

COMMITTEES & GROUPS



Chamber members are encouraged to participate in available Committees. Attendance protocols and requirements on how to join vary for each group. Contact the Chair or Staff Liaison with any questions and to become involved.

Ambassadors: 1st Thursday/month, 12 – 1pm

This highly visible group welcomes and serves as mentors to new members and attends Chamber events to encourage member participation. Featured on the Ambassador's page of the Chamber website, Ambassador of the Month awards and Ambassador of the Year awards (at the Annual Gala). Must be a member for at least 3 months, complete an application and interview and a minimal additional fee applies.

2016 Chair Allison Turner (561) 276-4422, allison@bcosf.com
Staff Liaison Lynn Van Lenten (561) 278-0424 x 103, lynn@delraybeach.com

Chairman's Club: 2nd Wednesday/month, 12 – 1pm

This group is the premier membership classification of our Chamber that connects community and political leaders, CEO's, and entrepreneurs to cultivate lasting business relationships. Members receive exclusive invitations to monthly luncheons among many other selected benefits.

Staff Liaison: Patty Reed (561) 278-0424 x 105, patty@delraybeach.com
Membership: Kim Bentkover (561) 278-0424 x 106, kim@delraybeach.com

Economic Development: Last Tuesday/month, 8 – 9am

The goal of Economic Development is to use the leverage of the Chamber and partners to attract new business to Delray Beach area, encourage existing business growth, expand the tax base and create a more diversified, balanced economy. Opportunities for **Entrepreneur Masterminds** available each year to meet and provide Mentorship opportunities and advice for new businesses.

2016 Chair: Christina Morrison (561) 573-7083, christinadelray@gmail.com
Staff Liaison: Todd L'Herrou (561) 278-0424 x 102, todd@delraybeach.com

Focus On Women: Varies / As Needed

Plan events for women in business who strive to achieve personal growth and success, education and personal enrichment. Gatherings occur throughout the year and foster a no-pressure environment to build strong, long-lasting relationships with other women. Include breakfast networking, luncheons, after-work events and guest speakers in various venues.

2016 Chair: Allyson Austin (561) 293-3528, AAustin@maclendon.com
Staff Liaison: Patty Reed (561) 278-0424 x 105, patty@delraybeach.com

Government Affairs: 3rd Friday/month, 8 – 9am

The goal of Governmental Affairs is Legislative and government awareness and advocacy - The Chamber monitors, takes action and informs members on matters affecting business at the local, county, state and federal government levels. The Delray Chamber helps communicate business concerns to our legislators through the Legislative Alert Network and direct communications to the relevant officials; and communicates important business legislative and governmental developments through our On The Record e-mail newsletter. An **Advocacy subcommittee** meets as needed to vet relevant issues.

2016 Chair: Jeff Perlman
Staff Liaison: Todd L'Herrou (561) 278-0424 x 102, todd@delraybeach.com

Health Care Council: 4th Thursday/quarterly, 8:30- 9:30am, Jan., July & Nov. socials, 5pm

The Mission of this group is to promote the value and unification of health care professionals and establishments within the community to better serve clients physical, emotional and mental well-being. Monthly meetings allow for education, awareness, communication, and partnerships to be formed among each other.

2016 Honorary Chair: Mark Bryan
Staff Liaison: Kim Bentkover (561) 278-0424 x 106, kim@delraybeach.com

Leadership Delray: 2nd Wednesday/month, all day

A 10-month educational program that engages our community's future leaders by gathering the same group of 25 together once a month from October to July and educates on all that Delray Beach has to offer with themed days such as: "Arts & Media," "History & Government," "Public Safety," "Parks & Recreation" and more.

Staff Liaison: Todd L'Herrou (561) 278-0424 x 102, todd@delraybeach.com

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LEADS Referral Groups:

A more specialized form of networking is participation in a Leads Group. These "exclusive seat" groups provide additional opportunities for members who are interested in a more focused, structured and frequent form of networking based on referring leads to each other. Only one member in each category may participate. Meet twice per month, days/times vary by group and \$50 annual fee applies (Jan – Dec).

Staff Liaison: Kim Bentkover (561) 278-0424 x 106, kim@delraybeach.com

1) Delray Business Executives

Meetings 1st & 3rd Monday each month, 5:30 – 6:30pm

Co-Chairs: Sue Leonard (561) 926-7653, sueleonard@remax.net
Eric Luckman (561) 737-3133, el@luckmanlaw.com

2) Delray Business Network

Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month, 8:00 – 9:00am

Chair: Larry Kristiansen (954) 331-5027, lkristiansen@metlife.com

3) Delray Business Leaders

Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday each month, 8:00 – 9:00am

Chair: Charlie Cannone (561) 278-1199 ext. 10, cfc_cpa@prodigy.net

4) Positive Enrichment for Professionals (The PEP Club)

Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month, 8:00 – 9:00am

Chair: Bill Morse (561) 272-7424, wmmtax@gmail.com

5) Delray Business Partners

Meetings 2nd & 4th Friday each month, 8:00 – 9:00am

Chair: Jessica Rosato (561) 777-3463, jessica.rosato@npsir.com

6) West Leads Group (launching August 2016; official name tbd)

Meetings 2nd & 4th Friday each month, 8:00 – 9:00am at Delray Marketplace

Members must live or work West of Military Road

Chair: Dan Castrillon (561) 278-6066, dancastrillon@sciroccogroup.com

Nonprofit Council: 1st Tuesday/month, 11:30am – 1pm

The mission of this group is to provide a platform for nonprofit organizations to build strategic partnerships within our community in which to promote win-win synergies. Luncheons are held monthly at no cost to the nonprofits as there are sponsors for each meeting.

2016 Chair: Sarah Crane (561) 450-6213, sarah@howfoundationsf.org

Staff Liaison: Lynn Van Lenten (561) 278-0424 x 103, lynn@delraybeach.com

Programming: Varies / As Needed

Create, plan and execute programs and events that enhance business growth and development of Chamber members.

2016 Chair: Sarah Martin (954) 650-0324, sarah@experiencepic.com

Staff Liaison: Patty Reed (561) 278-0424 x 105, patty@delraybeach.com

Young Professionals Association of Delray (YPAD):

A new group for members under the age of 40 with mentorship opportunities, networking among peers, education, and developing professional skills in the workplace.

2016 Chair: Kilburn Sherman (561) 293-3527

Staff Liaison: Kim Bentkover (561) 278-0424 x 106, ypad@delraybeach.com