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Our City has been impacted by these trends as well. We are, however, committed to continuing to bring the community the same local and school news we have had for years. We are restructuring and reinvigorating ourselves for a prosperous 2023.

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JANUARY 1

Swan Lake, Presented by the State Ballet Theatre of Ukraine

"Swan Lake" is the most famous ballet of classical heritage. His theatrical fate vividly illustrates all the significant aesthetic and artistic changes that the 20th-century ballet theater has undergone. Tchaikovsky's masterpiece attracted the attention of many choreographers in the world. The Show starts at 6:00 pm at the Coral Springs Center for the Performing Arts. Scan the QR code for tickets or to support the Ukrainian dancers.



JANUARY 1

Dream Car Classic Show

Check out dozens of classic cars in downtown Hollywood or show off your own. Connoisseurs will be shining up their trucks, hot rods, European convertibles and muscle cars. 11:00- 3:00 in downtown Hollywood. For more info call 954-825-1027 or email jbevrs@msn.com.

JANUARY 7-8



Las Olas Art Fair

This season, the iconic artistic event known as The Las Olas Art Fair Part I returns with more than 200 local and national artists in a stunning showcase of art across all mediums. The free, outdoor pet-friendly event features a fully vetted, juried selection of fine art. Sculpture, jewelry, woodwork, paintings, wearable art, and more are displayed gallery-style for the enjoyment of art appreciators, collectors, shoppers, and pedestrians alike. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday on Las Olas Blvd. For more info, visit www.artfestival.com.

JANUARY 7

ArtsPark Movie Night

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JANUARY 12

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For more info or to register visit www.hollywoodhalf.com.



Downtown Hollywood Art Walk

The Downtown Hollywood ArtWalk is back! This monthly event is open to all. Explore all that downtown Hollywood has to offer! Visit galleries and shops while enjoying art, cultural entertainment, live music, murals, and more! Artisan Market, 6pm-11pm; Mural Tour, 6pm-7pm; Gallery Tour, 7pm-8pm; Impulse Art - fusion of music and foot painting, 8pm-9pm. For more info visit floridashollywood.org/ArtWalk/

JANUARY 21



Rotary 5K Run for PAL

Join us in supporting our community's youngest and brightest as they work towards excellence. The Rotary Club of Hollywood is hosting this event to raise funds for the children in the Police Athletic League. The Police Athletic League is a cooperative effort of the Hollywood Police Department, community volunteers, businesses leaders and citizens that is funded by public contributions that go directly to the youth at PAL. The race sets off from Charnow Park on Hollywood Beach. Scan the QR code for more info & to enter.

JANUARY 27

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JANUARY 29

My Hollywood Pride

After a hugely successful Inaugural event, My Hollywood Pride returns to Downtown Hollywood for its 2nd year. Join us as we celebrate YOU! What makes you proud to be yourself? What makes you proud about living, working and/or playing in Hollywood? This one-day street fair (the 1900 block of Hollywood Blvd.) will be full of activities and learning for all ages, from 1pm to 6pm. Local businesses will be out to support diversity, equity and inclusion, and everyone can enjoy the musical entertainment. 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm. For more info visit www.myhollywoodpride.com



JANUARY 16

Martin Luther King Day

Celebrate the life of the Christian minister and activist who became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the civil rights movement. Join your neighbors and friends in reflecting on the incredible advances our society has made and what more needs to be done in order to have a truly free and equal country.



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"The Candy Cane Parade is a great opportunity for the people of Hollywood to get together," said Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy,

"It was great to see everyone on the broadwalk."

In addition to the floats and holiday displays, the Candy Cane Parade also features a variety of family-friendly activities, including live music, craft vendors, and food trucks. Visitors enjoyed hot cocoa, holiday treats, and other festive treats as they enjoyed the parade.

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This 4-bedroom, 2 bath features a large living room, open style kitchen, spacious family room, with hurricane proof glass doors leading out to a screened in pool area overlooking lake views with seawall. This home offers a split bedroom plan, crown molding throughout, loads of storm windows and sprinkler system.



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Broward County Schools Participates in \$2 Million Computer Science Grant

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is proud to partner with the non-profit organization, Digital Promise, to help expand computer science in schools, not just in Broward County, but across the nation.

BCPS is one of six school districts across the country invited by Digital Promise to collaborate in a new, four-year, \$2 million National Science Foundation Research-Practice Partnership. It's

called Districts Helping Districts: Scaling Inclusive Computational Thinking Pathways. The goal of the partnership is to develop and refine strategies for increasing computer science participation by learners from underrepresented backgrounds.

The District's work for the grant is kicking off as BCPS celebrates Computer Science Education Week (December 5 – 11), which was expanded this year to include "Hour of Code" activities

throughout the entire month of December. The annual Hour of Code celebration raises awareness about the importance of expanding access to computer science in schools and inspires students to complete at least one hour of coding activities this month. The theme for BCPS this year is Discover the Metaverse: Create Your Place in Cyberspace.

"We're preparing all our students for life and their future careers, where virtual and real-life experiences intersect," said BCPS STEM + Computer Science Supervisor Dr. Lisa Milenkovic. "In every industry pathway – whether you are working in a retail sector, a tech sector or anything in between – the impact of technology and the need for computer science skills continues to grow."

"As a diverse, urban school district, we are in a unique position to share what we have learned about expanding computer science in schools and the strategies we are using to meet the needs of every student," added BCPS Superintendent Dr. Vickie L. Cartwright. "Through this partnership, we will help our peer school districts grow their computer science programs to ultimately have computer science available in every school and for every student."



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BCPS Superintendent Makes Surprise Visits to Announce Teacher of the Year Finalists for BCPS 2023 Caliber Awards

Congratulations to the outstanding educators chosen as Teacher of the Year finalists for Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) 2023 Caliber Awards. On Friday, December 9, BCPS Superintendent Dr. Vickie L. Cartwright, School Board members, and school leaders visited teachers in their classrooms with the surprise announcements and gift baskets.

The five finalists vying for the top honor include:

Dr. Danielle Bradley, a ninth-grade Cambridge AICE, honors and gifted English teacher at Coral Glades High School (21 years in education, all with BCPS).

“Dr. Bradley has a dynamic way of including students authentically in their own learning,” said Principal Dr. Mark Kaplan. “She methodically plans her lessons and demonstrates an uncanny ability to make those lessons come alive for her students.”

Otto Jesus Rodriguez, an 11th grade science teacher at South Broward High School (35 years in education, 20 years with BCPS).

“Mr. Rodriguez sets the bar extremely high for all those who work in education with his compassion, dedication and level of service to his students,” said Principal Patricia Brown. “It is difficult to

convey how awe-inspiring Mr. Rodriguez truly is. He has an outstanding impact on all his students and colleagues.”

Haley Shurack, a pre-K Exceptional Student Education teacher for the deaf and hard of hearing at Tropical Elementary School (five years in education, three with BCPS).

“Mrs. Shurack has demonstrated success in working with children through her love and care for her students,” said Principal Robert Schneider. “She has been a leader in innovative teaching techniques for our youngest deaf and hard-of-hearing students. Her work over the years has been marked by devotion, integrity and loyalty.”

Lashaundra Williams, a ninth – 12th grade social science, U.S. history and Advanced Placement psychology teacher at Hallandale High School (nine years in education, seven with BCPS).

“Ms. Williams is an enthusiastic educator who works tirelessly to ensure her students receive every opportunity to reach their full potential,” said Principal Mark Howard. “As the social studies department chair, she leads her department with integrity and attention to detail.”

Jennifer Wilson, a sixth-grade language arts

teacher at Tequesta Trace Middle School (16 years in education, eight with BCPS).

“Mrs. Wilson is a teacher who does not know how to say no,” said her Principal Robert Rivera. “Her leadership is infectious. Her tenacity is incomparable. Her passion for teaching and learning has impacted those around her to be better teachers and administrators.”

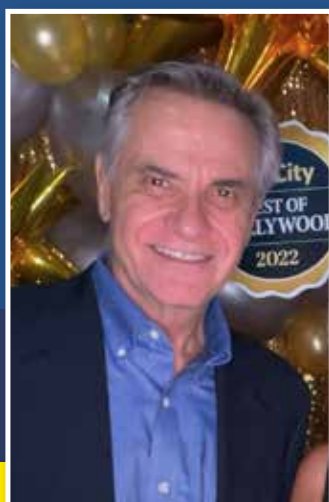
“I extend warm congratulations to all the Teachers of the Year and especially to the five finalists who work hard each day to ensure every student has access to a world-class education,” Cartwright said. “We celebrate and honor all of our incredible teachers who demonstrate unwavering dedication to engaging, encouraging and inspiring our students.”

The District’s Teacher of the Year will be announced during the 2023 Caliber Awards Ceremony – an event designed to honor the nominees, semi-finalists and finalists for Teacher of the Year, Principal of the Year, Assistant Principal of the Year and School-Related Employee of the Year – for their exemplary service in education and dedication to students. The event takes place at DRV PNK Stadium in Fort Lauderdale on Friday, February 3, 2023, at 6 p.m.

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Broward County Commuter Rail Approved

Broward County received official notice from the U. S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA) that the first phase of the long-awaited Broward Commuter Rail-South (BCR-South) has been approved to enter Project Development (PD) phase.

This official approval opens the door to possible federal funding via the Capital Investment Grant program of FTA and will allow all funds expended by Broward and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) from this point forward to count against local funding match requirements of a future grant. It also places the BCR-South project on the list published by the FTA of projects "in-line" for potential funding, most likely via a Small Starts grant, providing up to \$150 million in federal funding for projects below a \$400 million threshold (capital costs for BCR-South are presently estimated at \$297 million).

"We are very pleased by this development and appreciate the support and cooperation of both the FTA, along with our partners from the Florida Department of Transportation, who have been instrumental in helping us reach this important milestone," said Broward County Mayor Lamar Fisher.

FDOT recently announced that it has programmed \$74 million to be available to help support the local match requirements of the potential FTA grant, approximately 25% of the estimated capital cost. FDOT and the County signed a Memorandum of Understanding outlining collaborative efforts to develop this new public transit initiative in January 2021.

"With this news, we are one step closer to leveraging both state and federal funds for this important public transit initiative, bringing in outside resources to assist with covering a majority of the cost to build the new system and begin the transformation of our community," said Monica Cepero, County Administrator.

Broward County officials are coordinating closely with counterparts in Miami-Dade County, who in parallel are developing the southern-most extension of the commuter rail project. Their section is referred to as the "Northeast Corridor" within Miami-Dade's "Smart Mobility" master plan. Palm Beach County is also participating, as the counties work to define governance and operations approaches of the new system.



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The Hollywood Women's Club Supporting Women for 100 Years



The Hollywood Women's Club recently celebrated its 100th anniversary. The club holds a singular place in the history of Hollywood. It was not only the first Club to be organized but did, in-fact, pre-date the founding of the City of Hollywood.

The Club was founded in 1922 by The First Ladies of Hollywood, mostly the wives of officers of the companies which comprised the J.W. Young Organization. They guided the club through the early depression years and built its Clubhouse in 1927 on land donated by Mr. Joseph W. Young. The Club became a member of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs in 1922 and of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in 1924.

Early club members actively embarked on a number of projects, including, the donation of hundreds of books, which founded the first public library, organizing Tag Day sales to obtain funds that were used to finance health screenings for local school children, obtaining a County Agent to assist farmers migrating into the area with adequate housing and welfare, and holding War Bonds Drives to support the troops during World War 2.

Today, the club works to support literacy programs via the Born to Read Project, raises funds for its Youth Scholarship Fund in collaboration with the Hollywood Rotary Club, participates in Hollywood Historical Society activities, and supports the Neighborhood Crime Watch program and Night Out Against Crime in collaboration with the Lakes Civic Association and the Hollywood Police Department.

The Hollywood Women's Club hosts several annual fund raising events and is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, supporting Special Olympics, the Hacienda Girls Ranch, Canine Companions for Independence, Roc Camp for children with cancer, Sew Much Comfort, and Heifer International.

The Clubhouse

The original plans for a Clubhouse were made in 1924 for an ornate Mediterranean style house, but since the house was actually built in the midst of the economic collapse following the hurricane of 1926, the design was changed drastically to a modest Classical Revival building, and completed by 1927 at a cost of \$25,000.

Over the years, the Club has been restoring the Clubhouse. Recognized by the City of Hollywood for its importance, it was designated a local historical landmark in 1985, and decreed a National Historic Place in 1995. It is one of the few surviving architectural examples of its era in the Hollywood area.

The Hollywood Women's Club members enjoy coming together to engage with each other and the community through countless volunteer projects that focus on women and children. Through this work, friendships are made that last a lifetime. Meetings start with social and networking time followed by a short business meeting and a program. Members bring appetizers and beverages to share with each other.

Meetings are held in the evening and take place on the second Wednesday of each month from 6:30PM to 8:00PM at our newly renovated clubhouse, located at 501 North Fourteenth Avenue in Hollywood. The Hollywood Women's Club is registered as a National Historic Landmark.

To learn more about the Hollywood Women's Club visit www.hollywoodwomensclub.org.

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Faith-Based Schools

All Saints Catholic School

10900 W. Oakland Park Blvd, Sunrise
www.allsaintscatholicschool.net

Grades: PK-8 | 954-742-4842

All Saints Catholic School seeks to provide an atmosphere rich in the Catholic faith where each child is challenged to grow spiritually, academically, and emotionally in a safe and nurturing environment.

Archbishop Edward McCarthy High School

5451 S. Flamingo Road, SW Ranches
www.mccarthyhigh.net

Grades: 9-12 | 954-434-8820

Archbishop McCarthy High School embraces a mission of innovation in Catholic education and fosters innovation in teaching and learning. The curriculum offers honors, advanced placement and dual-enrollment courses.

Technology is integral to the curriculum with state-of-the-art facilities, including laboratories, the iLounge and iCatholicEd classroom; flexible learning spaces that transition for different types of instruction. Classrooms have interactive displays allowing teachers to mirror iPads, annotate over content and play 4K videos.

Four classroom buildings house science and computer labs. Extracurricular programs include athletics, theater, dance, art, band & robotics. The multi-purpose stadium/sports complex has practice fields for football, soccer, track & field, baseball; varsity locker rooms; gymnasium; a health/fitness center; and a broadcasting studio. Safety is a priority with security personnel on campus daily & cameras throughout. Exterior/interior doors have access-control entry.

Bethany Christian School

615 SE 9th Street, Fort Lauderdale
www.bcsftl.org

Grades: PK-8 | 954-522-2554

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2900 NE 47th Street, Fort Lauderdale
www.cgshsfl.org

Grades: 9-12 | 954-491-2900

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Chaminade Madonna College Preparatory

500 E. Chaminade Drive, Hollywood
www.cmlions.org

Grades: 9-12 | 954-989-5150

Founded in the Marianist Tradition, Chaminade-Madonna College Preparatory is part of a network of Marianist schools. Their vision and philosophy reflect the educational principles

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David Posnack Jewish Day School

5810 S. Pine Island Road, Davie
www.posnackschol.org

Grades: K-12 | 954-583-6100

David Posnack Jewish Day School offers students a unique learning experience. Combining academic rigor in general and Judaic Studies with award-winning arts and sports programming, the Posnack School prepares students for lifelong achievement. 100% of students from their class or 2018 were accepted into 4-year colleges; over 75% of students participate in at least one sports team; and, they offer electives in truly unique subjects like Madarin, Human Genetics, Yoga and much more.

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Grades: K-8 | 954-432-7022

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Saint David Catholic School

3900 S University Drive, Davie
www.saintdavidschool.org

Grades: PK-8 | 954-472-7086

The mission of Saint David Catholic School is to provide a foundation for nurturing of the Catholic faith, traditions, and academic excellence. Catholic education strives to educate the whole child: spiritually, emotionally, socially, intellectually, artistically, and physically. Our curricula and co-curricular activities are designed to instill in each student a reverence for God and all His creation and to affirm the rich diversity of our students, families, teachers while building positive community involvement.

Saint Gregory the Great Catholic School

200 N University Drive, Plantation
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Grades: PK-8 | 954-473-8169

St. Gregory School, committed to the values of the Catholic Church, is an intellectually challenging, harmonious community in Broward County. Serving early childhood through 8th grade, students are encouraged to demonstrate honorable values, embrace meaningful service and reflect learned knowledge. The school cultivates an environment where students genuinely love to learn and seamlessly advance on a foundation built for their unique successes throughout life.

Saint Thomas Aquinas High School

2801 SW 12th Street, Fort Lauderdale
www.aquinas-sta.org

Grades: 9-12 | 954-581-0700

St. Thomas Aquinas High School, a Roman Catholic, co-educational, college preparatory school has acquired national recognition for academic and athletic excellence. Founded in 1936, STA has provided quality Catholic secondary education to Fort Lauderdale and the South Florida community for 83 years. Committed to the philosophy of Saint Thomas Aquinas, STA defines learning as the simultaneous and harmonious development of all facets of the human personality and strives to cultivate the achievements of each student.

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3751 Sheridan Street, Hollywood
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Grades: PK-12 | 954-966-7995

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Westminster Academy

5601 N Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale
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Grades: PK-12 | 954-771-4600

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12200 W. Broward Boulevard, Plantation
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Grades: PK-12 | 954-472-0022

American Heritage School is a nationally recognized college preparatory school that provides a rigorous and well-rounded education with superior programs in academics, the arts, and athletics. Its Lower School offers advanced courses, including the Stanford University math program for accelerated math students in grades 4 through 6; 15 elective classes are also integrated into all students' daily schedules. Its Upper School offers 135 honors courses, 28 AP courses, a Pre-Professional Program with pre-med, pre-law, pre-engineering, biomedical engineering, computer science, and business, as well as a Science Research Institute with cutting-edge research and findings. More than 60 student-run clubs and honor societies are available at all grade levels.

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MAIN: 6311 Orange Drive, Davie

HIGH SCHOOL: 4650 SW 61st Ave., Davie

MIDDLE SCHOOL: 5725 Orange Drive, Davie
www.aefschools.com

Grades: K-12 | 954-521-822

AEF provides and promotes a unique environment that fosters the growth of the individual. Their program encourages the development of the whole student by focusing on social skills, cognitive skills, and academics. Their staff work to instill knowledge and values which help students both inside and outside the classroom environment.

Apple Tree Montessori School

6301 SW 160th Ave., SW Ranches
www.appletreemont.com

Grades: PK-8 | 954-252-9250

Apple Tree Montessori School embraces the Montessori method for students from pre-K through 8th grade. The individuality of each child in respect to their needs and talents is the school's focus. Students are given the opportunity to realize their full academic potential. The child manages time effectively while being responsible for completing each lesson.



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Center Academy

4700 Riverside Dr., Coral Springs
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Grades: 4-12 | 954-575-1231

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Conservatory Prep Schools

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Divine Academy

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Grades: K-12 | 954-499-4638

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2230 Hollywood Blvd, Hollywood
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Dramatic Play Has a Positive Correlation with Child Language and Cognitive Development

By Julia Grudsky, MS. Ed---Sunshine State Academy Curriculum Coordinator

The principle proposed by Curtis and Carter (2017), “draw on children’s deep fascination with drama and magical thinking” (p.200) is a great way to motivate young learners. Dramatic play in the early childhood classroom is considered by many to be one of the most important kinds of play young children can engage in because this area allows children to practice their language development skills with their peers while learning social cues from one another. This area also allows children to experiment and shadow what is seen done by adults in their everyday lives. Dramatic play allows children to become autonomous and creative in the way they pair objects and bring meaning to their use.

“Teachers can create dramatic play opportunities that specifically reflect children’s interests and encourage them to represent and deepen their understanding “(Curtis & Carter, 2017, p.200). Children learn

cooperation and being flexible through dramatic play via social cues given by their peers. In order to play house, children must understand specific roles set as the mother, father, and child roles and flexibility comes in sharing the roles in a responsible and caring manner. Children learn to coexist by seeing differences in each other’s character and speech patterns.

As shown by Reutzel (2013), “healthy children are born into the world as engaged learners-naturally curious, persist, resilient, and intrinsically motivated to master their environment” (p.194). Allowing children to explore the world through magic and dramatic play lays a framework that the world of learning can be creatively manipulated by each learner. Playing dress up, being a chef, building a tower, watching birds, and engaging with animals within the class allows for children to freely and enthusiastically be motivated intrinsically to learn.



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HOLLYWOOD UPDATE

By Mayor Josh Levy

For this edition of Our City Hollywood, let's talk about environmental sustainability - the ability for our city to meet our needs without compromising the environment for the needs of the future generations that will live in our city.

In Hollywood, we are striving to make our city a model of sustainability by recognizing the environment as an asset, and as such, we work to reduce the impacts of municipal operations and empower residents, business owners, employees, and visitors to partner with the City in taking bold, proactive and evidence-based actions to create a resilient, accessible, attractive, healthy, and prosperous city. Below are a number of ways we are taking action:

GREEN BUILDING - New government buildings, such as the recently completed Fire Station 45, and the upcoming Hollywood Police Headquarters, Art & Culture Center/Hollywood addition, and Hollywood Beach Golf Course Clubhouse will be constructed to green building standards that focus on water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection, waste reduction, indoor environmental quality and more.

ENERGY USE - Partnering with Noresco, we are identifying city-wide opportunities to reduce energy use as we replace HVAC systems and convert streetlights to LED. We will also increase access to electric vehicle charging stations and design new city facilities to be solar-ready.

ACCESSIBLE MOBILITY - Transit Oriented Development will create new living spaces around transit corridors such as State Road 7 and the Broward County Commuter Rail station planned for downtown Hollywood. Complete Streets are being implemented city-wide for safe and convenient use by people of all ages and abilities, allowing for safe travel for walking, bicycling, driving, public transportation, and deliveries. Plus, our Bicycle Mobility Plan is identifying opportunities to build on these strengths to create a connected city-wide network of safe bicycle facilities to provide mobility and recreational opportunities that our residents are excited to enjoy.

STORMWATER & OPEN SPACE PLANNING - We're updating our Floodplain Management Plan and completed Phase I of the City's Stormwater Master Plan, developing a comprehensive stormwater model and providing an action plan and review of our stormwater utility. Also, in the years to come, the 45-acre site of the former Sunset Golf Course will be converted to a nature preserve and passive public park including nature trails, Florida-friendly landscaping and stormwater retention areas.

ADAPTATION PROJECTS - In 2022, we were awarded a \$16 million matching grant for projects to help address the impacts of sea level rise, tidal flooding, and storm surge. The City-Wide Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan is also currently underway, where we are assessing all City assets, critical infrastructure and systems, evacuation routes, and important county, public and private assets like hospitals, schools, and assisted living facilities to identify areas in need of improvement for hardening. Resiliency improvements have already been completed for the public boat ramp launching area at Polk Street. We also implemented the Recapture the Swale program that focuses on restoring the usefulness of swales as a green stormwater infrastructure solution across the city. On the beach, and through a joint effort of the Department of Public Utilities, the Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency Beach District, Broward County and Florida Department of Transportation, we are redesigning drainage systems, undergrounding overhead utilities, elevating road heights, and installing additional pumps. Control Valves along North and South Lake and the Intracoastal Waterway to prevent tidal water from flowing back into the drainage system is also a focus area.

BEACH RESTORATION - Hollywood is slated to receive 170,000 – 200,000 cubic yards of sand as part of the Army Corp of Engineers and Broward County Segment 3 of the Beach Renourishment Project that is already underway at Mizell-Johnson State Park. The additional sand will raise the height of the beach and extend it past the high water line, with sand dune projects part of the mix as well.

Lots going on and lots to do. Here's to Sustainable Hollywood!

Pet of the Month



"Kona"

Kona is a 7 years old chihuahua, she was adopted from the Gulf Coast Humane Society during a nursing travel assignment in Ft. Myers 7 years ago. She has been my travel companion through all the different moves. Kona loves sunbathing, traveling in the car, vegan treats, belly rubs, runs around the neighborhood and just sitting on my lap during my off days and was my source of comfort at the height of Covid. We love South Florida and the warm weather!

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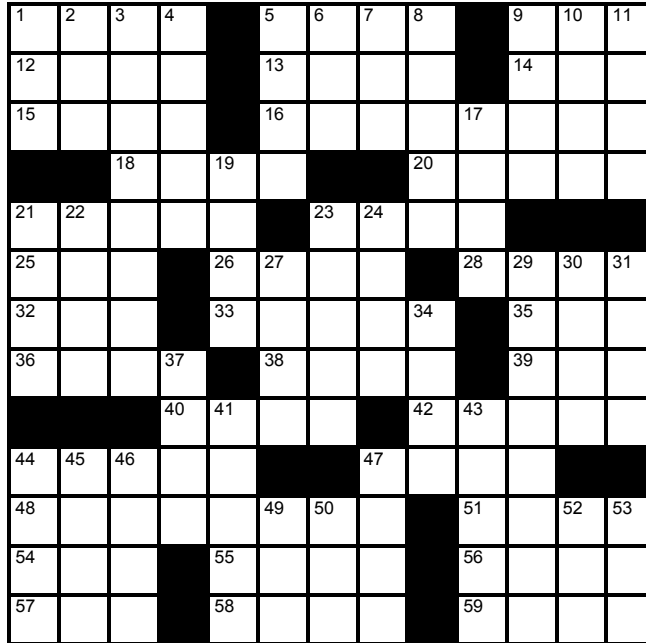
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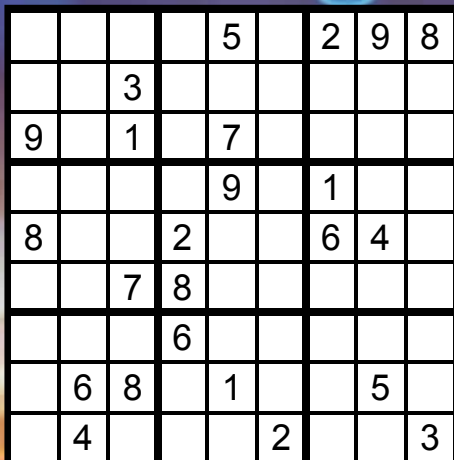
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