

Elevate Miami

In 2001, Mayor Manny Diaz faced a city ranked as the poorest city in the nation. His vision for the future of the City of Miami incorporated a strategic multi-faceted plan addressing a holistic approach to a citizen's quality of life. An anti-poverty initiative linking the building blocks of self sufficiency began on many fronts to address the urgent need for support and structure for our citizens. The Mayor, eager to elevate a City entrenched in seemingly impossible challenges, broke typical governmental patterns and reached beyond usual solutions.

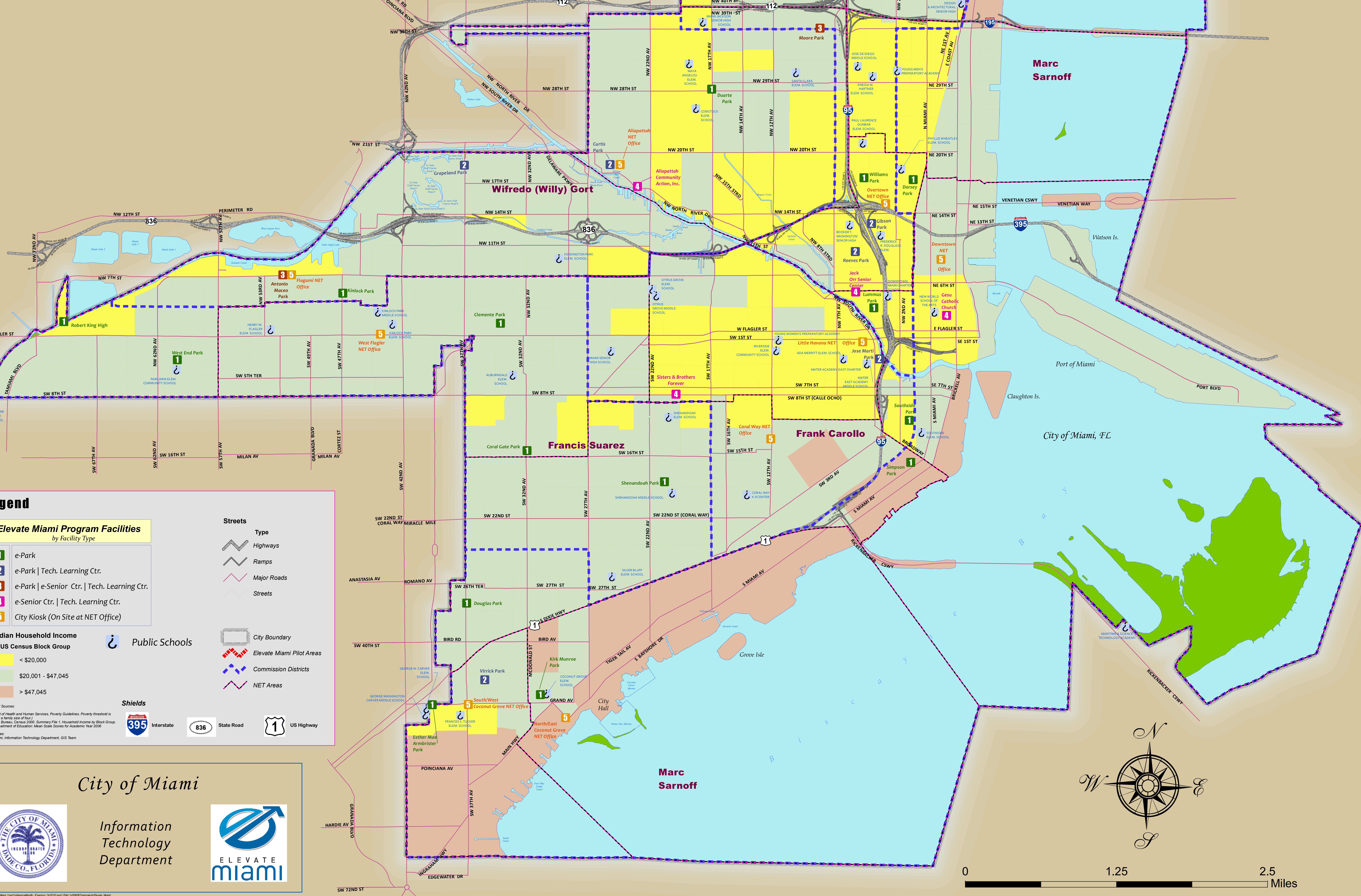
This effort has led to the development and implementation of the following:
ACCESS Miami (Assets, Capital, Community, Education, Savings and Success) leverages the full range of public supports available to low-moderate income families.

Community Engagement & Outreach: The City's Faith and Community-Based Initiatives connect the City with its grassroots organizations in an unprecedented way in the City of Miami.

The Education Imperative: Children & Youth Development. The ground-breaking City Education Compact with the public school system has been central to the radical, sustained turnaround in school performance and public education quality.

Digital Inclusion in the Information Age: E-Parks Initiative: works to remove obstacles to information age skills and learning for disadvantaged children, seniors and all City residents. Between 2003 through 2006, 27 e-park labs were opened to provide computer access to our city's residents. In 2007, these efforts were extended to include two senior citizen centers (with the intent of expanding to an additional 10 senior sites during 2007) ensuring that technology is made available to Miamians of all ages.

In order to implement this program the City of Miami needed to define pilot areas that met predefined criteria such as low-to-moderate household income, schools with poor grades, parks with capacity to become e-parks (technology-enabled) and areas with existing senior centers. With the creation of a model covering these requirements four Pilot Areas were defined. In this map these areas are represented by a thick-dashed red outline.



Legend

Elevate Miami Program Facilities by Facility Type

- 1 e-Park
- 2 e-Park | Tech. Learning Ctr.
- 3 e-Park | e-Senior Ctr. | Tech. Learning Ctr.
- 4 e-Senior Ctr. | Tech. Learning Ctr.
- 5 City Kiosk (On Site at NET Office)

Median Household Income by US Census Block Group

- < \$20,000
- \$20,001 - \$47,045
- > \$47,045

Shields

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Streets

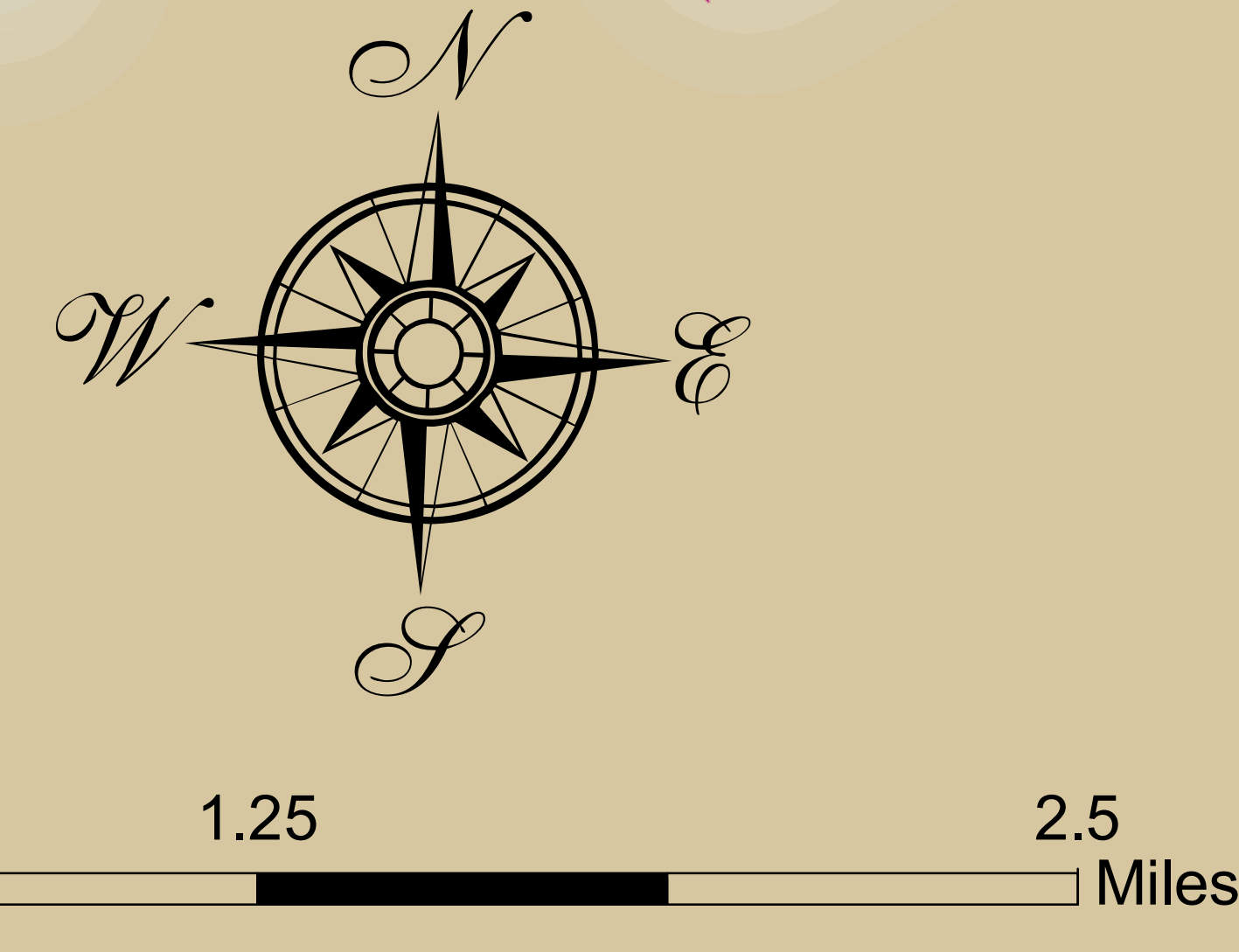
- Highways
- Ramps
- Major Roads
- Streets

Other Symbols

- City Boundary
- Elevate Miami Pilot Areas
- Commission Districts
- NET Areas
- Public Schools

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