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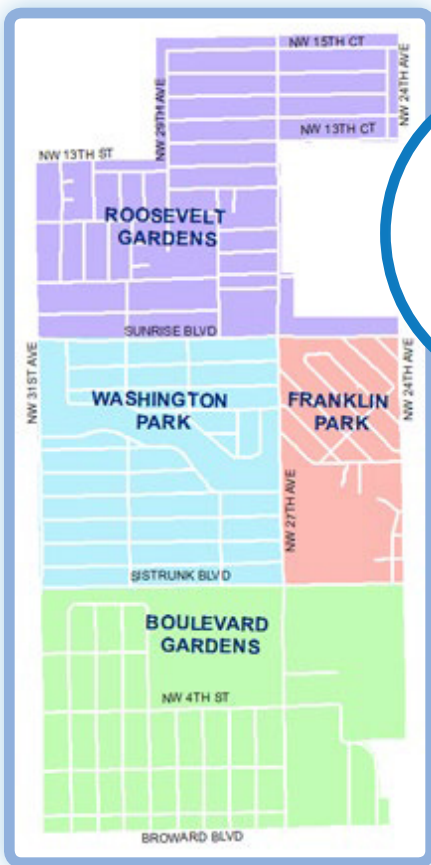
Broward Municipal Services District - Neighborhoods

The [Broward Municipal Services District](#), Unincorporated Broward County, consists of 11.4 square miles and has a population of approximately 15,872.*

The Broward County Commission serves as the local government and municipal authority. Services provided by the County include business and housing developments, library and wellness programs, neighborhood parks and community assets, zoning and code enforcement, sustainability planning, solid waste and recycling services, and highway engineering.

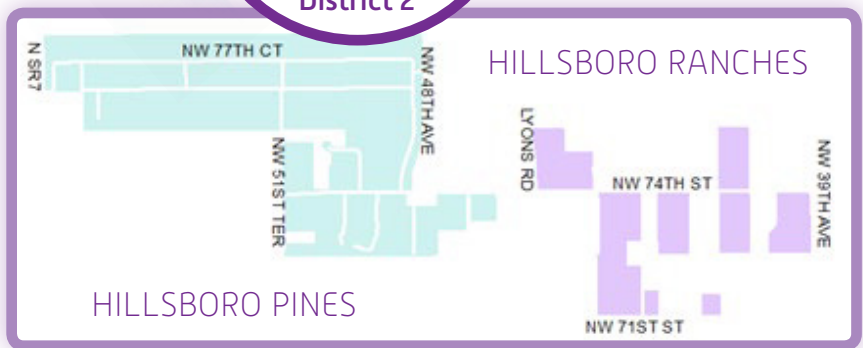


BROADVIEW PARK
Commission District 7



CENTRAL COUNTY
Boulevard Gardens
Franklin Park
Roosevelt Gardens
Washington Park
Commission District 9

HILLSBORO PINES & HILLSBORO RANCHES
Commission District 2



* Source: Population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017, American Community Survey. Land area was updated by using Planning and Development Management Division, GIS Section's latest annexation information (August 2018). More detailed BMSD Community Profiles are available [here](#).

Broward Municipal Services District Highlights

This Semi-Annual Report highlights accomplishments as well as projects underway in the Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD), from January through June 2019, in the following areas. This report is available in a printer-friendly format online at Broward.org/MunicipalServicesDistrict.



Managing the BMSD

Broward County government is implementing programs and services in the BMSD to help strengthen neighborhoods in the community, for today and for the future.



Investing in Our Community

Investments in the community include small business development, housing and construction projects, and enhancements to parks and libraries.



Promoting Safe Streets

Comprehensive community planning includes safe streets designed with vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians in mind.



Building Healthy & Vibrant Places

Parks, libraries and community facilities are popular places to promote arts and culture and healthy living activities, including community clean-ups and recycling.



Enhancing a Safe Community

Community safety is a partnership between residents, law enforcement, fire rescue and local government. Priorities include code enforcement and drug education activities, as well as public safety infrastructure improvements.



Office of Economic and Small Business Development

The Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD) Economic Development Program makes progress with more approved projects and interest from business owners and investors. This program enables enhancements to businesses located on the commercial corridors of the BMSD for the purpose of private investment and employment opportunities and is one of several programs within the Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) delivering resources for growth and expansion. The purpose of the program is to spur development, eliminate blight and support existing businesses in the BMSD by assisting them in making improvements to their commercial properties through grant funding. **Investment of \$3,800,000.**



Office of Economic and Small Business Development, The Economic Development Program Goes Back to School

On March 13, 2019, the Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) attended Dillard High School's 4th Annual Career Fair. The fair focused on Dillard students seeking part-time student employment. Attendees were also presented with viable career pathways available through the County, thus helping to shape our future workforce. OESBD applications for the County's Volunteer Internship Program (VIP), which allows students to gain academic credit and work experience, were distributed. Steven Wasserman, co-organizer of the event, reported that 40 agencies and 500 students participated in this year's fair.





BMSD Real Estate Market Study

The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) commissioned a study of the real estate in the BMSD's commercial corridors. This study will provide valuable commercial real estate market data and recommendations needed for strategic planning of revitalization efforts to increase the economic viability of the Broward Municipal Service District's local businesses located along the commercial corridors. The report is expected to be finalized in the fall.



2019 Broward & Beyond Business Conference was held in May

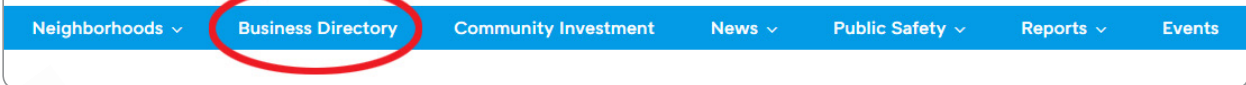
OESBD hosted hundreds of startup, nonprofit, established and international businesses in all phases of the business cycle representing various industries. The fourth annual conference provided attendees with learning opportunities from industry experts and successful peers. This event supports the vision of the Broward County Commissioners goal of "a vibrant economy with a diverse, skilled workforce, in a County offering unique advantages that attract all types of businesses to create equitable, countywide prosperity" and value of "ensuring economic opportunities for all people and businesses in Broward."

The agenda included multiple morning breakout sessions, a keynote speaker at the luncheon, and a topical afternoon plenary session. The event peaked with Biz Babble, a new open forum format of networking activities. This year, the conference luncheon featured [keynote speaker Beverly Kuykendall](#), President of Government Business at American Medical Depot located in Miramar.



BROWARD MUNICIPAL SERVICES DISTRICT

Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD), formerly known as Unincorporated Broward County, consists of 11.4 square miles of family-friendly communities and has a population of approximately 15,000 residents. There are 7 neighborhoods in the BMSD.



The Updated Business Directory is available on the Internet

The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD), in coordination with the Planning and Development Management Division, provides a convenient online directory of the businesses operating within the BMSD. Business owners are encouraged to contact OESBD for information on how to get their business listed. [BMSD Business Directory](#).



Social Enterprise

OIC of South Florida's Social Enterprise Division (OIC Strategic Integration) is a for-profit entity that offers workforce options and supports the needs of the local business community. The implementation of the Social Enterprise's Transitional Employment Pilot Program included job training and employment opportunities for returning citizens, individuals with disabilities, and residents within the Broward Municipal Services District. Within two years, in partnership with Broward County Transit (BCT) and ARC of Broward, the program delivered job-ready applicants who provided services that have improved neighborhoods in the BMSD.



INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY



BMSD Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Event

Broward Municipal Services District collaborated with Rebuilding Together Broward County and dozens of other agencies. More than 250 volunteers worked to beautify the Boulevard Gardens' Community. Volunteers assisted with exterior painting and minor landscaping for elderly residents. To wrap-up the event, a block party was held at the Boulevard Gardens Community Center and included smoke alarm and plant giveaways, voter education, and a free lunch, provided by the Broward County Sheriff's Office.

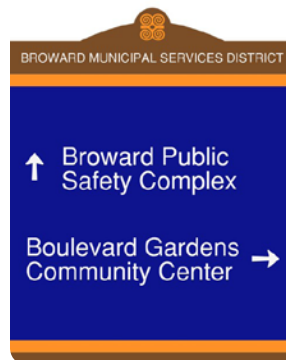
Water & Wastewater Management, Broadview Park Septic Tank Conversion

Most Broadview Park property owners connected to the County's sanitary sewer system in the past few years. Over the last ten months, the County encouraged property owners who are not connected to the sewer system to begin investigating connection options as soon as possible. Residents were notified through their newsletter and neighborhood meetings that the County's Water and Wastewater Services offers potential financial assistance to homeowners seeking septic tank conversions within the Broward Municipal Services District, including Broadview Park. In addition, other County administered funding options, such as the federal Community Block Grants (CDBG) were investigated for potential application in the neighborhood.



UPR Housing and Community Development, Broward County Awarded New Grant Funds by Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program

Over the past three years, the State of Florida awarded Broward County \$582,000 in funding for its annual Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program. To date, 100 percent of the award has been expended for qualified residents living in the Broward Municipal Services District to make home repairs. The grant funded roof repairs, windows, and doors to mitigate against future storms. The Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) created the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program after Hurricane Andrew to act as a specialized, state-funded mitigation program aimed at minimizing damages caused by hurricanes. Although applications for this program are not being accepted at this time, make sure to check the [Housing Finance and Community Redevelopment Division website](#) for future opportunities.



Highway Construction & Engineering, Wayfinding Signs

The Safe Streets Project consists of planning, designing and maintaining streets to enable safe, convenient and comfortable travel and access for users of all ages and abilities, regardless of mode of transportation (e.g. walking, bicycling, driving automobiles, riding public transportation, or delivering goods). The wayfinding signs help the road users easily find key destinations.



Cultural Division, Harold Reitman Boys and Girls Club Mural Public Art Project

Broward Cultural Council's Public Art & Design Committee collaborated with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County to commission an artist to create inspirational murals. As a result, a new mural has been completed on the Harold Reitman Boys & Girls Club building. The mural represents images of person from various walks of life and the more than 500 families a year who visit this location. A five-member panel chose the design of South Florida-based artist Elio Mercado, aka Evoca1, to grace the building's exterior. Pictured here is the ribbon cutting ceremony. (Photo taken by: Downtown Photo).



Health Department 5K

The Second Annual Healthy Broward Run and Walk was hosted at the Reverend Samuel Delevoe Park on Saturday, April 6, 2019. The 5K run took participants through the BMSD community and on historic Sistrunk Boulevard. The one-mile family fun walk went around the lake at the park. All participants received medals, goodie bags and custom T-shirt.

The event also featured a wellness and resource fair, DJ music and fun activities for the kids including face painting. This event was not a fundraiser but rather an opportunity for everyone to enjoy physical activity during National Public Health Week. The Florida Department of Health, Broward County, and numerous partner agencies were co-sponsors. The registration fee was waived for all Broward Municipal Services District residents.



USTA Tennis Clinic

Broward County Parks and Recreation in partnership with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) provided a free event for winter camp participants. The event was held on January 3rd at Lafayette Hart Park. The purpose of the event was to welcome program participants, expose them to the tennis activities at this location, and to give staff an opportunity to train the children. The event included numerous activities such as stations, face painting, music, and refreshments. The USTA also provided each park with free tennis equipment and trained County Parks' staff on how to provide active games with participants.



Sunview Park

For the past several years, Sunview Park has sponsored an annual Spring Event in March/April. This community-building event brings together families to enjoy fun activities and a delicious meal. The day included relay races, coloring contest, egg and water balloon toss, snow cones, an egg hunt and prizes for the kids. There was also a bounce house and Buddy the Bunny for photos with the families.



Out of School Time: After-School and Teen Program and After-School Meal Program

Parks and Recreation offered another exciting and engaging year of free Out-of-School Time programming that included both an After-School Program for ages 6-12, and a Teen Program for ages 13-17. The After-School Program and Teen Program provided a nurturing environment for participants to learn, develop, and play. Participants had a wide range of experiences, including exposure to the arts and other cultural activities, sports (both team and life), field trips, financial literacy, nutrition, physical activity, guest speakers, and much more. Participants, during full-day programs (days with no school) were given enriching experiences.

This is the second year all neighborhood parks offered the free After-School Meal Program, in which each registered participant received a snack and a hot meal on school days. For the 2018-2019 School Year more than 19,000 snacks and 20,000 hot suppers were served to the youth in the After-School and Teen programs.

Rolling into Summer Senior Event

Broward Municipal Services District Senior Programs ended its programming season with "Rolling into Summer." Activities included CarFit sponsored by the Broward Sheriff's Office and a special cooking demonstration hosted by the University of Florida IFAS Extension Education. Seniors were thrilled to fellowship with one another and enjoyed a free grilled nutritious lunch. Other partners included Chen Medical, CarePlus and Florida Blue.



PROMOTING SAFE STREETS



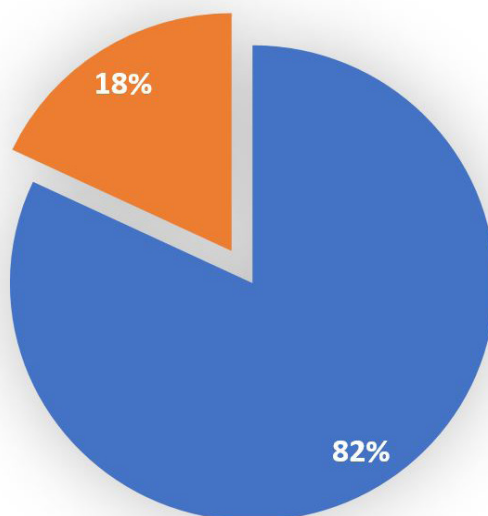
Phase II of the Safe Streets Improvements Project – NW 27th Ave

This phased project consists of milling, resurfacing, converting the two-way left turn lane into landscaped medians, and reducing two lanes of travel along NW 27th Avenue for approximately one mile between Broward and Sunrise Boulevards. Reduction of two lanes will provide two 5-foot bicycle lanes and parking on the west side of the road. In addition, the project includes improvements along Sistrunk Boulevard, east of NW 27th Avenue for approximately 1,200 ft. The scope includes wayfinding signs. With scope modifications and new cost estimates, construction is expected to start soon and be completed by the end of summer 2020. **Total investment for Phase I and II is estimated at \$2,445,949.**



BUILDING VIBRANT PLACES

Cases - 2019 Q2



■ Proactive ■ Reactive

Code Enforcement

First Quarter Statistics (January-March 2019)

Enforcement activities during this quarter:

- Code enforcement cases opened - **489**
- Case investigations and field inspections performed - **880**
- Annual rental property inspections performed - **262**
- Property maintenance violations issued - **148**
- Improper parking or storage of vehicle violations issued - **102**
- Overgrown lots and unkempt landscaping violations issued - **54**
- Administrative citations issued - **37**
- Code violations brought into compliance - **461**

[Citizen's Guide to Community Code Compliance](#)



Tree Pruning and Assistance

To meet eligibility for reimbursement, applicants were required to meet the following criteria:

- Be the owner of private, residential property in the BMSD
- Request reimbursement within 30 days of application approval
- Provide a detailed estimate of work to be completed
- Hire a contractor with a Class A Tree Trimmer License
- Provide before and after photos of qualifying tree(s), and
- Provide invoice(s) or other form of receipt(s) after the work has been completed to bring the tree(s) into compliance.

Inspectors from the Environmental Engineering and Permitting Division visited 52 (fifty-two) properties to determine if any qualifying, non-compliant trees existed and what remediation work would be required to achieve compliance with FPL's [Right Tree, Right Place](#) guidelines. A total of 10 applicants met the requirements for funding assistance, not to exceed \$1,000 per

qualifying tree. By the application deadline of May 8th, fifty-one (51) funding assistance applications were received. **A total of \$9,475 in reimbursements were paid.**





Broward County named a Finalist by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's (RWJF) Culture of Health Prize

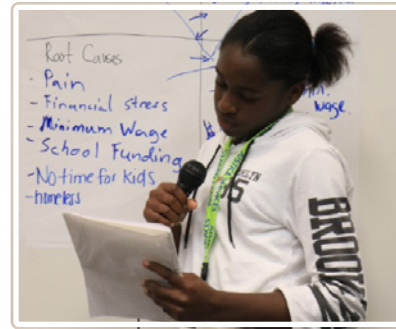
Activities within the BMSD were included in the State of Florida Health Department's RWJF application. The Prize recognizes communities that have collaborated with community partners to advance health, opportunity, and equity.

[RWJF Culture of Health Prize](#)



Human Services Department's Broward Addiction Recovery Center

Broward Addiction Recovery Center (BARC) has worked to increase awareness about the impact of substance abuse and related mental health disorders on the safety and well-being of diverse communities throughout Broward County. BARC educated the community, provided presentations, and participated in wellness events. In addition to Roosevelt Gardens Park, BARC has presented at the Franklin Park Community Health & Wellness Fair, the Homeless Provider Stakeholder meeting, 5th Annual World Health Day Expo, and several other events. BARC's goal is to continue to promote its programs, services and activities, increase the agency's visibility in the community, and increase residents' awareness of substance abuse treatment options. Services focused on substance abuse and related mental health disorders, warning signs of addiction, trends in drug abuse, medication assisted treatment and other evidenced-based treatment options.



Senior Citizens Event

The Department of Human Services sponsored several events for senior citizens to provide social and fun activities. Elderly and Veterans Services Division staff coordinated and volunteered to enlighten the lives of our elderly.

- Over 350 attendees participated in the Annual Senior Red & White Ball February 1st at the Urban League.
- The 5th Annual Soup & Salad Bowl was held April 4th at Franklin Park.



DHS Crisis Intervention Support Division coordinated Youth Against Gun Violence February 28th – June 30th

The Crisis Intervention & Support Division Justice Services Sections through a Department of Juvenile Justice contract hosted the **weSpeak: Broward Youth Against Gun-Violence Project**. The **weSpeak** project engaged youth in meaningful discussions about the impact of gun violence on individuals, families, and communities through a host of positive advocacy activities. Youth have a lot to say and their voice can serve as a catalyst for disrupting the behavioral patterns that often lead to gun violence. To provide an impactful and engaging experience, the project included: a week-long Youth Camp; Youth Empowerment and Advocacy Showcase, Gun Safety Education with Law Enforcement Q & A Sessions, Educational Field Trips, Youth Empowerment Groups, Parenting Groups, a social media campaign and a Poetry Contest.



Building Code

The Building Code Services Division (BCSD) has helped safeguard the community from hazards and potentially life-threatening situations caused by improper work performed by licensed and unlicensed contractors. BCSD educated industry officials that construction and renovations should be completed in compliance with the Florida Building Code. More than 5,200 inspections were performed by the Building Code Services Division at job sites within the Broward Municipal Services District, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, and contracted cities. The Division worked closely with all non-profit builders and developers of the in-fill housing project that will bring 40 new homes to the BMSD. By streamlining and providing priority processing to complete plan reviews, issue permits, and certificates of occupancy, this process allowed construction projects to proceed with minimal delays and certify that homes are structurally safe for occupancy at the time of inspection. Through community outreach activities, BCSD facilitated the coordination and presentation session to the non-profit builders and developers and established primary points-of-contact for faster response time.

Count of Open Cases:	Count of CASES
BUILDING W/O A PERMIT	2
BROADVIEW PARK	2
LAND CLEARANCE	44
BOULEVARD GARDENS	14
BROADVIEW PARK	3
FRANKLIN PARK	1
HILLSBORO PINES	1
ROOSEVELT GARDENS	14
WASHINGTON PARK	11
ZONING	528
BOULEVARD GARDENS	98
BROADVIEW PARK	174
FRANKLIN PARK	24
HILLSBORO PINES	54
ROOSEVELT GARDENS	107
WASHINGTON PARK	69
HILLSBORO RANCHES	2
Grand Total	574





Cleaning Up the Community

The Solid Waste and Recycling Service Community Cleanups held in the Broward Municipal Services District have made a significant difference toward beautifying the community. Volunteers cleaned and spruced up Broadview Park, Washington Park, Franklin Park, Boulevard Gardens and Roosevelt Gardens and collected more than 62.7 tons of debris. The Boulevard Gardens Civic Association, Men of Action, students from Stranahan and South Plantation High Schools, the Broward Sheriff's Office Work Release Program and Deputy John Scaglione have all consistently participated to help keep Broward beautiful.

Become a cleanup volunteer by visiting the [Community Cleanup website](#).



Building Community Relationships

The Broward Sheriff's Office provides law enforcement and fire rescue services for the Central Broward District. Beyond responding to public safety needs, BSO has a strong partnership with the BMSD Neighborhood Parks to build relationships with the youth and community at-large. BSO deputies frequently attend local community meetings within the BMSD.

BMSD	2019 YTD
CALLS FOR SERVICE	13,199
ARREST	752
CRASH	254
CITATION	3065
PART ONE CRIMES	-2

NEIGHBORHOOD RESPONSE TEAM	
FELONY ARRESTS	105
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS	49
NOTICE TO APPEAR	64
TOTAL ARRESTS	218
UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATIONS	623
WARNING CITATIONS	245

SEIZURES	
FIREARMS	9
VEHICLES	2
COCAINE (GRAMS)	1147
CRACK COCAINE (GRAMS)	95
CANNABIS (GRAMS)	1882
HEROIN (GRAMS)	59
MDMA	119
FENTANYL	10
ALPHA-PVP (FLAKKA)	183

BSO Law Enforcement Central Broward District
January thru June 2019

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Thank you to the Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD) Internal Committee for the dedication and commitment to enhancing the quality of life within the BMSD as demonstrated in this report. This joint coalition of community partners collectively support investments, programs and services in the District.



Broward County Agencies

- Broward County Transit
- County Administration
- Cultural Division
- Emergency Management
- Environmental Licensing and Building Permitting
- Environmental Planning and Community Resilience
- Grants Coordination Section
- Housing Finance and Community Redevelopment
- Human Services
- Libraries
- Office of Management and Budget
- Office of Economic and Small Business Development
- Office of Public Communications
- Parks and Recreation
- Planning and Development Management
- Public Works

Community Partners

- Boys and Girls Club of Broward
- Broward County Public Schools
- Broward County Sheriff's Office /Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue
- Career Source Broward
- Children's Services Council of Broward County
- OIC of South Florida
- TOUCH Broward
- Urban League of Broward County
- YMCA of South Florida



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