



JUNE 2026

Dear Community Members,

As many head into summer recess, the Broward County Commission continues to work through this summer heat. This month, we've held several budget workshops to discuss major budgetary items, including but not limited to public safety, elections, water and wastewater and more. Additionally, in June, we recognize Juneteenth, Pride Month, Father's Day and welcome World Cup fans. I hope everyone is enjoying their summer break but please remember to stay hydrated!

Extreme Heat Precautions



This summer is coming in hot! As temperatures continue to rise, residents and visitors are encouraged to take precautions to protect themselves from heat-related illnesses. High temperatures combined with high humidity can increase the risk of heat exhaustion and heat stroke, especially for older adults, young children, outdoor workers, and individuals with chronic medical conditions. To stay safe, drink plenty of water, limit strenuous outdoor activity during the hottest parts of the day, wear lightweight clothing, and seek air-conditioned spaces whenever possible.



Additionally, Broward County is currently updating its Cooling Centers list. Cooling centers will only be activated when there is an "Excessive Heat Warning" issued by National Weather Service. An Excessive Heat Warning is issued whenever there is a heat index of 110F and higher for at least 2 hours. [Find Cooling Centers](#). Stay tuned for

more information, and/or check my social media outlets ([X](#) or [Facebook](#)) for the updated list, once it becomes available.

911 System Upgrades

Broward County's 911 system is getting a major upgrade as the Board recently awarded a multi-year agreement to Motorola Solutions Connectivity, Inc. to serve as the County's Next Generation 911 (NG911) Core Services Provider. NG911 replaces legacy analog systems with a fully digital, broadband-based platform. The transition will enable Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) to receive voice, text, images, video, and data, while also improving accuracy, reliability, and regional coordination. Key benefits include:



- Enhanced access to 911 through voice, text, or multimedia
- Improved location accuracy through advanced geospatial routing
- Increased resiliency with built in redundancy and network diversity
- Seamless interoperability across agencies and jurisdictions
- Future ready capability for emerging technologies
- Strengthened cybersecurity protections and compliance with national standards

The NG911 transition will roll out over the next 12-18 months and will include extensive testing, training, and stakeholder outreach to ensure smooth implementation. Public Safety is a number one priority for this Commission, and these upgrades will only enhance our emergency communications County wide. For more information, visit 911.broward.org.

Broward County's Aviation Department to Receive Federal Funding



Broward County's Aviation Department (BCAD) recently learned that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced grant commitments totaling over \$36 million benefitting the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL). A **\$17.7 million** discretionary grant awarded under the ongoing Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will fund the final phase of terminal reconstruction, which includes HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) units to increase energy efficiency to enhance the family travel experience. Additionally, an **\$18.6 million** award offered under the Airport Infrastructure Grants program, will fund the construction of a new Taxiway D slated to be built on the west side of the airport's airfield in response to recent and future tenant development in this area as identified by FLL's Master Plan. Construction of the estimated \$20.4 million project is expected to start in late 2026 for completion by December 2027. I'm pleased to share this news with our community, as we

continue to make FLL one of the best and most convenient airports in south Florida. For more information about our airport, visit Broward.org/Airport.

Port Everglades Contributes Billions in Economic Impact



Recently a new study showed how Port Everglades generates approximately \$48.3 billion in economic activity and supports nearly 300,000 jobs throughout Florida. Martin Associates, a maritime industry analyst, reported energy related user impacts to match industry reporting standards, which resulted in significant increases in overall calculated economic activity.

In total, economic impact increased by 72% and supported 44% more jobs

statewide over the previous report for Fiscal Year 2024. That includes approximately 13,139 jobs that are directly dependent on the port's business activity, a more than 7% increase over the previous fiscal year. Business activity for cruise, generated in part from a record 4.7 million cruise guests, increased 21.7% in Fiscal Year 2025 compared to Fiscal Year 2024, and direct local jobs climbed by 9.4%. Economic activity for record cargo volumes of 1.167 million TEUs (20-foot equivalent units, the industry's standard container measurement), rose by 17.9% and supported a 5.3% increase in direct jobs. For more information on everything happening at Port Everglades, visit PortEverglades.net.

World Cup Fever is in town!

Broward County will host 2 more watch parties at Amerant Arena. Watch Parties have been set for the upcoming quarter finals and semifinal games. Fans will have the opportunity to experience the energy and excitement of international soccer in a family-friendly environment. Attendance and parking are free. Reserve up to six tickets through SeatGeek.com or AmerantBankArena.com. The scheduled watch parties are on:

- Saturday, July 11 @ 5 PM (TBD) - Quarterfinals
- Sunday, July 19 @ 3 PM (TBD) – The Final

Broward County Transit will provide [special Park & Ride transportation service](#) to the Arena watch parties and designated match transportation hubs.



Reminders/Events:



2026 Hurricane Preparedness Information:

- **Website** - [Broward.org/hurricane](https://www.broward.org/hurricane) – comprehensive preparedness and response information for residents
- [Hurricane Preparedness Guide - Official Broward County Hurricane Preparedness Guide](#) – Comprehensive 24-page guide is available digitally
- **Website for vulnerable residents** - [Broward.org/atrisk](https://www.broward.org/atrisk) – This includes those with disabilities, elderly, homeless, special needs, shelters and Vulnerable Population Registry.
- See my [May2026 Newsletter](#) for further hurricane preparedness information.



Library Summer Program

Every summer, Broward County Library welcomes thousands of residents for programs and reading prizes as part of the Summer Learning experience throughout its 37 branches. Track reading and learning goals to earn prizes. Attend engaging events, classes, lectures, discussions, art/craft activities, and performances. Visit [Summer at Your Library | Broward County Library](#), for more information.



Sea Turtles & their Babies Program

This summer, experience one of nature's most remarkable moments this summer at the Anne Kolb Nature Center. The program returns Wednesdays and Fridays from July 1 through August 28 at 8 PM. Space is limited to 50 participants per program. Registration is required, and the fee is \$15 per person. For more information visit [Sea Turtles and their Babies](#) or [Register today and discover why sea turtle season is one of South Florida's most unforgettable experiences.](#)



Donate Today!

Broward County supports the annual initiative of **Christmas in July** with Kiwanis International to help homeless children in our community. One of the most devastating consequences of homelessness is the impact it can have on a child's education. You can help by donating at any of the locations provided in the link below.

Visit [Broward.org/ChristmasinJuly](https://www.broward.org/ChristmasinJuly) for more information.



Broward County Water Parks are now open 7 days a week! Residents can visit [Paradise Cove](#) at C.B. Smith Park in Pembroke Pines, [Splash Adventure](#) at Quiet Waters Park in Deerfield Beach, or [Castaway Island](#) at T.Y. Park in Hollywood for water slides, splash zones, and family-friendly fun! Visit Broward.org/Parks for more information.



**Have a safe and blessed
Independence Day!**



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](#).

Best regards,

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Broward County
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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