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## CRB's Discussion on Impact of Presidential Executive Order on Travel Restrictions



The Miami-Dade Community Relations Board, in partnership with the Coalition of South Florida Muslim Organizations, hosted a meeting last week Wednesday at the Masjid Miami-Gardens Mosque. The meeting addressed the recent presidential executive order, restricting travel from seven majority-Muslim countries and its impact on local residents. The discussion was called to order to develop bridges of understanding, regarding how the executive order has impacted Muslims of Miami-Dade County with the goal of preventing on-going community tension.

## A New Version of Miami-Dade's Website is Being Built and Ready for You to Preview.

Our most popular services are now in this new format. Check them out and [let us know what you think](#). With your help and participation we will keep testing and improving our new site.

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## Question of the Week



Should the government increase environmental regulations to prevent climate change?

Yes

Select

No

Select

# General Information

## Washington Weekly Report

This week, President Donald J. Trump announced his intent to nominate R. Alexander Acosta for the position of Secretary of Labor. Mr. Acosta is currently Dean of Florida International University Law School.

Mr. Acosta has had a long and distinguished career in public service. He has served in three Presidentially appointed, Senate-confirmed positions, including as a member of the National Labor Relations Board. Mr. Acosta was the first Hispanic to hold the rank of Assistant Attorney General and went on to serve as the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida. Since 2013, Mr. Acosta has also served as Chairman of U.S. Century Bank, the largest domestically owned Hispanic community bank in Florida. [Read More>>>](#)

## East Bascule Bridge on Venetian Cause Way

The Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) will temporarily close the Venetian East Bascule Bridge to marine traffic from Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2017, through Saturday, Feb. 25th, in order to install bike-friendly grating on the bridge. During the installation of the bike-friendly grating, one lane will be closed on the bridge, but traffic will continue to flow in both directions. [Read More>>>](#)

## BMe Leadership Award

A promotional poster for the BMe Leadership Award 2017. The poster has a blue and green color scheme. At the top left is the BMe logo. The main text reads 'APPLY FOR THE 2017 BMe LEADERSHIP AWARD JAN 2 - FEB 21, 2017'. Below this is a quote: 'BMe LEADERS ARE AUTHENTIC, INSPIRING AND TOTALLY DEDICATED. THEY ARE PURE GENIUS!'. There are three circular portraits of men. To the right of the portraits, it says 'Featuring (L to R) Marlon Hill, Jonathan Spikes, Derrick Pearson'. Below the portraits is a lightbulb icon and the text 'Top Honorees Receive:'. A numbered list follows: 1 National recognition as BMe Leaders, 2 \$10,000 to help build your community, 3 Trip to D.C. for induction and fellowship. At the bottom, it says 'APPLY TODAY' and provides the website 'www.BMecommunity.org/Call-For-Stories'.

### APPLY TO RECEIVE THE \$10,000 BMe LEADER AWARD

BMe Leaders are social entrepreneurs, innovators, and difference-makers who the world needs to know. They cure hopelessness, end helplessness and build community in places where the world's leading social innovators fail to do so. Their combination of authenticity, inspiration and total dedication is pure inspired **Genius!**

*BMe Community seeks remarkable, authentic, committed black men whose works and stories speak for themselves. They are tested and unafraid, loving and powerful, and they live to make a better world for us all.*

[Click Here For More Info](#)

Attention Parents: FREE Cultural Events

## Community Advocacy Board Update

## Asian American Advisory Board



Program Director: Mr. Joshua Ho  
Chairperson: Mr. Mehmet Ulutas

Next Advisory Board Meeting  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017  
Location: 111 NW 1st Street Miami, FL  
10th floor Transportation Trust Conference Room

### ***Asian Culture Festival***

Experience Asian Culture with Exotic Food, Beautiful Art Works, Crafts, Merchandise, & many more at the Asian Culture Festival. March 4th - 5th 10 AM - 5 PM at the Fruits and Spice Park.

[Click Here For More Info](#)

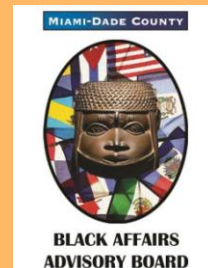


## Black Affairs Advisory Board

Program Director: Ms. Retha Boone-Fye  
Chairperson: Mr. Stephen Johnson

### ***Next Advisory Board Meeting:***

March 1, 2017 at 10 AM  
Location: 111 NW 1st Street Miami, FL 33128  
18th Floor Conference Room



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2017 EVENTS

This Year's National Theme → **THE CRISIS IN BLACK EDUCATION**



### **Law Enforcement & Emergency Services**

Over 40 agencies from Dade and Broward including Miami-Dade Police, Corrections, Fire, Aventura Police, Miami Beach Police, City of Miami Police, Miami Gardens Police, etc. will be in attendance. Learn about the career of law enforcement and emergency services.

| Florida Memorial University Smith Conference Center | Feb. 23 | 1 PM - 7PM | 1588 NW 42nd Avenue Miami Gardens, FL 33054 |



### **Commission For Women**

Program Director: Ms. Laura C. Morilla  
Chairperson: Ms. Marie Woodson

#### **Next Advisory Board Meeting**

Today, February 22, 2017 at 5:30 PM  
Location: 111 NW 1st Street  
Miami Gardens, FL 33128  
6th Floor Conference Room

### **Vendor Outreach Event**

Meet large Prime contractors subcontracting opportunities | Be informed on how to do business with Miami-Dade County | Meet County Agencies and the potential contracting opportunities with them | learn how to become certified as a Small Business Enterprise firm| Wednesday, March 15, 2017 | 4 PM - 6 PM |

To RSVP email: [sbdmail@miamidade.gov](mailto:sbdmail@miamidade.gov)



### **Community Relation Board**

Program Director: Ms. Shirley Plantin  
Chairperson: Mr. Edward Shohat

***Next Advisory Board Meeting***

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

Location: Miami-Dade Inter-American Campus  
627 SW 27th Avenue Miami, FL