



# The Leon County LINK

Connecting Citizens with  
Leon County Services

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## Surplus Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Auction



Leon County, in conjunction with the local Sheriff's Office, County and City agencies, Talquin Electric Cooperative and several banks, is holding a public auction on Saturday, January 16, at the North Florida Fairgrounds, located at 441 Paul Russell Road in Tallahassee.

Items in the auction will include, but are not limited to, pickup trucks, vans, cars, ambulances, crew trucks, bull dozers, backhoes and equipment trailers. The auction will begin at 9 a.m. with a preview being held on Friday, January 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the fairgrounds.

The auction will be conducted by First Coast Auction and Realty, Inc.

For more information, visit [www.leoncountyfl.gov/purchasing](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/purchasing) and click on Surplus Auctions or call Leon County Property Control at (850) 606-1613.

Leon County Healthcare Advisory Board and Leon County Mental Health & Substance Abuse Reinvestment Advisory Council cordially invite you to the

### LEON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT

"Matrix of Local Priorities & Cross Cutting Principles"  
For Stakeholders and Mental Health Professionals

January 20

8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Center for Workforce Development  
Tallahassee Community College

Registration forms should be completed for each person from your agency who will be attending. Registration forms should be emailed or faxed no later than Monday, January 18, and should be sent to:

Renee Dukes

Leon County Health and Human Services

[DukesR@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:DukesR@leoncountyfl.gov) or Fax: (850) 606-1901

For more information on registration procedures, please call (850) 606-1900

## Leon County Supports

### OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET FREE Medicine Collection Event

**When:** Saturday, February 13  
from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** Costco, Mahan Drive  
(4067 Legniappe Way, Tallahassee FL)

**Why:** To help protect our environment and water supplies.

**Cost:** It's FREE!

**Please Make Sure To...**

- Keep medications in original containers
- Keep labels on containers
- Cross through personal information on containers

**We will not accept...**

- Sharps
- Medical Wastes
- Thermometers

When we flush drugs down the toilet or sink, we're flushing them right into our water system. Doing this can contaminate our waters, including drinking water.

Disposing of your unused or expired prescriptions/medications properly is important. So bring your unwanted or unneeded medications to this free collection event and we'll dispose of them for you—free of charge!



Contact the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc  
for more information: 386-6280 • [info@swix.ws](mailto:info@swix.ws)

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301 S. Monroe Street, Suite 502 - (850) 606-5300.

## Citizen Charter Review Committee Seeking Citizen Input

The Leon County Citizen Charter Review Committee is seeking citizen input as it reviews the Leon County Charter on Thursday, January 7, 2010. The Committee will hold an evening meeting to provide greater access for citizen participation at the Leon Courthouse in the County Commission Chambers located on the fifth floor at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will also be webcast on the Leon County website, [www.leoncountyfl.gov/charter](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/charter).

Since its first meeting in November 2009, the 15-member Committee has heard presentations from County Commissioners, staff, elected officials and Leon County residents.

In order to provide further information about the Charter, the County has also launched a charter review website, [www.leoncountyfl.gov/charter](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/charter). There, residents can access materials and documents related to the charter review process as well as view the meetings of the Committee online.

In 2002, the citizens of Leon County adopted a Home Rule Charter with the belief that governmental decisions affecting local interests should be made locally and that County government should be reflective of the people. The Charter governs the County's structure, organization, and relationship with other local agencies. Every eight years, the County Commission is required to establish a Citizen Charter Review Committee one year prior to the next general election. The County Commission has held a number of workshops and discussions in preparation for the charter review process.

Residents are encouraged to visit the charter review website for the latest information. Comments and questions can be sent via email to [2010charter@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:2010charter@leoncountyfl.gov) or by phone to (850) 606-5300.

## Leon County Legislative Delegation Meeting Scheduled

The Board of County Commissioners will host the Leon County Legislative Delegation for a public hearing on Monday, January 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers on the fifth floor of the Leon County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St.

This annual hearing provides an opportunity for citizens and local officials to address the Legislative Delegation regarding any state-level issues or concerns they may have.

The delegation is comprised of members of the State Senate and House, including Senators Alfred Lawson, Jr. and Charlie Dean, as well as Representatives Marti Coley, Michelle Rehwinkel Vasilinda and Alan B. Williams.

The meeting will also be shown on Comcast Channel 16 and webcast on the Leon County website, [www.leoncountyfl.gov/](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/).

For more information, please contact Ken Morris, Director of Legislative Affairs and Economic Development for Leon County, at (850) 606-5300.

## January 2010

Board of County Commissioners Schedule

**11 Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting (CRA)**  
10:30 a.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

**Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA)** 1 p.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

**19 Board of County Commissioners MIS Technology Workshop** 1:30 - 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

**Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting**  
3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

**Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing**  
6 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

**26 Board of County Commissioners Workshop on 2010/2011 Budget** 12 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers

**Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting**  
3 p.m., County Courthouse, 5th Floor, Commission Chambers