

BMSD Code Compliance Semi-Annual Report

January 2023

SEMI-ANNUAL PERIOD STATISTICS (JULY - DECEMBER 2022)

Our BMSD Code Compliance Section:

- Conducted 1,313 field inspections
 - Performed 1,215 community standards inspections
 - Performed **98** land clearance inspections
- Opened **713** code enforcement cases
- Initiated 621 proactive enforcement cases
- Responded to 92 cases due to citizen complaints
- Issued **48** administrative citations
- Achieved compliance on 578 cases

Public Nuisance Abatement Activities:

- Declared 45 Land Clearing Public Nuisances
- Ordered 6 public nuisance lots abated by vendor
- Cited 8 violations for unsecured vacant property
- Opened **226** cases for improper vehicle storage
- Issued **39** violations for prohibited open air storage

Property Maintenance and Minimum Housing:

- Issued **138** violations for property grounds maintenance
- Cited **33** locations for improper bulk trash placement
- Inspected 45 cases for building maintenance violations
- Opened **10** substandard housing cases

Activities to improve property maintenance:

- Issued **153** landlord registration violations
- Performed 435 annual rental property inspections
- Brought **35** cases into compliance before abatement required
- Complied **35** violations before notice necessary

The Code Compliance Section does not enforce municipal ordinances within other jurisdictions. Our area of routine patrol and complaint response is limited to the following neighborhoods located in the Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD) formally known as Unincorporated Broward County:

Boulevard Gardens	<u>Hillsboro Pines</u>	<u>Washington</u> <u>Park</u>
Broadview Park	Hillsboro Ranches	
<u>Franklin Park</u>	Roosevelt Gardens	

BMSD CODE COMPLIANCE HIGHLIGHTS:

LONG DISTANCE INVESTIGATION RESULTS IN PROPERTY TRANSFORMATION

Sometimes tracking down someone who is responsible for maintaining a vacant property can be difficult. This was the case with a property in the Boulevard Gardens neighborhood that was recently purchased by a neighbor and quickly sold to a business that was located outside of Broward County. However, numerous attempts at notifying the owner by mail resulted in returned letters with the property and grounds remaining in violation. Using various research techniques and scouring public records, staff tracked down someone in California, connected with the purchase of the property. After being able to serve notices of corrections required, the result was a welcomed transformation.

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KEEP CLUTTER OUT OF SIGHT!

A common violation that occurs at residential homes is the open-air storage of unpermitted items on the exterior portions of buildings, yards, and in carports. Outside storage is not only regulated because of the potential for items to become airborne during the high wind events, but also to prevent the unsightly appearance. Only items specifically designed and intended for outdoor use by residents such as patio furniture, trash carts, pool or lawn equipment are permitted outside of residential buildings or accessory storage structures. Outdoor grilling or play equipment are not permitted in front yards.



IMPORTANT REMINDER - TIPS FOR REPORTING ILLEGAL DUMPING!

Unlawful or improper dumping has negative impacts on communities that extends far beyond the eyesore that is 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 BMSD Code Compliance for investigation by calling 311.

Report a complaint:



