

Promotional information provided by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber Connection

915 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River · 352-795-3149 · 212 W. Main St., Inverness · 352-726-2801



From left to right: Chamber Associate Vice President Jade White, Vice President of Governmental Affairs & Special Projects Ardath Prendergast, Chamber Ambassador Deb Stanley, Citrus County School District Director of Career & Technical Education, and Chamber President/CEO Josh Wooten attended the Florida Chamber Foundation's Learners to Earners Summit in Tampa.

Building Tomorrow's Workforce Starts Today

Workforce development remains one of the most important investments we can make in the future of Citrus County, and it's a priority the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce continues to champion.

Recently, Chamber President/CEO Josh Wooten, Vice President of Governmental Affairs & Special Projects Ardath Prendergast, and Associate Vice President Jade White attended the Florida Chamber Foundation's Learners to Earners Summit in Tampa. They were joined by Chamber Ambassador Deb Stanley and Dana Sternberg from the Citrus County School District Career & Technical Education Department to collaborate with education and business leaders from across Florida on strengthening the connection between today's students and tomorrow's workforce.

The summit focused on preparing students for high demand careers by building stronger partnerships between schools, employers, and community organizations. These conversations reinforce the importance of creating opportunities for students to explore career pathways while ensuring local businesses have access to a skilled workforce for years to come.

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is proud to work alongside the Citrus County School District, local employers, and community partners to support workforce initiatives that strengthen our economy and create opportunities for future generations. By investing in today's learners, we are helping build tomorrow's workforce and ensuring Citrus County remains a great place to live, work, and do business.



JULY LUNCHEON

JULY 10TH, 2026
11:30AM - 1:00PM
Doors open at 11:00am for networking.
Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PRIMARY CANDIDATE POLITICAL FORUM

Luncheon Sponsored By: 

July Chamber Luncheon: Hear from Candidates Seeking to Serve Citrus County

Election season is here, and the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce invites the community to attend its annual Primary Candidate Forum during the July Chamber Luncheon on Friday, July 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club. This special event provides Chamber members, business leaders, and residents with a unique opportunity to hear directly from candidates seeking election to the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners in the District 2 and District 4 races, as well as candidates for the Citrus County School Board, District 3.

Candidates will share their vision for the future of Citrus County, discuss the issues impacting our community, and outline their priorities if elected. Because all candidates in the County

Commission races are members of the same political party, those contests will be decided in an open primary, meaning all registered voters, regardless of political party affiliation, are eligible to vote. The forum offers an excellent opportunity to become informed before casting your ballot and to hear firsthand from the individuals seeking to serve our community.

Networking for this special event will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by the program at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon is proudly sponsored by the YMCA of the Suncoast.

Advanced reservations are required. Admission is \$30 for Chamber members and \$35 for non-members.

For more information or to register, visit [CitrusCountyChamber.com](https://www.CitrusCountyChamber.com).

UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

- 07/10 July Chamber Luncheon & BOCC Primary Candidate Political Forum; 11:30am – 1:00pm; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club; Luncheon Sponsor: YMCA of the Suncoast
- 07/23 Chamber Ambassador's Christmas in July Mixer; 5:00pm – 7:00pm; Chamber Welcome Center
- 08/14 August Chamber Luncheon; 11:30am – 1:00pm; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club; Healthcare Heroes Awards; Sponsor: Citrus County Chronicle
- 08/20 August Chamber Mixer; 5:00pm – 7:00pm; Village Powersports

Put Your Business in the Spotlight at the 2nd Annual Citrus Business & Builders Expo

Thousands of buying decisions begin with a conversation. This September, make sure that conversation starts at your booth! The 2nd Annual Citrus Business & Builders Expo is your opportunity to showcase your business, connect with new customers, and put your products and services in front of hundreds of local residents during one exciting, family friendly event.

Whether you're looking to build brand awareness, generate leads, or strengthen community connections, this is an opportunity you won't want to miss.

Hosted by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Citrus County Building Alliance, the Expo returns on Saturday, September 12, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Inverness Depot

Pavilion. This exciting community event brings together local businesses, builders, contractors, service providers, and community organizations for a day of networking, discovery, and local pride. Admission is free and open to the public, making it the perfect opportunity for exhibitors to connect with an engaged audience while showcasing everything their business has to offer.

EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Showcase your business to hundreds of local residents, homeowners, and community members at the 2nd Annual Citrus Business & Builders Expo.

Deadline to Register: August 31, 2026

Reserve Your Booth Today:

<https://www.citruscountychamber.com/expo/>



2nd Annual CITRUS BUSINESS & BUILDERS EXPO





Title Sponsor

WHERE LOCAL BUSINESS & HOME INSPIRATION MEET!



Showcase Sponsor



SHOP LOCAL
Discover Local Businesses, Products, Services, & Community Connections



BUILD & IMPROVE
Meet trusted Builders, Contractors, and Home Improvement Professionals



FAMILY FUN & GIVEAWAYS
Enjoy activities, demos, prizes, giveaways, and the Chamber Money Machine.

0-0-0 SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

INVERNESS DEPOT PAVILION 300 N. Apopka Ave, Inverness, FL

FREE ADMISSION! EVERYONE WELCOME!







MISSION OF THE CITRUS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

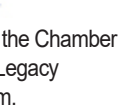
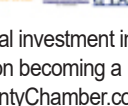
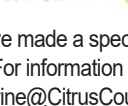
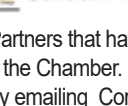
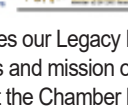
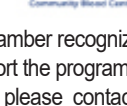
The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of the region, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.

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.