

## Code Enforcement Semi-Annual Report

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### SEMI-ANNUAL PERIOD STATISTICS (JULY - DECEMBER 2021)

#### Our Code Enforcement Section:

- Conducted **1,491** field inspections
  - Performed **1,203** community standards inspections
  - Performed **242** land clearance inspections
  - Performed **46** junk vehicle inspections
- Opened **705** code enforcement cases
- Initiated **618** proactive enforcement cases
- Responded to **87** cases due to citizen complaints
- Issued **29** administrative citations
- Achieved compliance on **748** cases

#### Public Nuisance Abatement Activities:

- Declared **136** Land Clearing Public Nuisances
- Ordered **45** public nuisance lots abated by vendor
- Cited **6** violations for unsecured vacant property
- Opened **87** cases for improper vehicle storage
- Issued **35** violations for prohibited open air storage

#### Property Maintenance and Minimum Housing:

- Issued **157** violations for property grounds maintenance
- Cited **30** locations for improper bulk trash placement
- Inspected **46** cases for building maintenance violations
- Opened **4** substandard housing cases

#### Activities to improve property maintenance:

- Issued **185** landlord registration violations
- Performed **471** annual rental property inspections
- Brought **104** cases into compliance before abatement required
- Complied **59** violations before notice necessary

The Broward County Code Enforcement Section does not have jurisdiction within other municipalities. Our jurisdiction is limited to the following neighborhoods located in the Unincorporated Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD):

[Boulevard Gardens](#)

[Broadview Park](#)

[Franklin Park](#)

[Hillsboro Pines](#)

[Hillsboro Ranches](#)

[Roosevelt Gardens](#)

[Washington Park](#)

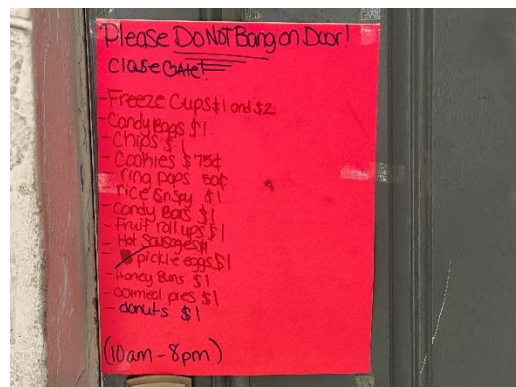
## BMSD CODE ENFORCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

### NEW HOME DEVELOPMENT HELPS COMMUNITIES ELIMINATE PROBLEM LOCATIONS

New homes being developed in the Broward Municipal Services District continues to help bring positive changes to our communities. Vacant lots that are developed either by Broward County affordable housing programs, non-profit organizations, or private owners, removes potential locations being improperly used for dumping and other nuisances. This helps to build stronger neighborhoods. Existing and new residents are at the core of a safe and harmonious community through their pride in the homes where they reside, concern for their neighbors, and the safety of others by keeping an eye on what is happening around them. Code Enforcement Inspectors often help prevent or remove undesirable conditions that can occur on vacant lots such as abandoned junk items, trash, litter, uncontrolled weed growth, and unkempt shrubbery. Inspectors also help to encourage owners of vacant lots to properly maintain and secure their properties to limit any detrimental effects to adjacent properties. A total of **293** cases related to property grounds violations were opened during the previous six-month period.



As of July 1, 2021, a recently enacted law now allows residents to operate their businesses in residential neighborhoods to help promote entrepreneurship in Florida and provide uniformity across the state. However, not every type of business operation may be suitable as a “home-based” business and residents must still comply with existing regulations that apply to residential properties and similar businesses in the community such as parking, signage, commercial vehicles, and equipment storage regulations. Certain activities that may be detrimental to the neighborhood may also be restricted. While patrons may visit the property, the activities of the business cannot be a primary use such as turning a residence into a convenience store.



### IMPORTANT REMINDER - TIPS FOR REPORTING ILLEGAL DUMPING!

Unlawful or improper dumping has negative impacts on communities that extends far beyond the eyesore that's left behind. Whenever it appears that illegal dumping is actively occurring, it is recommended to call 911 report it so that Deputies can respond as soon as possible. If you can safely get license plate information or note any distinguishing information such as business signs, this can be very helpful. Photos are even better, but it is not recommended to interact with persons who are doing the dumping, which should be left to law enforcement. However, if the dumping has already occurred and there is no evidence of who was responsible, then it should be reported to zoning code enforcement for investigation by calling 311.

