



West Kendall (WeKe) August Newsletter

Dear Friends,

Thank you for being part of my mailing list. My staff and I are delighted to represent you every day.

Please click below to like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter



You can also visit my website at www.miamidade.gov/district11 for any information.

Children First Education Initiative

Back to School Back Pack and Supplies Giveaway

Free Admission

Our office will be giving out free back packs and school supplies.

When:

Saturday, August 3rd from 10:30am-1pm

Where:

Kendale Lakes Library
15205 SW 88th Street, 33196

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**Miami-Dade Commissioner
Juan C. Zapata
West Kendall/West Dade**

Downtown Office:

111 NW 1st Street
Suite 320
Miami, Florida 33128

Community Incubator:

8785 SW 165th Avenue
Suite 203
Miami, Florida 33193

Phone:

305-375-5511

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FREE Back-to-School Supplies

Commissioner Juan C. Zapata

Senator Anitere Flores

Representative Jeanette Nunez

Councilwoman Carolina Blanco

Distribute Back-to-School Supplies



We hope to see you at our Back-to-School Giveaway Event where you can receive free back to school supplies and materials.

Where: Kendale Lakes Branch Library
15205 SW 88th Street
Miami, Florida 33196

When: Saturday, August 3rd
10:30a.m.-1:00 p.m.

For more information contact zapata@miamidade.gov or 305-375-5511.



Events in our Community

Wings Over Miami Disney Event

When:

Saturday, August 3rd from 10am-5pm

Where:

Kendall Tamiami Airport
14710 SW 128th Street

Join Wings Over Miami for a family day event for a chance to receive complimentary passes to the 3D advance screening and participate in film themed activities.

305-375-5883

Website:

www.miamidade.gov/district11/

Email:

zapata@miamidade.gov

Committees:

Chairman of Infrastructure and Capital Improvements

Vice-Chairman of Finance

Member of Economic Development and Port Miami

Boards:

The Children's Trust

Value Adjustment Board

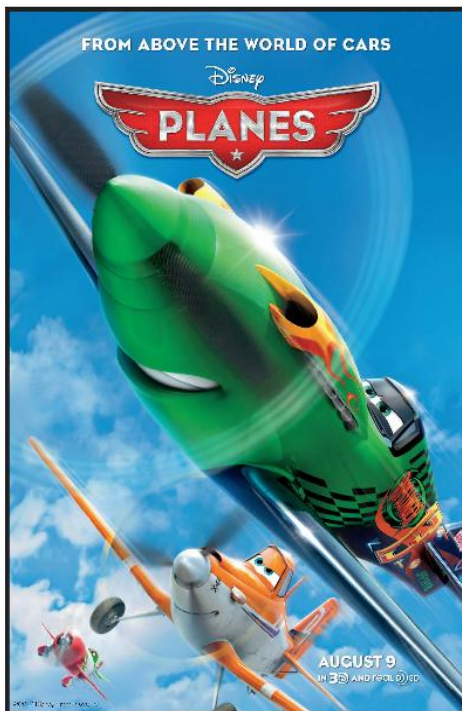
South Florida Regional Planning Council

Get Ready

Classes in Miami-Dade County start Monday, August 19th



Read Campaign



YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED TO
COME OUT AND CELEBRATE THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF

Disney PLANES

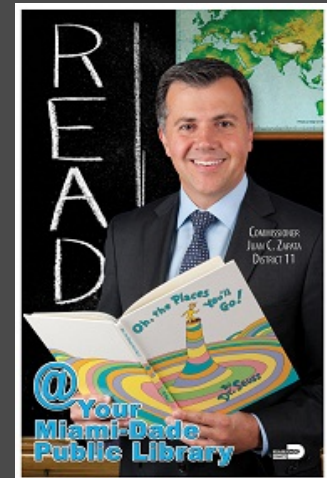
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 3
10AM - 5PM
FREE ADMISSION**

KENDALL TAMIAHI AIRPORT
14710 Southwest 128 St., Miami, FL
(Directions: Enter the airport at Southwest 137
Avenue and 128 Street. Follow the main road until
coming to the end. Turn right and follow the circle
around to the museum.)

Join us for a family day event for your chance to receive
complimentary passes to the 3D advance screening and
participate in film themed activities. The first 10 families
to arrive will receive a signed poster by Carlos Alazraqui,
the voice of EL CHUPACABRA, from the film.

Disney.com/Planes | /DisneyPlanes | @DisneyPictures

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Let's encourage our
children to read.

Miami Dade Public Library

System offers free literacy
programs, tutoring, library
materials - as well as
special services so all
residents can enjoy full
access to books, music
and more!

Please click

HERE

to learn more about their
programs.

For programs designed to
improve your children's
academic performance,
please visit Read2Succeed:

<http://www.r2succeed.org/>

Business of the Month

Cheer it Up

Your Money at Work

SW 152nd Avenue from SW 81st Lane to SW 72nd Street

This sidewalk improvement project consists of, but is not limited to, removal and replacement of damaged existing concrete sidewalk, construction of new concrete sidewalk, modification of existing or construction of new pedestrian access ramps to comply with current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, construction of curb and gutter, construction of connectors and landings at bus stops, and modification/restoration of driveways.

Construction Schedule: Construction is scheduled to begin on June 25th, 2013 and anticipated to be completed in July, 2013 (weather permitting).

Total Cost: \$16,112.80

Legislative Highlights

Incorporation Study of West Kendall (WeKe) approved by BCC

The Board of County Commissioner's is in Summer Recess. We will update

you then.

Budget Hearings are:

Event:	First Budget Hearing at 5:01 PM
Date/Time:	09/10/13 05:00PM - 12:00AM
Description:	First Budget Hearing to begin at 5:01 PM.

Event:	Second Budget Hearing/Cmte. of the Whole Mtg.
Date/Time:	09/17/13 09:30AM - 06:30PM
Description:	Second Budget Hearing/Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Assistance Programs

Bring the Internet home for just \$9.95 a month.

This is a federally mandated program.

NEW! Families with a child who receives reduced price school lunches may be eligible, too – and we've increased Internet speeds!

While participating in Internet Essentials, customers receive:

AFFORDABLE INTERNET \$9⁹⁵ <small>a month + tax</small> no • price increases • activation fees • equipment rental fees	A LOW-COST COMPUTER \$149⁹⁹ <small>+ tax</small> Available at initial enrollment	FREE INTERNET TRAINING Available online, in print and in person
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See if you're eligible!

For more information visit

www.InternetEssentials.com

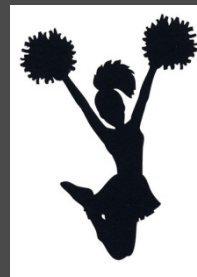
or call

1-855-8-INTERNET

(1-855-846-8376)

2013-14 Grants Programs & Technical Assistance Brochure is Now Available

The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs announces the release of the 2013-14 Grants Brochure. The Department's annual edition of the trilingual guide, printed in [English](#), [Spanish](#) and Haitian [Creole](#), continues to



Tigers Cheerleading Program

Practice Location:

Kendale Lakes Park
7850 SW 142nd Avenue

Ages:

5-15 years old

For more information, please visit their website:

www.cheertup.me



Making a Difference
Foundation

Fundraised for:

WalkAbout Autism - Dan Marino
Foundation

Miami Kidney Walk - National
Kidney Foundation

help connect Miami-Dade's artists and cultural organizations with some of its most competitive grants programs. Each of these programs is designed to address specific areas of cultural development ranging from the renovation of neighborhood cultural facilities to the support of exemplary programs by the community's largest non-profit cultural organizations. Click [here](#) for more information.

Home Energy Assistance Program Now Available to Assist Low Income Residents

Low-income individuals can receive assistance with their utility costs through the Community Action and Human Services Department Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) beginning on Monday, April 1, 2013. To qualify, applicants must not exceed 150% of the U.S. Poverty Income Guidelines. Qualified applicants facing a crisis situation may be eligible to receive up to a \$600 payment toward their outstanding electric or gas bills. Regular energy applications may receive between \$150-\$300 dollar payment applied to their utility bill.

LIHEAP applications are available at Community Service Centers, Monday through Friday 8 AM-5 PM. Applications and a listing of Community Service Centers are available online at <http://www.miamidade.gov/socialservices/housing-assistance-energy.asp>. For additional information call (786) 469-4600.

Caring for the Elderly: Home Care Program

The Home Care Program provides options for seniors and persons with disabilities who want to remain in their homes.

The Home Care Program is available to qualified residents of Miami-Dade County and provides light cleaning, shopping, meals preparation, washing dishes, laundry, and personal care which includes assistance with bathing, grooming, dressing and feeding as needed.

For more information about the Home Care Program and other services available for seniors visit www.miamidade.gov/socialservices or call **786-469-4600**.

Light up, Green up!



Green Tip:

Rockin' On The Greens -
Children's Bereavement Center

MS Walk - Multiple Sclerosis
Foundation

West Kendall Relay for Life -
American Cancer Society

Villa Lyan-
Summer Program

Amount Raised:

\$ 13,616.00

*From January 2013 to Present

FIU Calendar

For Alumni and Community
Events, please click [here](#).

For Arts and Entertainment at
FIU, please click [here](#).

For FIU's Athletic Events, please
click [here](#).

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Miami-Dade County is pleased to announce the availability of a **FREE** online energy and utility tracking tool. The free personal energy dashboard, powered by GreenQuest, enables community members to track and analyze the energy and water use for their home or place of business.

Click here to track your energy consumption:

<http://miamidade.mygreenquest.com/app.php>

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or my staff at 305-375-5511.

Honored to Serve,



Juan C. Zapata

Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners
District 11

"Give yourself entirely to those around you. Be generous with your blessings.
A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal."

-Steve Maraboli, Life, the Truth, and Being Free