



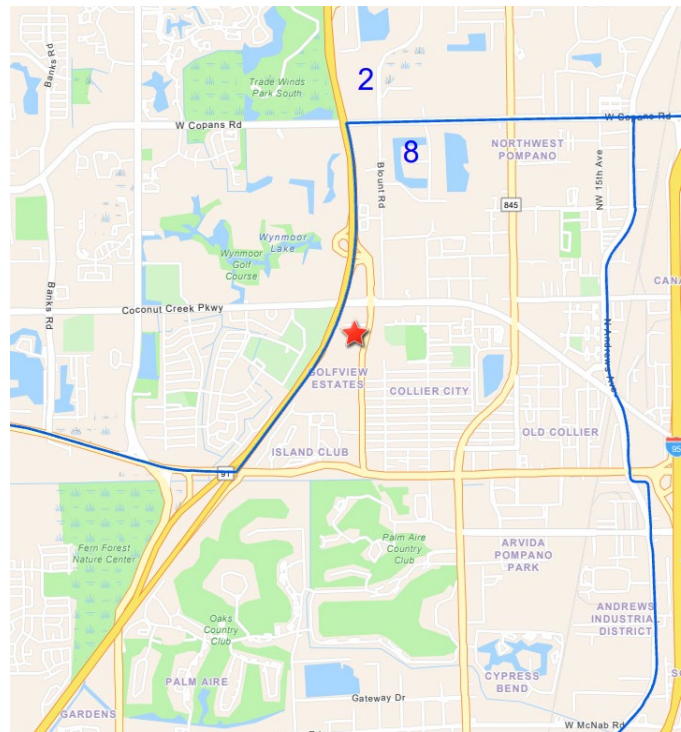
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Dear Community Members,

The holiday season is here and as this year comes to an end, it is a great time to reflect on the extraordinary year Broward County experienced. As the festivities in our community continue, it is also a great opportunity to remember those who are less fortunate. Broward County offers the chance for residents to donate food through the [County's 365 Year-Round Food Drive](#). Additionally, I encourage all to use this holiday spirit to check in on your neighbors, the elderly, local service workers, local small businesses, and others in the community.

Affordable Housing in Pompano Beach

The Broward County Commission recently took a major step, which will provide County residents more affordable housing options. Although not in my district, it is in my beloved hometown and I'm proud of successful collaboration between the County and city. The new development, located at 1201 NW 31st Avenue, Pompano Beach, Florida, 33069, consists of 467 units, with 327 restricted as affordable at or below 80% Average Median Income (AMI), 113 restricted as affordable at 120% AMI and 27 market rate units. In addition, the development includes 690 parking spaces and 3,900 square feet of retail space. The County also approved the allocation of \$7 Million in gap financing to support the project. Congratulations to our Broward County team who worked tirelessly with the City of Pompano Beach to help move this forward. Although not yet at the finish line, I look forward to the opening of this development which will be transformational for this area and the city.



Updates from Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL)

Broward County's FLL recently ranked No. 1 by the Travel + Leisure (T+L) publication in an article titled "5 Best US Airports for Finding Cheap Flights," with an average seat price of \$318.50. The article noted FLL's varied portfolio of low-cost carriers as contributing to the availability of low fares in the market. T+L derived the top 15 list of U.S. airports by researching Skyscanner data from the past year for average round-trip economy fares from the 40 most popular U.S. airports. Excellent recognition for our very own airport! Visit FLL.Net for all your airport needs!

For those traveling this holiday season, our airport team encourages you to follow these holiday travel tips.

The infographic is divided into two main sections. The left section contains six numbered tips in yellow boxes with icons: 1. PICK-UP/DROP-OFF (car icon), 2. FIRST TIME AT FLL? (elevator icon), 3. PARKING (P sign icon), 4. OVERFLOW LOT (arrow icon), 5. GETTING TO FLL (taxi icon), and 6. STAY CONNECTED (phone icon). The right section contains six numbered tips in green boxes with icons: 1. ENTRANCE ROADWAYS (no parking sign icon), 2. WAITING AREAS (P sign icon), 3. ANOTHER OPTION (parking garage icon), 4. CURBSIDE ETIQUETTE (person at car icon), 5. PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALKS (crosswalk sign icon), and 6. REAL-TIME UPDATES (phone with exclamation mark icon). A winding road graphic connects the tips on the right side.

- 1 PICK-UP/DROP-OFF**
Consider using the upper-level (Departures) roadway instead when the lower-level (Arrivals) roadway is congested on approaching the airport's entrance or vice versa.
- 2 FIRST TIME AT FLL?**
Doing a pick-up or drop-off? It's easy to move between the upper and lower levels of our terminals (via an elevator, staircase, or escalator), so opt for the less congested level.
- 3 PARKING**
We expect our three on-site garages and valet parking to fill at peak times this holiday season. Watch for updates on FLL's X and Facebook pages.
- 4 OVERFLOW LOT**
If on-site parking is full, the Overflow Lot will open. Follow the orange wayfinding signs to the off-site lot and add plenty of time to park and get back to FLL.
- 5 GETTING TO FLL**
Explore other ways for getting to the airport, such as ride-share, taxi, off-airport parking, or be dropped off instead by family or friends.
- 6 STAY CONNECTED**
Watch for airport roadway status updates and other traffic management initiatives in place on FLL's X and Facebook pages.

- 1 ENTRANCE ROADWAYS**
Keep FLL's entrance roadways safe. **DO NOT PARK** on the shoulder areas designated for emergencies only.
- 2 WAITING AREAS**
Park instead in the airport's free Cellphone Waiting Area or a nearby aircraft observation area such as the Greenbelt Park on Griffin Rd./NW 10th St.
- 3 ANOTHER OPTION**
Take advantage of a free 20-minute grace period in our parking garages if you don't arrive too early at FLL before the flight lands.
- 4 CURBSIDE ETIQUETTE**
Pull into the designated pick-up/drop-off lanes to keep traffic flowing and minimize congestion. Stopping in a moving lane impedes the ease of vehicular movement.
- 5 PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALKS**
Adhere to crosswalk traffic signals for pedestrian safety.
- 6 REAL-TIME UPDATES**
Watch for FLL roadway status updates and other traffic management initiatives in place on overhead signs and the airport's X and Facebook pages.

Sea Turtle Season Results



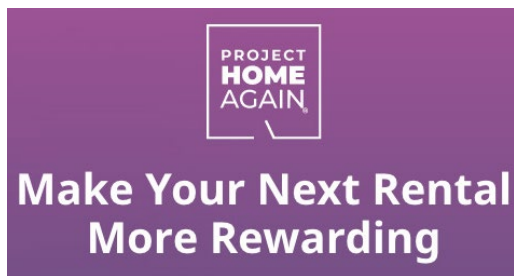
Sea turtle nesting season came to an end on October 31. The preliminary numbers reported were slightly below average compared to nests documented over the last 10 years. The Broward County Sea Turtle Conservation Program (BCSTCP) reports 2,716 nests documented. Of these, 2,491 were loggerheads, 185 were green turtles, and 40 were leatherbacks. Threats such as artificial lighting can endanger sea turtle populations. Hatchling (baby) turtles are especially vulnerable to beachfront lighting because they use light to

find the ocean after emerging from their nests. Each coastal municipality has its own beachfront lighting ordinance, but most generally require lights off from sunset to sunrise during sea turtle nesting season. More information can be found at Broward.org/NaturalResources/BeachandMarine/SeaTurtles.

New Program for Small Businesses

Broward County recently announced the expansion of a strategic partnership with the Alan B. Levan- NSU Broward Center of Innovation (the Levan Center). This strategic partnership includes a satellite office where the County will provide specific services. The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) will host Technical Assistance Fridays to highlight the services and resources available through OESBD to businesses interested in Broward County's local and federal small business certification programs. The County's Innovation Team will also use the facilities, and, on a rotational basis, other County agencies may similarly utilize the facility. OESBD Technical Assistance Fridays will be held at the satellite office on the first and third Fridays of every month beginning in December. Hours will be 8:30AM-4:30PM. The office is located at the Levan Center in the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center at 3100 Ray Ferrero Junior Boulevard, 5th floor, Fort Lauderdale, 33314. To meet with available OESBD staff, call 954-357-6400 to schedule appointments. You can also visit Broward.org/EconDev for more information on this and other programs provided by OESBD.

Broward County's Project Home Again- Landlord Program



Broward County's Landlord Program offers landlords an easy, convenient way to fill open units in Broward County with paying tenants, while also giving a second chance to those working hard to rebuild their lives. The program offers landlords the opportunity to get guaranteed income, on time payments, pre-screened tenants, and hands-on support for all while keeping listings confidential.

Thanks to existing landlords in the program, there has been major success, with 498 individuals finding permanent homes. If you or someone you know is interested in the Project Home Again (Landlord Program) and want to lend a helping hand to someone in need, please visit Broward.org/ProjectHomeAgain.

Reminders/Events:



The application window to submit for a **NatureScape Emerald Award** closes January 3. Homeowners, businesses, municipalities, schools and government facilities which have created model Florida-friendly landscapes or exceptional projects demonstrating ecological practices are encouraged to apply. Visit Broward.org/NatureScape/EmeraldAwards for more information.



The **Holiday Fantasy of Lights** runs through January 4 at Tradewinds Park & Stables. This drive-through show offers larger-than-life holiday light displays. Tickets are available online. For more information, visit HolidayLightsDriveThru.com.



Broward County Parks and Recreation Division offers residents a free and convenient way to dispose of your Christmas Tree, every year. The **Chip-a-Tree program** allows residents to dispose of their trees in an environmentally friendly way. Starting December 26, you can drop your tree off at a participating park through January 20. Visit Broward.org/Parks for more information.



Manatee Season continues through March 31. Broward County encourages residents and visitors to use the 'I Spy a Manatee' app to report manatees and their activities, view manatee protection and boating safety and more. Visit Broward.org/Manatees for more information.



My District 4 team and I wish you a beautiful Holiday Season and a very Happy New Year!

As always, I am truly thankful to serve you and Commission District 4. If I can ever be of assistance, please contact me at 954-357-7004 or LFisher@broward.org. Also, follow me [@LamarPFisher](https://twitter.com/LamarPFisher) on X (Twitter) and on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/LamarPFisher).

Best regards,

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Additional Resources:

- Libraries: Broward.org/Library
- Parks: Broward.org/Parks
- Business Assistance: Broward.org/EconDev
- Broward's Official Hurricane Site: Broward.org/Hurricane
- Mosquito Control Services: Broward.org/Mosquito
- Fort Lauderdale International Airport: Broward.org/Airport
- Port Everglades: PortEverglades.net