



SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

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Investing in Our **Future**. Improving Our **Community**. X

Broward Municipal Services District Neighborhoods

About the Broward Municipal Services District

The Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD) consists of 11.4 square miles and has a population of approximately 16,275 residents. The Broward County Commission serves as the local government and municipal authority. Services provided include business and housing development, library and wellness programs, neighborhood parks and community assets, zoning and code enforcement, sustainability planning, solid waste, recycling services and public works.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey

Central County

Boulevard Gardens, Franklin Park
Roosevelt Gardens, Washington Park

Commission District 8



Broadview Park

Commission District 5



Hillsboro Pines & Hillsboro Ranches

Commission District 2



Cover: *Walking Sticks & Stories to Tell* at AARLCC



BMSD Vision



Our vision is to build a safe, clean, and opportunity-rich community where everyone thrives.

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 2025, 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.

Promoting Safe Streets



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

Investing in Our Community



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

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.



Every Moment Matters

On February 11, 2025, a team member of the County's Housing Options Solutions & Supports Division (HOSS-D) was driving in the BMSD and came across a homeless man and his dog along the street. Staff stopped to engage the gentleman and offered Broward County bus passes, if needed. He declined the offer but said he would like to get to Orlando and needed a ticket for the Brightline. He claimed to have a job waiting for him there and his employer who would pick him up at the station if he could get there. Upon further discussion and follow up with the employer, staff learned he indeed had a job and housing waiting for him in Orlando. HOSS-D provided him with a train ticket, a new duffle bag, and Publix gift cards. He left Broward County on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, and called staff to say he arrived in Orlando safely.



Source: Broward County Housing Options Solutions & Supports Division





County Agencies in Action at Community Meetings

- The Broward County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) participated in the Central County Community Advisory Board meeting on May 21, 2025. Craig Hall, Assistant Director, shared information about the upcoming Transatlantic Hurricane Season, and provided guidance to residents on storm preparation.
- OEM also hosted its annual Hurricane Preparedness Open House on June 14, 2025, at the African American Research Library and Cultural Center. Vendors who attended included Florida Power and Light, The National Weather Service, The Florida Department of Health, Broward County BMSD Liaison, Broward County Code Enforcement, Broward County Transit, Broward County Solid Waste, The Broward Sheriff's Office, Broward's Tax Collector's Office, The Supervisor of Elections Office, The American Red Cross, and Lowe's. Lowe's donated many preparedness items, including batteries, lanterns, and portable air condition units, and raffled off a generator.



OEM table at Hurricane Preparedness Open House



Attendees at Hurricane Preparedness Open House





MANAGING THE BMSD



From left to right: Bina Fink, Commissioner's Outreach Specialist Coordinator, and Senator Steve Geller speaking with Elza van Ackerbroeck, President of the Broadview Park Civic Association

- County staff from various agencies participated in Senator Steven Geller's Commission District 5 Town Hall with the Broadview Park Civic Association on May 6, 2025. Upcoming projects, residents' concerns and ways to improve the Broadview Park Community were discussed.



Residents at the Broadview Park Townhall with Senator Geller

- The Building Division enhanced its plan review process to include expedited reviews to provide customers with the option of expedited reviews for an additional fee.
- The Chief Resiliency Officer, Dr. Jennifer Jurado presented the Countywide Resilience Plan and shared heat season education and outreach with attendees at the May 21, 2025, Central County Community Advisory Board (CCCAB) meeting.





PROMOTING SAFE STREETS

County Advances Safety and Infrastructure Improvements

- Landscape maintenance continues to be performed on all county-owned parcels, entranceways, medians and planters throughout the BMSD.
- Roadside barriers at the northeast and southeast corners of the intersection of NW 31st Ave/MLK Jr. Avenue and NW 4 Street (in Boulevard Gardens) were installed to protect residential properties from traffic accidents.
- Inspections and cleaning of drainage infrastructure were completed in Roosevelt Gardens and Washington Park.
- The County installed five way-finding signs along NW 27th Avenue between Broward Boulevard and Sunrise Boulevard.



Wayfinding Sign on NW 27th Avenue

- An adaptive traffic control system was installed in early 2025 at intersections of NW 31st Avenue and NW 27th Avenue on Boward Boulevard (in Boulevard Gardens) as part of the County's Mobility Advancement Program.





INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY

County Invests in Entrepreneurship and Community Wellbeing

- County staff organized a waterway cleanup event on March 1, 2025, which included the North Fork New River, the Samuel Delevoe Park grounds and the grounds of the African American Research Library and Cultural Center. Over 40 volunteers collected 15 cubic yards of trash, debris and junk. Commissioner Robert McKinzie and his team joined volunteers in the cleanup.



Commissioner Robert McKinzie and Volunteers at the Waterway Clean Up at the Delevoe Park Complex

- The Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) hosted:
 - The Broward County Business Resiliency “Stay Ready” Webinar that presented resources and tips to keep businesses going when the unexpected happens and to help businesses STAY READY throughout the year. The workshop featured presentations from key organizations that can aid before and during a disaster.
 - The Broward County Convention Center Expansion and OMNI Hotel project job and resource fair was held on January 23, 2025, at the African American Library and Cultural Center (AARLCC) organized by Balfour Beatty and Matthews Southwest. This fair included information regarding immediate and upcoming employment opportunities, education and training requirements and resources for obtaining these requirements.





INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY

- OESBD collaborated with the Urban League of Broward County and hosted a Neighborhood Revitalization Symposium. The panelists on the Affordable Housing and Economic Development discussion included Senator Nan Rich, Broward County Commissioner, District One; Dr. Germaine Smith-Baugh, President and CEO, The Urban League of Broward County; Michele Collie, Sr. Vice President of City National Bank; and Ashon Nesbitt, CEO of the Florida Housing Coalition. Pioneering entrepreneur, Lorraine Mizell participated in the event. Pictured below are Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director of OESBD, Mrs. Lorraine Mizell, owner of Ivory's Takeout, and Shaheewa Jarrett Gelin, Esq., Founder of the Broward Black Chamber of Commerce.



From left to right: Sandy-Michael McDonald, Lorraine Mizell - Shaheewa Jarrett Gelin

- The Kauffman FastTrac half-day session: The Intentional Entrepreneur event was held at AARLCC on April 14, 2025. This workshop taught aspiring entrepreneurs how to establish their business's one-year vision.
- Participated in the Broward Sheriff's Office, BSO Public Safety Small/Local Business Expo on May 21, 2025, at the Urban League of Broward County. Staff presented in the "How to Do Business with Broward County" panel as well as, the Small Business team provided technical certification assistance.





BUILDING HEALTHY & VIBRANT PLACES

County and Partners Promotes Various Community Initiatives

- The African American Research Library & Cultural Center (AARLCC) hosted:
 - 191 students for the Black History Saturday School Program. This program is an engaging family workshop where participants explored the importance of storytelling, read stories by diverse authors, and created their own stories, songs, or skits, celebrating African American culture and history.
 - 687 students participated in the Mainstreaming Education College & Career Advancement Tutoring (MECCA) program. MECCA is available to students seeking additional academic assistance concerning Canvas assistance, ACT/SAT Prep, School Transition, Homework Assistance, and Social Skill Development.
- The Area Agency on Aging of Broward County's Dr. Nan Hutchison's Senior Hall of Fame event took place May 29, 2025. BMSD homeowner and CCCAB member Rev. Jessie Scipio Jr. was recognized for his years of service to the community and inducted in the Senior Hall of Fame along with several countywide honorees. Mayor Beam Furr congratulated Rev. Scipio.



From left to right: Rev. Jessie Scipio and Mayor Beam Furr at the Area Agency on Aging Hall of Fame Event



Commissioner McKinzie with volunteers and BSO deputies.

- The Rebuilding Together Broward's Day of Service was held on April 19, 2025, in Franklin Park. Volunteers that included Broward County staff painted and landscaped two houses.



Group picture taken at Rebuilding Together Broward Day of Service in the BMSD





County and Sheriff Strengthens Public Safety and Code Enforcement

- The Broward Sheriff's Office recently created a Central Broward Targeted Response Team [TRT]. The mission of the TRT is to proactively address crime trends, quality-of-life concerns, and community priorities through focused enforcement, strategic outreach, and collaborative problem-solving. The team strives to enhance public safety, reduce disorder, and build trust through adaptive, community-centered policing.

The TRT law enforcement actions are data-driven and focused on high-impact areas:

- Target known high-crime zones (e.g., burglary, robbery, auto-theft hotspots).
- Monitor and apprehend repeat offenders through surveillance and direct action.
- Execute warrant and probation/parole compliance checks.
- Conduct directed patrols and enforced ordinances related to blight and disorder (e.g., illegal dumping, gambling, narcotics).
- Collaborate with investigative units for coordinated crime suppression operations.

In addition to enforcement, TRT prioritizes proactive community involvement:

- Attend homeowner association meetings, town halls, and local events to maintain visibility and communication.
- Conduct foot patrols and business checks in high-traffic areas.
- Partner with code enforcement, fire rescue, and social services to address non-criminal issues impacting community well-being.
- Deliver outreach and educational efforts to at-risk populations.
- Work with local neighborhood leaders to create collaborative, community-based solutions.



From left to right: Deputy Dorsett - Boswell with children at Boulevard Gardens Park



ENHANCING A SAFER COMMUNITY

- The Central County Community Advisory Board (CCCAB)'s townhall with Broward Sheriff Gregory Tony, PhD. and Commissioner Robert McKenzie was held on February 19, 2025, at Franklin Park. Over 75 residents attended to hear the concerns of the CCCAB members and residents addressed by Sheriff Tony and Commissioner Robert McKenzie. As a follow-up, post the CCCAB meeting, BSO Lieutenant Randy Gresham has reported additional improvements in the District 5 area.



Commissioner McKenzie speaking at the CCCAB meeting



County Administrator Monica Cepero greeting CCCAB Members



CCCAB members - Sheriff Tony, Ph.D. at CCCAB meeting



Residents at the CCCAB Meeting

- The Code Enforcement Section branded vehicles with the new BMSD logo to help promote the BMSD and improve code inspectors' identity and visibility as they patrol and work in the neighborhoods.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thank you to the County agencies and community partners for the services you provide to the Broward Municipal Services District's (BMSD) residents. Your collaborations, programs, commitments, and investments are essential to improving the quality of life within the BMSD.

BROWARD COUNTY AGENCIES

Building Code
County Administration
Cultural
Emergency Management
Intergovernmental Affairs
Housing Finance
Human Services
Library
NatureScape
Office of Management and Budget
Office of Economic and Small Business Development
Office of Public Communications
Parks and Recreation
Public Works
Resilience Environment
Solid Waste and Recycling
Transit
Urban Planning

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Boys and Girls Club of Broward, Dr. Harold Reitman Unit
Broward County Public Schools
Broward County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue
Career Source Broward
Children's Services Council
OIC of South Florida
Urban League of Broward County
YMCA of South Florida



More Highlights of BMSD Meetings and Activities





Broward County Board of County Commissioners

Nan H. Rich - District 1 • **Mayor** Beam Furr - District 6 • **Vice Mayor** Mark D. Bogen - District 2
Michael Udine - District 3 • Lamar P. Fisher - District 4 • Steve Geller - District 5
Alexandra P. Davis - District 7 • Robert McKinzie - District 8 • Hazelle P. Rogers - District 9

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