



White House Task Force on the FIFA World Cup 2026

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Golden Age of Sports in America: United States Concludes Historic FIFA World Cup 2026

WASHINGTON, D.C. – As the final whistle blew on the FIFA World Cup 2026, the United States stood at the center of sports history. The White House Task Force, established by President Donald J. Trump, led a whole-of-government effort that delivered the greatest sporting event of all time.

“President Trump’s vision has come to life, and the results have astounded even those of us who saw the potential for this once-in-a-generation event,” said Andrew Giuliani, Executive Director of the White House Task Force on the FIFA World Cup 2026. “We have delivered a safe, welcoming, and memorable tournament that set new records for attendance, viewership, and security. This World Cup is not just a sporting event—it’s a celebration of American hospitality, unity, and excellence.”

This World Cup broke records across the board: 6.8 million fans attended matches in 11 U.S. cities, stadiums were filled to 99.7% capacity, and Fan Fests welcomed 7.7 million visitors. With the United States leading the way and working in close partnership with Canada and Mexico, the tournament became a truly international celebration that reached billions worldwide. The Spain vs. Argentina final match became the most-watched soccer match in U.S. television history, drawing 62.8 million domestic viewers.

More than 50 federal agencies worked together to ensure a seamless and secure experience for millions of fans. Combined, DHS and FBI seized more than 700 unauthorized drones during the tournament, reflecting the impact of new security technology and coordination. The Department of State launched the FIFA Priority Appointment Scheduling System (FIFA PASS) to enable two million visa appointments worldwide. Public transportation systems moved record numbers of fans, with Seattle’s network alone carrying more than 1.1 million riders during its first two matches.

The legacy of this World Cup—built on new safety capabilities and lasting partnerships—will guide America as it prepares for future mega-events, including the 2028 Summer Olympics. As visitors return home, the United States stands proud, not only for hosting the greatest World Cup

in history but for ushering in a new golden age of sports in America. With President Trump leading the way, the best is yet to come!

For more tournament successes and detailed metrics, see the [FIFA World Cup '26 Federal Success Stories – Fact Sheet](#)

About the White House Task Force on the FIFA World Cup 2026:

The [White House Task Force FIFA World Cup 2026](#) is dedicated to leading and coordinating federal efforts in support of the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 and the FIFA World Cup 2026. In collaboration with executive departments & agencies, the Task Force will facilitate comprehensive planning, organization, and execution of the largest sporting events in the history of mankind. Through interagency cooperation, information sharing, and strategic support, the Task Force aims to ensure the successful hosting of world-class international events that reflect the values, security, and hospitality of the United States of America.

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