



**JULY 2025**

**Dear Community Members,**

It is mid-summer in south Florida and I hope everyone is safely enjoying the outdoors. Be reminded to stay safe from the heat during this time (resources provided below). This month, we celebrated Parks and Recreation Month, a tradition launched in 1985 by the National Recreation and Park Association. Parks play a vital role in fostering healthy and vibrant communities. I want to personally thank each and every Broward County Parks and Recreation employee for their continued service at making our Broward County Parks the very best. Congratulations to Everglade Holiday Park on its recent recognition with the 2025 TripAdvisor Traveler's Choice Award designating them among the top 10 percent of attractions worldwide! I also want to encourage all our residents and visitors to check out all the incredible activities our Parks have to offer. Visit [Broward.org/Parks](https://www.broward.org/Parks) for more information.



**In the News**

As it has been reported, the Executive Office of the Governor has requested an on-site visit to review the County's data systems regarding the County's Budget. We have the same objective of being transparent and fiscally responsible with public funds. Our County Administrator has acknowledged the request and is ready to fully comply.

## Mosquitoes



Besides, the summer heat, this time of year is also our wet season. This means lots and lots of rain for our area, which in turn brings the perfect breeding recipe for mosquitoes. Broward County's Mosquito Control has received a surge of mosquito control requests this summer and has worked diligently to respond to every request. To keep up, the

division has increased its response with adulticide truck spraying by night, backpack spray treatment by day, and aerial spraying when needed. Residents are asked to help eliminate areas where mosquitoes breed by dumping standing water around their homes. To request mosquito control service, call 311 or fill out a [Mosquito Service Request Form](#). For more information, visit [Broward.org/Mosquito](http://Broward.org/Mosquito).

## North Perry Airport Incidents



Broward County's North Perry Airport (HWO), located in Pembroke Pines and operated by the Broward County Aviation Department (BCAD), has made the news recently regarding incidents involving aircraft. These accidents are extremely unfortunate, and I offer my condolences to those involved, their families and the community. HWO is a vital airport to our area which brings relief by serving general aviation aircraft that would otherwise utilize commercial airports like our Fort Lauderdale International Airport (FLL). It offers private and charter aircraft operators a full range of services, such as aircraft refueling, repairs, and more. It is important to note several clarifications regarding the incidents at HWO. As stated by BCAD's Public Information Officer, "13

accidents involving property damage, injury or death, and another 20 involving mechanical failures occurred between 2020 and 2024. The Florida Department of Transportation reviews the safety protocols at North Perry Airport every year, and North Perry has received a perfect score with zero discrepancies or issues to correct in 25 years". HWO is managed by a highly professional and experienced team dedicated to the community and offering a safe environment for aircraft operations. Staff will continue to take the proper measures to maintain safety for the community.



## Broward County's Aviation Stormwater Improvements



Broward County's Aviation Department is leading the Edgewood Passive Park Stormwater Improvement Project. Preliminary work began mid-June and is expected to be completed in late 2025. The estimated \$850,000 project is part of a series of interconnected infrastructural upgrade initiatives at Fort Lauderdale- Hollywood International Airport designed to enhance the functionality and sustainability of the airport's on-site and surrounding managed stormwater systems.

The work includes replacing existing drainage and piping infrastructure, cleaning existing pipes, and restoring disturbed pavement and landscape areas. For more information about the project, visit [Broward.org/Airport/Business/Community/Pages/projectupdates.aspx](https://www.broward.org/Airport/Business/Community/Pages/projectupdates.aspx).



### Dine Out Lauderdale Returns August 1

Dine Out Lauderdale is Back! Starting August 1 through September 30 residents and visitors are encouraged to check out [VisitLauderdale.com/DineOutLauderdale](https://www.VisitLauderdale.com/DineOutLauderdale), where you can find special, three-course dining options at participating restaurants starting at \$35, plus

additional discounts on sweets and treats, brunches, and happy hours. It is recommended to reserve early as popular restaurants tend to book fast.

## Broward County Convention Center Procurement Opportunities

As we patiently await the grand opening of the Broward County Convention Center after its recent expansion and the addition of the Headquarters Hotel, I'm excited that our Broward County's Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) is assisting the Broward County Convention Center facility management firm ASM Global as they host an upcoming meet and greet. It's a great event for local small businesses to learn about the opportunities of procurement at this space. Businesses will have the opportunity to connect with key staff from ASM Global and OESBD to learn about opportunities for your business and the benefits of small business certification with Broward County

**BROWARD COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER MEET & GREET**

County Business Enterprise (CBE) firms and other local small businesses interested in certification. This event is designed to inform about and recruit vendors for business and procurement opportunities.

**Friday, August 8, 2025**  
**11AM-12:30PM**

**Broward County Convention Center**  
1950 Eisenhower Blvd., Room 209AB  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316  
Complimentary Parking

REGISTER BY August 1st

For more information, call 954.302.8922 or email [jorsini@ftlauderdalecc.com](mailto:jorsini@ftlauderdalecc.com)

government. The event will be held on Friday, August 8, 2025, from 11AM - 12:30PM at the Broward County Convention Center. For more information, visit [Broward County Convention Center Meet and Greet](#).

## Reminders/Events:



### Rainy and Heat Season Resources

Residents are encouraged to be vigilant during rain events! It is vital residents understand flood alerts. Stay safe by avoiding flooded water; help clear storm drains before a rain event and take steps to protect your property. For more information, visit [Broward.org/Flood](https://www.broward.org/Flood).



Additionally, temperatures have been on the rise for the past couple weeks. It is important to practice heat safety this summer season. For more information on staying safe from the heat, visit [Broward.org/Climate](https://www.broward.org/Climate) and click on [beat the heat](#).



**Broward County's Cultural Division is calling all artists for the IGNITE Broward 2026 event.** The division is seeking visionary artists, designers, and creative technologists from around the world to contribute to the next chapter of IGNITE Broward. Celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> year, IGNITE Broward is an interactive festival drawing more than 80,000 attendees. The deadline to apply is August 15. For more information visit, [Call to Artist](#).



Broward County schools start date is August 11. This year, **Florida's 2025 Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday will run for the entire month of August.** It's longer than in previous years and is now a permanent annual event occurring every August. You'll be able to buy qualifying school supplies and related items without paying sales tax.



### Hurricane Season Materials

June 1 - November 30 is Hurricane Season. It is important to be prepared. Visit my [May 2025 Newsletter](#) for a full list of resources or visit [Broward.org/Hurricane](https://www.broward.org/Hurricane) for more information. **As of July 1, Florida's annual hurricane sales tax holiday has been replaced with year-round tax exemptions on many disaster preparedness items.**



The **Small Business Micro Grant Program** is open! Grants will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis, and 13 grants will be awarded per Commission District. For qualification information and to apply, visit [Small Business Micro Grant Program](#).



**Broward County Water Parks** are open seven days a week for the summer. We encourage everyone to visit and cool off at one of our amazing water parks; C.B. Smith's Paradise Cove in Pembroke Pines, T.Y. Park's Castaway Island in Hollywood, or Quiet Waters' Splash Adventure in Deerfield Beach. Visit [Broward.org/Parks](#) for more information.

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](mailto:LFisher@broward.org). Also, follow me [@LamarPFisher](#) on X (Twitter) and on [Facebook](#).

Best regards,

A blue ink signature of Lamar P. Fisher.

Lamar P. Fisher  
Broward County  
Commissioner  
District 4

**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](#)