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# Chamber Connection

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## Chamber Attends Leadership Conference on Health, Safety + Sustainability

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce recently had the privilege of attending The Florida Chamber's Leadership Conference on Health, Safety + Sustainability.

This event, held annually, is a hub for leaders, industry experts, and community representatives dedicated to advancing health, safety, and sustainability practices across the state.

Attending this conference provided our Chamber with valuable insights that align with our commitment to making Citrus County a great place to live, work, and play.

The sessions covered a range of critical topics, from innovative health initiatives and workplace safety protocols to sustainability practices that can be



**Pictured L-R:** Ardath Prendergast, Chamber VP of Operations/BRE; Jade White, Chamber Public Relations Manager; Josh Wooten, Chamnber President/CEO; Heather Cogar, Sellstate Next Generation Realty; Debbie Reilly, Chamber Board Chair.

implemented at both local and corporate levels.

One of the key take-aways from the conference was the emphasis

on proactive health and safety measures.

By researching and

adopting best practices, businesses and organizations in Citrus County

can create safer work environments, which in turn boosts productivity and employee well-being.

Sustainability was another focal point of the conference. As our community continues to grow, it's crucial to implement sustainable practices that ensure long-term environmental health.

These are steps that not only benefit the environment but also create economic opportunities and improve the quality of life for our residents.

By staying informed and actively participating in initiatives that promote health, safety, and sustainability, we can collectively ensure that Citrus County remains a vibrant and thriving place for current and future generations.

## Chamber to have Annual First Responders BBQ: Event to be held May 21st at Copeland Park

To celebrate and recognize the hard work and dedication of our active first responders, The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the annual First Responder's BBQ.

This special event is designed to honor the commitment of first responders to the safety and well-being of our community.

Active first responders are invited to join us for a complimentary lunch as a token of our appreciation.

Whether you're on duty and need to grab a quick to-go container, or you can stay and enjoy a meal with us, your participation is highly valued.

### Event Details:

- Date: May 21st
  - Time: 11:00 am to 1:30 pm
  - Location: Copeland Park, 850 NE 8th Ave, Crystal River
- Please Note: In order to best serve our active first responders, this event is not open to the general public.



**MISSION OF THE CITRUS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**  
The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of the region, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.

### RECENT RIBBON CUTTING

The Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses.

#### Freedom Solar Inc.



Welcome to the Chamber, Freedom Solar Inc! Freedom Solar Inc. is a locally owned and operated company in Crystal River, Florida. They specialize in delivering Solar energy to residential and commercial properties in the Central Florida area. With nearly a decade of experience in the industry, they use only the best products and train their staff to perform at the highest standards. 1255 N Vantage Point Dr, Crystal River FL 34429. (352) 228-8014. <https://freedomsolar.us/>

## June Luncheon hosts Constitutional Primary Candidate Forum

Each election season, the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce hosts a primary candidate forum luncheon. The forum offers a unique opportunity for candidates to engage with a diverse audience of chamber member voters to articulate their vision, discuss their platform, and connect directly with constituents.

The June Constitutional Primary Candidate Forum will host candidates in the following races:

- Citrus County Sheriff
- Citrus County Superintendent of Schools
- Citrus County School Board, District 2
- Citrus County Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Citrus County Supervisor of Elections

Please Note: A Separate luncheon forum will be held in July for Citrus County Board of County Commission candidates.

Pricing: \$25 for Chamber Members; \$35 for non-chamber members. Please note that advanced reservations are required and walk-ups will not be accepted. For more information or to make reservations visit [www.CitrusCountyChamber.com](http://www.CitrusCountyChamber.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**6/14** Special Chamber Luncheon: Constitutional Primary Candidate Forum; 11:00 am – 1:30 pm; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club; Sponsor: Just Be Klaus  
**6/20** Chamber Mixer. 5PM – 7PM, Host: Location: Art Center of Citrus County  
**7/12** Special Chamber Luncheon: BOCC Primary Candidate Forum; 11:00 am – 1:30 pm; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club; Sponsor: Leadership Citrus  
**8/09** Chamber Luncheon: Citrus County Chronicle Healthcare Heroes Awards; 11:30am – 1:00 pm; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club; Sponsor: Citrus County Chronicle

### Chamber Legacy Members



The Chamber recognizes our Legacy Partners that have made a special investment in the Chamber to support the programs and mission of the Chamber. For information on becoming a Legacy Partner, please contact the Chamber by emailing [Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com](mailto:Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com).