

## **About the Home Depot Center**

The Home Depot Center is a 125-acre development in Carson, California, featuring state-of-the-art stadiums and facilities for soccer, tennis, track & field, cycling, volleyball, baseball, softball, basketball, and other sports. Designated as an "Official U.S. Olympic Training Site," The Home Depot Center is the nations' most complete training facility for Olympic, amateur and professional athletes.

Created around a 27,000-seat soccer stadium, 13,000-seat tennis stadium, 20,000-seat track & field facility and a 2,450-seat indoor velodrome (The ADT Event Center), the complex is located on the campus of California State University, Dominguez Hills. The Home Depot Center is the home of the 2002 MLS Cup Champion Los Angeles Galaxy as well as being the home of MLS expansion club Club Deportivo Chivas USA. In addition, the facility is the national team training headquarters of the U.S. Soccer Federation. The development is also the home of the nationally recognized Athletes Performance training sites for USA Cycling, United States Track & Field and the USTA, as well as being the home of the USA Tennis High Performance National Training Center and the former summer training camp site for the San Diego Chargers (NFL).

Developed and operated by AEG, the \$150 million Home Depot Center represents the largest investment in amateur athletics ever made. Whether competing or training, athletes will have the use of world-class amenities including a 3,000 square foot weight room, complete training and locker room facilities as well as dining, housing and other hospitality services.

Beginning with the inaugural Home Depot Track & Field Invitational on June 1 2003, The Home Depot Center has become the home of the finest national and international competitions. In addition to the Los Angeles Galaxy's 19-game home schedule, the soccer stadium has also played host to the 2003 MLS All-Star Game (August 2, 2003), two league championship MLS Cup games (November 23, 2003 and November 14, 2004), six games of the 2003 Women's World Cup including the Championship game (October 12, 2003), NCAA Men's College Cup (December 10 & 12, 2004), and has twice hosted the USA Sevens International Rugby Tournament (February, 2004 and February, 2005). For the second consecutive year, the tennis stadium hosted The JPMorgan Chase Open (July 19-25, 2004). In addition, international competitions included the 2004 Junior Track Cycling Championship (July 28-August 1, 2004), the UCI Track Cycling World Cup Classics (December 10-12, 2004) and Davis Cup (March 4-6) first round action featuring the US versus Croatia.

The Home Depot Center's commitment to athletics and training also extends to the surrounding communities. Tennis courts, soccer training fields and a three-mile jogging trail with twelve fitness stations around the perimeter of the development is available to local residents as well as other facilities and amenities. Through foundations established by AEG operated entities such as the Los Angeles Galaxy, the Los Angeles Kings and STAPLES Center, more than \$5 million has been pledged to community organizations in the last six years with new donations targeting this local community already being established.