

2. Continental Park

Continental Park is located in central Miami-Dade County, just west of US1 in the Kendall neighborhood. The park is sited on SW 100th Street and SW 82nd Avenue. Continental Park is divided into two parts, an east side and a west side with SW 82nd Avenue bisecting the park.

The area surrounding the park is entirely residential and developed with single family homes. The neighborhood surrounding Continental Park largely lacks a sidewalk network. The only existing sidewalk in the area extends north/south along SW 82nd Avenue. It is recommended that sidewalks be installed throughout the area, in addition to street trees and lighting.

The park is accessible via public transit within the ¼ mile service area, from SW 104th Street.

It is recommended that directional wayfinding signage be added to direct pedestrians and transit users to the park.

The intersections of SW 82nd Avenue at SW 100th Street, SW 102nd Street and SW 104th Street are recommended for improvements such as crosswalks, audio/visual cues, signage and raised crossings. The intersection of SW 100th Street & SW 82nd Avenue has a traffic calming circle and crosswalks going north-south and east-west for pedestrian access from the neighborhood north of the park.

There is no sidewalk along SW 102nd Street, the southern perimeter on the east side of the park. The installation of a sidewalk would provide a pedestrian route to access the existing pedestrian entrance points along the south side of the park.



SW 100th Street & SW 82nd Avenue

South Dade Trail lies east of the park, just outside of the ¼ mile service area. The trail provides opportunities for recreation, active transport and connectivity to other parks and the greater South Dade Greenway Network. It is recommended that connectivity between Continental Park and South Dade Trail be established on SW 100th Street via wayfinding signage, bike lanes, street trees and installation of sidewalks.

Neighborhood Summary

- Well maintained neighborhood of single family homes
- Predominately residential area with little or no existing sidewalks & street lights
- South side of Continental Park has no sidewalk on SW 102nd Street
- No sidewalk on SW 83rd Avenue directly across from the park
- South Dade Trail is east of the park and provides opportunities for active transport, recreation and connectivity to the greater South Dade Greenway Network

Recommendations

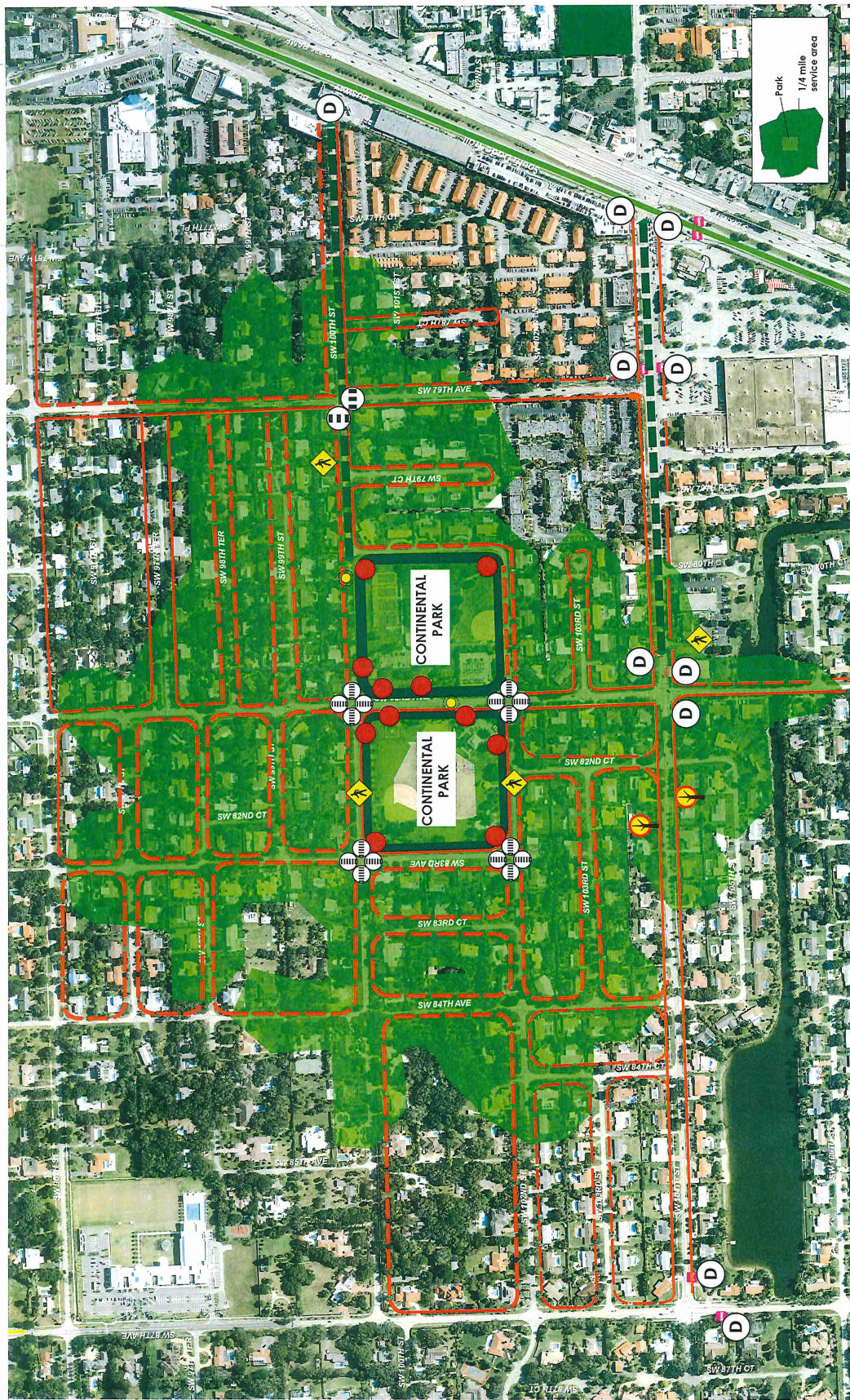
Internal Action Items

- Install sidewalk along southern perimeter of the east side of the park along SW 102nd Street
- Install low level lighting along pathway inside the park and sidewalks on park perimeter
- Install shaded seating areas and shade trees along existing walking path
- Evaluate feasibility of separating pedestrian use and other uses along selected interior park pathways
- Ensure that all park pavements within parks are ADA compliant to include a non-slip surface, are wide enough for wheelchairs and have dropped curbs to road level
- Create cycle paths within parks that are separate from other pavements and pedestrian walkways
- Ensure that outdoor safety is promoted by good signage, street and pathways lighting, police patrols and community education
- Plan parks for pedestrian circulation and efficiency by locating services together where and when possible
- Ensure buildings are well signed outside and inside, with sufficient seating and toilets, accessible elevators, ramps, railings and stairs, and non-slip floors
- Ensure public indoor and outdoor toilets are sufficient in number, clean, well maintained and accessible

Partnership Action Items

- Install a sidewalk on east side of SW 82nd Ave, north of SW 100th Street
- Sidewalks be installed throughout the area to provide pedestrian friendly facilities to access the park
- Crosswalks & signage are recommended to be installed at SW 100th Street & SW 82nd Avenue and SW 102nd Street & SW 82nd Avenue
- Install pedestrian warning signs and lighting around perimeter of park

CONTINENTAL PARK AGE FRIENDLY INITIATIVE



LEGEND:

- PARK BOUNDARY
- EXISTING SIDEWALK
- EXISTING BIKE LANE
- EXISTING GREENWAY
- EXISTING PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

POTENTIAL GREENWAY CONNECTION

- SAFE ROUTE TO PARKS
- PROPOSED SIDEWALK
- PROPOSED BIKE LANE
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO PARK

WAYFINDING

- DIRECTIONAL SIGN
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN SIGN
- SHADE TREES

INTERSECTION/CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENTS

- EXISTING MID BLOCK CROSSING
- PROPOSED MID BLOCK CROSSING
- PROPOSED CROSSWALK

PROPOSED BUS STOP

- EXISTING BUS STOP
- PROPOSED LIGHTING
- PROPOSED BENCH
- PROPOSED WATER FOUNTAIN