

PRESIDENT & CEO



Lead One of South Florida's Most Influential Business Organizations

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce seeks a visionary, relationship-driven executive to serve as its next President & Chief Executive Officer. This is a rare opportunity to lead the region's premier business organization at a pivotal moment of Broward County's transformational growth.

The Role

The President & CEO serves as the chief executive, strategic leader, and public face of the Chamber—advancing business advocacy, strengthening member value, and shaping the long-term economic future of Greater Fort Lauderdale.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, the President & CEO leads a professional staff, oversees all Chamber operations, and provides strategic leadership, working closely with business and civic leaders to advance the Chamber's Mission to develop and connect partners for economic growth, and its Vision to inspire prosperity within the business community.

About the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce

Founded in 1910, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce is the longest serving and largest business advocacy organization in Broward County, representing over 1,000 diverse businesses, both large and small. Our members include businesses in the advertising, healthcare, finance, legal, information technology, marketing, construction, marine industries, tourism, logistics, and professional services.

The Chamber's annual Signature initiatives include Leadership Fort Lauderdale, Washington Summit, Transportation and Housing Summit, Excellence in Healthcare, Small Business Innovation Conference, and Salute to Business—programs that shape policy, leadership, and opportunity throughout the region.



The Opportunity Ahead

The Chamber's next President & CEO will have the opportunity to:

- Champion pro-business public policy and regional economic competitiveness at the local, state and national levels
- Grow membership by strengthening member engagement, value, and retention
- Lead initiatives to attract and retain businesses in the greater Fort Lauderdale communities to grow our local economy and raise the quality of life for our community
- Expand the Chamber's relationships with its strategic partners, government officials, and business and community leaders
- Elevate the Chamber's regional and national profile
- Ensure operational excellence and long-term financial sustainability

Key Responsibilities

- Serve as chief executive and strategic leader of the organization
- Partner with the Board on governance, vision, and strategic long-range planning
- Lead advocacy and government affairs initiatives
- Oversee Chamber operations, programs, events, compliance, public relations, marketing and communications
- Oversee the Chamber's fiscal responsibility and long-term financial sustainability
- Act as the Chamber's principal spokesperson and ambassador
- Build and lead a high-performing professional staff

Desired Qualifications

- Proven executive leadership experience in a chamber, association, nonprofit, or comparable organization
- Strong background in public policy, advocacy, and community relations
- Demonstrated success in revenue generation, fundraising, event sponsorship and development of new sources of revenue
- Exceptional abilities to effectively communicate with government officials, media and the public
- Proven ability to attract, develop and retain a high performing team within a supportive environment aligned with Chamber's Mission and Vision
- Bachelor's degree in Business, Marketing, Public Administration or related fields required; Master's degree, CAE, CCE or IOM preferred
- Minimum 7 years of leadership experience in a Chamber, non-profit organization or the private sector



Compensation & Benefits

The Chamber offers a competitive executive compensation package, including base salary, performance incentives, and comprehensive benefits, commensurate with experience.

Application Process

The Chamber Board of Directors has approved the creation of a CEO Search Committee under the leadership of Board Chair, Janna Lhota. The Committee is chaired by Kelly Kolb and is comprised of Board Members Ellyn Bogdanoff, Ilanit Fischler, Lori Wheeler, Ty Richardson, Christine Shaw and former Board Chair Heiko Dobrikow.

The Search Committee encourages those interested in this opportunity to submit a résumé and cover letter outlining qualifications and interest to Kelly.Kolb@ftlchamber.com before February 14, 2026.

It is anticipated that the Search Committee will conduct interviews immediately thereafter and submit its recommendation to the Chamber Executive Committee and Board in March or April of 2026.

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce is an equal opportunity employer.



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