



NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Community Members,

With the Thanksgiving holiday quickly approaching and many in our community facing financial hardship, I encourage all who can to use their resources to help. Whether with food, money or your time, there are many ways to be charitable this holiday season.

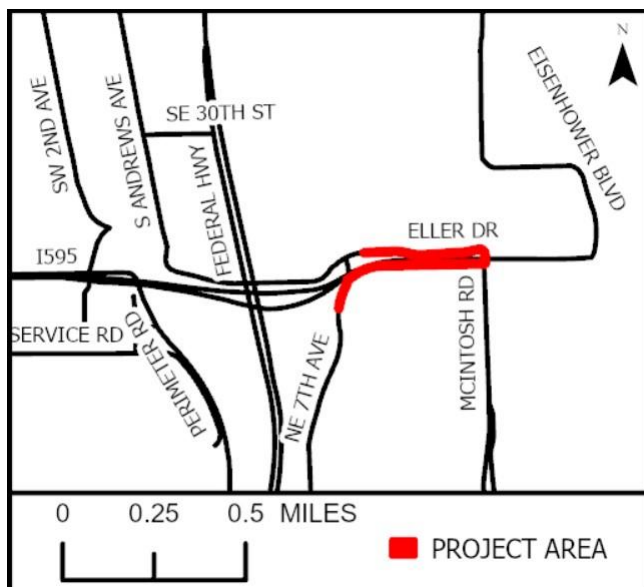
Broward County is working together with various non-profit and charitable organizations with the [Feeding Broward](#) initiative. Other resources include Broward County's [365 Food Drive](#) and [Hurricane Melissa Caribbean Relief](#).

Broward County's New Mayor and Vice Mayor

In November of every year, the Board of County Commissioners have our reorganizational meeting, selecting a new Mayor and Vice Mayor for the next year. I want to personally congratulate Mayor Mark Bogen and Vice Mayor Robert McKinzie on their selections. With that, we also were able to hear outgoing Mayor Furr give his state of the County address, acknowledging the difficulties the county had to overcome while also applauding our successes. I want to thank Mayor Furr for his leadership this year while navigating the added responsibility of Mayoral duties. Looking ahead, I'm excited for Mayor Bogen's initiatives and look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues for the residents of District 4 and all of Broward County.

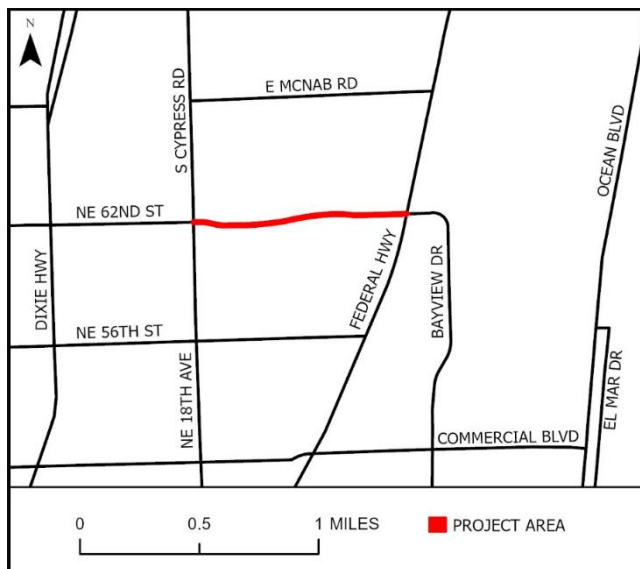


Two Drainage Projects in Fort Lauderdale



Broward County's Public Works and Environmental Services Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division is working on two projects in Fort Lauderdale. In east Fort Lauderdale, the division will be performing drainage system cleaning, inspection, and point repairs on NE 7th Avenue and Eller Drive from NE 7th Avenue to McIntosh Road. This project started on November 12 and will conclude in February 2026, barring any unforeseen conditions or weather-related delays. For more information you can reach the Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division at 954-357-6040.

Additionally, the division will start a project on November 24 in north Fort Lauderdale. The project includes drainage system cleaning, inspection, and point repairs along NE 62nd Street, from NE 18th Avenue to US 1. Work is scheduled to begin during the Thanksgiving school break to minimize traffic impacts near Pine Crest School, and is expected to conclude in December 2025, weather and unforeseen conditions permitting. For more information you can reach the Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division at 954-357-6040.



For more information on all the projects through our Highway and Bridge Maintenance Division, please visit [Broward.org/streets](https://www.broward.org/streets).

Animal Care Celebrates a Record Year



Broward County's Animal Care celebrated a record year for Fiscal Year 2025, with more pets adopted, reunited and rescued than ever before. During the fiscal year, 3,894 pets were adopted - an increase of more than 160 animals compared to last year. Another 568 pets were reunited with their owners, a huge jump of about 31 percent. Partnerships with rescue groups also grew, helping 733 pets find second chances through transfers - nearly 200 more

than the year before. I'm proud of the Animal Care team who continue to remain focused on helping every animal be safe, healthy and find their forever home. To learn more about adopting, fostering, or volunteering, visit [Broward.org/Animal](https://www.broward.org/Animal) or call 954-357-9758.

Manatee Season is Back!

Manatee Season runs from November 15 through March 31. As weather drops, manatees begin their seasonal migration to warmer waters, bringing them south to our regional waterways. Broward County encourages residents and visitors to be especially careful when traveling in our waterways during these months. More specifically, the FLorida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has manatee migration cold weather changes to speed zones in our waterways which include idle speed by the Port Everglades Power Plant area, portions of the South New River Canal and Dania Cut-off Canal near the Lauderdale Power Plant. Additionally, slow speeds must be adhered to in the Intracoastal Waterway from the Palm Beach County line through Hillsboro Inlet south to Fort Lauderdale/Port Everglades area.



Residents and visitors are also encouraged to download the I Spy A Manatee app to report manatees and their activities, view manatee protection information and learn more about boating safety zones. For more information, please visit [Broward.org/Manatees](https://www.broward.org/Manatees).

Reminder/ Events:



Holiday Fantasy of Lights is back at Tradewinds Park and Stables in Coconut Creek. Starting Saturday, November 22, the family-friendly drive-thru spectacular runs nightly, including holidays, from 6 to 10PM through Saturday, January 3, 2026. To learn more and get your tickets, visit [HolidayLightsDriveThru.com](https://www.holidaylightsdrive thru.com).



Small Business Saturday is November 29, a time to celebrate and support small businesses by shopping locally at a small business near you. [Check out 12 Top Farmers Markets in Greater Fort Lauderdale](#). Broward County is also proud to provide our small businesses many resources and opportunities. Check out the resources: [Small business Development](#).



King tides continue - Broward County encourages residents to stay safe during these high tide events by being prepared, knowing when high tides will occur, avoiding flood waters, and protecting your property. Please remain vigilant for the following days Dec 2-7. Visit [Broward.org/Flood](https://www.broward.org/Flood) for more information.



SoFloGo App

South Florida Commuters are encouraged to download the SoFloGo app, a regional transportation app that provides real-time information, live directions and alerts, mobile ticketing, and accessibility tools. For more information, please visit [SoFloGo.com](https://www.soflogo.com).

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,

A blue ink signature of Lamar P. Fisher.

Lamar P. Fisher
Broward County
Commissioner
District 4

Additional Resources:

- Libraries: [Broward.org/Library](https://www.broward.org/Library)
- Parks: [Broward.org/Parks](https://www.broward.org/Parks)
- Business Assistance: [Broward.org/EconDev](https://www.broward.org/EconDev)
- Broward's Official Hurricane Site: [Broward.org/Hurricane](https://www.broward.org/Hurricane)
- Mosquito Control Services: [Broward.org/Mosquito](https://www.broward.org/Mosquito)
- Fort Lauderdale International Airport: [Broward.org/Airport](https://www.broward.org/Airport)
- Port Everglades: [PortEverglades.net](https://www.porteverglades.net)