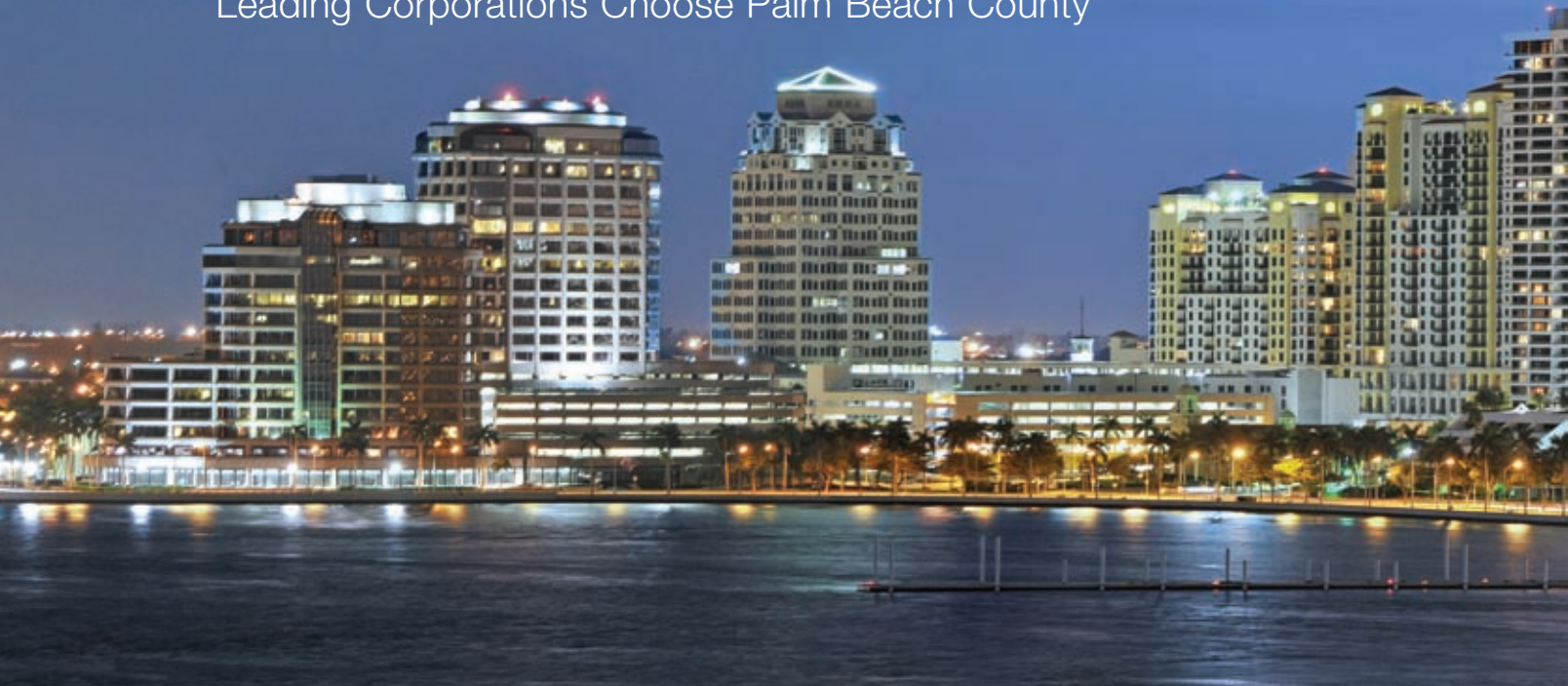


Corporate Headquarters

Leading Corporations Choose Palm Beach County



G4S Wackenhut, America's largest provider of security solutions, is building a new North American corporate headquarters in northern Palm Beach County, its home for more than a decade. Rendina Companies will be constructing a new four-story, 63,000-square-foot "green" office building in Jupiter that's scheduled to be ready in February 2011.

"After looking at several sites both within and outside Palm Beach County, we decided to remain," said G4S North America President Drew Levine. "To be honest, we really enjoy living and working in this county, where the quality of life is outstanding. When our clients, customers and colleagues from around the world come here for meetings and training, they often refer to our location as paradise."

The facility will house G4S Wackenhut's sales and technology centers, the G4S North America Training Institute and other G4S business units that specialize in international accounts, regulated security, compliance and investigations.

G4S Wackenhut is one of a long list of companies that have chosen Palm Beach County for their corporate or regional headquarters. Recent arrivals include bioscience firms Leinco Technologies, Inc. and STROX Biopharmaceuticals, LLC, Successories.com, an Internet and catalog company, and The Learning Experience®, which provides childcare franchise support. (See *New and Noteworthy* section.)

To attract and retain corporate headquarters of leading global companies to Palm Beach County, Business Development Board launched its innovative Palm Beach: HQ initiative. With this first-of-its-kind program, the BDB is bringing together real estate companies and developers in an intense global outreach, marketing and public relations effort aimed at showcasing available Class A office property of 50,000-square-foot or more in Palm Beach County.

In addition, a new program called Shovel-Ready Palm Beach will identify, analyze and rank shovel-readiness of vacant commercial and industrial land throughout Palm Beach County. This will create a registry of land that will provide instant, consistent information for corporate relocation experts.

For more than 20 years, Office Depot (NYSE: ODP), one of the world's largest suppliers of office products and services, has been based in Palm Beach County. "Office Depot has made a longtime commitment to Palm Beach County," said Steve Odland, chairman and CEO, Office Depot. "Our global headquarters has been located in South Florida since we first established our roots here in 1986. We are proud of our dedication to the local community that gave us our start and to our associates who live and work in the area. South Florida has provided us with a rich source of talented individuals who drive our business, and the support of Palm Beach County has been instrumental in our success."



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Back in 1978, orthopedic surgeon William E. Anspach Jr., M.D., founded The Anspach Effort in Palm Beach Gardens to create reliable and efficient surgical instruments. A Palm Beach County location has been a significant asset for Anspach, which now serves markets around the world. “Our physician customers enjoy coming here for the weather, golf, boating and tennis,” said Elaine Beers, vice president of finance and administration. “Our employees appreciate the region’s lifestyle, including cultural organizations, variety of weekend activities and educational system.”

Another long-time corporate resident is Florida Crystals, a

leading domestic sugar producer and North America’s first fully integrated cane sugar company from the field to the dining table. “We are proud of our history in Palm Beach County, where we have been a business leader in farming and manufacturing for more than five decades,” said Pepe Fanjul, Jr., executive vice president. “Agriculture is an integral part of the county’s economy, with a wealth of possibilities for business development and growth in various sectors. The Business Development Board’s effort in bridging the gaps between different sectors and conversations aids in the county’s success.”

“As we chart our company’s future, we do so knowing that Palm Beach County provides the right environment and quality of life needed to expand and grow our business to the next level.”



—Drew Levine, President, G4S Wackenhut