



CITY OF
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE

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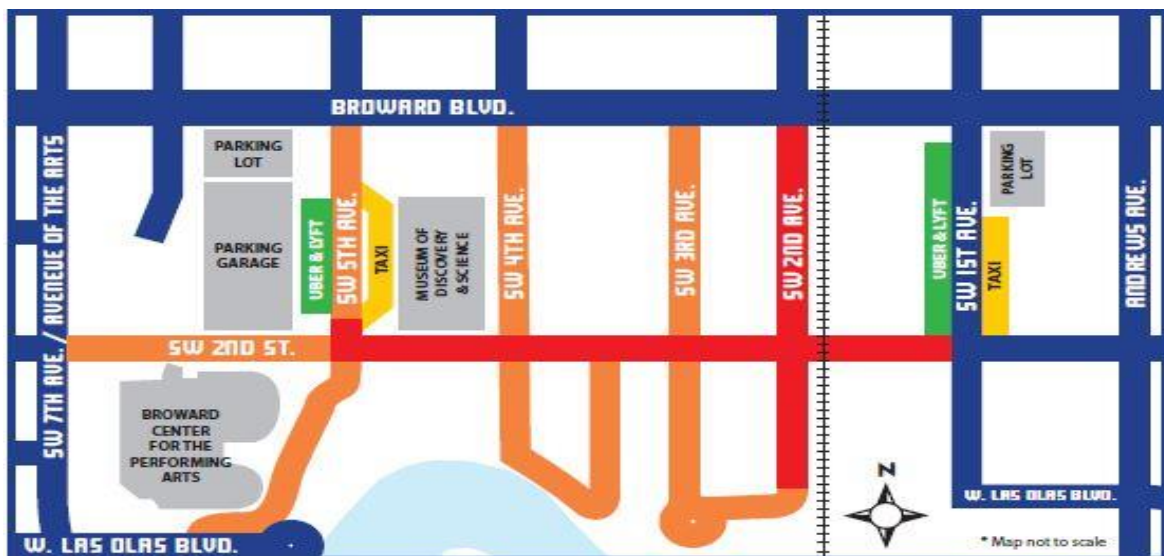
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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
DOWNTOWN COUNTDOWN
2015

The Downtown Countdown 2015 celebration will feature a variety of activities for the entire family beginning at 4:30 P.M. and ending at approximately 8:30 P.M. Those festivities will include bounce houses, face painting, games and contests, a DJ and dancing, and an early ball lighting countdown at 7:00 P.M. For the adult crowd, there will be live music from 8:00 P.M. until 1:00 A.M.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department will head the public safety and security operations for this event.

In light of recent national and world wide events, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department has implemented increased measures for public safety and security in and around the event site. These measures consist of both visible and non-visible operations and include on-site and remote surveillance.



MAP KEY

- ROAD CLOSED** (Red line)
- ROAD OPEN** (Blue line)
- RESTRICTED ACCESS** (Orange line)
- TAXI PICK UP/DROP OFF** (Yellow line)
- UBER & LYFT PICK UP/DROP OFF** (Green line)

Road Closures: (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=13205>)

- **Thursday, December 31st 7:00 A.M. to Friday, January 1st 8:00 A.M.**
 - Southwest 2nd Street will be closed from Southwest 7th Avenue east to Southwest 1st Avenue
 - Eastbound traffic on Southwest 2nd Street from Southwest 7th Avenue to Southwest 5th Avenue will be restricted to employees of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and VIP / Valet customers. Employees and show attendees should use Southwest 7th Avenue, rather than Southwest 5th Avenue for access to the center.
 - Southwest 5th Avenue will be restricted to vehicles entering and exiting the Performing Arts Center garage with no access to parking for Downtown Countdown attendees.
 - Southwest 2nd Avenue will be closed south of Broward Boulevard to the New River
 - Access to Southwest 3rd Avenue and Southwest 4th Avenues south of Broward Boulevard will be restricted to residents who live in the area and employees of nearby businesses.

In an effort to manage the expected attendance for this event, Fort Lauderdale Police Department personnel will be stationed at nearby intersections and crosswalks to assist with pedestrian and vehicular traffic, as well as throughout the event site.



Parking: (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6905>)

- **City Parking Garage (CPG)**
 - 150 Southeast 2nd Street
- **County Lot II**
 - 100 Southwest 1st Avenue

- **Broward Governmental Garage**
 - 151 Southwest 2nd Street
- **200 Las Olas Circle Garage**
 - 200 Southwest 1st Avenue
- **Riverfront Garage**
 - 305 South Andrews Avenue
- **Riverhouse Lot**
 - 220 Southwest 3rd Avenue

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department reminds motorists to only park in designated parking areas, as any parking violations will be strictly enforced.

Taxi Cabs/ Uber/ Lyft: (<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=13205>)

The City of Fort Lauderdale reminds for-hire vehicle operators to use only the designated locations for pick-ups and drop-offs. The two designated pick up/drop off locations are: Southwest 5th Avenue south of Broward Boulevard, and Southwest 1st Avenue south of Broward Boulevard. The use of any other locations for pick up/drop off will be strictly prohibited and enforced.

Lost Child Prevention and Reunification Program:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department will be issuing wristbands for children up to age 12; free of charge. Parents and guardians are encouraged to bring their children to the Fort Lauderdale Police Department tent, which will be stationed at Southwest 2nd Street and Southwest 4th Avenue.

This program allows for expedited reuniting of children with their parents, should they become separated. Parents are reminded to have discussions with their children, directing them to locate a uniformed police officer or fire rescue personnel should they become separated from their family.

Sun Trolley: (<http://www.suntrolley.com/las-olas-link-beach-link/>)

The Sun Trolley will be operating on the Las Olas Link Route from 6:30 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. The route travels from the Broward Center for the Performing Arts at Southwest 2nd Street and Southwest 5th Avenue, east along East Las Olas Boulevard and North on A1A.

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