

Florida Association of City Clerks

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Message from the President



Never stop learning.

*Sincerely,
Stacey Johnston, MMC
2021-2022 FACC President
City Clerk, City of Holmes Beach*

Highlight



We will be highlighting a different member each week to share "what it means to be a member of FACC" for that person.

Today, enjoy reading about Vanessa Joseph, Esq., City Clerk, City of North Miami.

Being a member of the FACC is like being part of a big family of people who are committed to your professional growth and development. Through the FACC, I have made some friends who I know genuinely want to see me succeed and are willing to do whatever they can to support that. I am grateful for all the resources that the FACC shares with us and the fact that they are always innovating so as to better assist us in our work. I am truly appreciative of the constant support afforded to me by the FACC and my fellow clerks. I was born in Chicago and moved to Miami when I was a toddler. I earned a bachelor's degree in political science, a Master of Public Administration and a Juris Doctorate, all from the University of Miami. Before fully launching my legal career, I spent my years as a law student working as an advocate for immigration and human rights. [Read More.](#)

Member News

2021 Clerk of the Year



The following newspaper article was written about FACC's Clerk of the Year, Dana Williams, MMC, City of Mary Esther.

Dana Williams' third stint of serving in the dual role of Mary Esther city clerk and city manager stretched from February to August 2020, a period marked by the growing COVID-19 pandemic.

That experience "was like keeping the ship upright and trying to learn as I go," Williams, who will celebrate her eighth year as Mary Esther's city clerk on Halloween, said Tuesday. "It was a learning curve on how to keep our employees safe and our citizens safe and keep our services running. The world didn't stop because of the pandemic." Neither did Williams.

"She did a fabulous job last year when she served as acting city manager as well as her city clerk job," Mary Esther Mayor Margaret McLemore said. "It was a lot of responsibility during COVID. There also were a lot of other things going on with our water and sewer, a lot of issues within the city. She handled it beautifully. We're really proud of her." The Florida Association of City Clerks (FACC) admires Williams' work as well. Last Friday it announced Williams as the winner of the association's 2021 Clerk of the Year Award. [Read More.](#)

Promotion



Mercedes Barcia was recently promoted to Deputy Clerk for the City of Venice.

Congratulations, Mercedes!

Honoring FACC Immediate Past President Debra R. Buff, MMC



Join FACC President Stacey Johnston, MMC, in the City of Belle Glade on **Monday, August 16, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. ET** to honor and present resolutions to FACC Immediate Past President Debra R. Buff, MMC, (City of Belle Glade's City Clerk) and the City of Belle Glade. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Monday, August 16, 2021
6:30 p.m. ET**

**Belle Glade's City Commission Meeting
City Hall Commission Chambers
110 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard West
Belle Glade, Florida 33430-3900**

FACC Live Webinar

New Council & Candidate Orientations



Thursday, August 19, 2021
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET
Via GoToTraining

Registration ends August 18th.

FACC Members: \$75
Non-Members: \$100

Register Now!

Back by popular request, this fresh look at new council and candidate orientations will mix national best practices with real-world experience and increase your odds of success for that one chance to make a great first impression! Panelists will discuss when orientations can and should occur, what topics can be covered verbally and in other formats, and practical tips for being part of outstanding orientations (whether you help to conduct them, help to prepare them or you work with those who do). Discussion will include a Q&A session as well.

Panelists: City Clerk Tammy K. Bursick, MMC, City of Vero Beach and Director Lynn Tipton, FLC University, Florida League of Cities, Inc.

Moderator: Robert E. Lee, DPA, ICMA-CM, Assistant Professor, MPA Program Coordinator, Florida Gulf Coast University and Executive Director, Center for Florida Local Government Excellence, The John Scott Dailey Florida Institute of Government

This program has been approved by IIMC for 2 hours (1 point) of CMC/MMC credit. A completed Ideas to Action (ITA) form is required to receive education credit.

The GoToTraining link will be emailed to you approximately 2-3 days before the webinar.

The education curriculum for both the CMC and MMC session content was developed, reviewed and approved by the Florida Institute of Government at Florida State University as an IIMC-approved institute, in cooperation with the FACC Professional Education Committee and Board of Directors.

[Register Now](#) or [Download Fillable Registration Form](#) to pay by check.

Registrations will not be considered complete until payment has been received. If the check is received after the webinar is full, you can take the recorded version and still receive credit after completing the ITA form.

Job Openings



[Browse](#) current job openings.

Upcoming Events

To view a list of all upcoming FACC Board of Directors Meetings, [click here](#).

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FACC Board of Directors Meeting, via Zoom

August 26, 2021

10:30 a.m. ET

2021 Fall Academy, Daytona Beach Shores

October 17-21, 2021

The Shores Hotel

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Room Rate: \$129 per night

Member Rate: \$400 approximately

Registration will open in August.



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