FIFA World Cup 2026™

Kitsap Economic Development Alliance



FIFA World Cup 2026™ (FWC26) will be the largest sporting event in history.

- FIFA runs the tournament and puts on the matches.
- SeattleFWC26 focuses on legacy, logistics, FIFA Fan Festival, and activations.
- Cities & other governments remain in charge of their typical functions.
- Local organizations like Alliances and Chambers are the point of connection with businesses and customers.

Hundreds of thousands of visitors and billions of viewers will have their eyes on the Emerald City and Evergreen State.

We have a responsibility to use this moment of global focus to unify, benefit, and inspire our region for decades.



FIFA WORLD CUP JUNE 11 – JULY 19, 2026

Largest sporting event ever staged

SEA-VAN are two of closest Host Cities

50% fans in previous World Cups from abroad

600 days away

104 matches 48 Teams 3 Host Countries 16 Cities

Estimated: 19 billion+ global viewers 6 million+ ticketed visitors to US





 6/15/26 GROUP STAGE
 6/26/26 GROUP STAGE

 6/19/26 USA GROUP STAGE
 7/01/26 ROUND OF 32

 6/24/26 GROUP STAGE
 7/06/26 ROUND OF 16

Full FWC26 Schedule



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
2026			6/11 FWC Kickoff	6/12	6/13 VAN 1	6/14
6/15 <mark>SEA 1</mark>	6/16	6/17	6/18 VAN 2	6/19 SEA 2 Juneteenth	6/20	6/21 VAN 3
6/22	6/23	5/24 SEA 3 VAN 4	6/25	6/26 SEA 4 VAN 5	6/27 Pride	6/28
6/29	6/30	7/1 <mark>SEA 5</mark>	7/2 VAN 6	7/3	7/4 Independence Day	7/5
7/6 <mark>SEA 6</mark>	7/7 VAN 7	7/8	7/9 Quarter Final	7/10 Quarter Final	7/11 Quarter Finals	7/12
7/13	7/14 Semi Final	7/15 Semi Final	7/16	7/17	7/18 Bronze Final	7/19 FWC Final

WORLD CUP FOOTPRINT



Game Venues

Lumen Field (Seattle) BC Place (Vancouver, BC)

Potential Practice Fields

Seattle University Starfire Sports (Tukwila) University of Washington

Potential Team Base CampsRentonPortland, ORSpokaneVancouver, BC

Fan Activations

FIFA Fan Fest (Seattle) Fan Zones (+9 TBD cities Statewide)



Forecasting Opportunities

How will visitors arrive and move around? Airports, Public Transit, Travel Corridors, <u>Ferries</u>

Where and How will fans watch?

Fan Zones!

How do we test approaches for any "major event"?

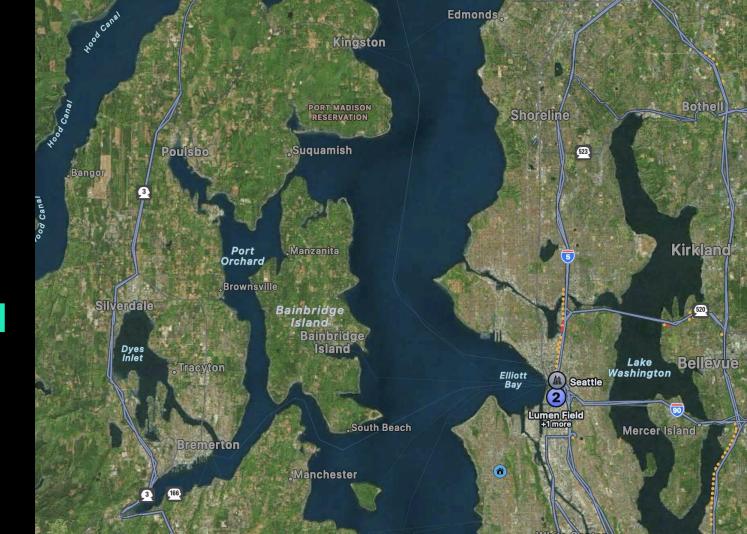
Watch for the Draw in late 2025!





Ferries will be great ways to travel to matches.

Visitors may need help knowing Ferries are an option.



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Important Information We Don't Yet Know

FIFA Fan Fest Location

JUST ANNOUNCED—SEATTLE CENTER

Fan Zone Locations

Up to 9, Statewide **By End of Year** Which Nations Assigned to Groups Playing in Seattle Draw in late 2025

When Tickets Become Available

FIFA is responsible for ticket sales **Current Best Guess: Mid-2025**

Confirmed Team Base Camp Locations Confirmed Team Practice Field Locations By Summer 2025



Roles Who Local Partners Should Work With Depends on the Issue



Responsible for running games & coordination across continent; "Inside the Stadium Footprint"

SeattleFWC26 (Local Organizing Committee) Lead for local planning, non-FIFA logistics, activations, fundraising

Governments (Federal, State, Local) Providing typical governmental services (transit, traffic control, law enforcement, etc.)

Partners (like KEDA!) Cultural and commercial highlights, support marketing, host local events



Levels of Opportunity

Official FIFA Events: Matches and FIFA Fan Fest

Formal LOC Partnerships: Fan Zones, Legacy Activations

Local Maximization: Targeted Marketing, Watch Parties, Small Business Initiatives: What do you want to highlight?

The Biggest Sporting Event in History Is More Than Just The Event Itself ... "Readiness"



Let's use this moment of global focus

to make lasting local progress.



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