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# Community Background Report

## Pickwick

### County

Miami-Dade

### Boundaries

North: Northeast 185 Street

South: Northeast Miami Gardens Drive

West: Northeast 6 Avenue

East: Northeast 11 Avenue

### Community Type

Neighborhood

### History

Pickwick Estates is a comparatively small, completely residential neighborhood in North Miami Beach. This neighborhood is located north of Miami Gardens Drive and just east of Interstate-95. The secluded single-family home neighborhood has only one access point, is separated from Miami Gardens Drive and I-95 by a continuous wall of six feet in height, and is bordered on the east and north by a lake and canal. Due to its convenient but self-contained location, Pickwick Estates is a relatively stable. The reconstruction of the wall between the neighborhood and Miami Gardens Drive, the beautification of its entrance features, landscaping improvements, and lighting improvements on the interior of the neighborhood have helped meet the resident's needs. The City and residents have planned and implemented lighting improvements and colored concrete crosswalks along Northeast 9 Court from Miami Gardens Drive to Northeast 182 Terrace.

### Community Dynamics

In 2008, neighborhood residents expressed concern about elementary school boundaries being drawn and redrawn to favor the segregation of socio-economic and racial groups among the student bodies attending Ojus or Greynolds Park elementary schools. Socio-economic and

ethnic group differences have motivated political discussion among the neighborhoods in North Miami Beach but the citizenry is more critical of City expenditures and capital improvements. Pickwick residents are actively involved in citywide decisions through the Council and Mayor's election cycle. Pickwick has one school in the neighborhood, the Yeshiva Toras Chaim. The Snake Creek Trail runs along the northern edge of Pickwick and allows pedestrians and bicyclists to follow the Snake Creek Canal from Miami Gardens to Greynolds Park. The Gold Coast Trail runs near Pickwick's western boundary and, once completed, will allow bicyclists and pedestrians to travel north and into Broward County. Land uses in Pickwick Estates are single-family residential except for few partials reserved for institutional uses which include railway, canals, and highways. The average sales value for homes in Pickwick in 2011 is \$83,000.

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