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City of Downey Announced as an Official Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zone

Downey, California — January 28, 2026 — City of Downey announced it has been selected by the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee as a Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zone, joining a region-wide celebration as Los Angeles prepares to host FIFA World Cup 2026™.

The Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones will extend the reach of live match viewing and interactive experiences across the greater Los Angeles region—bringing the excitement of the tournament closer to residents and visitors alike. Throughout the 39-day competition, the Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones will transform select destinations into premier watch events for some of the world’s biggest matches.

As an Official Fan Zone, City of Downey will offer fans the opportunity to come together and experience the energy, passion, and global spirit of the FIFA World Cup 2026™ through live match viewings and fan-focused programming.

“The Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones are about bringing the World Cup into the heart of our communities,” said **Kathryn Schloessman, President & CEO of the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission and CEO of the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee**. “These locations will play an important role in welcoming fans, creating shared moments, and ensuring that the excitement of FIFA World Cup 2026 is felt across Los Angeles County.”

“The City of Downey is proud to be selected as an official Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zone,” said **Claudia M. Frometa, Mayor of the City of Downey**. “The World Cup brings the world together, and this Fan Zone allows Downey to extend that experience to Southeast Los Angeles and surrounding communities. It’s an opportunity to celebrate community and create inclusive, family-friendly experiences centered on the shared excitement of the game. We are thrilled and can not wait to share the excitement with our community and with soccer aficionados from throughout the region!”

The Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones are part of the Host Committee’s broader effort to deliver a world-class tournament experience while creating inclusive, accessible opportunities for fans to celebrate together throughout the region.

The Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones include:

- The Original Farmers Market - June 18-21
- City of Downey - June 20
- Heart of the City: Union Station & LA Plaza de Cultura y Artes - June 25-28
- Hansen Dam Lake - July 2-5

- LA County's Earvin "Magic" Johnson Park - July 4-5
- Los Angeles County Whittier Narrows - July 9-11
- Venice Beach – July 11
- Fairplex - July 14-15 & July 18-19
- West Harbor - July 14-15 & July 18-19

For more information about Los Angeles World Cup 2026 at City of Downey, visit LosAngelesFWC26.com.

About City of Downey

The City of Downey, home to more than 113,000 residents in 12.41 square miles, is a diverse and dynamic community in the heart of Los Angeles County, approximately 15 miles from Downtown Los Angeles, and 5 miles from Orange County. The City prides itself on being a full-service municipal organization with over 800 employees providing an array of services, including police, fire protection, emergency medical services, water distribution, library services, and parks and recreational facilities. Downey offers nationally-recognized schools, numerous well-kept parks, and various amenities, including a regional mall, major shopping and business centers, the Downey Theatre, Downey Library, and the Columbia Memorial Space Center. Downey is a wonderful community where individuals, families, and businesses are proud to live, work, and play. For more information, visit www.downeyca.org.

About the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee

The Los Angeles World Cup Host Committee was established to deliver a premier FIFA World Cup 26™ experience and drive lasting social, cultural, and economic impact for the region. We serve as the liaison between FIFA and the Los Angeles region to harness opportunities surrounding the tournament to elevate our community. The Host Committee is co-chaired by LAFC Co-President Larry Freedman and former U.S. Men's National Team player Chris Klein, and is led by the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission (LASEC). It also includes the Los Angeles Rams, SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park, Los Angeles Football Club (LAFC), and LA Galaxy. For more information, visit losangelesfwc26.com.