## Miami-Dade Parks Annual Guide





Parks, Programs, Activities, Attractions & Events

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The Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department has received accreditation from the Commission for the Accreditation of Park and Regional Agencies (CAPRA) of the National Recreation and Park Association.

To request material in accessible format, information on access for persons with disabilities, or sign language interpreter services (7 days in advance), call 305-755-7848.



## WELCOME!

The Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department invites you to discover the fun and adventure waiting for you at its diverse parks and attractions throughout Miami-Dade County. Our park facilities provide recreation space and equipment, as well as programming and activities for kids, adults, seniors, and people with disabilities. So, come play outside with us and enjoy the benefits of being outdoors in nature, and rediscover why you love living in Miami.

Nationally accredited, a three-time winner of the National Recreation & Parks Association Gold Medal Award, winner of the Florida Governor's 2013 Sustained Excellence Award and the 2009 Sterling Award for excellence in management and operations, Miami-Dade County Parks is the third largest county park system in the United States, consisting of 260 parks and 12,825 acres. It is one of the most unique park and recreation systems in the world.

Miami-Dade County Parks is proudly supported by The Parks Foundation of Miami-Dade.

Use this booklet as a general guide and visit www.miamidade.gov/parks for more detailed information.



## FITNESS & ACTIVITIES

#### Active Adults 55+ Programs & Walking Clubs

#### **ACTIVE ADULTS 55+ PROGRAMS**

Active Adults 55+ Programs include Masters tennis, SNAG® golf, yoga, tai chi, Stanford self-management Living Healthy programs, line dancing, exercise programs designed for Active Adults 55+, walking, excursions to art museums, concerts, sporting events, local attractions including Zoo Miami, Redlands Fruit and Spice Park, Deering Estate and much more.\* The parks below offer a variety of programs.



11350 SW 216 St. Miami Miami (305) 255-2399

**North Trail Park** 780 NW 127 Ave. Miami (305) 207-2420

**Continental Park** 10000 SW 82 Ave. Miami (305) 274-9666

**Gwen Cherry Park** 7090 NW 22 Ave. (305) 694-4889

**Ruben Dario Park** 9825 W. Flagler St. Miami 305-222-2194

**Country Village Park** 6550 NW 188 Ter. Miami (305) 622-2594

**Highland Oaks Park** 20300 NE 24 Ave. Miami (305) 932-2164

**South Dade Park** 28151 SW 164 Ave. Homestead (305) 247-9453

**Deerwood Bonita** Lakes Park 14445 SW 122 Ave. Miami (305) 234-1660

**Martin Luther King** Jr. Memorial Park 6000 NW 32 Ct. Miami (305) 633-2044

**Tropical Estates Park** 10201 SW 48 St. Miami (305) 226-5782

Yoga & Pilates

The Deering Estate at Cutler offers yoga and pilates classes for individuals ages 18 and up. Two different yoga courses are available: Beginner's Yoga and Vinyasa Yoga. For more information on class schedules and program costs, please visit http://www.deeringestate.org/ pages/Enrichment-Classes-for-Adults.aspx. The Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Palmetto Bay, (305) 235-1668 ext. 233

West Perrine Park 10301 SW 170 Ter. Miami (305) 235-2053

**Westwind Lakes Park** 6805 SW 152 Ave. Miami (305) 388-4771

#### "WALK WITH EASE" & "WALK FOR LIFE" WALKING PROGRAMS

Please visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/walk-with-ease.asp for more information.

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Liga Nica Baseball Tamiami Park 11201 SW 24 St. Miami (305) 223-7077

Water Exercise Class A.D. Barnes Pool 3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 665-1626

Cuban-American Softball League • Kendall Indian **Hammocks Park** 

• Tamiami Park Tropical Park

Fencing Tamiami Park 11201 SW 24 St. Miami (305) 223-7077

Low-impact Water Exercise Tamiami Pool 11201 SW 24 St. Miami (305) 223-7077



#### **Fitness Boot Camps**

A.D. Barnes Park 3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 666-5883

**Kendall Soccer** 

(305) 275-1152

8011 SW 127 Ave.

**Park** 

Miami

**Blue Lakes Park** 4225 SW 92 Ave. Miami Please call Kendall Indian Hammocks Park at (305) 596-9324

**McMillan Park** 

(305) 382-6407

Miami

6125 SW 133 Ave.

**Devon Aire Park** 10411 SW 122 Ave. Miami (305) 270-4951

**Millers Pond Park** 13350 SW 47 St. Miami (305) 207-1730

**Kendall Indian Hammocks Park** 11395 SW 79 St. Miami (305) 596-9324

Tamiami Park 11201 SW 24 St. Miami (786) 315-5295

**Tropical Park** 7900 SW 40 St. Miami (305) 226-8315

### Fitness Zones® & Fitness Courts Outdoor Gyms

A.D. Barnes Park 3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 666-5883

4225 SW 92 Ave. Miami Please call Kendall Indian Hammocks Park at (305) 596-9324

**Blue Lakes Park** 

Miami Please call Tamiami Park at (786) 315-5295 **Oak Grove Park** 

**Concord Park** 

3301 SW 114 Ave.

7090 NW 22 Ave. Miami (305) 694-4889

South Dade Park 28151 SW 164 Ave. Homestead (305) 247-9453

**Gwen Cherry** 

Park (Y.E.T.)

Jefferson **Reeves Park** 3090 NW 50 St. Miami (305) 635-2081

**West Perrine Park** 

10301 SW 170 Ter.

(305) 235-2053

Miami

Leisure Lakes Park 29305 Illinois Rd. Miami (305) 248-1527

**Martin Luther King** Jr. Memorial Park 6000 NW 32 Ct. Miami (305) 633-2044

Marva Y. **Bannerman Park** 4830 NW 24 Ave. Miami (305) 633-4064

690 NE 159 St. Miami (305) 944-8670

#### Marked Walking Courses

Amelia Earhart Park 401 E 65 St. Hialeah (305) 685-8389

**Greynolds Park** 17530 W Dixie Hwy. North Miami Beach (305) 945-3425

Matheson **Hammock Park** 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475

**Tropical Park** 7900 SW 40 St. Miami (305) 226-8315 ext. 221

Stand-Up Paddleboarding Yoga

Matheson **Hammock Park** 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475

<sup>\*</sup> Call park to check on program availability.





#### **Pool Facilities**

There are many swimming facilities located across Miami-Dade County that offer various programs and services to the public. All of the pools listed are outdoors. Currently, there are five pools open all year with heating capabilities and six pools that are open during summer months only.

Pool fees vary from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a person, depending on the facility. Pool lifts are available at ALL pools. For more information, please call the park of your choice.

#### \*YEAR-ROUND POOLS

A.D. Barnes Pool 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami (305) 665-1626

**Rockway Pool** 

9460 SW 27 Dr. (305) 223-8742 Tamiami Pool 11201 SW 24 St. Miami

(305) 248-1386

Miami

**Helen Sands Pool** 

16350 SW 280 St.

(305) 223-7077

\*Year-round pools are heated.

#### SEASONAL POOLS (OPEN SUMMER MONTHS ONLY)

**Gwen Cherry Pool** 

Arcola Pool 1680 NW 87 St. Miami (305) 691-5104

(Y.E.T.) 2591 NW 71 St. Miami (305) 691-2439

Naranja Pool 14150 SW 264 St. Homestead (305) 257-0404

Sgt. Joseph **Delancy Pool** 14450 Boggs Dr. Miami (305) 238-5692

**Little River Pool** 10525 NW 24 Ave. Miami (305) 696-7651

**Palm Springs North Pool** 

7901 NW 176 St.

(305) 558-3762

Hialeah

**Tropical Estates Pool** 10201 SW 48 St. Miami (305) 221-5041



#### Learn-to-Swim Program

Boys and girls are taught to swim by certified American Red Cross Water Safety instructors. Various course levels (including Parent and Tots, ages 2-5) are offered for children, adults and persons with disabilities.

Cost for Learn-to-Swim classes: Learn-to-Swim and Parents and Tots classes range from \$10-\$60 per week, depending on the pool. For more information or to register, contact the pool of your interest.





#### **BARK PARKS**

Designated Dog Parks are usually located within a larger park and allow dogs to frolic and play and run free within a fenced-off area. They feature site furniture and equipment for dogs to play with and perform stunts. Additional features include shade structures, hosing stations, water fountains for both pets and owners, and "Mutt Mitts" or bag dispensers and waste baskets, so owners can pick up after their pooches (a.k.a. dogs).

**Amelia Earhart Park** 401 E 65 St. Hialeah (305) 685-8389

**Haulover Park** 10800 Collins Ave. Bal Harbour (305) 947-3525

**West Kendall District Park**11255 SW 157 Ave.
Miami

**Greynolds Park** 17530 W Dixie Hwy North Miami Beach

(305) 945-3425

**Tropical Park** 7900 SW 40 St. Miami (305) 226-8315 ext. 221

#### DOG RUN PARK

A Dog Run is a park with a dedicated fenced area for owners to exercise their dogs and let them roam freely without wearing leashes. However, unlike a Dog Park, a Dog Run Park doesn't have water facilities or dispensers or waste baskets.

**A.D. Barnes Park** 3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 666-5883

Lago Mar Park 8165 SW 162 Ave. Miami Please call Kendale Lakes Park at (305) 385-4750

#### DOG-FRIENDLY PARKS

These parks allow dog owners to stroll, run and play with their leashed dogs, and the parks provide bag dispensers and waste baskets for owners to clean up after their dogs.

Acadia Park 5351 NW 195 Dr. Miami Please call North Glades Park at (305) 621-2461

Coral Villas Park 6398 SW 35 St. Miami Please call A.D. Barnes Park at (305) 666-5883

**Highland Oaks Park** 20300 NE 24 Ave. Miami (305) 932-2164

Kings Meadow Park 10036 SW 142 Ave. Miami Please call Hammocks Community Park at (305) 380-6917

Olympic Park 8601 SW 152 Ave. Miami Please call Kendale Lakes Park at (305) 385-4750

**San Jacinto Park** 4430 SW 15 Ter. Miami Please call A.D. Barnes Park at (305) 666-5883

Spanish Lakes Park 19405 NW 82 Ave. Hialeah Please call Norman & Jean Reach Park at (305) 823-2414

West Kendale Lakes Park 6400 Kendale Lakes Dr. Miami Please call Bird Lakes Park at (305) 207-1644 Biscayne Shores & Gardens Park 11525 NE 14 Ave. Miami Please call Ives Estates Park at (305) 770-3125

Deerwood Bonita Lakes Park 14445 SW 122 Ave. Miami (305) 234-1660

Kevin Broils Park 26150 SW 125 Ave. Homestead Please call Homestead Air Reserve Park at (305) 257-0310

Military Trail Park 825 NE 89 St. Miami Please call Tamiami Park at (786) 315-5252

Rockdale Park 9325 SW 146 St. Miami Please call Kendall Indian Hammocks Park at (305) 596-9324

Snapper Creek Park 10280 SW 80 St. Miami Please call Kendall Indian Hammocks Park at (305) 596-9324

**Tamiami Trail Park** 12760 SW 6 St. Miami Please call Ruben Dario at (305) 222-2194





EcoAdventures™ offers an exciting line-up of naturalist-guided nature adventures that highlight South Florida's subtropical beauty, unique wilderness areas, and historic sites. Outdoor excursions are tailored to all ability levels and skills. Whether you're a seasoned nature explorer, or a novice with a desire to learn, EcoAdventures™ can help determine which programs are best suited for you.

We provide all of the equipment and expertise, along with a naturalist guide who is also a certified American Red Cross water safety instructor. So, all you have to do is bring your sense of adventure and fun.

Contact us today to make your reservation at (305) 365-3018 or EcoAdventures@miamidade.gov. For more information, please visit our website at www.miamidade.gov/ecoadventures.

#### Bike & Hike

- Eco-Bike Tour at the Deering Estate at Cutler
- Everglades Pineland Bike & Hike
- Key Biscayne Bike Adventure
- Redland Historic Bike Tour

#### **Expedition South Florida**

- EcoAdventures<sup>™</sup> Camping Excursions
- Everglades Expeditions
- Fakahatchee Strand Swamp Exploration
- Kayak Fishing Excursions
- South Florida Bird Tours

#### Kayaking, Canoeing & Snorkeling

- Chicken Key Canoe Trip at the Deering Estate at Cutler
- Historic Coral Gables Waterway Canoe Adventure
- Historic Oleta River Canoe & Kayak Trek
- Indian Key Canoe & Snorkel Excursion
- Kayak Rentals at the Deering Estate at Cutler
- Key Biscayne Canoe Trek

• Sea Turtle Rescue

Conservation Efforts

- Key Biscayne Kayak Adventure
- Matheson Bay Shore Canoe & Kayak Trip
- Sea Kayak & Snorkel Adventure

Sea Turtle Awareness Program

• Sunset & Moonlight Kayak Adventure

#### **Nature Centers**

\*A.D. Barnes Sense of **Wonder Nature Center** 3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 662-4125

\*Arch Creek Park 1855 NE 135 St. North Miami (305) 944-6111

\*Bill Sadowski Park \*Castellow 17555 SW 79 Ave. Miami (305) 255-4767

**Hammock Park** 22301 SW 162 Ave. (305) 242-7688

**Crandon Park Visitors & Nature Center** 6767 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-6767 ext. 112

**Greynolds Park** Boathouse 17530 W. Dixie Hwv. Miami (305) 948-2891

Presentations & Outreach

\*Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

## Kiteboarding, Paddleboarding & Kayaking

Miami Kiteboarding at **Crandon Park** 6747 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-5421 • kayak rentals

Adventure Sports Miami at **Matheson Hammock Park** 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475 • kayak rentals

#### Wakeboarding

Miami Wakeboarding Cable Complex at **Amelia Earhart Park** 401 E 65 St. Hialeah (305) 476-9253 • wakeboarding lessons



#### Scuba Diving

**Crandon Park Marina** 4000 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-1281 **Haulover Park Marina** 10800 Collins Ave. Bal Harbour (305) 947-3525

• Diver's Paradise – courses and certifications (305) 361-3483



#### MARINA BOATING SCHOOL

Castle Harbor Boating School at **Matheson Hammock Park** 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables

(305) 665-4994

- Sailing
- Power Boating

Aquatic Sailing School at **Pelican Harbor Marina** 1275 NE 79 St. Miami (305) 751-7514

- Sailing
- Charter the Pelican Island Skipper Pontoon Boat



Bill Bird Marina 10800 Collins Ave. Miami Beach (305) 947-3525

Pelican Harbor Marina 1275 NE 79 St. Cswy Miami (305) 754-9330

Crandon Park Marina 4000 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-1281

Matheson Hammock Marina 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475

Black Point Marina 24775 SW 87 Ave. Cutler Bay (305) 258-4092

Herbert Hoover Marina at Homestead Bayfront Park 9698 SW 328 St. Homestead (305) 230-3033



### **OUTDOOR FUN**

#### Camping

Camp Greynolds 18601 NE 22 Ave. North Miami Beach (305) 945-3425

EcoAdventures<sup>™</sup>
Camping Expeditions
Various locations
(305) 365-3018

BMX

South BMX at Pine Ridge Park 13000 SW 216 St.

Miami Please call Goulds Park at (305) 255-2399

#### Motocross / ATV

**Milton E. Thompson Park** 16665 NW 177 Ave. Miami Please call Country Village Park at (305) 622-2594

#### Skateboarding

Country Village Park 6550 NW 188 Ter. Hialeah (305) 622-2594

**South Dade Park** 28151 SW 164 Ave. Homestead (305) 247-9453

Camp Owaissa Bauer 17001 SW 264 St.

Miami (305) 247-6016

Larry & Penny Thompson Campground Park 12451 SW 184 St. Miami

(305) 232-1049

### Paintball

Homestead Air Reserve Park 27401 SW 127 Ave. Homestead (305) 257-0310

## Sport Shooting Range

Trail Glades Sport Shooting Range 17601 SW 8 St. Miami (305) 226-1823

#### Pelican Island Skipper Pontoon Boat Cruises

**Pelican Harbor Marina** 1275 NE 79 St. Cswy Miami (305) 754-9330

The Deering Estate at Cutler also offers Bay Cruises on the "Pelican Island Skipper," a 45-foot Corinthian Catamaran. Also available for private parties.

Kendall Indian Hammocks Park 11395 SW 79 St. Miami (305) 596-9324

Westwind Lakes Park 6805 SW 152 Ave. Miami (305) 388-4771 **North Trail Park** 780 NW 127 Ave. Miami (305) 207-2420

#### Mountain Bike Trail

Rugged terrain with bike rentals available, and different courses for varying abilities.

Amelia Earhart Park 401 E 65 St. Hialeah (305) 685-8389

#### Bike Trails

Amelia Trail

- located inside Amelia Earhart Park Biscayne Trail
- starts at Black Point Park and Marina Black Creek Trail
- starts at SW 137th Ave. and SW 184th St. Commodore Trail
- starts at Ingraham Terrace Park Old Cutler Trail
- starts at Old Cutler Rd. & SW 87th Ave.
   Rickenbacker Trail
- starts at Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park Snake Creek Trail
- starts at Diefenbach Bicentennial Park Southern Glades Trail
- starts at SR 9336 (Ingraham Hwy) & Aerojet (C-111) canal















## Soccer

#### SOCCER FIELDS

Amelia Earhart Park	401 E 65 St.	Hialeah	(305) 685-8389
Benito Juarez Park	19825 SW 376th St.	Homestead	Please call Cinco de Mayo Park
Cinco de Mayo Park	19350 SW 384 St.	Florida City	(786) 351-7959
Country Village Park	6550 NW 188 Ter.	Miami	(305) 622-2594
Goulds Park	11350 SW 216 St.	Miami	(305) 255-2399
Highland Oaks Park	20300 NE 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 932-2164
Homestead Air Reserve Park	27401 SW 127 Ave.	Homestead	(305) 257-0310
Ives Estates Park	20901 NE 16 Ave.	Miami	(305) 770-3125
Kendall Indian Hammocks Park	11395 SW 79 St.	Miami	(305) 596-9324
Kendall Soccer Park	8011 SW 127 Ave.	Miami	(305) 275-1152
Little River Park	10525 NW 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 694-5121
Millers Pond Park	13350 SW 47 St.	Miami	(305) 207-1730
Norman & Jean Reach Park	7901 NW 176 St.	Hialeah	(305) 823-2414
North Glade Park	17355 NW 52 Ave.	Miami	(305) 621-2461
Oak Grove Park	690 NE 159 St.	Miami	(305) 944-8670
Partners for Youth Park	5536 NW 21 Ave.	Miami	Please call Olinda Park at (305) 633-4066
Ruben Dario Park	9825 W. Flagler St.	Miami	(305) 222-2194
Sandpiper Park	11100 SW 157 Ave.	Miami	Please call Wild Lime Park at (305) 386-0227
Three Lakes Park	13375 SW 136 St.	Miami	Please call Kendall Indian Hammocks Park at (305) 596-9324
Tropical Park	7900 SW 40 St.	Miami	(305) 226-8316
West Little River Park	2450 NW 84 St.	Miami	(305) 694-5096
Westwind Lakes Park	6805 SW 152 Ave.	Miami	(305) 388-4771
Wild Lime Park	14751 Hammocks Blvd.	Miami	(305) 386-0227

#### **SOCCER LEAGUES**



Located at Kendall Soccer Park, Amelia Earhart Park & Tropical Park. For more information, call (305) 873-8765.

• SNAG® Golf and golf lessons available



#### **FACILITIES**

Arcola Lakes Park	1301 NW 83 St.	Miami	(305) 836-5095	
Bent Tree Park	13850 SW 47 Ct.	Miami	Please call Bird Lakes Park at (305) 207-1644	
Broadmoor Park/School	8731 NW 35 Ct.	Miami	Please call Little River Park at (305) 694-5121	
Colonial Drive Park	10750 SW 156 Ter.	Miami	(305) 233-3045	
Continental Tennis Center	10000 SW 82 Ave.	Miami	(305) 274-9666	
Coral Estates Park	1405 SW 97 Ave.	Miami	(305) 226-1622	
Country Club of Miami	6801 NW 186 St.	Miami	(305) 829-8456	
Crandon Park Tennis Center	7300 Crandon Blvd.	Key Biscayne	(305) 365-2300	
Devon Aire Park	10411 SW 122 Ave.	Miami	(305) 270-4951	
Drew Park/School	NW 60 St. & NW 17 Ave.	Miami	Please call Marva Y. Bannerman Park at (305) 633-4064	
Goulds Park	11350 SW 216 St.	Miami	(305) 255-2399	
Hammocks Community Park	9885 Hammocks Blvd.	Miami	(305) 380-6917	
Haulover Beach Tennis Center	10800 Collins Ave.	Bal Harbour	(305) 947-3525	
Ives Estates Tennis Center	1475 Ives Dairy Rd.	Miami	(305) 652-7260	
Kendale Lakes Park	7850 SW 142 Ave.	Miami	(305) 385-4750	
Kings Grant Park	15211 SW 160 St.	Miami	Please call Larry & Penny Thompson Park at (305) 232- 1049	
Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park	6000 NW 32 Ct.	Miami	(305) 633-2044	
Marva Y. Bannerman Park	4830 NW 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 633-4064	
Miller Drive Park	5510 SW 94 Ct.	Miami	(305) 271-0812	
Modello Park	28450 SW 152 Ave.	Homestead	(305) 247-1553	
Norman & Jean Reach Park	7901 NW 176 St.	Hialeah	(305) 823-2414	
North Glade Park	17355 NW 52 Ave.	Miami Gardens	(305) 621-2461	
Oak Grove Park	690 NE 159 St.	Miami	(305) 944-8670	
Partners for Youth Park	5536 NW 21 Ave.	Miami	Please call Olinda Park at (305) 633-4066	
Princetonian Park	12755 SW 252 Ter.	Miami	Please call Goulds Park at (305) 255-2399	
Ron Ehmann Tennis Center	10955 SW 97 Ave.	Miami	(305) 271-3853	
Ruben Dario Park	9825 W. Flagler St.	Miami	(305) 222-2194	
Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park	14450 Boggs Dr.	Miami	(305) 235-4503	
South Dade Park	28151 SW 164 Ave.	Homestead	(305) 247-9453	
Tamiami Tennis Center	11201 SW 24 St.	Miami	(305) 480-2099	
Tropical Park Tennis Center	7900 SW 40 St.	Miami	(305) 225-6006	
Water Oaks Park	9100 Hammocks Blvd.	Miami	Please call Hammocks Community Park at (305) 380-6917	
West Perrine Park	10301 SW 170 Ter.	Miami	(305) 235-2053	
Westwood Park	11350 SW 53 Ter.	Miami	Please call Tamiami Park at (786) 315-5295	





## Sports Development Programs

- Arcola Lakes Park 1301 NW 83 St., Miami / (305) 836-5095
   Goulds Park 11350 SW 216 St., Miami / (305) 255-2399
- Gwen Cherry Park (Y.E.T.) 7090 NW 22 Ave. Miami (305) 694-4889
- Hammocks Community Park 9885 Hammocks Blvd., Miami / (305) 380-6917
- Highland Oaks Park 20300 NE 24 Ave., Miami / (305) 932-2164
- Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park 6000 NW 32 Ct., Miami / (305) 633-2044
   Marva Y. Bannerman Park 4830 NW 24 Ave., Miami / (305) 633-4064
- Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park 14450 Boggs Dr., Miami / (305) 235-4503
- South Dade Park 28151 SW 164 Ave., Homestead / (305) 247-9453 • Southridge Park 11250 SW 192 St., Miami / (786) 293-4549
- West Perrine Park 10301 SW 170 Ter., Miami / (305) 235-2053

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Zookeeper for a Day



Stadium Package - 4 Players



Historic Coral Gables Waterway Canoe Adventure

# ATTRACTIONS & EVENTS













Matheson Hammock Park





### **Atoll Pools**

An atoll pool is a man-made pool which is flushed naturally with tidal action from a nearby body of water.

**Homestead Bayfront** Park Beach 9698 SW 328 St.

Homestead (305) 230-3033 **Matheson Hammock Park** Beach

9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475

#### Restaurants

**Black Point Ocean Grill** Black Point Marina 24775 SW 87 Ave. **Cutler Bay** (305) 258-3918

La Playa Grill

Homestead Bayfront Park 9698 SW 328 St. Homestead (305) 257-6918

The Sports Grill

Palmetto Golf Course 9300 SW 152 St. Miami (305) 251-5465

**Las Delicias** Colombianas

Haulover Beach Park 10800 Collins Ave. Bal Harbour (305) 944-1415

The Links

Crandon Golf Course 6700 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-0496

**Red Fish Grill** 

Matheson Hammock Park 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 668-8788

Mango Café

Homestead

Miami

(305) 247-5727

The Sports Grill

(305) 820-8548

Country Club of Miami

6801 Miami Gardens Dr.

Fruit and Spice Park

24801 SW 187 Ave.

3401 SW 72 Ave. Miami (305) 665-1626

A.D. Barnes Pool

\*Naranja Pool 14150 SW 264 St. Homestead

(305) 258-1945

\* Open in summer only.

#### Splash Playgrounds for Kids

\*Gwen Cherry Pool 2591 NW 71 St. Miami (305) 691-2439

\*Sgt. Joseph **Delancy Pool** 14450 Boggs Dr. Miami (305) 235-4503

**Helen Sands Pool** 16350 SW 280 St. Miami (305) 248-1386

#### **Deering Estate** at Cutler

Historic houses, archeological sites, events, and tours.

16701 SW 72 Ave. Palmetto Bay (305) 235-1668

Zoo Miami

12400 SW 152 St. Miami (305) 251-0400

## Fruit & Spice

Discover exotic fruits, plants and origins of spices.

24801 SW 187 Ave. Homestead (305) 694-4889

#### **Palmetto** Mini Golf

9300 SW 152 St. Miami (305) 238-2922

#### Equestrian Center

Features horse, cattle and agricultural events and activities, such as the Miami International Agriculture, Horse & Cattle Show.

The Ronald Reagan **Equestrian Center** at Tropical Park 7900 SW 40 St.

Miami (305) 226-8315 ext. 227

#### **Annual Events**

#### **JANUARY**

Redland Heritage Festival - Fruit & Spice Park

**FEBRUARY** 

Deering "Moonlight & Music" Valentine's Day

Concert - Deering

#### MARCH

Asian Culture Festival - Fruit & Spice Park

Deering Seafood Festival - Deering \*Great Egg Safari - Zoo Miami

\*Great Park Summit (biennial) In the Company of Women Awards Ceremony Miami International Agriculture, Horse & Cattle

Show

Million Trees Miami Tree Summit The Sony Open Tennis Tournament

**APRIL** 

Redland Blues & Barbecue Festival - Fruit & Spice Summer Cabaret Concert Series - Deering Park

Deering Estate Festival of the Arts

Swim for Jenny Swimming Safety Recognition Reception

Vintage Auto Show - Deering

#### MAY

Brews at the Zoo – Zoo Miami Blue Water Fishing Classic Love-In Party in the Park - Greynolds Park Mother's Day Brunch - Deering

Mother's Day Brunch - Zoo Miami

Redland International Orchid Festival - Fruit & Spice Park

#### JUNE

Blue Water Fishing Classic Mango Mania - Fruit & Spice Park

Redland Summer Fruit Festival - Fruit & Spice Park

JULY

4th of July Spectacular - Black Point Park & Marina

Summer Cabaret Concert Series - Deering

#### **AUGUST**

Summer Cabaret Concert Series - Deering

#### **SEPTEMBER**

\*South Florida Dragon Boat Festival

\*Noches Tropicales Latin Jazz Gala

ATTRACTIONS & EVENTS

#### **OCTOBER**

Noches Tropicales Free Concert Series Zoo Boo! At Zoo Miami

#### **NOVEMBER**

Miami Tennis Cup

Noches Tropicales Free Concert Series Ribfest

#### **DECEMBER**

Noches Tropicales Free Concert Series Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony - Deering Santa Story-Time - Deering Holiday Decorations - Deering

\*Events vary in-between months every year











#### **Beaches**

**Crandon Park Beach** 

6747 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-5421

(305) 947-3525 **Matheson Hammock** 

10800 Collins Ave.

Bal Harbour

**Haulover Park Beach** 

**Homestead Bayfront Park Beach** 9698 SW 328 St. Homestead

(305) 230-3033

**Park Beach** 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables (305) 665-5475

Beach wheelchairs are available for people with disabilities. 24-hour advance notice is requested for beach wheelchairs.



#### Cabanas

Cabanas are available for rent daily on a first-come, first-served basis. Lockable cabanas are 10'x10' in space with a private cold-water shower, assigned parking space and common beach area with limited picnic tables. Eight guests per cabana allowed maximum. Please visit www.miamidade.gov/parks for more information.

#### **Crandon Park Beach**

6747 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-5421



## THE DEERING ESTATE AT CUTLER



Located along the edge of Biscayne Bay, the 444-acre **Deering Estate at Cutler** is an environmental, archeological and historical preserve. From canoe tours to butterfly walks and guided nature hikes, the Deering Estate has diverse activities for the whole family to enjoy. The Estate offers daily tours of two historic houses—the Stone House and Richmond Cottage—as well as tours of its lush natural areas, where fossil bones have been found from as far back as 50,000 years ago.

The Deering Estate is also a cultural and educational facility that features classes and programs for children and adults, teacher training and research opportunities. The Estate also serves as a small conference center for community organizations and corporate groups that share Charles Deering's interest in the environment, botany, history, fine arts, antiques, rare books, and wine. Rental of the Estate is available for special social functions.

General admission is \$12 for adults and \$7 for children (ages 4-14) and includes tours of the historic homes and natural areas. Special EcoAdventure Tours and guided canoe trips to the offshore island of Chicken Key are available for an additional fee. Chicken Key is a seven-acre mangrove island and restored bird rookery one-mile offshore in Biscayne Bay. The island contains sand dunes and mangrove forests and is surrounded by sand bars, tidal flats, seagrass beds and rocky debris.

We look forward to welcoming you on your next memorable visit.



#### \*Hours of Operation

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM (*last ticket is sold at 4:00 PM*) Open every day except Christmas and Thanksgiving

#### \*General Admission

General admission to the Deering Estate at Cutler is \$12 for adults and \$7 for youth (ages 4-14.) Tickets can be purchased at the main gate ticket booth. Admission includes self-guided programs and naturalist led tours of the historic Stone House and Richmond Cottage. The historic house tours are held daily at 10:30 AM and 3:00 PM. The natural areas tour is held daily at 12:30 PM (October - May). These tours meet on the front porch of the Richmond Cottage.

\*Call ahead to confirm hours of operation and admission prices, as both are subject to change.

Location

16701 SW 72 Ave.

Palmetto Bay, FL 33157 (305) 235-1668

# Make new friends at Zoo Miami!









Bring your whole gang to see our amazing animals, get soaked in our water play areas, and hand feed giraffes, rhinos & parrots!

\* Open daily 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Ticket booths close at 4 pm
12400 SW 152nd Street, Miami, 33177
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\*Admission Rates:
Adult (13+)
Children (3-12)
Children 2 and under
7SF Members

\$15.95 \$11.95 FREE FREE



\*Hours and prices subject to change.

MIAMIDADE COUNTY

www.zoomiami.org



## AFTER-SCHOOL & OUT-OF-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

#### After-School Programs

#### **GENERAL PROGRAMS**

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	Arcola Park	1680 NW 87 St.	Miami	(305) 835-7987
	Arcola Lakes Park	1301 NW 83 St.	Miami	(305) 836-5095
	Country Village Park	6550 NW 188 Ter.	Miami	(305) 622-2594
Some	*Greynolds Park	17530 W. Dixie Hwy.	North Miami Beach	(305) 945-3425
	Gwen Cherry Park (Y.E.T.)	7090 NW 22 Ave.	Miami	(305) 694-4889
	Highland Oaks Park	20300 NE 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 932-2164
	Jefferson Reaves, Sr. Park	3090 NW 50 St.	Miami	(305) 635-2081
	Little River Park	10525 NW 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 694-5121
	Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park	6000 NW 32 Ct.	Miami	(305) 633-2044
	Marva Y. Bannerman Park	4830 NW 24 Ave.	Miami	(305) 633-4064
	North Glade Park	17355 NW 52 Ave.	Miami Gardens	(305) 621-2461
	Oak Grove Park	690 NE 159 St.	Miami	(305) 944-8670
	Olinda Park	2101 NW 51 St.	Miami	(305) 633-4066
	West Little River Park	2326 NW 84 St.	Miami	(305) 694-5096
	Bird Lakes Park	14365 SW 48 Ln.	Miami	(305) 207-1644
	Continental Park	14365 SW 46 LII. 10000 SW 82 Ave.	Miami	(305) 207-1644
<u>r</u>		1405 SW 97 Ave.		(305) 274-9666
2000	**Coral Estates Park	7850 SW 142 Ave.	Miami Miami	
4	Kendale Lakes Park			(305) 385-4750
	Miller Drive Park	5510 SW 94 Ct.	Miami	(305) 271-0812
	North Trail Park	780 NW 127 Ave.	Miami	(305) 207-2420
	Rockway Park	9460 SW 27 Dr.	Miami	(305) 223-8742
	Ron Ehmann Park	10995 SW 97 Ave.	Miami	(305) 271-3853
	Ruben Dario Park	9825 W. Flagler St.	Miami	(305) 222-2194
	**Tamiami Park	11201 SW 24 St.	Miami	(305) 315-5295
	Tropical Estates Park	10201 SW 48 St.	Miami	(305) 226-5782
	*Westwind Lakes Park	6805 SW 152 Ave.	Miami	(305) 388-4771
	**Camp Matecumbe	13841 SW 120 St.	Miami	(305) 752-4966
	Cinco de Mayo Park	19351 SW 384 St.	Florida City	(786) 351-7959
	Deerwood Bonita Lakes Park	14445 SW 122 Ave.	Miami	(305) 234-1660
	Devon Aire Park	10411 SW 122 Ave.	Miami	(305) 270-4951
	Eureka Park	18320 SW 119 Ave.	Miami	(305) 971-8814
	Eureka Villas Park	14301 SW 180 St.	Miami	(305) 254-5856
	*Goulds Park	11350 SW 216 St.	Miami	(305) 255-2399
<b>9</b> 4	Hammocks Community Park	9885 Hammocks Blvd.	Miami	(305) 380-6917
	Leisure Lakes Park	29305 Illinois Rd.	Miami	(305) 248-1527
	Modello Park	28450 SW 152 Ave.	Homestead	(305) 247-1553
	Naranja Park	14150 SW 264 St.	Homestead	(305) 258-1945
	Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park	14450 Boggs Dr.	Miami	(305) 235-4503
	South Dade Park	28151 SW 164 Ave.	Homestead	(305) 247-9453
	Southridge Park	11250 SW 192 St.	Miami	(786) 293-4549
	West Perrine Park	17121 SW 104 Ave.	Miami	(305) 235-2053
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#### Winter Break Camps

#### **GENERAL CAMPS**

"General Camps" locations are traditionally at the parks listed under the "Fit2Play After-School Programs" section. However, check www.miamidade.gov/parks for the most current information.

#### SPECIALIZED CAMPS

- Deering Estate Winter Camp Eco Explorers & Expedition Deering
- EcoAdventures™ Nature Adventure Camps
- Junior Golf Camp at the Country Club of Miami
- "Winter Break Daze" at Zoo Miami

#### Spring Break Camps

#### FIT2PLAY GENERAL CAMPS

"General Camps" locations are traditionally at the parks listed under the "Fit2Play After-School Programs" section. However, check www.miamidade.gov/parks for the most current information.

#### SPECIALIZED CAMPS

- Deering Estate Spring Camp Eco Explorers & Expedition Deering
- EcoAdventures™ Nature Adventure Camps
- Miami-Dade Parks Disability Services FREE Camps for Children with Disabilities
- Spring Break Golf Camp for Juniors at Country Club of Miami
- Zoofari Spring Camp at Zoo Miami

#### AFTER-SCHOOL, IN-SCHOOL & SPECIALTY SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Deering Estate at Cutle 16701 SW 72 Ave. Palmetto Bay (305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- **Deering Estate at Cutler** Applied Environmental Science Program
  - Field Study Trips
  - Junior Naturalist Counselor-in-Training Program
  - School Yard Science Mobile Programs (Marine Mobile & Geomobile)
  - Teacher Planning Day Mini-Camps
  - NESTT (Nurturing Environmental Stewards of Today and Tomorrow) Program
  - Wildlife Conservation Program

#### **Summer Break Camps**

#### FIT2PLAY GENERAL CAMPS

"General Camps" locations are traditionally at the parks listed under the "Fit2Play After-School Programs" section. However, check www.miamidade.gov/parks for the most current information.

#### SPECIALIZED CAMPS

- Basketball Camp
- Deering Estate at Cutler Summer Camp Eco Explorers, Expedition Deering & Junior Naturalist
- Cheerleading/Dance Camp
- EcoAdventures<sup>™</sup> Nature Adventure Camps
- Football Camp
- Golf Camp
- Miami-Dade Parks Disability Services FREE Camps for Children with Disabilities
- Watersports Summer Camps
- Women's Park Summer Arts Camp for Girls ("GEM")
- Zoofari Summer Camp at Zoo Miami

## YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUES

Call your nearest park to see what programs and activities are available for you.



#### Baseball

- All Sports Academy at Kendall Indian Hammocks Park
- Boys & Girls Club of Miami at Gwen Cherry Park
- Helping Hands Youth Center at Olinda/Naranja Park
- Howard Palmetto Khoury League at Chapman Field
- Ives Estates Optimist Club at Ives Estates Park
- Junior Marlins Neighborhood Sports Association:
  - o Bird Lakes Park
  - o Westwood Park
- Miami Friends Baseball Association at Tamiami Park
- Miami Sharks Baseball Academy at Ruben Dario Park
- North Miami Beach Little League at Highland Oaks Park
- Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks:
  - o Hammocks Community Park
  - o Devon Aire Park
- Optimist Club of Westchester at Tropical Park
- Optimist Club of West Kendall at McMillan Park
- Palm Springs North Atlantic Association at Norman & Jean Reach Park
- Perrine Khoury League at West Perrine Park
- Richmond/Perrine Optimist Club at Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park
- South Dade Optimist Club at Colonial Drive Park
- South Florida Baseball Dreamers at Brothers to the Rescue Park
- South Kendall Optimist Club at Colonial Drive Park
- West Kendall Optimist Club at McMillan Park
- Westchester Optimist Club at Tropical Park

#### Basketball

- Boys & Girls Club of Miami at Gwen Cherry Park (Y.E.T.)
- Helping Hands Youth Center at Olinda/Naranja Park
- MDI Sports:
  - o Bird Lakes Park
  - o Lago Mar Park
- Optimist Club of West Kendall at McMillan Park
- Richmond/Perrine Optimist Club at Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park
- South Dade Optimist Club at Colonial Drive Park
- South Kendall Optimist Club at Eureka Park
- Tamiami Youth Basketball at Tamiami Park





#### Football & Cheerleading

- Boys & Girls Club of Miami at Gwen Cherry Park (Y.E.T.)
- Cheer it Up at Kendale Lakes Park
- Greater Goulds Optimist at Gwen Cherry Park
- Helping Hands Youth Center at Olinda/Naranja Park
- Leisure City Modello Optimist Club at Modello Park
- Little River Scholars at Little River Park
- Northside Optimist at West Little River Park
- Optimist Club of Ives Estates North Miami Beach Inc. at **Ives Estates Park**
- Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks:
  - o Devon Aire Park
- Optimist Club of West Kendall at McMillan Park
- Richmond/Perrine Optimist Club at Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park
- South Dade Optimist Club at Colonial Drive Park
- South Kendall Optimist Club at Colonial Park
- Tamiami Colts Cheer at Tamiami Park
- Tamiami Colts Football at Tamiami Park

#### Soccer

- American Youth Soccer Association:
  - o Millers Pond Park
  - o Westwind Lakes Park
- Coral Estates Soccer Club at Coral Estates Park
- Ives Estates Optimist at Ives Estates Park
- Optimist Club of Westchester at Tropical Park
- Palm Springs North Athletic Association at Norman & Jean Reach Park
- Pinecrest Premier Soccer at Deerwood Bonita Lakes
- •\*Power Soccer at Goulds Park
- •\*\*Shoot for the Goal at Coral Estates Park
- Soccer 5 at Kendall Soccer Park
- Soccer Academy of the Americas at Tamiami Park
- South Kendall Soccer Club at Kendall Indian Hammocks Park
- Southern Soccer Coalition AYSO at Millers Pond Park
- Strike Force AYSA at Three Lakes Park
- Westchester Optimist at Tropical Park

#### Softball

- Helping Hands Youth Center at Olinda/Naranja Park
- Howard Palmetto Baseball & Softball at Chapman Field
- Optimist Club of Westchester at Tropical Park

#### Volleyball

• Kids Volleyball Academy at Tamiami Park

<sup>\*</sup> Power chair (electric wheelchair) users ages 14 and up.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Children 6 and up with autism.

## PARKS DISABILITY SERVICES & PROGRAMS

#### Programs Exclusively for People with Disabilities

For more information, call (305) 755-7848 or email binhack@miamidade.gov.

#### **AOUATICS**

- Swim Lessons
- Swim Team
- Water Exercise Classes

#### **AUTISM SPORTS**

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Recreational Development
- Soccer
- Swim

### INCLUSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

 All Miami-Dade Parks programs provide inclusion opportunities. Call (305) 755-7848 for more information.

#### **OUT-OF-SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

- After-School Camp
- Winter Break Camp
- Spring Break Camp

Summer Break Camp

#### PARALYMPIC SPORTS

- Annual Paralympic Experience Event
- Goalball
- Goalball Tournament
- Handcycling
- Jr. Goalball
- Wheelchair Basketball
- Wheelchair Tennis

## PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

- Adult Day Training Program
- Fun on Fridays (FOF)
- Saturdays in the Park (SIP)
- Special Olympics

#### **SOCCER LEAGUES**

- \*Power Soccer
- \*\*Shoot for the Goal



Parks Disability Services is designated as a training site for athletes with physical and visual disabilities. Individuals with visual impairments can participate in a competitive goalball team, and those with physical disabilities can participate in handcycling, wheelchair basketball, wheelchair tennis and swimming.



#### Services

#### **Beach Wheelchairs**

Haulover Park Beach 10800 Collins Ave. Bal Harbour (786) 336-6990

Matheson Hammock Park Beach 9610 Old Cutler Rd. Coral Gables

(305) 665-5475

Crandon Park Beach 4000 Crandon Blvd. Miami (786) 336-6982

Homestead Bayfront Park Beach 9698 SW 328 St. Homestead (305) 230-3033

#### Pool Lifts

Pool lifts are available at all pools. Please refer to the "Swimming Pools" section for pool locations.



### Single Rider Golf Carts

**Briar Bay Golf Course** 9399 SW 134 St. Miami (305) 235-6754

**Greynolds Golf Course** 17530 W. Dixie Hwy. North Miami Beach (305) 949-1741

Country Club of Miami 6801 NW 186 St. Miami (305) 829-8456

**Palmetto Golf Course** 9300 SW 152 St. Miami (305) 235-1069

Crandon Golf at Key Biscayne 6700 Crandon Blvd. Key Biscayne (305) 361-9129



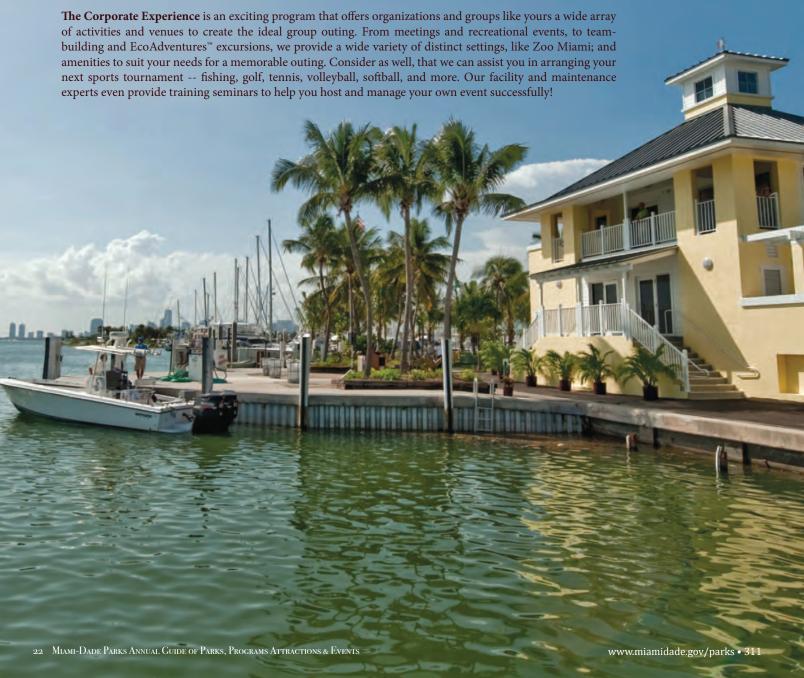
24-hour advance notice is requested for beach wheelchairs or single rider golf carts.

<sup>\*</sup> Power wheelchair users 14 and up.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Children 6 and up with autism.



#### **Corporate Services**



## CORPORATE/GROUP GATHERINGS

### Crandon Golf

at Key Biscayne

For more information, please call (305) 361-9129.

 A championship 18-hole golf course on an island paradise, 10 minutes from downtown Miami

#### Camp Owaissa Bauer

For more information, please call (305) 247-6016.

 Reserved exclusively for your group, enjoy camping in a beautiful, natural and restful setting surrounded by pine rockland and welldeveloped tropical hardwood hammocks

#### Crandon Park Marina

For more information, please call (305) 361-1281.

• Spectacular chartered fishing opportunities are offered

#### Pelican Harbor Marina & Pelican Island

For more information, please call (305) 754-9330.

• Rent our 45-passenger catamaran -- The Pelican Skipper -- and enjoy a glorious daytime or sunset cruise; bring a picnic basket



- We host casual to elegant events such as company picnics, weddings, corporate galas, with an exceptionally dynamic ambiance at facilities accommodating up to 6,000 people
- Have a private animal encounter, feed a giraffe or sheep, ride a camel or one of your favorite animals at our Wildlife Carousel and create your own exotic adventure



- Canoe, kayak, enjoy a butterfly or nature hike
- Historic house tours



#### Team Building/Group Activities

- Adopt-a-Plot, Crandon Gardens
- Deering Estate Adopt-a-Trail, Habitat Restoration
- Deering Estate Community Butterfly Garden
- Dune Restoration Program
- Fruit & Spice Backyard Gardening
- Historic House Tours, Deering Estate
- Mangrove Coastal Habitat Restoration Program
- Sea Turtle Awareness Program

For more information, contact Roberto Icaza at (305) 365-3018 ext. 224.

#### **Facility Rentals**

- Deering Estate at Cutler 16701 SW 72 Ave., Palmetto Bay / (305) 235-1668 ext 236 or ext 247
  - o Stone House, Visitor Center, Courtyard & Royal Palm Grove
- Fruit & Spice Park 24801 SW 187 Ave., Homestead / (305) 247-5727 o Coral Rock Building
- Tropical Park 7900 SW 40 St., Miami / (305) 226-8316
  - o Mary Abreu Community Center
- Zoo Miami 12400 SW 152 St., Miami / (305) 251-0400
  - o Please visit www.miamimetrozoo.com/events.asp for rental locations



Bike or hike your way through hidden treasures such as the Redland, the biologically rich pinelands at Long Pine Key in the Everglades, and Key Biscayne.

Please check the "EcoAdventures<sup>TM</sup>" section on page 8 for a sample listing of available programs; complete listing of corporate team-building programs are available on our website at www.miamidade.gov/ecoadventures/ under the "Group Tours" tab. For further information or to make your reservation, please contact us at (305) 365-3018 or EcoAdventures@miamidade.gov.

## NATURE CONSERVATION & PRESERVATION

The Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department's **Natural Areas Management Division (NAM)** is responsible for the restoration, re-creation, enhancement, and maintenance of nature preserves, also referred to as natural areas, throughout Miami-Dade County. Currently it cares for 26,000 acres across 85 distinct parcels.

NAM's daily management and restoration of natural areas help to create a healthier South Florida environment for people, wildlife and nature to live and flourish in. Its conservation of natural functions and resources helps to assure the best water and air quality possible for communities in the region.

#### Depth & Scope of Miami-Dade County's Natural Areas

South Florida's natural area habitats include tropical rockland hardwood hammocks, pine rocklands, coastal and freshwater wetlands, maritime upland and wetland forests; seashores, and coastal dunes that once covered all of Miami-Dade County, but now remain only in parks and small protected, undeveloped pockets and patches of land. These habitats, and the native and endemic plants and animals within them, comprise Miami-Dade County's natural heritage.

However, most of these natural areas are continually threatened and impacted by invasive, non-native pest plants and wildlife. These "invaders" destroy tree canopy and increase a nature preserve's vulnerability to invasion by exotic species. This situation is aggravated annually by storms and hurricanes.

#### Partnerships & Special Projects for Protection

To combat these threats, NAM also works in partnership with multiple local, state and federal agencies, including:

- Environmentally Endangered Lands Program (EEL) of Miami-Dade County's Regulatory and Economic Resources Department
- Everglades Cooperative Invasive Species Management (eCISMA)
- Florida Forest Service (FFS)
- Florida Fresh Water Conservation Commission (FFWCC)
- The National Park Service
- US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- US Department of Agriculture (USDA)

The special projects they work on together include the control and eradication of invasive, non-native and pervasive vegetation and wildlife, such as Air Potato, Brazilian Pepper, Burma Reed, Mile-A-Minute Vine, Boa Constrictors, Burmese and African Rock Pythons, Giant African Land Snails, Tegus, White Fly, and similar threats to South Florida's fragile habitats and stressed native species.

#### **Mentoring Students**

NAM also supports the TERRA High School Environmental Research Institute of Kendall, providing living laboratories for its students to gain hands-on experience in their study of bio-agriculture and for their potential pursuit of careers in the industry.

#### **Cultivating Community & Conservation Through Volunteerism**

Volunteer opportunities are offered annually by NAM, which also partners with Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden and other organizations on volunteer initiatives open to the public. Residents and students are encouraged to volunteer often to experience, learn about, and help preserve the beautiful subtropical environment of Miami-Dade County!

#### **Areas of Expertise:**

- Control and removal of invasive plants and animals from parks and protected natural
- Enhancement of habitat functions and ecosystem services
- Flora, fauna, natural resources, and features found in parks and protected natural areas.
- Maintenance, care, protection, enhancement, and reintroduction of protected, rare, imperiled, endangered, or threatened flora and fauna found in parks and protected natural areas
- Management of natural resources, including forested uplands, geology, water, plants, animals, and cultural artifacts
- Proper arboricultural care for trees in natural areas, preserves and parks
- Research project coordination, permit issuance, monitoring, and adaptive resource management
- Restoration and re-creation of natural habitats and ecological systems
- Visitor experience and resource protection (VERP) including proper management for ecotourism
- Wildland fire management



#### Learn more about NAM at:

Natural Areas Management Division (NAM) Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department 22200 SW 137th Ave. Miami, FL 33170 (305) 257-0933 NAM@miamidade.gov

## COMMUNITY IMAGE ADVISORY BOARD

The Community Image Advisory Board (CIAB) is hosted by the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Department and its chairman is Miami-Dade County Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, District 9. Its mission is to develop partnerships, principles and projects that support the sustainable beautification and greening of our community -- through livable neighborhoods, scenic vistas, tree-lined streets, lush landscaping in high-traffic areas and popular destinations -- to reflect a world class image of Miami-Dade County as a sub-tropical paradise. The CIAB's annual initiatives include the Tree Summit, "Million Trees Miami" campaign, and "Clean Up & Green Up" public school outreach program.

The CIAB's cause echoes and supports the mission and vision of the Parks and Open Space Master Plan.



## RIGHT-OF-WAY AESTHETIC & ASSETS MANAGEMENT (RAAM)

The RAAM division of the Miami-Dade Parks Department helps to keep roads and areas throughout Miami-Dade County clean and safe by providing the following services year round:

- Roadway Landscape Maintenance Services (Medians)
  - Including litter removal and mowing right-of-ways and turf along major arterial roadways
- Metrorail/Metromover/Busways Landscape Maintenance Services
- Roadside Safety Tractor Mowing Services
- Tree Trimming Services
  - Safety trimming performed with in-house staff
  - Dead, diseased, damaged tree removal
  - Structural trimming performed with contract
- Tree Health (Fertilization & Watering)
- County's Beautification Program (Tree Planting)
- Tree Damage/Accident Investigations
- Lot Clearing and Maintenance with Other County Departments



## PARKS OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

The Parks and Open Space Master Plan is designed to create a more livable, lovable, seamlessly connected, and sustainable Miami-Dade County, with a focus on guiding the evolution of its built environment to support the health needs of the community at large, now through the year 2057.

Miami-Dade County is facing the same population growth issues as many other metropolitan areas, in which increased congestion, declining recreation and conservation open space, visual blight, limited transportation options, and social inequities threaten its quality of life.

With the population expected to increase to three million residents in the year 2025 and up to 4.5 million by 2060, additional pressure will be placed on an already stressed physical, social, and economical environment.

This Parks and Open Space Master Plan envisions that great parks, public spaces, natural and cultural areas, streets, greenways, blueways, and trails can form the framework for a more sustainable and more connected community.

Such a plan for the public realm cannot be considered as an isolated system, but one that is integrated into the overall fabric of the community and one that will create the kind of place where residents want to live, employers want to do business, and tourists want to visit.

The goal of this master plan is to create a seamless, sustainable system of parks, recreation and conservation open spaces for this and future generations.

#### Guiding Principles: To Create a Model Park System



#### Seamlessness

Every park element of the County, including neighborhoods, parks, natural areas, streets, civic centers and commercial areas, should be connected without regard to jurisdiction.



#### **Equity**

Every resident should be able to enjoy the same quality of public facilities and services regardless of income, age, race, ability or geographic location.



#### **Beauty**

Every public space, including streets, parks, plazas, and civic buildings, should be designed to be as aesthetically pleasing as possible, and to compliment the natural and cultural landscape.



#### Sustainability

Every action and improvement of the Park System, including facilities, programs, operations and management, should contribute to the economic, social and environmental prosperity of the County.



#### Access

Every resident should be able to safely and comfortably walk, bicycle, drive and/or ride transit from their home to work, school, parks, shopping and community facilities.



#### **Multiple Benefits**

Every single public action should generate multiple public benefits to maximize taxpayer dollars.

## PARKS OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

#### Goals

- Every resident in the County can walk (within 5 minutes) to a central neighborhood park or civic space for picnics, special events, informal play and socialization.
- Every resident can safely and comfortably walk, bicycle or take transit to community parks, recreation centers and special use/sports facilities.
- A balance of active and passive recreation opportunities are available to all residents.
- The County Parks Department works with State and Federal Agencies, every municipality and the School District to provide public access to schools, parks, and recreation areas.
- Public access is provided to lakes, beaches, forests and other major natural areas. The County's significant cultural and historical sites are protected, maintained, and promoted.
- Conservation areas and critical habitats are protected from over-use and negative impacts.
- An interconnected network of shaded and safe bikeways and trails connect to parks, neighborhoods, schools, employment centers, civic buildings, and other community destinations.
- Existing streets are transformed into tree-lined boulevards and parkways that define the County's urban form.
- Transit is provided to parks and civic sites.
- Public art, signage and cultural/historical exhibits are integrated into park and public realm infrastructure projects to "tell the County's story" and to create a sense of pride and place.
- Park improvements are used to create a sense of place for neighborhood stabilization and/or redevelopment.
- Parks are designed to reduce energy and water consumption, and to serve as models for sustainable development County-wide.
- Parks are designed to be flexible in order to accommodate ever-changing recreation trends and demographics.
- Residents of surrounding neighborhoods are engaged in the planning, design and stewardship of each park.



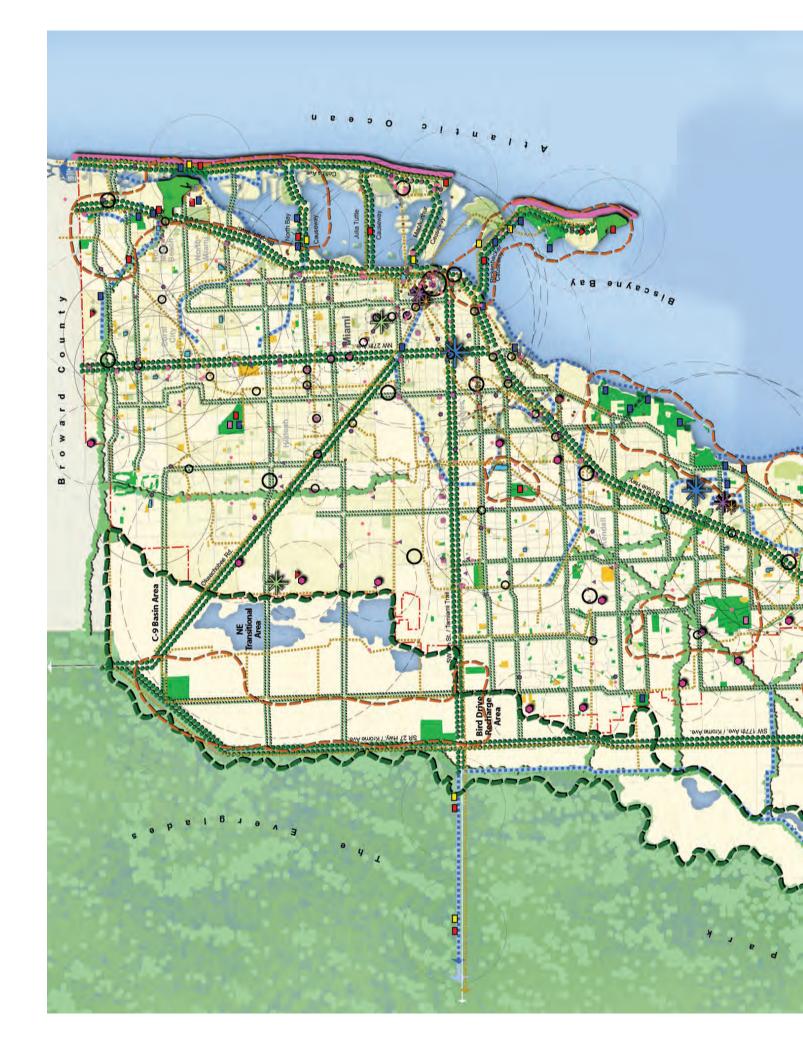


















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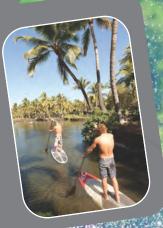




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#### **Become A Member Today!**

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#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Individuals, companies, civic groups, and neighborhood associations are encouraged to volunteer their time at the park of their choice by building a playground, beautifying parks, maintaining natural areas, playing basketball with children in an inclusive setting, coordinating activities for seniors programs, completing a scouting merit badge program, providing golf ranger/starter duties, cleaning and maintaining a park or fulfilling community service hours just to name a few.

For more information on volunteering, please visit: <a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/parks/about-volunteering.asp">www.miamidade.gov/parks/about-volunteering.asp</a> or contact Angie Gomez at (305) 961-2781.

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#### A Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department Program



"An active lifestyle that combines outdoor recreation and healthy eating is the key to winning the battle against childhood obesity. This concept is most effective and sustainable in the Miami-Dade County Parks Fit2Play® Program, because it encourages children to practice their newfound healthy lifestyle knowledge at home by electing to eat nutritious food. engaging in more physical activity, and reducing their time in front of the computer and television. Fit2Play® is a national model."

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- Kids lose excess fat and improve their physical fitness
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- · Kids learn fun, new ways to exercise with other children who become new friends
- · Kids develop and improve their motor skills, movement knowledge, and social and personal skills
- Kids learn why it's important to eat well, exercise, get enough sleep, avoid excessive sun exposure, and the dangers of smoking



#### **CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION**

Visit www.miamidade.gov/parks • Visit or call a Miami-Dade County park near you • Call 311



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## Outdoor Gyms

As part of a larger initiative to make fitness fun, convenient and affordable for Miami-Dade County residents, the Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Department in partnership with The Trust for Public Land has installed new outdoor Fitness Zones® in its parks.

Fitness Zones® are comprised of a cluster of exercise equipment permanently placed in a select area of a park designed for exercise, which make it easier for residents of all ages to include a fitness regimen in their daily routine to stem off heart disease, obesity and other ailments, as well to live an overall healthy lifestyle.

For more information see page 3.





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