

Braves on Miami

February 9, 2019, 5-10pm

200 Block W Miami Ave

The Atlanta Braves and Venice MainStreet would like to collaborate to create an even on, Saturday, February 9th 2019. This is a one-time, free event to kick off the Atlanta Braves Spring Training in Venice. Two blocks of Miami Avenue will be closed, two bands will play on the portable stage, Braves branded bar and entertainment will be on site. Participants will get the chance to interact with Braves alumni and the Braves mascot (if available on that date, he is in high demand).

This is a unique opportunity for Venice to embrace the Atlanta Braves as part of our community and to bring baseball to Venice. Details of the evening's activities are still in progress. The goal is to create a family-friendly event that is appealing to all demographics, with the theme of introducing the Venice community to the Braves and embracing them as our hometown team. The event proceeds will benefit Venice MainStreet and the Atlanta Braves Foundation, both 501c3 nonprofits. The Atlanta Braves Foundation grants funds to youth-serving organizations that focus on health, education, and recreation. Representatives from both organizations will be on site for the event. Restaurants will be encouraged to set up takes within the street, shops will be encouraged to stay open late. Some food and drink vendors will join us in the street, as always it is Venice MainStreet's priority to not compete with local business but instead to compliment and encourage it.

Venice MainStreet felt this event appropriate for W Miami Avenue because we are very aware of the ins and outs of hosting events in this spot and it has minimal impact on parking in our downtown. It also creates a valuable opportunity to showcase the businesses on Miami Ave.

Timeline

10:00pm Police install "No Parking After Midnight" Signs

12:00pm Venice MainStreet closes street: Miami Ave from Nassau to Nokomis

1-3:00pm Sound system, stage, beer/wine vendor set-up

3:00 Sound Check

5:00-6:00pm Live music

7:00-10:00pm Main Act

10:00 close

12:00 Stage and vendors removed from street

12:00am Street reopens