



May 21-23, 2024

WASHINGTON DC FLY-IN

**On May 21-23, 2024 a delegation of members from
the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
will travel to Washington DC to advocate on
behalf**

**of the South Florida Business Community
in our nation's Capital.
Advocating for The Chamber's Top**

Priorities:

- **Transportation**
- **Workforce Housing**
- **Workforce Development & Education**
- **Resiliency**

The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce will convene business and community leaders during the 2024 Washington, D.C. Fly-in. Participants will advocate for the Chamber's federal legislative priorities with elected officials and federal agencies while they are in the nation's capital as part of the 118th Congressional Legislative Session.

The 118th Congress convened on January 3, 2023 and will conclude on January 3, 2025.

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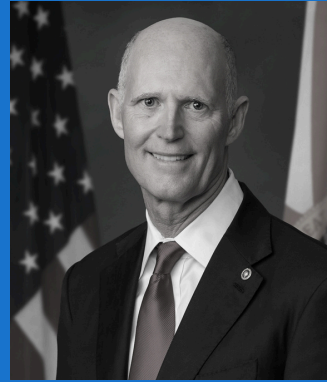
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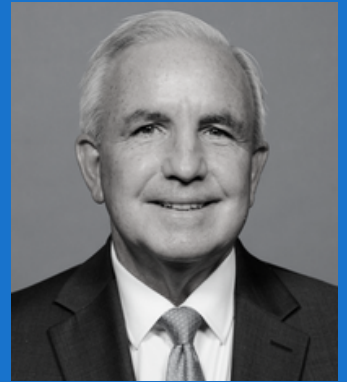
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2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY-PRIORITIES

Economic Development

Continue to explore avenues to support the long-term viability of the Homestead Air Reserve Base, ensuring its sustained and significant impact on the South Florida economy.

International:

Support Consulate General of Canada in Miami's initiative to invite the Miami-Dade Congressional Delegation to join the Bipartisan American Canadian Economy and Security Caucus (ACES), recognizing Canada's pivotal role in propelling South Florida's economic growth.

Support extending the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) to December 31, 2029, and provide duty refunds without interest since the program's expiration, which cost US importers \$3 billion in additional costs, with Florida businesses bearing an estimated \$300 million burden.

Transportation

Support the Biden Administration's FY 2025 Budget request to Congress to fund the Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works, facilitating the Northeast corridor rapid transit project. Although initially budgeted at \$263.7 million, with rising costs totaling \$900 million, the desired federal share of \$450 million is crucial for the project's Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) from the FTA, advancing it toward implementation.

Support policies and funding that expand transit and mobility options for South Florida residents through the County's SMART Program.

Support policies and funding for the PortMiami NetZero: Cargo Mobility Optimization and Resiliency Project. Advocate for inland port expansion.

Workforce Development and Education

Increase Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) funds and expand eligibility beyond the current exit threshold of 85% state median income, enabling more families to work while their children receive high-quality early education.

Resiliency

Support greater investment in Everglades restoration, Biscayne Bay restoration, and sea level rise and Hurricane Preparedness.

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2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY IN Legislative Reception

The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
Cordially invites you to a special Legislative Rooftop Reception
hosted by

Florida International University

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

FIU in Washington, D.C.
601 New Jersey Avenue NW
Washington, D.C.

Celebrate with the Sounds & Flavors of Miami: Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
Rooftop Reception Celebrating Florida Appointees & Congressional Staffers



2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY IN Welcome Dinner

The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
Cordially invites you to our Washington, D.C. Fly in Welcome Dinner
sponsored by

Sandler Travis & Rosenberg

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Mastro's Steakhouse
600 13th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20005



2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY IN Networking Send Off Breakfast

The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
Cordially invites you to our Washington, D.C. Fly in
Networking Breakfast

sponsored by

Consulate General of Canada

Thursday, May 23, 2024

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

The Embassy of Canada
501 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20005

PLEASE NOTE: Government-issued photo ID required for entry

2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY-IN SCHEDULE

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Travel to Washington, D.C.

Breakfast and Lunch on Your Own

- 12:00 p.m. **Group Welcome/Bag Drop Off at FIU in DC**
FIU in Washington, D.C., 601 New Jersey Avenue NW
- 1:15 p.m. Rendezvous to depart for White House
- 1:45 p.m. **White House Meeting with Office of President**
Eisenhower Executive Office Building
1650 17th Street NW
- 3:00 p.m. **Depart for The Roosevelt Group**
- 3:30 p.m. **Legislative Briefing by Kathleen Furgeson and JJ Jackson at the Roosevelt Group**
The Roosevelt Group, 200 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Priority Issue Focus: Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) Advocacy
- 4:15 p.m. **Depart for Florida International University in Washington, D.C.**
FIU in Washington, D.C., 601 New Jersey Avenue NW
- 4:30 p.m. **FIU Legislative Briefing**
FIU in Washington, D.C., 601 New Jersey Avenue NW
- 6:00 p.m. **GMCC/FIU Legislative Rooftop Reception**
FIU in Washington, D.C., 601 New Jersey Avenue NW
Celebrate with the Sounds and Flavors of Miami: GMCC/FIU Rooftop Reception celebrating Florida Appointees and Congressional Staffers

7:30 p.m. **Dinner on Your Own**

Suggestions:

Old Ebbitt Grill
675 15th Street NW

Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak & Stone Crab
750 15 Street NW

The Capital Grille
601 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

The Monocle Restaurant
107 D Street NE

Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse
1101 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Shelly's Back Room (Cigar Bar)
1331 F Street NW

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Wednesday, May 22, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast on Your Own or Continental Breakfast at Hotel**
Capitol Hill Hotel
200 C Street SE

- 8:30 a.m. **Depart for U.S. Chamber of Commerce (Group 2)**
1615 H Street NW
(GMCC Group 2)

- 8:45 a.m. **Depart for Senator Rick Scott Meeting (Group 1)**
(GMCC Group 1)

- 9:00 a.m. **Legislative Briefing by U.S. Chamber of Commerce (Group 2)**
(GMCC Group 2)

- 9:20 a.m. **Senator Rick Scott (Group 1)**
110 Hart Senate Office Building
(GMCC Group 1)

- 11:00 a.m. **Congresswoman Frederica Wilson, District 24 (Group 2)**
2080 Rayburn House Office Building
(GMCC Group 2)

- 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Lunch on Capitol Hill, Longworth Café Cafeteria**
B-233 Longworth House Office Building

- 1:30 p.m. **TBD - Pending confirmation**

- 2:45 p.m. **Travel to Congressman Carlos Gimenez' Office for Capitol Tour (Group 2)**
448 Cannon House Office Building
(GMCC Group 2)

- 3:00 p.m. **Tour of Capitol with Congressman Carlos Gimenez, District 28 (Group 2)**
448 Cannon House Office Building
GMCC Group 2)

- 3:00 p.m. **Travel to Sandler Travis & Rosenberg Office for International Trade Briefing (Group 1)**
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 400
(GMCC Group 1)

- 3:30 p.m. **US Department of Commerce International Trade Briefing (Group 1)**
Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 400
(GMCC Group 1)

- 4:00 p.m. **Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart, District 26 (Group 2)**
374 Cannon House Office Building
(GMCC Group 2)

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Wednesday, May 22, 2024, Cont.

- 4:30 p.m. **Break / Return to Capitol Hill Hotel**
Capitol Hill Hotel, 200 C Street SE
- 5:00 p.m. **Freshen Up for Dinner**
- 5:30 p.m. **Depart for Mastro's Steakhouse**
600 13th Street NW
- 6:00 p.m. **GMCC Group Dinner Sponsored by Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg**
Mastro's Steakhouse
600 13th Street NW
- 8:30 p.m. **GMCC DC Cigar Night at Shelly's Back Room**
1331 R Street NW

Thursday, May 23, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. **Send-off Breakfast with Canadian Consul General at Canadian Embassy**
1501 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
- 9:30 a.m. **Depart for U.S. Supreme Court**
- 10:00 a.m. **US Supreme Court Tour & Conference Day**
Court convening for a public non-argument session in the courtroom
1 First Street NE
- 11:00 a.m. **Tour of Capitol with Congressman Carlos Gimenez's Office, District 28 (Group 1)**
448 Cannon House Office Building
(GMCC Group 1)
- 12:00 p.m. **Marco Rubio Staff Meeting (Group 2)**
284 Russell Senate Office Building
(GMCC Group 2)
- 1:00 p.m. **Congressman Carlos Gimenez, District 28 (Entire Group)**
448 Cannon House Office Building
(GMCC Entire Group)
- 2:00 p.m. **2024 Washington, D.C. Fly-In Concludes**

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SERGIO ABREU, JR. - MEETING CLOSE

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