

Gubernatorial Debate 7:00pm Tonight

Gov. Ron DeSantis
and
Congressman Charlie Crist
square off tonight in their only
debate.
Check your local listing.



16 Days until the General Election!

The Briefing –Monday – October 24 –2022

The last Briefing was Saturday - October 22 – 1950 How's your weather - https://weather.com/

Link to Week 9 of NCAA Football Games

Once again there are some pretty good matchups!
Georgia vs Florida
Ga. Tech vs FSU
Ohio State vs Penn State
Kentucky vs Tennessee

State DEM Holding Calls to Deal with Recovery Issues

The Division of Emergency Management is holding **Technical Assistance calls** dealing with recovery issues for Hurricane Ian each week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 11:15 AM. These calls are relevant to all 67 counties. The 26 counties directly impacted by the storm, **as well as any other county that that expended funds as part of protective measures** in response to Hurricane Ian, should participate in these calls. Expenditures for protective measures, or Category B Expenditures, may be eligible for reimbursement by the Division of Emergency Management as the entire state was under a declared State of Emergency prior to the storm making landfall. The 26 counties directly impacted are Brevard, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Monroe, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, and Volusia.

Call in Information:

Days and time – Each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11:15 AM Call-in number: 888-585-9008 Conference room number: 168-673-915

Legislative Priorities

Drafts of Legislative Priorities for the Small County Coalition and the Small School District Council Consortium are in development. Here are the initial versions – they will be amended as necessary.

The Small County Coalition -Draft 2023 Legislative Program.docx SSDCC 2023 Legislative Priorities - Draft for Consideration .docx

If you have any suggestions please submit to cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com

Drafts will be discussed by the Officers and Executive Committee members of the Small County Coalition and the Small School District Council Consortium in the coming weeks and then presented for adoption at the Fall Meetings currently scheduled in St. Pete and Tampa.

<u>Small County Coalition Fall Breakfast Meeting</u> - Wednesday – November 30 - St. Pete Hilton– Registration for FAC Legislative Annual Conference

<u>Small School District Council Consortium Meeting -</u> Thursday – December 1 – Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay - FSBA/FADSS 77th Annual Joint Conference – Florida School Boards Association

Headlines Around the State

FlaPol: Ron DeSantis decries Joe Biden's 'footsie with the Ayatollah'

The Floridian: DeSantis Says Fauci's 'Gaslighting' the Country

NYTimes: Tom Brady and Ron DeSantis Are Said to Be on Texting Terms

FlaPol: Val Demings earns Orlando firefighters union endorsement

FlaPol: Another police union picks Marco Rubio over 'Chief' Val Demings

Herald: In Florida's most Hispanic district, Latina politicians spar over immigration and socialism

WUSF: Gaetz, Jones argue in congressional debate over health care for veterans

Bradenton Herald: He's 9 months old and a U.S. citizen. Why does Florida DCF want to send him to Haiti?

Ledger: Polk County's reps co-sponsor 'Stop Sexualization' bill

FlaPol: DEP air quality data shows emissions in Florida are the lowest on record

News4Jax: Florida organization aims to protect students, hold drivers accountable by adding safety technology to school buses

Financial Times: Ron DeSantis is Donald Trump with brains and without the drama

AP: A swing state no more? GOP confidence grows in Florida

Times: 8 questions for DeSantis, Crist ahead of tonight's debate

Democrat: What to Watch: Lone TV debate between DeSantis and Crist set for Monday

News4Jax: Early voting starts Monday in Duval and other area counties

WUSF: \$5M awarded to help homeowners in six Ian-hit counties pay their insurance deductibles

Bradenton Herald: Florida jobless rate dips last month, but Hurricane Ian could derail labor market

Sun-Sentinel: Paralyzed Floridians and elderly could lose home caregivers via \$15-an-hour pay-raise funding glitch

WUSF: Tolls will resume on all major Florida highways, including the Sunshine Skyway, after Hurricane Ian

Herald Tribune: Sarasota state House race could be close race in Florida this cycle

FlaPol: Ethics panel asks Gov. DeSantis to pull Doug Underhill from Escambia Co. Commission at Don Gaetz's urging

On the Docket

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022

 BOOK, SENATE CANDIDATES MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT: Senate Minority Leader Lauren Book, D-Plantation, and Democratic Senate candidates Loranne Ausley, Joy Goff-Marcil, Janelle Perez and Raquel Pacheco will hold a news conference to make an announcement. (Monday, 10

- a.m. Reporters may register at https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlduirpjotE9O5LvycCBC0xMKkzfaE2jr8)
- 'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT: The Florida Chamber of Commerce will start its annual "Future of Florida" event. Monday speakers are expected to include Department of Corrections Secretary Ricky Dixon, CareerSource Florida President and CEO Michelle Dennard, Florida Department of Education Senior Chancellor Henry Mack and Florida Department of Education Chancellor Kevin O'Farrell. (Monday, event starts at 10 a.m., Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, 1000 West Buena Vista Dr., Lake Buena Vista.)
- BUSINESSES HONORED: The Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the state Division of Blind Services and the state Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will hold a ceremony to honor businesses for hiring and retaining employees with disabilities. Among the speakers with be Department of Economic Opportunity Secretary Dane Eagle. (Monday, 10 a.m., Cabinet meeting room, the Capitol.)
- DESANTIS, CRIST DEBATE: Gov. Ron DeSantis and Democratic challenger Charlie Crist will hold their only debate before the Nov. 8 election. It will be hosted by the West Palm Beach television station WPEC and will be broadcast and livestreamed across the state. (Monday, 7 p.m., Sunrise Theatre, 117 South Second St., Fort Pierce.)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Tuesday to Sumter County after starting Monday in 37 counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- 'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT CONTINUES: The Florida Chamber of Commerce will continue its two-day "Future of Florida" event. Tuesday speakers are expected to include Space Florida President and CEO Frank DiBello. (Tuesday, event starts at 8 a.m., Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, 1000 West Buena Vista Dr., Lake Buena Vista.)
- REHABILITATION COUNCIL: The Florida Rehabilitation Council is scheduled to meet.
 (Tuesday, 8 a.m., Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore, 555 North Westshore Blvd., Tampa.)
- GAS RATES: The state Public Service Commission will hold an internal-affairs meeting, followed by a hearing on a proposal by Florida Public Utilities Co. to raise natural-gas rates. (Tuesday, internal affairs meeting starts at 9:30 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee.)
- LABOR MARKET: The state Labor Market Estimating Conference will discuss the labor market. (Tuesday, 10 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- ALZHEIMER'S: The state Alzheimer's Disease Advisory Committee will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Florida Department of Elder Affairs, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83350194935?pwd=dXJuRlJhdzJkRTlhaXIzcG05RTBVU T09. Meeting ID: 83350194935. Code: 078489)
- BROWARD COLLEGE TRUSTEES: The Broward College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Broward College, North Campus, 1000 Coconut Creek Blvd., Coconut Creek.)
- SUICIDE DETERRENCE: The Florida First Responder Suicide Deterrence Task Force will meet. (Tuesday, 2 p.m. Information at https://www.myflfamilies.com/)
- KEYS COLLEGE BOARD: The Board of Trustees of The College of the Florida Keys will meet. (Tuesday, 2 p.m., The College of the Florida Keys, Upper Keys Center, 106040 Overseas Highway, Key Largo. https://meet.goto.com/993962893. Call-in number: 1-408-650-3123. Code: 993962893)

• MANATEE-SARASOTA COLLEGE BOARD: The Board of Trustees of the State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota is scheduled to meet. (Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, Bradenton Campus, 5840 26th St. West, Bradenton.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Wednesday to Hernando, Martin, Nassau, Pasco, St. Johns and Volusia counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- CITRUS ISSUES: The Florida Citrus Commission will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Florida Department of Citrus, 605 East Main St., Bartow.)
- PAROLE CASES: The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165)
- INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL: The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary.)
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES: The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. (Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214)
- 'CAT FUND': The Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Advisory Council will meet. (Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 973664296)
- HILLSBOROUGH COLLEGE BOARD: The Hillsborough Community College Board of Trustees will meet. (Wednesday, 4 p.m., Hillsborough Community College, Dr. Gwendolyn W. Stephenson District Administration Center, 39 Columbia Dr., Tampa.)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Thursday to Baker, Collier, Dixie, Hardee, Highlands and Marion counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- COUNCIL FOR BLIND: The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind will meet in Miami-Dade County. (Thursday, 8 a.m., Hilton Miami Airport Blue Lagoon, 5101 Blue Lagoon Dr., Miami. Call-in number: 850-583-5063. Code: 90918709)
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE: The Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council will meet. (Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-792-1375. Code: 481124352)
- INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL: The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. (Thursday, 9 a.m., Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary.)
- MASSAGE THERAPY: The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet in Orange County. (Thursday, 9 a.m., Crowne Plaza Orlando Downtown, 304 West Colonial Dr., Orlando.)
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS: The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release its weekly opinions. (Thursday, 11 a.m.)
- FAMU TRUSTEES: The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet. (Thursday, 4
 - p.m. https://famu.zoom.us/j/99131586850?pwd=NGZUK2lkQTBwb09oVzdVWTFwcjJ4UT09, Webinar ID: 99131586850. Code: 997708. Call-in number: 1-301-715-8592)

• NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING COUNCIL: The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. (Thursday, 7 p.m., Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Blvd., Lake City. https://meet.goto.com/704529541. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 704529541)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Friday to Citrus, Clay and Jackson counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- TRANSGENDER TREATMENTS: A joint committee of the Florida Board of Medicine and the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine will discuss a draft rule that could restrict doctors from providing treatments to transgender people under age 18. The meeting will come after the Florida Department of Health in July filed a petition seeking a rule-making process on the contentious issue of treatment for gender dysphoria. The petition proposed what is known as a "standard of care" that would prohibit patients under age 18 from receiving sex-reassignment surgery and puberty-blocking, hormone and hormone "antagonist" treatments. It also would require that older patients sign a consent form and then wait 24 hours before starting such treatments. (Friday, 8 a.m., Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport, 9300 Jeff Fuqua Blvd., Orlando.)
- PSYCHOLOGY BOARD: The Florida Board of Psychology will meet. (Friday, 8 a.m. Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 564341766)
- HOUSING ISSUES: The Florida Housing Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. (Friday, 8:30 a.m., AC Hotel Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol, 801 South Gadsden St., Tallahassee.)
- NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS: The Florida Board of Nursing Home Administrators will meet in Hillsborough County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Embassy Suites, 3705 Spectrum Blvd., Tampa.)
- MASSAGE THERAPY: The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet in Orange County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Crowne Plaza Orlando Downtown, 304 West Colonial Dr., Orlando.)
- ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN ISSUES: The Board of Architecture and Interior Design is scheduled to meet in Sarasota County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Hyatt Regency Sarasota, 1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota.)
- FSDB TRUSTEES MEET: The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will meet. (Friday, 9:15 a.m., Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022

• STATEWIDE EARLY VOTING AVAILABLE: All counties will be required to offer early voting as of Oct. 29 for the Nov. 8 general election.

Tropical Outlook

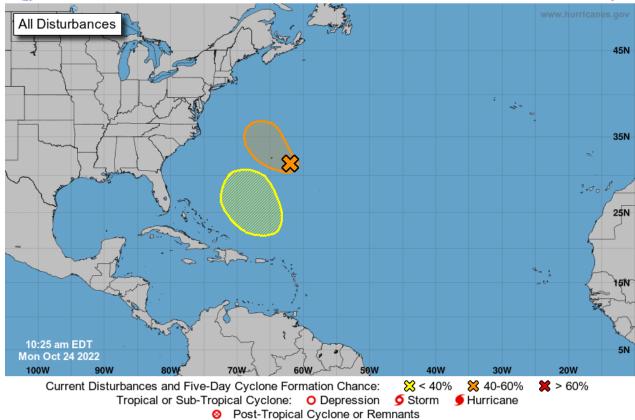
www.nhc.noaa.gov



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





Important Meetings Scheduled To Focus on Rural/Small County Issues

Small County Coalition Fall Breakfast Meeting

For County Commissioners and Staff

Wednesday – November 30 - St. Pete – Coinciding with the FAC Winter Meeting Major Actions –

Welcome New Commissioners and Adopt Legislative Program
Registration for FAC Legislative Annual Conference

<u>Small School District Council Consortium - Breakfast Meeting</u> For School Board members and Superintendents

Thursday – December 1 – Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay -Coinciding with the FSBA Winter Meeting Major Actions

Greet New School Board Members and Adopt Legislative Program FSBA/FADSS 77th Annual Joint Conference – Florida School Boards Association

<u>Annual Florida Rural Economic Development Summit</u> <u>Major Focus – Advancing Economic Development in rural communities</u>

December 7-9, 2022 - Renaissance World Golf Village Resort in St. Augustine.

Registration for Summit
Tentative Agenda for Summit

<u>Important Broadband Summit – January 26 and 27th</u> <u>Open for participating entities</u>

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Registration for BROADBAND SUMMIT

Sawgrass Marriott – St. Johns County

About the Briefing!

The Briefing is prepared almost daily by Chris Doolin cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com

The Briefing is compiled <u>2-3 times a week</u> to provide information to elected officials and staff in counties that are members of the Small County Coalition and the Small School District Council Consortium. It is also sent to Professional Colleagues and Associates. For Questions Email – doolin@DoolinandAssoc.com

Website Links

<u>Small County Coalition Website</u> <u>Small School District Council Consortium Website</u>

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