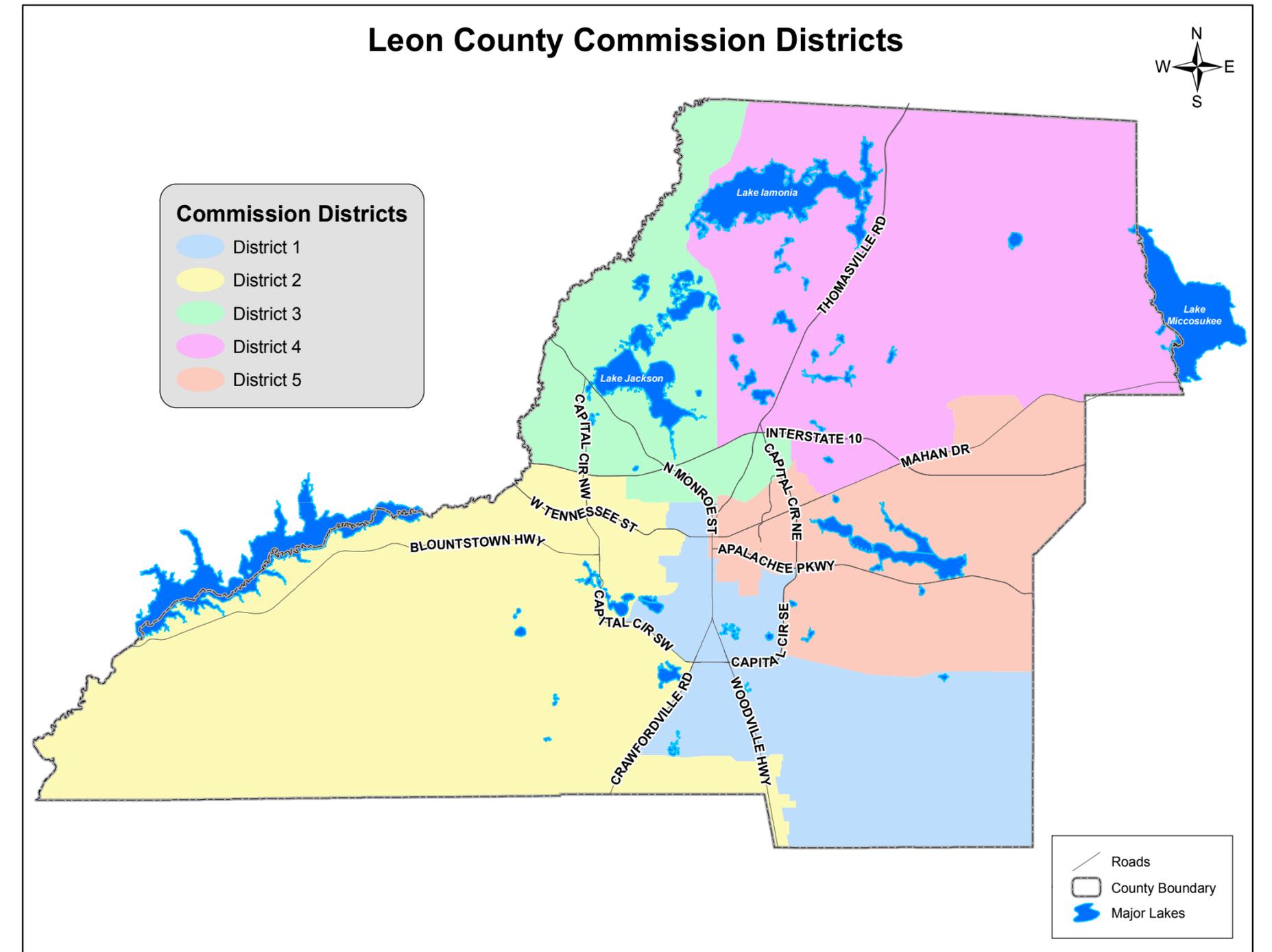
Citizen participation is important in developing Leon County's programs/policies and in providing quality services to the community. For more detailed information, or to join one of the committees, visit www.leoncountyfl.gov/committees, or call Agenda Coordinator Christine Coble at (850) 606-5300.

Organizational Chart





2009 - 2010 Leon County Board of County Commissioners

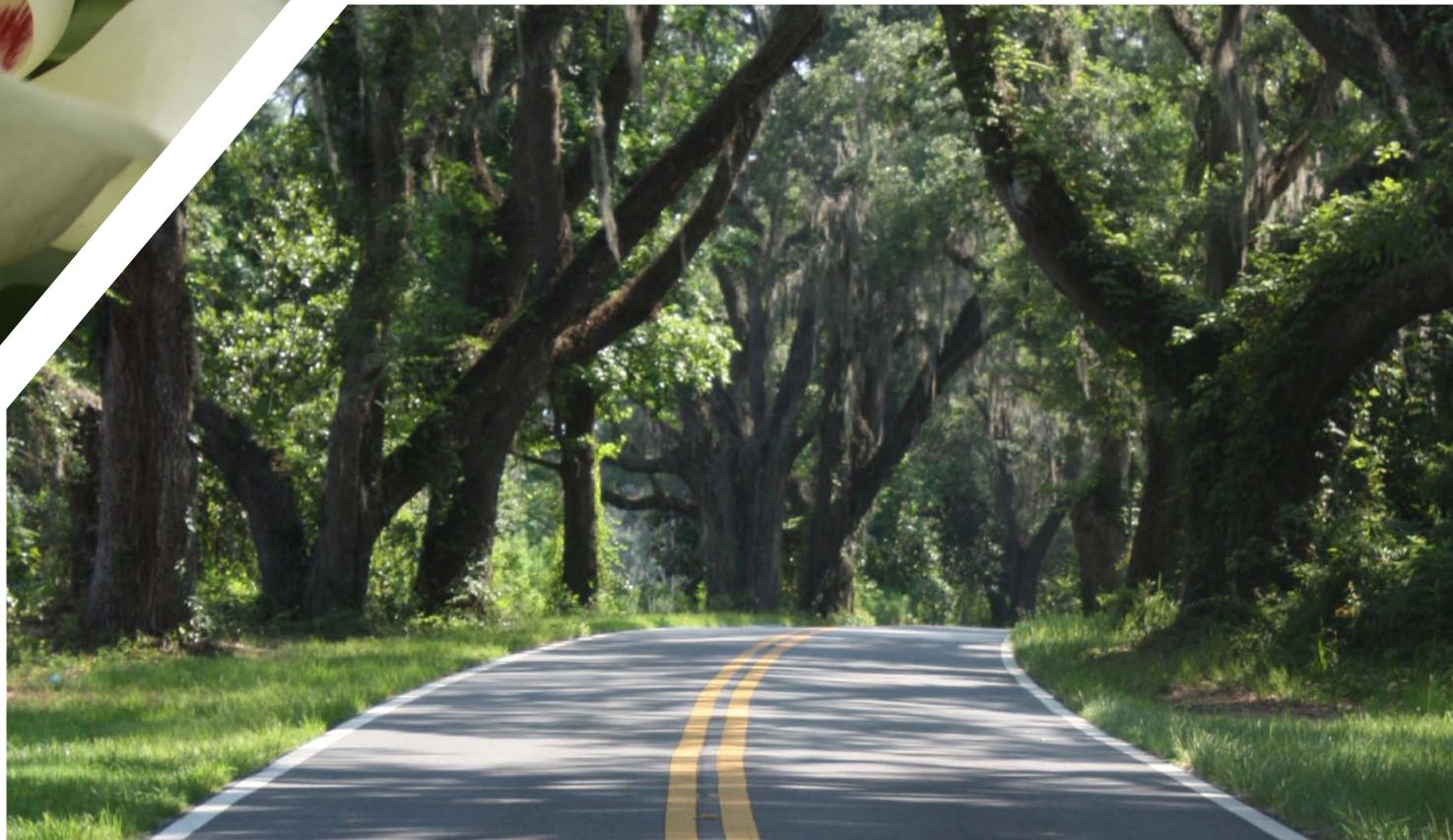




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