



Jupiter, Florida... **Quality of Life, Home of Life Science**

Years ago, the beacon of light from the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse attracted ships and fishermen from the open waters of the Atlantic to the shores of the Loxahatchee River. Relying on basic navigation and this beacon of light, they discovered the unique natural beauty of the area we now know as Jupiter, Florida.

A new kind of discovery is happening in Jupiter today – the discovery of life. Since welcoming the Scripps Research Institute in 2006 and the Max Planck Institute in 2009, Jupiter has matched a sense of community and livability with a commitment to investment in scientific discovery that is a true convergence of life and science.



Welcome to Jupiter: Home of Scripps, Florida and the Max Planck Institute

State-of-the-art becomes Real-life

In February, 2006, the Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners voted to locate Scripps Florida on Florida Atlantic University's John D. MacArthur campus in Jupiter. Prior to that, Scripps Florida research and support staff had been occupying two temporary buildings on the FAU Jupiter campus. Just 8 months later, Scripps' first state-of-the-art facility broke ground, and one of the most technologically-advanced facilities in the world opened in 2009. In 2008 the commission also approved a partnership with the Max Planck Society of Germany, and in 2009 the Max Planck Florida Institute became a neighbor to Scripps and FAU.

Proximity to FAU Jupiter's facilities is invaluable to Scripps Florida and Max Planck. Peer-to-peer collaborations are underway with Florida universities and more than 215 scientists and support personnel are collaborating with University faculty daily.



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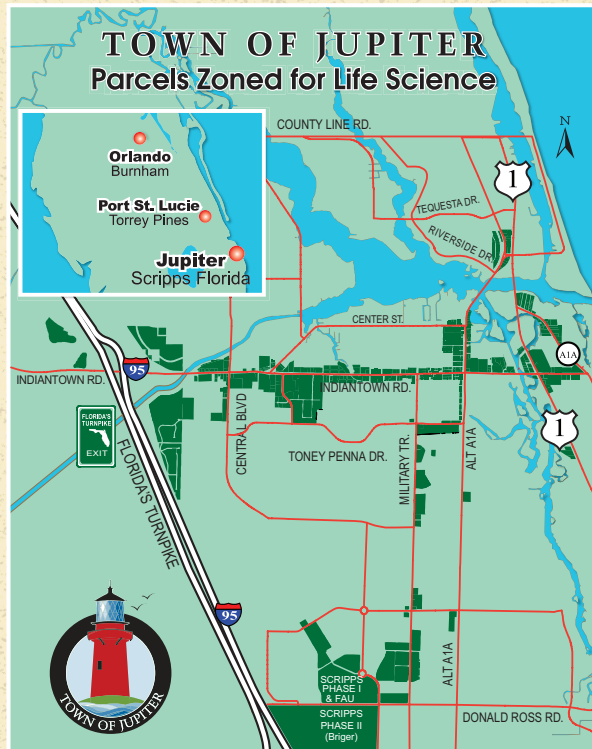
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Jupiter's DNA... the Stuff of Life

Jupiter, Florida is located in the northeast corner of Palm Beach County, between Miami and Orlando. A coastal community that celebrates its history and heritage, Jupiter maintains a small-town feel and sense of community that is unique in South Florida.

By keeping a watchful eye on development and managing growth, Jupiter has successfully avoided many of the challenges facing South Florida communities today. Intelligent residential and economic growth – such as that fueled by the life sciences industry – provides new opportunities that are a good match for Jupiter's character and sense of place.



In 2006, Jupiter's Town Council made a commitment to the Life Sciences by establishing a \$3 million Economic Development fund. With the Scripps Research Institute and Max Planck Institute as hubs, this fund will enhance the investments made by Palm Beach County and the State of Florida to create the North County Life Sciences Corridor.

Population & Workforce Jupiter has a population of 55,156 individuals and approximately 23,920 households as of 2010.¹ Median household income in 2006 was \$65,091, and almost half of Jupiter's residents have an Bachelor's degree or higher.²

Land Area Jupiter occupies 23.1 square miles, or approximately 14,800 acres. Over 2,600 acres are dedicated to parks, natural areas or greenspace, and more than 1,000 acres are zoned for Life Science uses.

Medical Facilities Community-based Jupiter Medical Center contains a 156-bed acute care hospital, a 120-bed facility specializing in rehabilitation, skilled nursing and long-term care, and a rehabilitation center with a 40-foot indoor heated aquatic center.

Educational Facilities Florida Atlantic University's 135-acre John D. MacArthur Campus in Jupiter is the site of the Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, and the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine. In addition, six public elementary schools, two middle schools and Jupiter Community High School consistently receive 'A' and 'B' rankings from the State of Florida Department of Education.

Business Community Jupiter's community of commerce spans beyond Scripps and Max Planck Institute to include technology companies like Dyadic Industries International, Florida Pneumatic Manufacturing, Florida Turbine Technologies, Opko Health, Inc., Power Systems Manufacturing, and others. An active Chamber of Commerce – Northern Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce – provide support and networking for local business.

Municipal Services and Finances In addition to no state income tax and no state-level property tax, Jupiter's millage rate is among the lowest of full-service municipalities in Palm Beach County, and it enjoys AAA ratings on several of its bonds. Through careful financial management, the Town offers high quality municipal services including a community-based police department, planning and zoning, building and utilities operations, and diverse recreational programs.

Housing and Development From the beach to the golf course, downtown to uptown, condos, town homes and single-family homes make up a variety of quaint neighborhoods and planned communities. Jupiter's Neighborhood Enhancement program supports neighborhoods without organized homeowner groups to improve quality of life and strengthen citizen involvement.

Town Government Jupiter operates under the Council - Manager form of local government, combining the strong leadership of elected officials with the managerial experience of an appointed municipal government manager.

Jupiter's Town Council has set strategic objectives to support the Town's vision as a coastal community with a unique, small-town feel:

- All Neighborhoods as Desirable Places to Live
- Jupiter as a Unique, Liveable Community
- Improved Mobility within Jupiter
- Strong Local Economy
- Responsive, Sustainable Town Government

These "themes" set the direction for programs and departments within the Town's government.

Accessibility and Transportation Located 150 miles southeast of Orlando and 85 miles north of Miami, Jupiter, Florida sits on the county line between Palm Beach and Martin Counties. Just 20 miles north of Palm Beach International Airport and 65 miles north of Ft. Lauderdale International Airport, Jupiter is accessible by car from both I-95 and Florida's Turnpike. Public transportation in Jupiter is available through the Palm Tran system of buses, and a free municipal trolley service connects local neighborhoods to Palm Tran. In the future, light rail service is planned for the area.

Preservation and Natural Areas Through a program called Open Space, Jupiter has established natural area preserves throughout the Town for the enjoyment of its residents. Unique habitats, wetlands and hammocks have been set aside as conservation land in an effort to 'keep Jupiter green' and preserve the area's unique natural assets for generations to come.

Business Advantages Florida is often selected by companies across industries for its attractive business climate. A low corporate income tax rate and attractive business climate ranks it fifth on the Tax Foundation's 2011 Business Tax Climate Index. The tax climate, combined with Palm Beach County's and Jupiter's support for the life sciences industry, make it clear why companies like the Scripps Research Institute and Max Planck Institute have made such a significant investment in the area.