

Short-Term Rental Update

(related to Airbnb)

March 2019

In early March 2019, Bradenton Area CVB surveyed short term rentals in Manatee County to inquire if they are contracted with Airbnb, and if they are collecting and remitting the 5% resort tax, as well as sales tax.

Our findings are:

- Most of our Property Management Companies are contracted with Airbnb and are already registered with the Tax Collector's Office. They are collecting and remitting the 5% county tourist tax for all their Airbnb reservations, but not sales tax. They are leaving the sales tax to the responsibility of Airbnb.
- Some of our Property Management Companies are not contracted with Airbnb since they felt it was not a good fit for their operation.
- Hotels in Manatee County are not contracted with Airbnb.

Note: Our staff did explore the Airbnb website, and saw many homes and condos being marketed in the Bradenton Area that are probably **not** registered with the Tax Collector.