



## *Voting is your choice and your voice*

“The future of this republic is in the hands of the American voter.” - Dwight D. Eisenhower  
(34<sup>th</sup> U.S. President)

“Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting.” –  
Franklin D. Roosevelt  
(32<sup>nd</sup> U.S. President)

## **Register to Vote, and Vote regularly!**

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**League of Women Voters  
of Manatee County**

## **Manatee County Citizen's Guide to Elected Officials**

**2015**

**A guide for contacting government  
representatives at national, state, and  
local levels**

**P.O. Box 545  
Bradenton, FL 34206  
Phone: (941) 744-9692**

**Website: [www.lwvmanatee.org](http://www.lwvmanatee.org)**

**National Elected Officials**

**President** (4 years) Term Expires  
Barack Obama (D).....Jan. 2017  
Address: White House, Washington, DC, 20500  
White House comment line: (202) 456-1111  
Phone: (202) 456-1414  
Fax: (202) 456-2461  
Website: www.whitehouse.gov  
Email: president@whitehouse.gov

**Vice President** (4 years)  
Joe Biden (D).....Jan. 2017  
Contact information same as above.  
Email: vice.president@whitehouse.gov

**U.S. Senate website: <http://senate.gov>**

**U.S. Senators** (6 years)  
Bill Nelson (D).....Jan. 2019  
Address: Washington, D.C.  
716 Senate Hart Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
Phone: (202) 224-5274  
Fax: (202) 228-2183  
Email and website: www.billnelson.senate.gov  
Tampa Office:  
801 North Florida Ave., 4th Floor  
Tampa, FL 33602  
Phone: (813) 225-7040, Fax: (813)225-7050  
Toll-free: (888) 671-4091

Marco Rubio (R) .....Jan. 2017  
Address: Washington, DC.  
356 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
Phone: (202) 224-3041  
Fax: (202) 228-5171  
Toll free: (866) 630-7106  
Tampa Office:  
3802 Spectrum Blvd, Suite 106  
Tampa, FL 33612  
Phone: (813) 977-6450  
Fax: (813) 977-6593  
Email and website: www.rubio.senate.gov

**U.S. House of Representatives**  
website: www.house.gov  
**U.S. Representatives** (2years)  
**16th Congressional District**  
Vern Buchanan (R).....Jan. 2017  
Bradenton Office  
1051 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 305  
Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 747-9081  
Fax: (941) 748-1564  
Washington:  
2104 Rayburn House Office Building,  
Washington, DC 20515  
Phone: (202) 225-5015; Fax: (202) 226-0828  
Email and website: <http://buchanan.house.gov>

**17th Congressional District**  
Thomas Rooney (R).....Jan. 2017  
Tampa area office:  
11345 Big Bend Road  
Riverview, Florida 33579  
Phone: (813) 677-8646  
Fax: (813) 677-8698  
Washington:  
221 Cannon House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515  
Phone: (202) 225-5792  
Fax: (202) 225-3132  
Email and website: <http://rooney.house.gov>

**State Elected Officials**  
**Governor and Cabinet:** (4 years).

Address for all:  
The Capitol  
400 S. Monroe St,  
Tallahassee, FL 32399  
**Terms for all expire Jan. 2019**  
**Governor**  
Rick Scott (R)  
(850) 488-7146; fax: (850) 487-0801  
Website and email: [www.flgov.com](http://www.flgov.com)

**Lt. Governor:**  
Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R)  
(850) 488-7146  
Email: [www.flgov.com/email-the-lt-governor](http://www.flgov.com/email-the-lt-governor)

**Attorney General:**  
Pam Bondi (R)  
(850) 414-3300; tollfree: (866) 966-7226  
Website and email: <http://myfloridalegal.com>

**Chief Financial Officer:**  
Jeff Atwater (R)  
Phone: (850) 413-3100  
Email: [Jeff.Atwater@MyFloridaCFO.com](mailto:Jeff.Atwater@MyFloridaCFO.com)  
Website: [www.myfloridacfo.com](http://www.myfloridacfo.com)

**Commissioner of Agriculture:**  
Adam Putnam (R)  
Phone: (850) 488-2221  
Toll free: (800) 435-7352  
Website and email: [www.freshfromflorida.com](http://www.freshfromflorida.com)

**Florida Senate website: [www.flsenate.gov](http://www.flsenate.gov)**  
**State Senators** (4years)  
**District 19**  
Arthenia Joyner (D)..... Nov. 2018  
District Office:  
508 W. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Suite C  
Tampa, FL 33603-3415  
Phone: (813) 233-4277; Fax (813) 233-4280  
Tallahassee:  
200 Senate Office Bldg.  
404 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100  
Phone:(850) 487-5019  
Fax: (813) 233-4280  
Email: [joyner.athenia.web@flsenate.gov](mailto:joyner.athenia.web@flsenate.gov)

**District 26**  
Bill Galvano (R) .....Nov. 2016  
District office:  
1023 Manatee Avenue W, Suite 201  
Bradenton, FL 34205

Phone: (941) 741-3401  
Tallahassee:  
330 Senate Office Bldg  
404 South Monroe St  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100  
Phone: (850) 487-5026  
Email: galvano.bill.web@flsenate.gov

**Florida House of Representatives website:**  
**www.myfloridahouse.gov**

**State Representatives** (2 years)

**District 70**

Darryl Rouson (D).....Nov. 2016  
District Office:  
302 Manatee Avenue E, Suite 304  
Bradenton, FL 34208  
Phone: (941)708-8570; Fax: (941)708-8572  
Tallahassee:  
212 The Capitol  
402 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300  
Phone: (850) 717-5070  
Email: darryl.rouson@myfloridahouse.gov

**District 71**

Jim Boyd (R).....Nov. 2016  
District office:  
717 Manatee Ave. West, Suite 100  
Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 708-4968; Fax: (941) 708-4970  
Tallahassee:  
322 The Capitol  
402 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300  
Phone: (850) 717-5071  
Email: jim.boyd@myfloridahouse.gov

**District 73**

Greg Steube (R).....Nov 2016  
District Office:  
722 Apex Rd., Unit A  
Sarasota, FL 34240  
Phone: (941) 341-3117

Tallahassee:  
412 House Office Bldg.  
402 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300  
Phone: (850) 717-5073  
Email: greg.steube@myfloridahouse.gov

**12th Judicial Circuit and County Court Judges for Manatee County** (6 years, non-partisan terms)  
Court Administrator: Walt Smith (941) 749-3600, ext. 7110

**Circuit Judges:**

Scott Brownell, (941) 749-3623..... Jan 2017  
Peter Dubensky, (941) 749-3629..... Jan 2021  
Janette Dunnigan, (941) 749-3635.....Jan 2019  
Deno Economou, (941) 861-7953.....Jan 2019  
John F. Lakin, (941) 749-3625.....Jan 2019  
Susan Maulucci, (941) 749-3621.....Jan 2021  
Diana Moreland, (941) 749-3617.....Jan 2017  
Edward Nicholas, (941) 749-3633..... Jan 2021  
Andrew D. Owens, Jr. (941) 861-7946.....Jan 2021  
Charles E. Roberts, (941) 749-3619  
Gilbert Smith, Jr. (941) 749-3631.....Jan 2021

**County Judges:**

Robert A. Farrance (941) 749-3609.....Jan 2021  
K. Douglas Henderson (941) 749-3607..... Jan 2017  
Mark Singer (941) 749-3601..... Jan 2021  
Charles Sniffen (941) 749-3605.....Jan 2021

**Mailing Address:**

Manatee County Judicial Center  
P.O. Box 3000,  
Bradenton, FL 34206  
Office: 1051 Manatee Avenue W,  
Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 749-3600; Fax: (941) 749-3692  
Website: www.jud12.flcourts.org

**State Attorney** (4 years).....Jan. 2017  
Ed Brodsky (R)  
2071 Ringling Blvd, Suite 400  
Sarasota, FL 34237  
Phone: (941) 861-4400; Fax: (941) 861-4465

**Public Defender (4 years)**

Larry Eger (R).....Jan. 2017  
2071 Ringling Blvd., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sarasota, FL 34237  
Phone: (941) 861-5500

**Manatee County Elected Officials**

**Mailing address:**

P.O. Box 1000, Bradenton, FL 34206-1000  
Location: Manatee County Administration Bldg,  
1112 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 748-4501

Website: www.mymanatee.org

**County Commissioners** (4 years)

**District 1** Larry Bustle (R).....Nov 2016  
Phone: (941) 745-3701; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: larry.bustle@mymanatee.org

**District 2** Charles B. Smith (D).....Nov 2018  
Phone: (941) 745-3702; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: charles.smith@mymanatee.org

**District 3** John Chappie (R).....Nov 2016  
Phone: (941) 745-3700; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: john.chappie@mymanatee.org

**District 4** Robin DiSabatino (R) .....Nov 2018  
Phone: (941)-745-3713; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: robin.disabatino@mymanatee.org

**District 5** Vanessa Baugh (R).....Nov 2016  
Phone: (941) 745-3703; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: vanessa.baugh@mymanatee.org

**At Large Seat 6** Carol Whitmore (R).....Nov 2018  
Phone: (941) 745-3704; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: carol.whitmore@mymanatee.org

**At Large Seat 7** Betsy Benac (R).....Nov 2016  
Phone: (941) 745-3714; Fax: (941) 745-3790  
Email: betsy.benac@mymanatee.org

**Manatee County Administrator** (appointed)

Ed Hunzeker.....Phone: (941) 745-3798, ext. 3798  
Email: ed.hunzeker@mymanatee.org  
Citizen Action Center: (941) 742-5800.

**Clerk of the Circuit Court (4 years)**

Richard B. "Chips" Shore (R).....Jan. 2017  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 25400, Bradenton, FL 34206  
Office: 1115 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 32405  
Phone: (941) 749-1800  
Website: www.manateeclerk.com

**Supervisor of Elections (4 years)**

Michael Bennett (R).....Jan. 2017  
600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 108  
Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 741-3823; Fax: (941) 741-3820  
Email: mike@votemanatee.com  
Website: www.votemanatee.com

**Sheriff (4 years)**

W. Brad Steube (R).....Jan. 2017  
600 US Hwy 301 Blvd W., Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 747-3011, ext. 2222  
Website: http://manateesherriff.com

**Property Appraiser (4 years)**

Charles Hackney (R).....Jan. 2017  
Office: 915 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Bradenton 34205  
Mail: P.O. Box 1338, Bradenton, FL 34206  
Phone: (941) 748-8208; Fax (941) 742-5664  
Email: manateepao@mymanatee.org  
Website: www.manateepao.com

**Tax Collector (4 years)**

Ken Burton, Jr. (R).....Jan. 2017  
Main Office: 819 301 Blvd W, Bradenton, FL 34205  
Mail: P.O Box 25300, Bradenton, FL 34206  
Phone: (941) 741-4800; Fax: (941) 741-3584  
Email: kenb@taxcollector.com  
Website: www.taxcollector.com

**Manatee County School Board (4 years), nonpartisan** Phone for all: (941)708-8770

**District 1** Robert Gause.....Nov. 2016  
Email: guaser@manateeschools.net  
**District 2** Charlie Kennedy.....Nov. 2018  
Email: kennedy2c@manateeschools.net

**District 3** David Miner.....Nov. 2016

Email: minerd@manateeschools.net

**District 4** Karen Carpenter.....Nov. 2018

Email: carpenter2k@manateeschools.net

**District 5** Mary Cantrell.....Nov. 2018

Email: cantrell@manateeschools.net

**Superintendent of Schools (appointed)**

Rick Mills.....Phone: (941) 708-8770, ext 2259; Fax: (941) 708-8686; email: millsr@manateeschools.net  
Address of School Board and Superintendent:  
215 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 34205  
Mail: P.O. Box 9069, Bradenton, FL 34206-9069  
Website: www.manatee.k12.fl.us

**Sarasota-Manatee County Airport Authority**

Address: 6000 Airport Cir., Sarasota, FL 34243  
Phone: (941) 359-2770 x 4260; Fax (941) 359-5054  
Website: www.srq-airport.com  
Chairman (appointed): Dr. Peter Wish  
Email: peter.wish@srq-airport.com  
President & CEO (appointed): Frederick J. Piccolo

**Port Manatee Authority**

Chair: Carol Whitmore (R) (Manatee County Commissioner)  
Executive Director (appointed) Carlos Buqueras  
Address: 300 Tampa Bay Way, Suite 1  
Palmetto, FL 34221  
Phone: (941) 722-6621  
Fax: (941) 729-1463  
Email: cbuqueras@portmanatee.com  
Website: www.portmanatee.com

**City Elected Officials**

**City of Anna Maria**

**Address:** P. O. Box 779, Anna Maria, FL 34216  
**Location:** 10005 Gulf Dr, Anna Maria, FL 34216  
**Phone:** (941)708-6130; Fax: (941) 708-6134  
**Website:** www.cityofannamaria.com  
**Mayor (2 years, nonpartisan)**  
Dan Murphy.....Nov. 2016  
Email: ammayer@cityofannamaria.com

**Commissioners (2 years, nonpartisan)**

Carol Carter.....Nov. 2015  
Email: amcommcarter@cityofannamarian.com  
Doug Copeland.....Nov 2015  
Email: amcommcopeland@cityofannamaria.com  
Chuck Webb.....Nov. 2016  
Email: amcommwebb@cityofannamaria.com  
Dale Woodland.....Nov. 2015  
Email: amcommwoodland@cityofannamaria.com  
Nancy Yetter.....Nov. 2016  
Email: amcommyetter@cityofannamaria.com  
**City Clerk (appointed):** Diana Percycoc  
Email: amclerk@cityofannamaria.com

**City of Bradenton**

Address: City Hall, 101 Old Main St W., Bradenton, FL 34205  
Phone: (941) 932-9400  
Website: www.cityofbradenton.com  
**Mayor (4 years, nonpartisan)**  
Wayne Poston.....Jan 2017  
Phone: (941) 932-9450  
Email: wayne.poston@cityofbradenton.com  
**Council (4 years, nonpartisan)**  
**Ward 1 - Gene Gallo.....Jan 2017**  
Phone: (941) 932-9448  
Email: gene.gallo@cityofbradenton.com  
**Ward 2 – Gene Brown.....Jan 2017**  
Phone: (941) 932-9449  
Email: gene.brown@cityofbradenton.com  
**Ward 3 - Patrick Roff.....Jan 2019**  
Phone: (941) 932-9453  
Email: patrick.roff@cityofbradenton.com  
**Ward 4 – Bemis Smith.....Jan 2019**  
Phone: (941) 932-9454  
Email: bemis.smith@cityofbradenton.com  
**Ward 5 - Harold Byrd, Jr.....Jan 2017**  
Phone: (941) 932-9455  
Email: harold.byrdjr@cityofbradenton.com  
**City Clerk (appointed):** Carl Callahan  
Phone: (941) 932-9461; Fax: (941) 932-9547  
Email: cityclerk@cityofbradenton.com

**City of Bradenton Beach**

Address: City Hall, 107 Gulf Drive North  
Bradenton Beach FL 34217  
Phone (941) 778-1005; Fax: (941) 778-7585  
Website: http://cityofbradentonbeach.com

**Mayor** (2 years, non-partisan)  
William 'Bill' Shearon.....Nov 2015  
Email: mayor@cityofbradentonbeach.com  
**Commissioners** (2years, nonpartisan)  
**Ward 1** – Jack Clarke.....Nov 2015  
Email: ward1@cityofbradentonbeach.com  
**Ward 2** – Edward Straight.....Nov 2016  
Email: ward2@cityofbradentonbeach.com  
**Ward 3** – Janie Robertson.....Nov 2015  
Email: ward3@cityofbradentonbeach.com  
**Ward 4** – Janet Vosburgh.....Nov 2016  
Email: ward4@cityofbradentonbeach.com  
**City Clerk** (appointed) – Terri Sanclemente  
Phone: (941) 778-1005 x 216  
Email: tsanclemente@cityofbradentonbeach.com

**City of Holmes Beach.**

Address: 5801 Marina Drive  
Holmes Beach, Florida 34217  
Phone: (941) 708-5800; Fax: (941) 708-5812  
Website: www.holmesbeachfl.org

**Mayor** (2years, non-partisan)  
Bob Johnson.....Nov 2016  
Phone: (941) 708-5800, ext. 227  
Email: hbmayer@holmesbeachfl.org  
**Commissioners** (2years, nonpartisan, at-large)  
Marvin Grossman,,,,,,,,,.....Nov 2016  
Email: mgrossman@holmesbeachfl.org  
Pat Morton.....Nov 2015  
Email: pmorton@holmesbeachfl.org  
Jean Peelen (Vice Chair)..... Nov 2015  
Email: jpeelen@holmesbeachfl.org  
Judy Titsworth.....Nov 2016  
Email: jtitsworth@holmesbeachfl.org  
Carol Soustek.....Nov 2015  
Email: csoustek@holmesbeachfl.org

**City Clerk** (appointed) – Stacey Johnston  
Phone: ( 941) 708-5800, ext. 226  
Email: cityclerk@holmesbeachfl.org

**Town of Longboat Key**

Address: Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Rd  
Longboat Key, FL 34228  
Phone: (941) 316-1999; Fax: (941) 316-1656  
Website: www.longboatkey.org

**Town Mayor and Commissioners**  
(2 years, nonpartisan)

**District 1** Lynn Larson.....March 2016  
Email: llarson@longboatkey.org  
**District 2** Jack Duncan.....March 2015  
Email: jduncan@longboatkey.org  
**District 3** Terry Gans.....March 2016  
Email: tgans@longboatkey.org  
**District 4 and Mayor** Jim Brown.....March 2015  
Email: jbrown@longboatkey.org  
**District 5** Patricia Zunz.....March 2016  
Email: pzunz@longboatkey.org  
**At-Large** Irwin Pastor.....March 2016  
Email: ipastor@longboatkey.org  
**At-Large** Phill Younger.....March 2015  
Email: pyounger@longboatkey.org

**Town Clerk** (appointed) - Trish Granger  
(941) 316-1999, ext. 226  
Email: tgranger@longboatkey.org  
**Town Manager**(appointed) – Dave Bullock  
(941) 316-1999, ext. 243  
Email: dbullock@longboatkey.org

**City of Palmetto**

Address: Palmetto City Hall, 516 Eighth Ave. W.,  
Palmetto, FL 34221. Mail: P.O. Box 1209,  
Palmetto, FL 34220-1209  
Phone: (941) 723-4570; Fax: (941) 723-4576.  
Website: www.palmettofl.org.

**Mayor** (4 years, nonpartisan)  
Shirley Groover Bryant.....Nov 2016  
Email: mayor@palmettofl.org  
**Commissioners** (4 years, non-partisan)  
**Ward 1** – Harold Smith.....Nov 2018  
Email: hsmith@palmettofl.org  
**Ward 2** – Tambra Varnadore.....Nov 2018  
Email: tvarnadore@palmettofl.org  
**Ward 3** - Brian Williams.....Nov 2018  
Email: bwilliams@palmettofl.org  
**At Large**- Tamara Cornwell.....Nov 2016  
Email: tcornwell@palmettofl.org  
**At Large**- Jonathan Davis.....Nov 2016  
Email: jdavis@palmettofl.org.  
**City Clerk** (appointed) - James Freeman  
Phone: (941) 723-4570  
Email: jfreeman@palmettofl.org.

**Municipal  
Election Dates,  
2015**



Town of Longboat Key.....March 10  
City of Anna Maria.....October 5  
City of Bradenton Beach.....October 5  
City of Holmes Beach.....October 5  
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