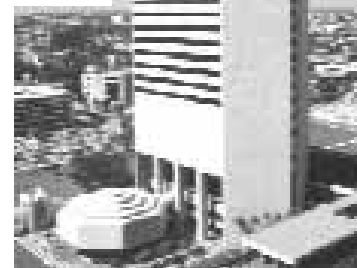


MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AT-A-GLANCE



The Stephen P. Clark Center, located in downtown Miami, is headquarters for Miami-Dade County Government.



GOVERNANCE

Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners is the governing body of unincorporated Miami-Dade County, and has broad, regional powers to establish policies for services that transcend city boundaries. The government provides major metropolitan services countywide and city-type services for residents of the unincorporated areas.

EXECUTIVE MAYOR

Miami-Dade has an Executive Mayor with the power to veto Commission action items. In January 2007, the Mayor was given additional powers providing for the oversight of the day-to-day operations of Miami-Dade. The Mayor can only serve two terms of four years.

MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners selected Dennis C. Moss as Chairman of the 13-member Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners on November 20, 2008. Through ordinances and resolutions, the Commissioners set policies and establish laws for the community.

Commissioners are chosen in non-partisan, single-district elections. Miami-Dade County is structured into 13 districts. Residents choose only from among candidates running in the district in which they live. Commissioners serve four-year staggered terms, with elections scheduled every two years, with no term limits.

Board of County Commissioners

Dennis C. Moss, *Chairman, District Nine*
José "Pepe" Díaz, *Vice Chairman, District Twelve*
Barbara J. Jordan, *District One*
Dorin D. Rolle, *District Two*
Audrey M. Edmonson, *District Three*
Sally A. Heyman, *District Four*
Bruno A. Barreiro, *District Five*

Rebeca Sosa, *District Six*
Carlos A. Gimenez, *District Seven*
Katy Sorenson, *District Eight*
Sen. Javier D. Souto, *District Ten*
Joe A. Martinez, *District Eleven*
Natacha Seijas, *District Thirteen*

LOCATION

Miami-Dade County encompasses more than 2,000 square miles. Located along the southeast tip of the Florida peninsula, one-third of Miami-Dade County is located in Everglades National Park. Miami-Dade County is bounded by Biscayne Bay and the Atlantic Ocean to the east, Everglades National Park to the west, the Florida Keys to the south, and Broward County to the north.

POPULATION TOTALS - 2005

Total Population	2,379,818
Unincorporated	
Miami-Dade County	1,098,940
Total Municipalities	1,280,878

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY OFFICIALS



Carlos Alvarez
Mayor



Dennis C. Moss
District 9
Chairman, Board of
County Commissioners



José "Pepe" Diaz
District 12
Vice Chairman, Board of
County Commissioners



Barbara J. Jordan
District 1



Dorrin D. Rolfe
District 2



Audrey M. Edmonson
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Sally A. Heyman
District 4



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District 5



Rebeca Sosa
District 6



Carlos A. Gimenez
District 7



Katy Sorenson
District 8



Sen. Javier D. Souto
District 10



Joe A. Martinez
District 11



Natacha Seijas
District 13



Harvey Ruvin
Clerk of Courts



George Burgess
County Manager



Robert A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

MIAMI-DADE GOVERNMENT

Miami-Dade County government serves a population exceeding two million people with a work force of 30,000 employees dedicated to providing the best services possible. The County has made it more convenient for residents to obtain county services via its Internet Web Portal at www.miamidade.gov, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A wide array of services is available online. The home page prominently features information including adopting a pet, paying a parking ticket, and renewing a library book. Residents can request new traffic signs, schedule solid waste collections, track building plans, and even check the arrival and departure times of flights at Miami International Airport. Payments to renew occupational licenses and building re-inspection fees can be made using credit cards, and many County forms can be easily printed or downloaded.

For information or service requests, residents can dial the County's 3-1-1 hotline. Specialists are available to answer questions seven days a week in English, Spanish, and Creole with knowledge of more than 5,000 topics. During the County's 2007-2008 fiscal year, the 3-1-1 Answer Center fielded approximately 2.4 million calls. Personal service is available Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The center also has 24-hour information during emergency events such as hurricanes.

MUNICIPALITIES

Miami-Dade County is comprised of 35 municipalities: Aventura, Bal Harbour, Bay Harbor Islands, Biscayne Park, Coral Gables, Cutler Bay, Doral, El Portal, Florida City, Golden Beach, Hialeah, Hialeah Gardens, Homestead, Indian Creek, Islandia, Key Biscayne, Medley, Miami, Miami Beach, Miami Gardens, Miami Lakes, Miami Shores, Miami Springs, North Bay Village, North Miami, North Miami Beach, Opa-Locka, Palmetto Bay, Pinecrest, South Miami, Sunny Isles Beach, Surfside, Sweetwater, Virginia Gardens and West Miami. The City of Miami is the largest municipality, followed by Hialeah, Miami Gardens, Miami Beach, North Miami and Coral Gables. Each municipality has its own government and provides city services such as police and zoning protection.

UNINCORPORATED MUNICIPAL SERVICE AREA (UMSA)

The unincorporated areas of Miami-Dade County do not fall within the jurisdiction of a municipality. With a population exceeding one million residents, the unincorporated area, if declared a city, would form the largest city in Florida and one of the largest in the nation.