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## **Get campaign smart for this year's elections**

Candidates, campaign workers and politically active citizens involved in local elections are encouraged to attend the "Clean Campaign Class" sponsored by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust on Wednesday evening, February 7, 2018, in Surfside Town Hall.

Congressional mid-term elections may be getting the national attention, but important votes are scheduled in numerous Miami-Dade municipalities during 2018, including (in chronological order) South Miami, Hialeah Gardens, Surfside, Bay Harbor Islands, West Miami, Key Biscayne, Miami Gardens, Aventura, Bal Harbour, Biscayne Park, Cutler Bay, Doral, El Portal, Medley, Miami Lakes, North Bay Village, North Miami Beach, Opa-Locka, Palmetto Bay, Pinecrest, and Sunny Isles Beach, as well as district, judicial and County-wide posts. All those involved and everyone interested in the process can learn how to properly open and manage financial accounts and run ethical campaigns.

The two-hour seminar, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. will feature representatives from the Ethics Commission and the Elections Department who will provide essential information to avoid legal pitfalls, correctly raise and report funds, properly keep records and understand the legal and ethical obligations of seeking public office.

The class is free and open to the public. Attorneys can earn Continuing Legal Education credits from the Florida Bar.

**Clean Campaign Class**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 2018, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Surfside Commission Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**  
**9293 Harding Avenue**  
**Surfside, FL 33154**

For more information or to reserve a seat, call Robert Thompson at 305-350-0630 or e-mail [robthom@miamidade.gov](mailto:robthom@miamidade.gov).

*The Ethics Commission was created in 1996 as an independent agency with advisory and quasi-judicial powers. It is composed of five members, serving staggered terms of four years each. Through a program of education and outreach, the Commission seeks to empower the community and bolster public trust.*

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