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PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES UPDATE

Tracking Progress on Fort Lauderdale Commission Priorities for 2022

May 2022

JOINT USE PARK SPACE SPOTLIGHT

15 Park Improvement Projects Adopted by the City Commission

The City of Fort Lauderdale is continuing to make significant progress towards expanding the availability of park space for the mutual benefit of school students and residents within the community. The City Commission adopted two resolutions presented by the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board recommending 15 Park Improvement Projects in cooperation with the School Board of Broward County.

This initiative is a collective effort that continues to be extensively driven by community feedback, including insights from the Education Advisory Board, the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board, a designated Joint Use Working Group comprised of staff from the City of Fort Lauderdale and School Board of Broward County, and numerous public outreach meetings for public input which defined the initiatives and shaped overarching scope and objectives. Improvements in walkability, expansion of recreational opportunities, bridging skill gaps, and investing in educational outcomes are all shared strategic planning goals of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the School Board of Broward County, and Broward County. Pooling resources creates a win-win for all partners and community members.

Internal collaboration between the City's Parks and Recreation Department and the Education Office were also instrumental in advancing this project and expanding the City's partnership with the School Board of Broward County to benefit the community. Multiple site visits and school meetings, facilitated and supported by the School Board of Broward County administration, were completed by the Joint Use Working Group, in conjunction with other primary stakeholders, to empirically review and evaluate locations against pre-established criteria. This partnership is an innovative way to expand and enhance the City's recreational offerings, particularly in park deserts, while also improving our schools.

School/Park	Improvement Amount
Croissant Park Elementary School	\$2,620,000.00
Dillard 6-12 School/Park	\$100,000.00
Floranada Elementary School	\$783,000.00
Lauderdale Manors Elementary School	\$1,856,000.00
Harbordale Elementary School/Park	\$275,000.00
North Fork Elementary School/Park	\$775,000.00
Rock Island Elementary School/Park	\$262,500.00
Sheridan Technical High School/Sunset Park	\$1,029,000.00
Stephen Foster Elementary School/Park	\$450,000.00
Stranahan High School/Park	\$350,000.00
Sunrise Middle School/Park	\$1,725,000.00
Thurgood Marshall Elementary School/Park	\$400,000.00
Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School/Park	\$375,000.00
Walker Elementary School	\$650,700.00
Westwood Heights Elementary School/Park	\$375,000.00



Bennett Elementary Playground