

PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium

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Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium is a 110-acre regional park in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea that represents one of Broward County's most successful examples of land transformation. Once a municipal landfill, the site was redeveloped into a premier recreational destination that blends active sports facilities with meaningful natural features. In addition to its event spaces and athletic amenities, the park includes a natural trail, a protected natural area that supports local ecology, and the public artwork *Whirls and Swirls Vortex*, all of which contribute to its environmental and cultural value within an urban setting.

Development of the park began in phases in 2007, culminating in the completion of Broward County Stadium in 2008. The stadium quickly distinguished itself as the first International Cricket Council-certified cricket venue in the United States, establishing the park as a national leader in the sport. It continues to host high-level international cricket, including ICC-sanctioned matches and Major League Cricket play in 2025, reinforcing its reputation as a cornerstone of U.S. cricket infrastructure.



Beyond the stadium, Central Broward Park offers a wide range of athletic and recreational amenities, including multipurpose sports fields, cricket practice cages, walking trails, diverse court facilities, and event-ready spaces. These features support year-round programming such as youth and adult leagues, national and international competitions, community gatherings, and wellness activities. The park's versatility allows it to serve residents, athletes, and visitors alike, functioning as both a neighborhood resource and a regional destination.

Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium is also a major cultural hub, hosting signature events such as J'ouvert, the Festival of Colors, and high-profile competitions like the United States Premier League Cricket Tournament. These celebrations and tournaments draw



diverse audiences from across Florida, the nation, and abroad, enhancing Broward County's cultural vibrancy and tourism appeal.

Together, the park's history, amenities, and programming reflect the County's commitment to repurposing underutilized land into a dynamic community asset that supports recreation, culture, and international sports engagement.

Quick Facts & Economic Impact

- A nationally recognized cricket venue that hosts international teams and functions as a regional hub for cricket and multipurpose athletics.
- Major events draw thousands of visitors each year and, in partnership with Visit Lauderdale, generate significant economic impact for Broward County.
- Revenue is trending upward, with FY 2026 projections near \$400,000, reflecting higher event activity and use.



Recently Completed Projects

- Ongoing upgrades ensure the venue meets international cricket standards and modern broadcasting, technology, and infrastructure requirements for large-scale events.
- Improvements to seating, locker rooms, spectator amenities, and athletic fields enhance both player experience and visitor comfort.
- Sustainability and site enhancements include the addition of EV charging stations and continued progress on the ice-house project, now approaching its second phase.

Current and Upcoming Projects

- Ongoing stadium and field improvements are designed to support multi-sport use and attract additional international-level competitions.
- Expanded programming and strategic partnerships aim to activate the park year-round and broaden its community and athletic reach.
- Continued capital investments focus on elevating the overall visitor experience and enhancing the park's long-term functionality.

