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### Little Haiti Soccer Park has new amenities



In the Little Haiti neighborhood of Miami, along NE 2nd Avenue between NE 62nd and NE 63rd streets, sits a multimillion-dollar, 21st-century sports complex. Considered by some to be the pride of the community, Little Haiti Soccer Park is a public green space that fills the needs of area youths.

A place for more than soccer, Little Haiti Soccer Park, also known as Emmanuel “Manno” Sanon Soccer Park in honor of the late Haitian national team player, is also home of the local community center, splash pad, playground, new outdoor exercise pavilion, and a multi-sport field currently under construction.

After years of city government planning and legal opposition from neighborhood businesses, the park opened in 2008. The 15-acre facility, downsized from the original 60-acre plan, cost \$36.9 million. It features a natural-grass, competition-size soccer field with a covered home team grandstand and visiting team bleachers that can seat 1400 people. The supporting grandstand also houses a snack concession and bathrooms. A large parking lot accommodating games and practices is located along NE 62nd Street.

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Hours: 9:30 am to 6 pm Tues to 6 pm Wed 8 am to 9 pm;