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**LOS ANGELES WORLD CUP 2026 HOST COMMITTEE
THANKS LOS ANGELES FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE
FIFA WORLD CUP 2026™ CELEBRATION**

The Host Committee, led by the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission, shares a letter and video celebrating six unforgettable weeks that welcomed more than half a million fans to eight FIFA World Cup™ matches, united communities across the region and created a lasting legacy for Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES (July 19, 2026) – Following six unforgettable weeks that welcomed the world to Los Angeles for FIFA World Cup 2026™, the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee—led by the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission (LASEC)—today released a thank you message to the people of Los Angeles, for their role in making FIFA World Cup 2026™ such an extraordinary success.

Together, the Los Angeles region welcomed more than 560,000 fans to eight FIFA World Cup™ matches at Los Angeles Stadium (SoFi Stadium), hosted more than 250,000 fans at the FIFA Fan Festival™ Los Angeles and official Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones, and thousands more celebrated at the more than 300 community events.

The region is projected to generate more than \$1.1 billion in long-term economic benefit, creating a legacy that will continue to strengthen Los Angeles long after the tournament's final whistle.

[Watch the official video here.](#)

Dear Los Angeles,

For 39 unforgettable days, the Los Angeles region became the global stage for the world's game. Together, we welcomed hundreds of thousands of fans from around the world, hosted eight unforgettable FIFA World Cup 2026™ matches at SoFi Stadium, celebrated across the FIFA Fan Festival™ and official Los Angeles World Cup 26 Fan Zones, and showcased the diversity, creativity, and spirit that make our region unlike anywhere else.

This tournament was about far more than football. It was about bringing people together, strengthening communities, supporting local businesses, and inspiring the next generation. From volunteers and community organizations to small businesses, public agencies, and neighborhoods across Los Angeles County, this was truly a regional effort—and because of you, it was an extraordinary success.

The impact will be felt for years to come. FIFA World Cup 2026™ is projected to have generated \$892 million in economic impact across Los Angeles County, while creating a lasting tourism legacy projected to exceed \$1.1 billion in total long-term economic benefits.

Impact like this is why the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission was founded more than 30 years ago—to bring world-class events to our region that create jobs, strengthen local businesses, inspire our communities, and generate lasting economic opportunity.

None of this would have been possible without the commitment and collaboration of our Foundational Partners and the philanthropic community. We extend our sincere gratitude to Amgen, Archer, Kaiser Permanente, LA Metro, and Los Angeles Tourism, and our ChampionLA donors, for helping create an unforgettable experience for residents and visitors alike. We also thank our media partners, venue partners, public safety agencies, volunteers, community organizations, and countless supporters whose dedication helped showcase Los Angeles at its very best.

Most importantly, thank you to the people of Los Angeles and the communities that make our region so extraordinary.

Thank you for welcoming the world with open arms.

Thank you for sharing your neighborhoods, your culture and your pride.

Thank you for proving that when the Los Angeles region comes together, there is no limit to what we can accomplish.

The final whistle may have blown but the legacy of FIFA World Cup 2026™ will continue to inspire our communities for generations to come.

With gratitude,
The Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission,
lead for the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee

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About the Los Angeles World Cup 2026 Host Committee

The Los Angeles World Cup Host Committee was established to deliver a premier FIFA World Cup 2026™ experience and drive lasting social, cultural, and economic impact for the region. We serve as the liaison between FIFA and the Los Angeles region to harness opportunities surrounding the tournament to elevate our community. The Host Committee is co-chaired by LAFC Co-President Larry Freedman and former U.S. Men's National Team player Chris Klein, led by the Los Angeles Sports & Entertainment Commission (LASEC), and includes the Los Angeles Rams, SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park, Los Angeles Football Club (LAFC), and LA Galaxy. For more information, visit losangelesfwc26.com.

