



MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

Please be advised that the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC) will be meeting on:

DATE: Wednesday, October 13, 2010

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Volusia TPO
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd.,
Suite 100 (Conference Room)
Daytona Beach, Florida 32114-8145

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Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION
(Length of time at the discretion of the Chairperson)
- III. ACTION ITEMS
 - A) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 MEETING MINUTES
(Contact: Stephan C. Harris) (Enclosures, pages 1-12)
 - B) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2010-22 AMENDING THE VOLUSIA TPO'S PROJECT PRIORITY LIST FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS *(Contact: Karl D. Welzenbach) (Enclosures, pages 13-17)*
 - C) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2010-23 AMENDING THE FY 2010/11 - 2014/15 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) *(Contact: Karl D. Welzenbach) (Enclosure, page 18)*

III. ACTION ITEMS *(Continued)*

- D) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2010-24 REQUESTING FDOT REDESIGNATE THE CURRENTLY PROGRAMMED FUNDS ON THE EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL RAIL TRAIL FROM DESIGN (PHASE 38) TO DESIGN/BUILD (PHASE 58)** *(Contact: Karl D. Welzenbach) (Enclosures, pages 19-20)*

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A) PRESENTATION ON THE COMMUNITIES PUTTING PREVENTION TO WORK PROGRAM: WALKING SCHOOL BUSES** *(Contact: Deborah Saulsbury, Florida Department of Health) (Enclosures, pages 21-24)*
- B) PRESENTATION ON THE VOLUSIA TPO'S NEW WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE** *(Contact: Jean Parlow & TPO Staff) (Enclosure, page 25)*

V. STAFF COMMENTS *(Enclosure, page 26)*

VI. BPAC MEMBER COMMENTS *(Enclosure, page 26)*

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS *(Enclosures, pages 26-50)*

- **Bicycle & Pedestrian Partnership Council Meeting Notice**
- **Bike Florida Economic Impact Report**
- **Florida Safe Routes to School Updates – October 1, 2010**
- **Volusia CTST Newsletter (D5 Safe-T Advisor) – September 2010**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT *(Enclosure, page 26)*

*****The next meeting of the BPAC will be Wednesday, November 10, 2010*****

NOTE: *Individuals covered by the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 in need of accommodations for this public meeting should contact the Volusia TPO office, 2570 W. International Speedway Blvd., Suite 100, Daytona Beach, FL (386) 226-0422, extension 21 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting date.*

**SUMMARY SHEET
BPAC
OCTOBER 13, 2010**

III. Action Items

A) Review and Approval of September 8, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Background Information:

Minutes are prepared for each meeting and must be approved by the BPAC. The September 8, 2010 meeting minutes are provided with this agenda packet for your review.

Action Requested:

Motion to approve the September 8, 2010 meeting minutes

**Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2010**

Members Present:

Michelle Grenham
Craig Wells
Rene "Rocky" Rivera
Bob Storke
Phyllis Campbell
John Decarie
Joe Trepasso
A.J. Devies
William "Bill" Pouzar

Representing:

Edgewater
Flagler Beach
Holly Hill
Orange City
Ponce Inlet
Port Orange
South Daytona
Volusia County, District 2
Volusia County, District 5

Non-Voting Technical Appointees Present:

Joan Carter
Wendy Hickey
Gwen Perney
Jon Cheney
Tina Skipper

Representing:

FDOT, District 5
Orange City
Port Orange
Volusia County Traffic Engineering
Volusia County School Board

Members/Technical Appointees Absent:

Mike Chuvén (excused)
Rani Merens (excused)
Robert Echevarria
Jake Baker
Peter Cerullo (excused)
Roy Walters (excused)
Susanne Wilde
Heather Blanck

Representing:

Daytona Beach
DeBary
Deltona
New Smyrna Beach
Volusia County, At-Large
Volusia County, At-Large
Volusia County Parks, Rec. & Culture
Votran

Others Present:

Pamela Blankenship, Recording Secretary
Karl Welzenbach
Melissa Wos
Lois Bollenback
Stephan Harris
Carole Hinkley
Garry Balogh
Christopher Cairns
Rick Morrow
Judy Pizzo

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
FDOT, District 5
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Others Present:

Ginger Hoke
R. Sans Lassiter
Andy Nicol

Representing:

Hoke Design, Inc.
Lassiter Transportation Group, Inc.
TranSystems, Inc.

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum / Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chairperson A.J. Devies. The roll was called and it was determined that a quorum was present.

II. Public Comment/Participation

There were no public comments.

III. Action Items

A. Review and Approval of August 11, 2010 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: *A motion to approve the August 11, 2010 BPAC meeting minutes was made by Mr. Rivera. The motion was seconded by Mr. Storke and carried unanimously.*

B. Appointment of Subcommittee Members for BPAC Master Planning Assistance for Small Communities

Mr. Harris stated that UPWP Task 5.05 is BPAC Master Planning Assistance for Small Communities. The idea of this task is to provide technical assistance to Beverly Beach, Flagler Beach, Lake Helen, Oak Hill and Pierson for the adoption of bicycle/pedestrian master plans. The master plans will identify projects that the communities can submit to the Volusia TPO or other organizations for funding opportunities. Ideally, volunteers for this subcommittee would come from the communities, but vacancies on the BPAC make that impossible. TPO staff encourages volunteers from the entire BPAC. There is no set number of subcommittee members. The times and dates of meetings are yet to be determined.

Mr. Decarie suggested including Ms. Susan Elliott from the Pierson area to serve on the subcommittee.

Mr. Rivera suggested contacting the cities to request volunteers for the subcommittee.

[William "Bill" Pouzar, Rene "Rocky" Rivera and Craig Wells volunteered for the subcommittee.]

C. Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2010-19 Authorizing the Supplemental LAP Agreement with FDOT for XU Bicycle/Pedestrian Feasibility Studies

Chairperson Devies stated that Resolution 2010-19 was handed out prior to the BPAC meeting.

Mr. Welzenbach stated that the TPO pays for two types of feasibility studies: bicycle/pedestrian and ITS/traffic operations/safety. The agreements with FDOT are separate, but Resolution 2001-19 covers both of them. The resolution is for the Volusia TPO to continue to do feasibility studies.

Mr. Rivera stated the federal government has been encouraging cities to prepare projects to take advantage of stimulus funding.

MOTION: A motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2010-19 authorizing the Supplemental LAP Agreement with FDOT for XU Bicycle/Pedestrian Feasibility Studies was made by Mr. Storke. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decarie and carried unanimously.

VI. Presentations and Discussion Items

A. Presentation on the Bicycle & Pedestrian School Safety Review Study – Phase 4

[Mr. Lassiter's presentation is included with the minutes for reference purposes.]

B. Presentation on the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway – Maytown Road Corridor Extension

[A summary of Mr. Nicol's presentation is included with the minutes for reference purposes.]

C. Video Presentation on Design Issues for Pedestrians with Low Vision

[DVD is available from TPO staff.]

D. Discussion of Pedestrian Safety and Accessibility Issues

Mr. Morrow stated that the intersection of Nova and Beville Roads has free flow right turn lanes. Drivers who do not obey traffic laws are a challenge for pedestrians. FDOT does install audible pedestrian signals at selected locations, however, the signals are expensive and purchase and maintain.

Mr. Cheney asked about the process for evaluating citizen requests for pedestrian signals. Mr. Morrow responded that FDOT determines if there is a need, looks at the intersection geometrics, evaluates FDOT's program for installing and maintaining the signals, and evaluates the existing equipment at the intersection.

Mr. Cheney added that Volusia County consults Blind Services and/or other agencies.

Mr. Rivera stated that the countdown pedestrian signals are very useful.

Mr. Cheney stated Volusia County has been installing countdown pedestrian signals at intersections throughout the county.

VII. Staff Comments

Mr. Harris stated that Lassiter Transportation Group will be returning to provide presentations on the remainder of the schools in the study.

The TPO's Telly Award is on display in the office lobby.

VIII. BPAC Member Comments

Chairperson Devies stated that next month is White Cane Awareness Month. The National Federation of the Blind will be crossing an intersection (International Speedway Boulevard and SR A1A) and law enforcement will be enforcing the White Cane law.

Mr. Decarie stated that public review meetings are being held for the 2035 LRTP. The next meeting will be on September 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Deltona City Hall.

Ms. Skipper stated that Pride Elementary School will be participating in Walk to School Day. Walking school buses are being organized at several schools in the county. An event is being planned at Westside Elementary School with Congressman Mica to highlight walking.

Mr. Harris stated representatives from the Florida Department of Health are coming to the BPAC meeting next month to discuss the Walking School Bus Program.

IX. Information Items

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.


Volusia Transportation Planning Organization

Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson
Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

CERTIFICATE:


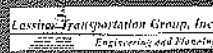
The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia TPO, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the September 8, 2010 regular meeting of the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), approved and duly signed this 13th day of October, 2010.

Pamela C. Blankenship, Recording Secretary
Volusia Transportation Planning Organization




Bicycle and Pedestrian School Safety Review Study – Phase 4



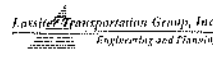
BPAC Presentation
September 2010

Mapping






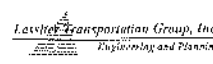
- › School Location
- › Walk Zone
- › Hazardous Conditions
- › Student Home Locations
- › Existing Crossing Guard Location
- › Proposed Crossing Guard Location
- › Bicycle/Pedestrian Crash Event Locations
- › Existing & Proposed Facilities
 - Sidewalks
 - Trails
- › Other Information
- VOTRAN Stops/Routes

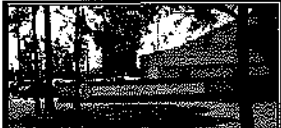
Study Status

- › Schools Studied To-Date
 - Sweetwater Elementary
 - Coronado Beach Elementary*
 - Ormond Beach Elementary*
 - Deltona Middle*
 - Galaxy Middle*





*Assessment Studies In Review

Sweetwater Elementary




- › Hazardous Sidewalk Conditions
- › Crossing Relocation
- › Proposed Path







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Coronado Beach Elementary




- › One-way Flow
- › Drivers Ignoring Operation
- › Missing School Crosswalk Signage







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Ormond Beach Elementary

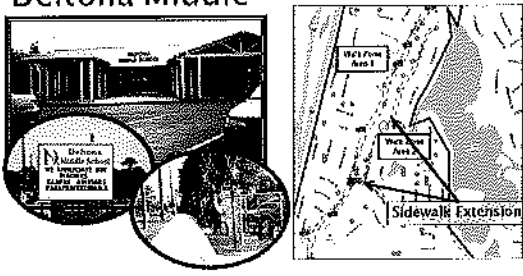


- › Major Student Crossing to Undesignated Drop-off Area
- › Relatively High Vehicular Speeds
- › Walkable School with Low Percentage of Pedestrians/Bicyclers



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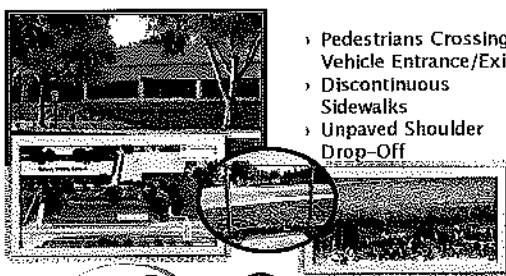
Deltona Middle



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Galaxy Middle Elementary



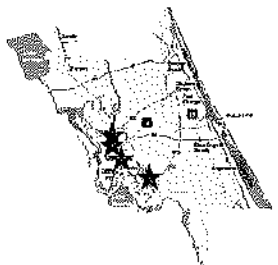
- › Pedestrians Crossing Vehicle Entrance/Exit
- › Discontinuous Sidewalks
- › Unpaved Shoulder Drop-Off

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Study Status

- › Next Schools to be Studied
 - Starke Elementary (DeLand)
 - Heritage Middle (Deltona)
 - River Springs Middle (Orange City)
 - Southwestern Middle (DeLand)



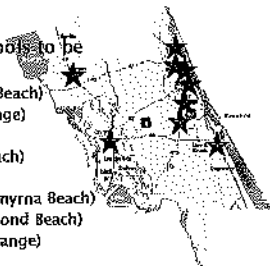
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Study Status

› Remaining Potential Schools to be Studied

- Campbell Middle (Daytona Beach)
- Creekside Middle (Port Orange)
- DeLand Middle (DeLand)
- Hinson Middle (Daytona Beach)
- Holly Hill Middle (Holly Hill)
- New Smyrna Middle (New Smyrna Beach)
- Ormond Beach Middle (Ormond Beach)
- Silver Sands Middle (Port Orange)
- Taylor Middle (Pierson)



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River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway – Maytown Road Corridor Extension
Summary of presentation to the Volusia County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Tuesday, June 22, 2010 – Presented by Andy Nicol, TranSystems

The Florida Department of Transportation, District 5 is currently working with the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway (ROLHCSH) Corridor Management Entity to extend the limits of the existing River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway to continue from SR 415 in Osteen, Florida along Maytown Road to the City of Oak Hill, Florida. As part of the designation application, a Corridor Management Plan for the ROLHCSH – Maytown Road Corridor Extension is being developed and support of this extension is being solicited from the community, including local governments, agencies, residents and businesses.

The original River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway (ROLHCSH) encompasses a 120-mile route through Volusia County and was designated through the Florida Scenic Highways Program in February 2009.

The proposed ROLHCSH - Maytown Road Corridor Extension includes a 26.3-mile route in Volusia County from SR 415 in Osteen, FL east to US 1 in Oak Hill, FL. The corridor extension limits begin in the community of Osteen and are made up of SR 415 from Enterprise Road to Railroad Avenue, Railroad Avenue to New Smyrna Avenue, and New Smyrna Avenue to Maytown Road (CR 4164). The limits then extend along Maytown Road east to the City of Oak Hill. In Oak Hill, the corridor loops around the City and includes Halifax Avenue to River Drive, River Drive to Canal Avenue, Canal Avenue to US 1, and US 1 south to Maytown Road/Halifax Avenue.

The Maytown Road Corridor Extension continues the story of "Old Florida" told along the original River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway. It takes the traveler across Volusia County to the east coast of Florida and, adds the community of Osteen and the City of Oak Hill, to the 15 communities within the original River of Lakes Heritage Corridor. The Maytown Road Extension further protects and promotes the rich tapestry of history, culture, and natural beauty found in Volusia County along the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway.

Designation of the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor - Maytown Road Corridor Extension as a Scenic Highway will support efforts to preserve, protect, and promote the rural landscapes, historic treasures and cultural heritage that make this region unique. Through heritage and nature based tourism, designation of the Maytown Road Corridor Extension will benefit the local economy and communities along the corridor extension.

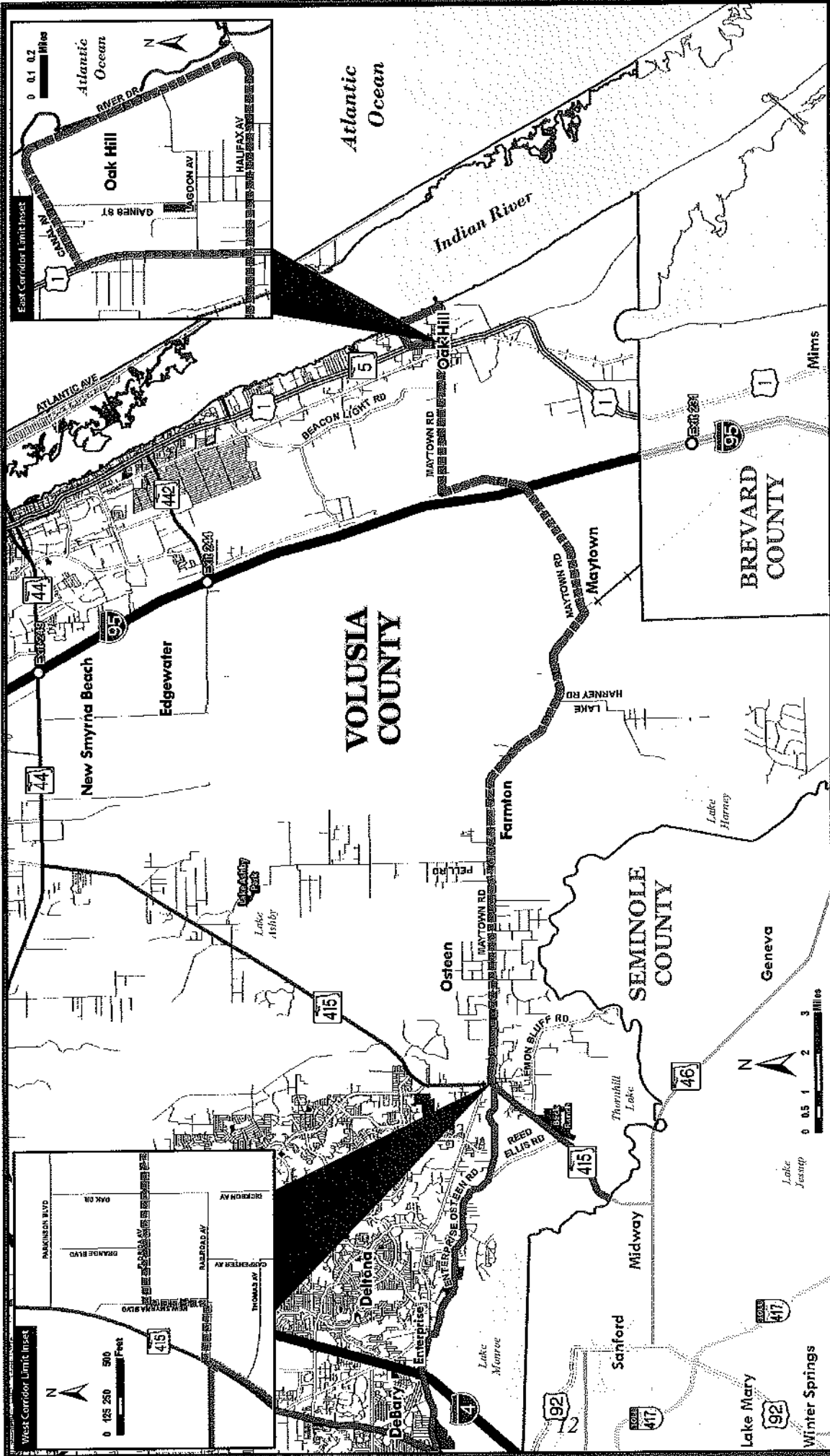


Figure 1 Corridor Extension Limits

LEGEND

- Maytown Corridor Extension (26.2 Miles Total)
- ROL Heritage Corridor Scenic Highway
- Basemap Layers**
- Volusia County Boundary
- Other County Boundary
- City Limits
- Parks / Recreational Areas

Basemap Layers (Continued)

- Interstate Highway
- U.S. Highway
- Toll Road
- State Route
- Major Thoroughfare
- Local Road
- Railroad

Prepared for:

Prepared by:

Sources: FDOT, FGDL, and TransSystems

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- B) Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2010-22 amending the Volusia TPO's Project Priority List for Transportation Enhancement Projects**

Background Information:

The List of Prioritized Transportation Enhancement Projects adopted by the Volusia TPO Board on August 23, 2010, has been revised to include two pedestrian overpasses for the East Central Florida Regional Rail Trail (ECFRRT). The two pedestrian overpasses span SR 415 in Osteen and SR 442 in Edgewater respectively.

Resolution 2010-22 and the revised List of Prioritized Transportation Enhancement Projects is provided with this agenda packet for your review.

Action Requested:

Motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2010-22

VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 2010-22

RESOLUTION OF THE VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION AMENDING THE LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR ENHANCEMENT FUNDING TO INCLUDE A PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS ACROSS SR 415 AS PART OF THE EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL RAIL TRAIL

WHEREAS, the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning and programming process for Volusia County and the cities of Flagler Beach and Beverly Beach in Flagler County; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes 339.175; 23 U.S.C. 134 require that the urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998, and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of August 2005 have increased the role and responsibilities of metropolitan planning organizations especially with respect to establishing local government transportation project priorities; and

WHEREAS, the VTPO annually engages in an open, cooperative process with the local governments and the Florida Department of Transportation, which includes a public hearing, to develop the priority project lists; and

WHEREAS, the priority project lists are known to be consistent with the VTPO's 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) that the:

1. VTPO hereby endorses and amends the List of Priority Projects for Enhancement Funds to include a pedestrian overpass across SR 415 as part of the East Central Florida Regional Rail Trail;
2. VTPO chairman, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to submit this resolution to:

- a. the Florida Secretary of Transportation, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT);
- b. the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through the Orlando Airport's District office;
- c. the Florida Energy office;
- d. the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC);
- e. the Florida State Clearinghouse, Department of Community Affairs (DCA);
- f. the Division of Resource Planning & Management, Department of Community Affairs;
- g. the members of the Volusia County Legislative Delegation; and
- h. the members of the Flagler County Legislative Delegation for Beverly Beach and Flagler Beach;

DONE AND RESOLVED at the regular meeting of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization on the 26th day of October, 2010.

VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**Flagler Beach Commissioner Ron Vath
Chairman, Volusia TPO**

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization, certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Volusia TPO held on October 26, 2010.

ATTEST:

Pamela C. Blankenship, Recording Secretary

Volusia TPO List of Prioritized Transportation Enhancement Projects

Adopted by the Volusia TPO on August 23, 2010

Priority Ranking	FDOT FME#	Project Name	Project Limits	Project Type	Project Sponsor	Project Cost Estimate	Total Project Score
	4154343	ECFRRT with SR 415 Pedestrian Overpass	SR 415 to Brevard County				
1	4154344	ECFRRT with SR 442 Pedestrian Overpass	Maytown Rd to Park Av	Multi-Use Trail	Volusia County		
2		Spring to Spring Trail – Ph 3a	Highbacks Rd to Gemini Springs	Multi-Use Trail	Volusia County		
3		CR 3/Ponce de Leon Blvd	SR 40 (at Pioneer Settlement) to US 17	Bike/Ped. Facility	Volusia County		
4		Freemont Av Sidewalks	Niles St to US 1	Ped. Facility	Daytona Beach		
5		North St Sidewalks	Clyde Morris Blvd to Nova Rd	Ped. Facility	Daytona Beach		
6		Harley Strickland Blvd Sidewalks	Enterprise Rd to Veterans Mem. Pkwy.	Ped. Facility	Orange City		
7		Coventry Forest Oaklea Ped. Bridge	N. Reed Canal to S Reed Canal	Ped. Bridge	South Daytona		
8		Deltona Lakes Elem. School Sidewalks	Deltona Lakes Elem. School Area	Ped. Facility	Deltona		
9		Spring to Spring Trail Segments 5 & 6	Lake Beresford Park to Minnesota Av	Multi-Use Trail	Volusia County		
10		Dunlawton Av Environmental Mitigation & Drainage Improvement	Spruce Creek Rd to W. of FEC RR	Drainage improvements on SR 421 (Dunlawton Av) to mitigate stormwater pollution & road hazards	Port Orange		
11		Spring to Spring Trail – Ph 7b	Lemon St to King St	Multi-Use Trail	Volusia County		
12		Flagler Beach Downtown Streetscape – Phase 2C	Downtown Flagler Beach	Ped. Facility	Flagler Beach		
13		Palmetto Av Sidewalks	Fremont Av to Beville Rd	Ped. Facility	Daytona Beach		
14		Boardwalk at Riverwalk	N. City Limit to Dunlawton Av	Ped. Facility	Port Orange		
15		Taragona Way Sidewalks	Australia St to Museum St	Ped. Facility	Daytona Beach		
16		Daytona Beach Boardwalk	Ora St to Main St	Ped. Facility	Daytona Beach		
17		Historic Rio Vista Arch (Holly Hill)	Calle Grande St (1 block W. of US 1	Historic Rehabilitation	Volusia County		
18		Rich Av Bicycle Trail Signage	Spring Garden Rd to Hill Av	Bike Signs	DeLand		

Priority Ranking	FDOT FM#	Project Name	Project Limits	Project Type	Project Sponsor	Project Cost Estimate	Total Project Score
19		New Smyrna Beach Gateways	SR 44 @ I-95, SR 44 @ Canal St, US 1 @ 10 th St	Hardscape/Landscaping	New Smyrna Beach		
20		US 1 Streetscape Improvements	SR 400 (Beville Rd) to Big Tree Rd	Streetscape	South Daytona		

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- C) Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2010-23 amending the FY 2010/11 – 2014/15 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Background Information:

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) identifies all federal and state funded transportation projects that are scheduled for implementation in the Volusia TPO planning area during the designated fiscal years.

Resolution 2010-23 and corresponding amendments proposed for the FY 2010/11 - 2014/15 TIP will be provided under separate cover.

Action Requested:

Motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2010-23

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- D) Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2010-24 requesting FDOT redesignate the currently programmed funds on the East Central Florida Regional Rail Trail from Design (Phase 38) to Design/Build (Phase 58)**

Background Information:

The East Central Florida Regional Rail Trail (ECRRT) is a cooperative effort involving Brevard County, the Space Coast TPO, Volusia County, the Volusia TPO, FDOT, and the FDEP Office of Greenways and Trails. The ECRRT extends from Titusville, in Brevard County, north to Volusia County where it then splits into two sections: one heads northeast up along Cow Creek road to SR 442, the other section heads west following the abandoned FEC corridor to SR 415 where it joins up with the eastern portion of Volusia County's Spring to Spring Trail. The ECRRT is currently programmed with \$1.6 million for the design phase (phase 38) of Section 3 (SR 415 to the Volusia-Brevard County line). Volusia County has proposed redesignating these funds to design/build (phase 58) as part of their strategy to develop the ECRRT in the urban areas with pedestrian overpasses at SR 415 in Osteen and SR 442 in Edgewater.

Resolution 2010-24 will be provided under separate cover.

Action Requested:

Motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2010-24

East Central Regional Rail - Trail

FEC Corridor Map

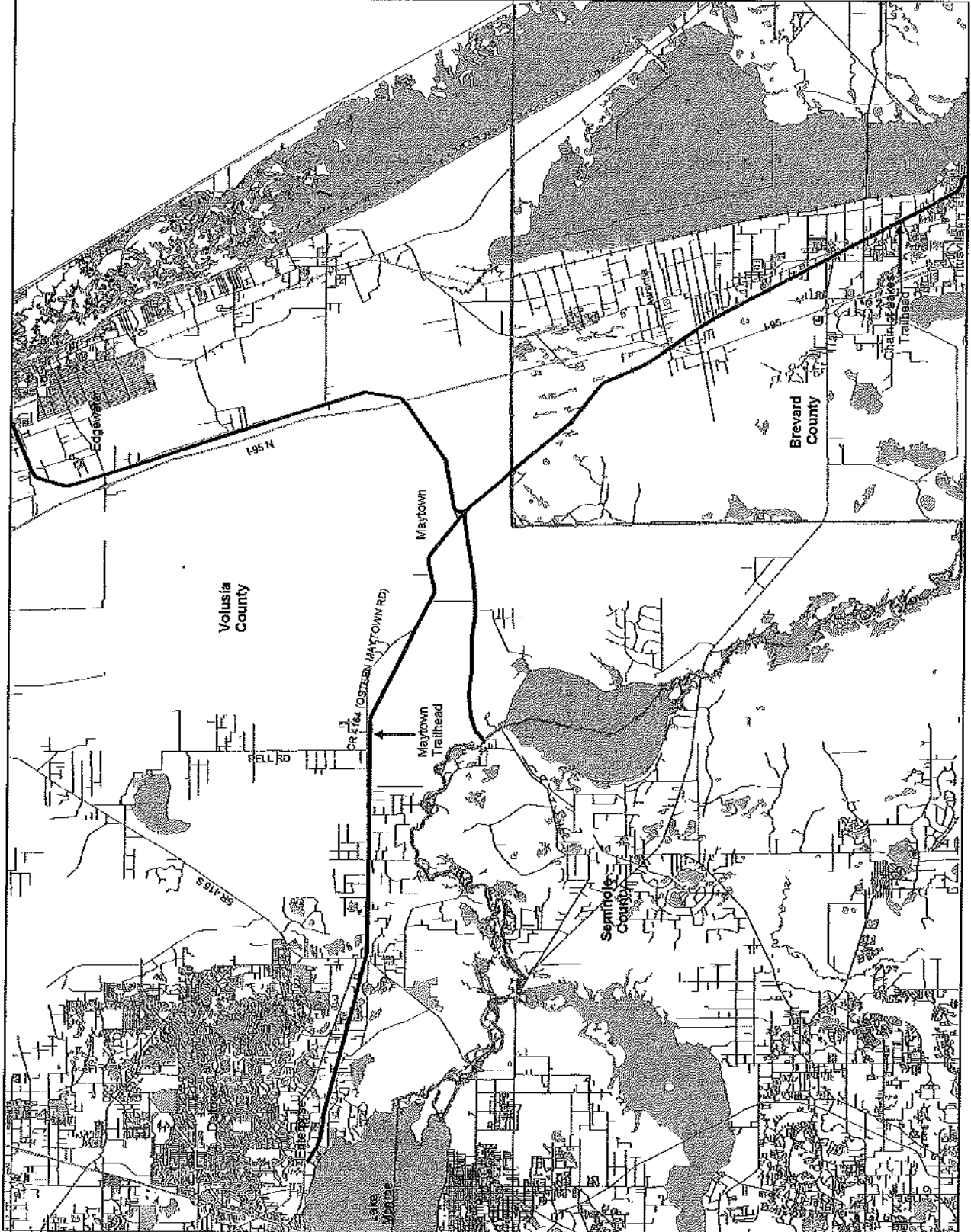
Conceptual Alignment

Legend

— Rail Trail

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1 inch = 2.5 Miles
at 11x17



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IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

**A) Presentation on the Communities Putting Prevention to Work Program:
Walking School Buses**

Background Information:

The Florida Department of Health (FDOH) was awarded funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to improve the health of Floridians through the Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Program. Thirteen regional coordinators located across Florida work with county health departments, local health advocacy groups, civic organizations, school districts, and city and county officials to implement policy, systems and environmental changes. The coordinators work with local policymakers to put into effect three interventions for their local communities: increased physical activity, improved nutrition and more tobacco-free public facilities.

The CPPW Program is organizing walking school buses at ten schools in Volusia County and four schools in Flagler County. A walking school bus is a group of children walking to school with one or more adults. It can be as informal as two families taking turns walking their children to school or a structured route with meeting points, a timetable and a regularly rotated schedule of trained volunteers. Since 2005, walking school bus programs around the country have encouraged active lifestyles and taught thousands of young children about pedestrian safety.

FDOH representatives Ms. Deborah Saulsbury, CPPW Regional Coordinator and Ms. Teresa Moran, Chronic Disease Prevention Coordinator, will provide a brief presentation on the CPPW Walking School Bus initiative.

Action Requested:

No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC



The Walking School Bus!

Regular exercise is good for the body and the brain—it improves energy, concentration, self-esteem, memory, and creativity. A Walking School Bus is a group of children walking to school with parents or volunteers. It gives children a jump start on daily exercise and learning.

Join the movement!

It's a simple concept. The bus can be two families taking turns walking their children to school or a planned route with meeting points and a rotated schedule of trained volunteers.

"It gets all of us walking more, and my children have formed new friendships because of the Walking School Bus. The parents get to know other parents too!" says Sue Parker, a parent and Walking School Bus leader at Kimbell Elementary School in Tampa, Fla.

Facts to ponder.

Children ages 5-9 often lack the skills necessary to safely walk to school. The Walking School Bus not only supervises young children, it teaches young children safe walking and biking skills.

There are four times as many overweight children today as there were 25 years ago. Children who join the bus will increase their physical activity and improve their health.

Only 15% of children walk to school—twice as many walked 25 years ago. The Walking School Bus promotes walking as a fun transportation option.

The basics.

- All children have a designated bus stop
- Children join the bus and walk with trained adults (bus "drivers")
- All participants follow proper pedestrian safety
- The Walking School Bus travels on a designated pathway and arrives to school on time

MAKE IT FUN with:

• Themes • Incentives • Contests • Special Events



The bus leader provides:

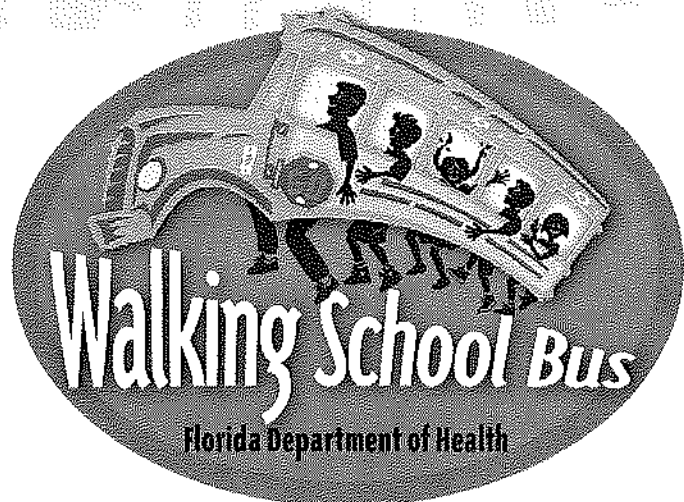
- The location of your child's bus stop
- A map of the walking route
- Participation consent forms
- The child participation list
- Adult participation list

Community partners provide:

- Program support and resources
- Volunteer training
- Safety vests for volunteers
- Incentive items for children
- Community involvement

Parents should:

- Get to know the bus leader
- Fill out consent forms
- Get children to and from the bus stop on time
- Contact the bus leader if a child is sick or has alternate transportation
- Reinforce walking safety tips



Walking safety tips for children and adults:

Sidewalks. Always use a sidewalk, face the traffic and never run!

Crosswalks. At a crosswalk, make eye contact with drivers and wave as you pass.

Before crossing streets. Stop. Look left. Look right. Look left.

When the street is clear. Cross and keep looking both ways until you're across.

The Walking School Bus is an initiative of the Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CCPW) program.

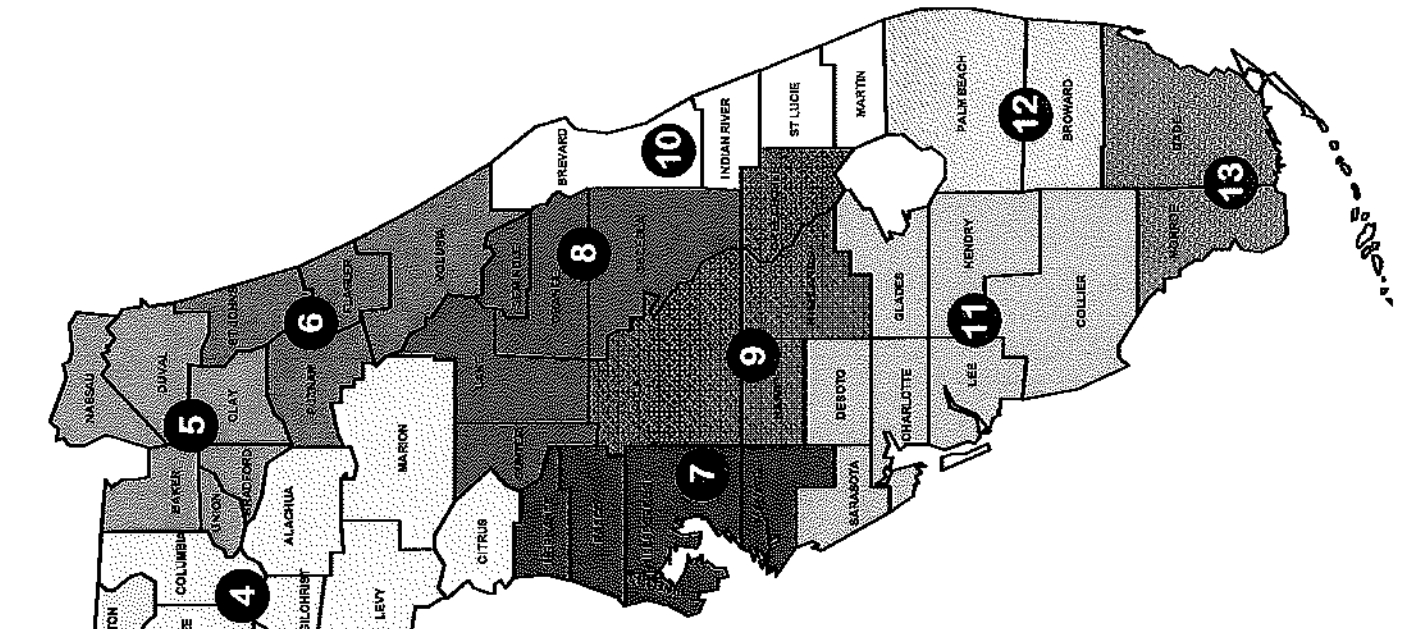
The Florida Department of Health was awarded funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to improve the health of Floridians through the CPPW program.

Thirteen regional coordinators located across Florida work with county health departments, local health advocacy groups, civic organizations, school districts, and city and county officials to implement policy, systems, and environmental changes. The coordinators work with local policymakers to put into effect three interventions for their local communities: increased physical activity, improved nutrition, and more tobacco-free public facilities.



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IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

B) Presentation on the Volusia TPO's new website and Facebook page

Background Information:

Volusia TPO staff will provide a brief presentation on the new website (www.volusiatpo.org) and Facebook page.

Action Requested:

No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC

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V. STAFF COMMENTS

VI. BPAC MEMBER COMMENTS

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- **Bicycle & Pedestrian Partnership Council Meeting Notice**
- **Bike Florida Economic Impact Report**
- **Florida Safe Routes to School Updates – October 1, 2010**
- **Volusia CTST Newsletter (D5 Safe-T Advisor) – September 2010**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Details and Materials for October 14th Meeting in DeLand

Dear Partnership Council Members and Interested Parties,

We are looking forward to seeing you for the second meeting of the Bicycle Pedestrian Partnership Council scheduled for October 14th (Thursday) beginning at 10:00 A.M. in the FDOT District Five office located at 719 S. Woodland Blvd. in DeLand. We have posted a preliminary agenda and listed below some additional information in preparation for the meeting. Hard copies of all the presentations will be available at the meeting. Additional background information including minutes and related materials from the June meeting will be posted soon.

- Location:** FDOT District Five Office, 719 S. Woodland Blvd., DeLand, Florida 32720
Cypress Room, PH 386-943-5000
- Parking:** Handicap parking is available in front of the building. Visitors' parking is located on the North side or in the parking deck. You will need to enter at the front of the building.
- Bicycle Rack:** A bike rack is located in the employee parking garage behind the District Office by the south stairwell.
- Lunch:** FDOT DeLand cafeteria: There is a cafeteria located on the same floor as the meeting. We will try and have a menu available prior to the meeting.
- Security:** Located at the front of the building at main entrance. A picture ID is required for security purposes.
- Hotels:** Clarion Hotel (formerly called Holiday Inn) 386-738-5200
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- University Inn – 644 N. Woodland Blvd. 386-734-5711

MEETING AGENDA

**Bike and Pedestrian Partnership Council
2nd Council Meeting
Deland, Florida
October 14, 2010 – 10:00 pm to 4:00 pm**

Proposed Meeting Objectives

- To review the revised Bicycle and Pedestrian Partnership Council charge, workplan schedule
- To review and provide input to the draft statewide transportation plans
- To receive informational briefings on design standards for pedestrian and bicycle facilities and transportation funding
- To agree on next steps and assignments

10:00 Opening Remarks, Introductions, and Agenda Review

10:15 Review revised Council charge and draft Council workplan

11:00 Briefing and discussion about draft statewide transportation plans:

- 2060 Florida Transportation Plan
- Strategic Highway Safety Plan

12:00 Lunch - Onsite

12:45 Presentation – Pedestrian/Bicycle Facility Design Standards (Questions & Discussion)

- Florida Greenbook (standards for all Florida roads)
- Plans Preparation Manual (standards for state highways)

1:45 Presentation – Transportation Funding (Questions & Discussion)

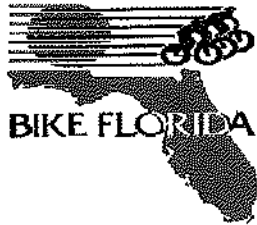
- Overview of local, federal and state funding sources
- 2010 rescission of federal transportation funds

3:15 Public Comment

3:30 Discuss Next Steps and Assignments

- Meeting evaluation survey

4:00 Adjourn



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I. Introduction to Bike Florida

Bike Florida is a non-profit organization that has been benefitting its host communities since 1993. Every year, Bike Florida hosts a weeklong bicycle camping adventure tour. The route varies, linking small towns with natural and historic landmarks along scenic country roads. The event is fully-supported with assistance from local law enforcement agencies and safety signage, alerting motorists to "SHARE THE ROAD" with up to 1000 cyclists on this weeklong adventure. Our mission is to promote bicycle safety in the state of Florida. In addition to our annual event, our partnerships and programs help us work towards meeting this mission.

II. Partnerships

Bike Florida's partnerships with the Florida Bicycle Association, and the Florida Traffic and Bicycle Safety Education Program are key components in creating awareness about bicycle safety.

As mentioned above, Bike Florida's major mission is to promote safe cycling in Florida.

The Florida Bicycle Association (FBA) aims to inspire and support people and communities to enjoy greater freedom and well-being through bicycling.

The mission of the Florida Traffic and Bicycle Safety Education Program (FTBSEP) is to reduce the number and severity of injuries and deaths to children from bicycle and pedestrian crashes by training them with the knowledge and skills needed to be competent and safe in traffic.

These three organizations work together as a team to meet the missions of each.

III. Programs and Projects

Bike Florida and its partners teach cyclists how to ride safely in the road with motorists, as well as encourage motorists to "share the road."





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Bike Florida was established in 1993 as a fundraising event/organization to supplement the FTBSEP, housed at the University of Florida. Funds initially came primarily from the annual spring event. This event is a weeklong bicycle camping adventure tour that hosts up to 1000 cyclists, contracting with schools, community colleges, fairgrounds, and parks in northeast and central Florida as sites to connect 40-60 miles of daily cycling routes.

Bike Florida's partnership with the Florida Traffic and Bicycle Safety Education program is a means to meet Bike Florida's mission of bicycle safety. FTBSEP is housed at the College of Health and Human Performance at the University of Florida. Dan Connaughton, program director, works with Hope on trainings, as well as other duties to promote the mission. Bike Florida provides the use of the Ford Van, 11 Gary Fisher hybrid training bicycles, various training equipment, and the occasional use of the trailer for conducting these trainings all over the state. Bike Florida's bookkeeper has been issuing checks for travel and stipends for FTBSEP trainers, mini-grants, and other FTBSEP training expenses, on a contract with UF/HHP for reimbursement. This expedites these trainings and provides FDOT with accurate bookkeeping records for training expenditures. It proves to be an excellent working partnership between the private sector non-profit Bike Florida and the FDOT publicly funded FTBSEP.

Bike Florida also supports the FTBSEP with proceeds from the "Share the Road" license plate. The "Share the Road" specialty license plate was developed by Bike Florida and FBA. The proceeds are divided equally among the two organizations, with 25% separated out for a budget to continue to market the plate. Each of the organizations use the proceeds to support programs promoting the bicycle safety. A program narrative report is given each year to the DHSV.

The St. John's River to Sea Loop is a new project being developed to help support bicycle safety programs. Bike Florida hosts luxury fall tours on this loop. Applications are presently being made to fund the planning and construction of the entire loop trail by the year 2013, in time for celebrations of Spain in Florida. Bike Florida will be riding this loop as its route for the 2013 spring tour.





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In recent years, Bike Florida developed a "Spinning the Trails" DVD series. The purpose of the series is to explore various trails, from the cyclist's point of view, in Florida's ever expanding network of trails. We plan to market these DVDs to fitness centers, orthopedic clinics, high school fitness classes, and other individuals on a stationary bike to provide them with a "virtual experience" on the Florida trails. The series will also serve as a means to introduce potential cyclists to the beauty of the trails around them. It is also a great way to encourage people to "go green" as they make use of these trails.

We aim to create sustainable programs that will provide another revenue source to develop new programs that support our mission.

IV. Economic Impact

We'd like to share with you how the programs economically benefit the communities that we visit.

One of Bike Florida's missions is to make an economic impact in the communities that we visit. The luxury Fall tours consistently follow the same route, the St. John's River to Sea loop. This loop visits St. Augustine, Flagler Beach, New Smyrna Beach, DeLand, Crescent City, Palatka, and then back to St. Augustine. Though the Fall tours travel in smaller groups, they do so more frequently. In 2010-2011, Bike Florida has prepared a tour each month from October through February. While our riders are there, we encourage them to sight see and take advantage of what each community has to offer. The route for our annual Spring tour changes from year to year and hosts up to 1000 cyclists, which we hope to exceed in the near future. Just as we do for each Fall tour, we encourage our cyclists to enjoy the communities as we visit them. During the Fall tours, the entire group stays in local hotels. For the Spring tours, we contract with hotels in the area for a group rate and our riders have the option of booking one of those hotels or camping at the venue we rent out. According to our survey from the Spring 2010 tour, approximately 36% took advantage of hotel accommodations. Nearly 95% spent money at local restaurants, bars, and lounges, while about 66% visited grocery and convenience stores. Other purchases include clothing (55%); personal items like toothpaste, postcards, and so on (69%); gifts and souvenirs (66%); and other miscellaneous expenses (42%).





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With the support of Bike Florida, the Florida Traffic and Bicycle Safety Program provides a network of regional trainers to provide trainings for teachers, citizens, enforcement agencies and students. These training sessions are provided free of charge, as Bike Florida covers all expenses. The recipients of this education can then pass on their knowledge to help make the community a safer place for both cyclists and motorists.

V. Bike Florida 2010 Demographics

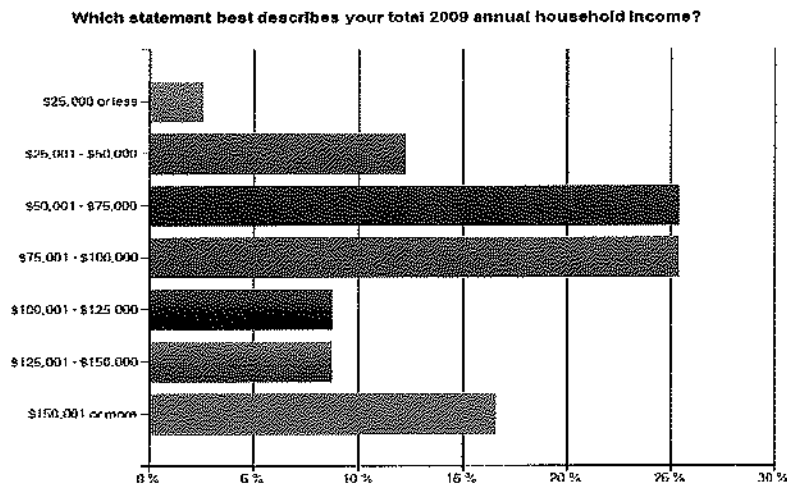
Age and Gender

This year, there were significantly more males on the ride. Specifically, 63% of the riders were male and 37% were female.

The average age of Bike Florida 2010 was 60.67213 years old. Based on this information, the majority of our riders are retired.

Household Income

Bike Florida 2010 participants provided information regarding their household income for 2009. The breakdown is as follows:





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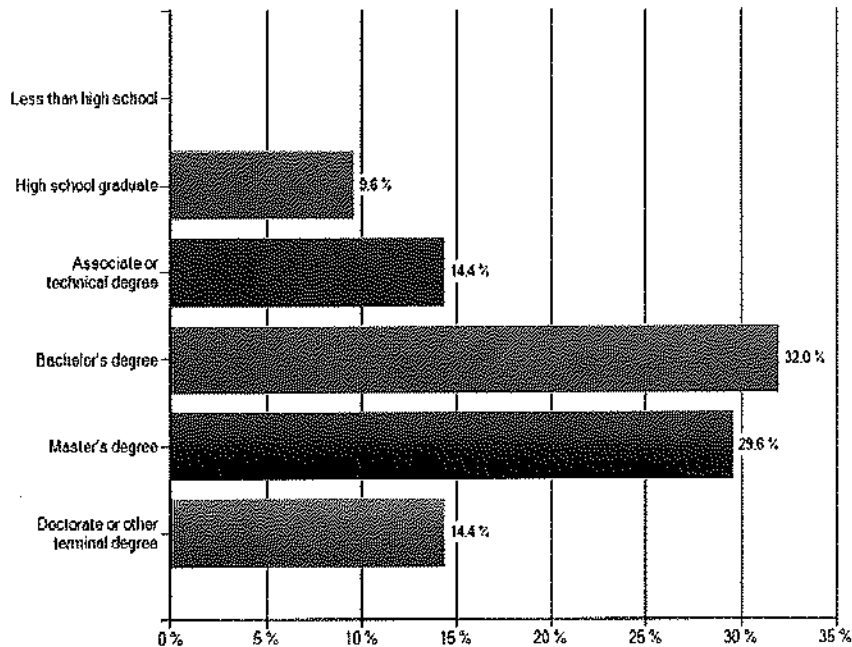
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As you can see in the above statistics, most riders have a household income between \$50,000 and \$100,000. The next largest percentage of riders makes over \$150,000. Based on these statistics, our tours bring middle to upper class Americans to the areas we visit. These riders have more discretionary income than the average person, which allows them to spend more on leisure items in the communities that we visit.

Education

All of our riders at least completed high school. Only 9.6% only have a high school diploma. 14.4% have an associate's or technical degree, while the majority of riders, 32%, have a Bachelor's degree. Nearly as many riders, 29.6%, have a Master's degree. 14.4% received a Doctorate or other terminal degree. Based on this information, an overwhelming majority of our riders are well-educated.

What is the highest level of education you have obtained?



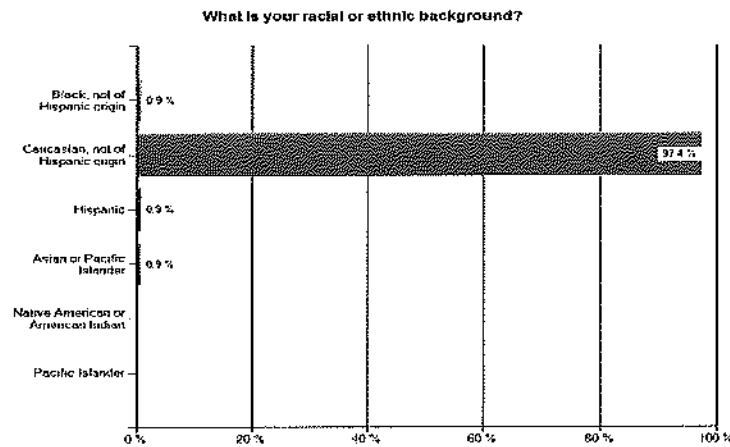


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Racial and Ethnic Background

As you can see in the chart below, nearly all of our riders are Caucasian. Bike Florida is currently seeking alternative advertising methods to attract a more diverse group.



State of Residence

A quarter of our riders come from Florida, which makes sense for convenience of travel. The next largest group (10.5%) comes from Maryland. Georgia trails closely behind with 8.9%, followed by Michigan at 7.3%, then Ohio and North Carolina tie at 6.5%. These are the most significant proportions, but surprisingly have no specific geographic pattern. Because of the recent harsh winter, Bike Florida attempted to recruit from the north, but still focused advertising on the southeast. Aside from Florida and Georgia, there was not a significant response. Bike Florida will put more attention into advertising in the north for future tours. Please see the chart below for the remaining residence percentages.

According to all registrations, only 2.26% of registered riders came from Volusia County.

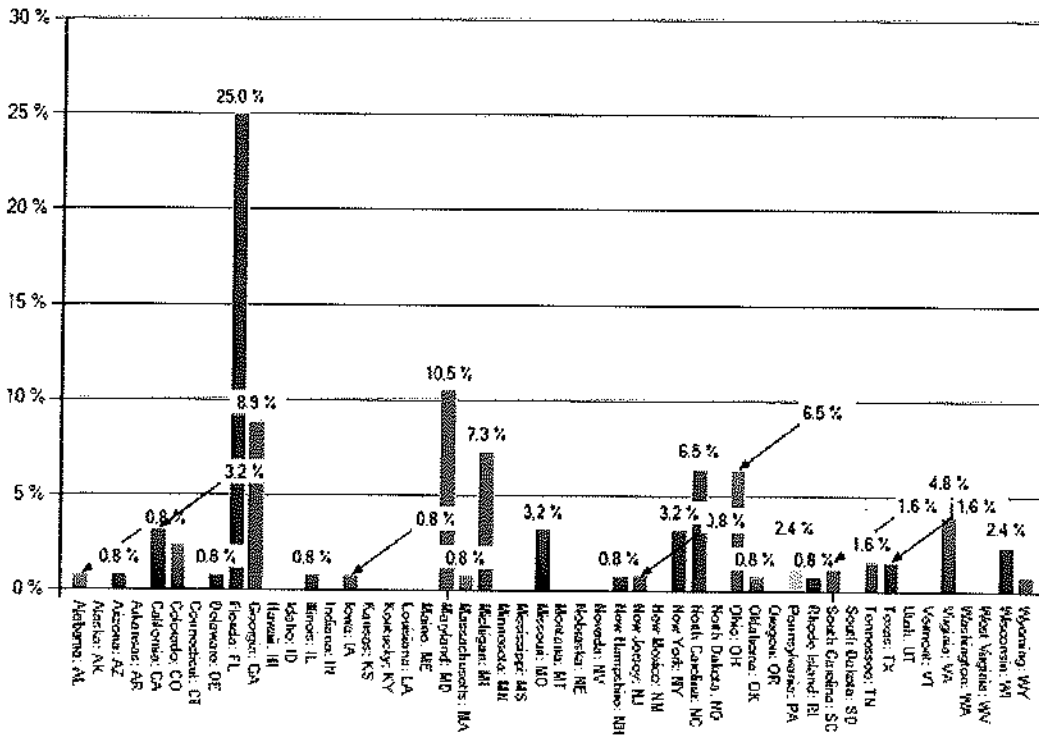




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In which state do you live (primary residence)?





Florida SRTS Updates

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SafeRoutes
Florida Safe Routes to School



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Florida Updates: State

International Walk to School Day is Next Wednesday! At latest count, Florida had 153 Walk to School Day events registered at <http://www.walktoschool.org/>. Since there are 2,877 events registered nationwide, Florida's events represent 5.32% of the events! International Walk to School Day is becoming more popular every year, so I am very pleased with Florida's increased percentage of the national events, which has traditionally been about 4% of the national events.

The Communities Putting Prevention to Work Coordinators who are helping with Walk to School Day events this year are helping to increase our numbers this year! I'm excited that our Regional Coordinator Leah McNaughton is planning an event in Tallahassee, and so is Heather Murphy, the SRTS Network Coordinator, so I'll have two events to choose from this year! These are the first local events, so I'm looking forward to helping out in one of them.

If you are planning an event for next Wednesday or even later in the week or month, it's not too late to register your event. Usually many events are registered at the last minute.

VISITFLORIDA.com to Launch New Trails-Tourism Website in October: This article is reprinted from the Office of Greenways & Trails *Connections Newsletter, Summer 2010*:

On October 4, highlighting the opening of Florida Greenways and Trails Month, an important event will take place that will dramatically advance Florida's trails and provide invaluable travel planning information to Florida's visitors. VISIT FLORIDA, the Sunshine State's official tourism marketing corporation, will launch a new component of VISITFLORIDA.com exclusively dedicated to Florida's trails. Rising to the ranks of traveler destinations such as beaches, resorts, golf courses and themed attractions, trails will now be featured for Florida visitors and residents to include in their vacation plans. This new section of the VISIT FLORIDA website will bring together trail descriptions and maps with information about lodging, restaurants, outfitters and other travel related services.

VISIT FLORIDA is responsible for promoting one of the most popular visitor destinations in the world with one of the largest tourism economies -- an estimated \$65 billion was spent by Sunshine State visitors in 2008. Being elevated to a featured component on Florida's official tourism website indicates the significance of trails to Florida tourism.

*At its debut, the new full-featured trail section of VISITFLORIDA.com will launch with over 100 trails, but this will be just the beginning. OGT and VISIT FLORIDA plan to expand the website over time to include a wide range of trails throughout the state. If you are interested in submitting a trail to be included on the website, please contact Heather Pence (heather.pence@dep.state.fl.us) in the Office of Greenways & Trails for complete criteria and submission instructions. New submissions will be added to the site after the October launch. In the meantime, look for more information about this exciting launch in the next issue of *Connections* and on FloridaGreenwaysAndTrails.com.*

Some Florida trails are located near schools and could be used for walking and biking to and from school. In addition, trails are great places for children and their parents to practice walking and biking skills which will carry over to the active trip to school. Check out the website and then a trail during Trails Month!

Florida Updates: Local

Pedestrian Safety a Priority as School Starts: An article with this title from My Fox Tampa Bay begins this way:

School is starting throughout the Bay Area over the next few weeks, and law enforcement in Tampa is working to remind pedestrians that they have to be cautious when crossing the roadways, and drivers also need to be aware when they reach intersections.

This enforcement effort is part of a large grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to improve pedestrian safety in the Tampa Bay area. Read the rest of the article and see the video at: <http://www.myfoxtampabay.com/dpp/news/local/hillsborough/pedestrian-safety-a-priority-as-school-starts-081610>.

Local Schools Encouraging Active Modes of Transportation: This article in South Florida Parenting by Dina Weinstein describes the efforts of parents at two Miami-Dade County schools to form Walking School Buses, and then goes on to describe the work of the Communities Putting Prevention to Work program:

Florida Department of Health staff are reaching out to schools throughout the state that have a large number of students living within one mile of the institutions to organize similarly. FLDOH staff hope parents will volunteer to lead walking school buses once a week to make students safer, increase physical activity and decrease traffic...

Parent escorts will serve as a "driver" at the front of the line and a "conductor" at the end. School districts across the state will host kickoffs on International Walk to School Day, Oct. 6.

Read more at: http://www.sun-sentinel.com/features/sfparenting/sfe-sfp-walkingschool_0,858280.story, or see pages 10-11 of the digital edition at: <http://www.sun-sentinel.com/features/sfparenting/sfe-sfp-issueoct2010,0,2778140.storygallery>.

[Charlotte County] Health Department Wins Bike-Friendly Award: This September 25 article from the Venice Gondolier Sun begins:

Secure bike lockers, employees who pedal to work, and showers for commuting staff have earned the Charlotte County Health Department a bronze award this week for being a bicycle friendly business from the League of American Bicyclists... The Charlotte County Health Department is the first in the U.S. to receive the award, according to Bill Nesper, director of the league's Bicycle Friendly America Program in Washington, D.C.

Congratulations to Charlotte County Health Department! Read the Charlotte County Health Department's news release at: http://www.charlottechd.com/Media/Release/092310_BicycleAward.pdf and more of this article at: <http://www.yoursun.com/sunnews/venice/1523905-350/sunnewspapershealthdept.winsbike-friendlyaward.csp>.

While visiting the Charlotte County Health Department's website, I came across an article entitled *Bike Safety*, for children. It is a bike safety article which is read to the child as the words are highlighted, thereby helping them with their reading as well as with bike safety. It is part of Kids Health, by Nemours, and is an interesting concept. Take a look and listen at: http://kidshealth.org/kid/watch/out/bike_safety.html#. Another SRTS-related topic in this listen and read series is *Do You Know How to Be Street Smart?* See http://kidshealth.org/kid/watch/out/street_smart.html#.

News from Other States and Countries

International Walk to School Day in Other States: Here are a few articles about upcoming events next Wednesday:

- *Walk and Roll to School Day: More Students Walk and Bike to School*, from New Mexico's Las Cruces Sun News: http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-education/ci_16183049
- *Canton Schools Promote Walker, Biker Safety With 'Walk To School Day'*, from New York's North Country Now: <http://northcountrynow.com/news/canton-schools-promote-walker-biker-safety-walk-school-day-010406>
- *Bartlesville City Council Proclaims Walk to School Day*, from Oklahoma's Examiner-Enterprise.com: <http://www.examiner-enterprise.com/articles/2010/09/23/news/news274.txt>
- *Mayor proclaims Oct. 6 as Walk to School Day*, from the Round Rock, Texas City News: <http://www.roundrocktexas.gov/home/index.asp?page=10&recordid=2036&returnurl=index.asp%3Fpage%3D10>

Tools for Promoting Walking: Here are a couple of web-based tools to help children & others increase their walking:

- *Walk Across Texas:* This is designed as an 8-week program which can be signed up for online. Under the program, people walk for 30 minutes, five days a week. There is a section for teachers to educate and promote the program, and a log to keep track of your progress. This website is sponsored by Texas A & M College: <http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu/>.
- *Walk New Hampshire:* This is a project of the Foundation for Healthy Communities, and the goals are to walk the width or length of New Hampshire (70 or 190 miles), as an individual or part of a group. The brochure with a mileage log is located at: <http://www.walknh.org/fhc/initiatives/walknh/2006brochureforweb.pdf>.

Playday 2010 research: A summary of this survey done in Britain begins this way:

New figures released for Playday 2010 reveal that the loss of community spirit in Britain is leading to children not being allowed to play outside where they live.

Here are some interesting results of the survey:

- 79% of adults believe community spirit has weakened since they were a child.
- 44% of men and 28% of women would be wary of helping a child in need of assistance in their neighborhood, in case they were suspected of attempting to abduct the child.
- 47% of adults think it is unsafe for children to play outside without supervision
- 37% of parents are concerned they will be judged by their neighbors if they let their children play outside unsupervised.
- 71% of children worry about being followed or taken by strangers
- 73% of children say they would like to play outside more where they live.

The summary concludes:

The research demonstrates a resounding call for communities to pull together to create better places for children to grow up, with a belief that improving opportunities for children to play outside would improve neighbourhoods in general. 81% of adults believe children playing outside helps to improve community spirit and 70% think that it makes an area more desirable to live in.

For more information and links to the survey report and more, see:

http://www.playday.org.uk/playday_campaigns/2010_our_place/playday_2010_research.aspx.

National News

Looking Both Ways: Helping Parents and Educators Support Safe Walking and Bicycling: In case you missed this webinar, I want to encourage you to view the archived version. This is one of the best SRTS webinars I have participated in, and I may watch it a second time, it was so good! Three important topics were covered on the webinar:

- Some recent research on SRTS which uncovered some interesting findings
- New resources and key information parents should know so they can work with children of various ages on pedestrian and bicycle topics, and
- A new pedestrian curriculum produced by the Highway Traffic Safety Administration, for children of various ages

Here is the description of the webinar:

Inspiring and empowering parents of would-be walkers can be a challenge. This webinar teaches how parents and educators can help support safe walking and bicycling. You'll find out what researchers learned from focus groups with parents of tweens and how it might be applied in your community. In addition to an overview of this study, the speakers discuss new resources for marketing and how parents can assess and build their child's pedestrian safety skills. The webinar also includes a discussion of the new NHTSA Child Pedestrian Safety Curriculum.

Presented by Noreen McDonald, UNC Chapel Hill, Nancy Pullen-Seufert, National Center for Safe Routes to School, and Leah Walton, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Watch the Webinar Requires the free Adobe Flash Player) or Download the Webinar (right-click and "save-as" — WMV, 67 MB).

Save the Date: August 16-18, 3rd Safe Routes to School National Conference: It was announced recently that Minneapolis, Minnesota will be the site for next year's SRTS National Conference. Although we are disappointed that Tampa, Florida was not selected, we recognize that Minneapolis is also a great conference location. We had one of our SRTS Coordinators' meetings there a few years ago, and thoroughly enjoyed it. So start saving your money to attend this conference, and start thinking about what you would like to present at the conference, based on the SRTS work you have been doing. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/ajk7jy>.

Feedback from Pro-Walk/Pro Bike® 2010: If any of you were fortunate enough to attend this recent conference in Chattanooga, we would like to get your feedback—general impressions, what you learned, etc. SRTS Network Organizer Heather Murphy was able to attend this conference and loved it. She got to meet in person a number of people who she has been exchanging e-mails with and talking to by phone. It's always good to put a face with a voice and e-mail! Heather will be sharing more details with us in the next few weeks, and we invite you to do so also.

Some of the presentations from the conference can be viewed or downloaded at: <http://tinyurl.com/3xk7pzo>, and more will probably be added soon. Also, the keynote speech by Mia Birk from Portland, Oregon, can be heard at <http://tinyurl.com/38z7a9a>.

LAB Announces Bicycle Friendly Communities and Bicycle Friendly Businesses: At the conference, the League of American Bicyclists announced their new Bicycle Friendly Communities and Businesses. Sanibel was added in the Bronze category, to the existing Florida Bicycle Friendly Communities of St. Petersburg, Tallahassee, Orlando, and Boca Raton (all Bronze), and Gainesville (Silver). In addition, Inverness and Jacksonville received Honorable Mentions. For more information, see <http://www.bikeleague.org/blog/2010/09/bicycle-friendly-communities-announced/> and http://www.bikeleague.org/programs/bicycledfriendlyamerica/communities/pdfs/bfc_masterlist_09_10.pdf.

The new Florida Bicycle Friendly Businesses are Out-Spoke'N Bike Shops, Inc., (Silver), located in Lake Mary and the Charlotte County Health Department (Bronze), located in Port Charlotte. See the master list at: http://www.bikeleague.org/programs/bicycledfriendlyamerica/bicycledfriendlybusiness/pdfs/bfb_master_list.pdf. It's good to see Florida communities making needed improvements and being awarded these designations.

\$20 Per Gallon: How the Inevitable Rise in the Price of Gasoline Will Change Our Lives for the Better: I have not read this book, but this is the second day in a row that I've heard about it, so I feel compelled to mention it. As I understand it, the book explores the changes which people made in their lives when the price of gasoline hit almost \$5 a gallon a couple of years ago, and then projects into the future to when the price may rise to \$10 a gallon and then \$20 a gallon. It sounds like it's a thought-provoking book, and one I plan to read eventually. The first heard about this book at a pedestrian safety workshop I attended yesterday, and then the Centerlines newsletter quoted an article called the Web of Daily Life, at The Original Green, which mentions it. The article begins:

How fragile is your web of daily life? How quickly would a major spike in gas prices disrupt your regular necessities? When gas first reached \$5/gallon not long ago, some people with lower-paying jobs who lived further out were already having to choose between groceries and gas. That first spike didn't last long, but we'd be deceiving ourselves to think that more spikes aren't on the way.

The article describes the author's daily trip patterns, by walking and bicycling, in South Beach. Each trip is mapped to show how convenient it is to live in a walkable community like South Beach, and then all the author's daily trip maps are combined into his "web of daily life". He now only drives about 6,000 miles a year in one car, instead of about 50,000 miles combined in two cars when he lived in his previous unwalkable location. This is certainly an interesting way to examine what our lives are like, and steps we could take to improve them. Read more at: http://www.originalgreen.org/OG/Blog/Entries/2010/9/20_the_Web_of_Daily_Life.html.

People's Garden School Pilot Program: The US Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has announced the availability of \$1 million for a people's Garden School Pilot Program. The purposes of the program are:

- To teach students involved in the gardens about agriculture production practices, diet and nutrition
- To contribute produce to supplement food provided at eligible schools, student households, local food banks or senior center nutrition programs; and
- To conduct an evaluation of funded projects to learn more about the impacts of school gardens.

The grants will be awarded to develop and run community gardens at eligible high poverty schools - defined as public schools with 50 percent or more students eligible for free and reduced price meals. FNS will have involvement in carrying out the activities of the program. Public or private non-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Three to five states which fall into large, medium and small population groups will be awarded grants. Applications are due by October 8th by 5:00 pm EST. For more information, see: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/outreach/grants/garden.htm>. To view the announcement: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=56501>.

Florida & National Calendar of Events & Training Opportunities

❖ Indicates new items

Items are repeated until events are held

All times are Eastern unless noted

October-December:

- **October 5, 2:00-3:00 pm, Free Webinar *Interchanges and Roundabouts***, presented by Fred Ranck, *FHWA Resource Center Safety Design Engineer* and Hillary Isebrands, *FHWA Resource Center Safety Specialist*. This is Part 6 of the *Designing for Pedestrian Safety* series. Register at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/460531066>.
- **October 6, International Walk To School Day:** Register your events at: <http://www.walktoschool.org/>.
- ❖ **October 7, 2:00-3:00 pm: free Webinar: *On the Go: Complete Streets and Public Transportation***, hosted by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Info and registration: <http://tinyurl.com/36dy57u>.
- **October 7, New England Bike-Walk Summit**, in Providence, RI. Info: The East Coast Greenway Alliance <http://tinyurl.com/3azwdhd>.
- **October 7, 2:00-3:00 pm, free webinar: *On the Go: Complete Streets and Public Transportation***, sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Center to Prevent Childhood Obesity. This webinar will highlight strategies for effective advocacy and implementation of complete streets policies and offer advice for ensuring that access to public transportation and active living opportunities are equitably provided to all communities. Register by clicking on the hyperlinked title.
- ❖ **October 7-8, Building Communities Conference, North Birmingham, AL.**, sponsored by the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/39ulssa>.
- **October 12-15, Urban Land Institute – 2010 ULI Fall Meeting and Urban Land Expo**, Washington, DC. Watch for more info at: <http://www.uli.org/Events/Meetings/FallMeetings.aspx>.
- ❖ **October 13, *Moving Together 2010: Moving Massachusetts Forward with GreenDOT and Healthy Transportation***, Boston, MA. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/2cufxas>.
- **October 13-14, Sustainable Florida Conference**, Palm Beach Gardens. More info and register at: <http://www.collinscenter.org/?3SFConference>.
- **October 13-15, South Carolina Trails & Greenways Conference**, Spartanburg, SC. Info: Palmetto Conservation Foundation, <http://tinyurl.com/2ezosme>.
- **Date TBD, 2:00-3:00 pm, Free Webinar *Pedestrians and Transit***, presented by Dan Nabors, *Senior Transportation Engineer, VHB*. This is Part 7 of the *Designing for Pedestrian Safety* series. Watch for more information at: http://www.walkinginfo.org/training/pbic/dps_webinars.cfm.
- **October 14-16, Annual Conference, National Association of State Boards of Education**, Salt Lake City, UT. Watch for info at: <http://nasbe.org/index.php/annual-conference>.
- **October 15, Learn Green Conference and Expo**, Palm Beach Central High School in West Palm Beach. This conference is free and open to elementary, middle and high school teachers, administrators, students, and parents from private and public schools throughout Palm Beach and the surrounding Counties. More info: <http://www.ourgreenschools.com/learngreenconference/>.
- **October 15-17, Winning Campaigns Training**, Oakland, CA. Info: Provided by the Alliance for Biking & Walking, and hosted by Walk Oakland Bike. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/yhrhe4d>.
- **October 2010: Free Webinar: *Personal Safety and SRTS***. Watch for more information at: http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/training/can_webinars.cfm.

- **October 17-21, International Making Cities Livable:** Charleston, SC. Info at: <http://www.livablecities.org/conferences/forthcoming-conferences/78-48th-conference-in-charleston.html>.
- **Date TBD, 2:00-3:00 pm, Free Webinar *Road Diets*,** presented by Peter Lagerwey, *Senior Planner, Toole Design Group*. This is Part 8 of the *Designing for Pedestrian Safety* series. Watch for more information at: http://www.walkinginfo.org/training/pbic/dps_webinars.cfm.
- **October 18-19, Transportation Systems for Livable Communities Conference,** Washington, D.C. Info: Transportation Research Board. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/yfla7ah>.
- **October 18-21, Rail~Volution 2010: Building Livable Communities with Transit,** Portland, OR. More info: <http://www.railvolution.com/future.asp>.
- **October 19-22, Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) Annual Conference,** St. Louis, Mo. More info: www.ampo.org.
- **October 19-22, National Scenic Trails Workshop.** More info: The Partnership for the National Trails System: <http://tinyurl.com/2amvklg>.
- ❖ **October 19, free Webinar: *Creating Aging-Friendly Communities*,** Module II Optimal Living Environments for Healthy Aging (starting Oct 19). See also the archived Module I, an overview of Environmental & Policy Change for Healthy Aging (starts Sept 28). Info and registration: <http://tinyurl.com/2w9hxzx>.
- ❖ **October 20, 3:00-4:00 pm, Webinar: *Roundabout Design for Pedestrians and Bicyclists*,** sponsored by APBP. For Costs and registration: <http://tinyurl.com/34konup>.
- **October 20-22, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials;** Colorado Springs, CO. Watch for info at: <http://www.astho.org/events.aspx>.
- **October 21, 2:00-3:00 pm, free webinar: *Feet to the Streets: Alternatives to Motorized Transportation*,** sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Center to Prevent Childhood Obesity. This webinar will discuss strategies for creating opportunities that encourage non-motorized transportation including: developing systems of trails and bike paths, implementing incentives for reducing dependence on motorized transportation, and promoting innovative land use strategies that support a variety of modes of active transportation. Register by clicking on the hyperlinked title.
- **October 22-23, From Backyard to Backcountry and the Trail Between:** State Trails Conference, Tacoma, WA. Hosted by the Washington State Trails Coalition. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/26l5t4d>.
- **October 22-24, Winning Campaigns Training:** Burlington, VT. Info: Provided by the Alliance for Biking & Walking, hosted by Local Motion. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/ybu88t6>.
- **October, 25-26, Using National Household Travel Survey Data for Transportation Policy Decisions Conference;** Washington, D.C. Info: Transportation Research Board. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/yhff87z>.
- **October, 25-27, Sustainable Transport and Quality of Life in the City:** Buenos Aires, Argentina. Info: CODATU, 21 boulevard Vivier-Merle, 69003 Lyon - France; phone: 0033 (0)4 78 62 23 09; fax: 0033 (0)4 78 62 32 99; email: codatu@wanadoo.fr. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/yddh88f>.
- **October 26-30, 2010 National Preservation Conference;** Austin, TX. More info: <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/>
- **October 27-29, Child in the City 2010 Conference:** Florence, Italy. More info: <http://www.childinthecity.com/page/1836>.
- **October 28-November 2, AASHTO Annual Meeting:** Biloxi, MS. More info: <http://www.transportation.org/meetings/224.aspx>

- **October 28, 3:00-4:30 pm, Multi-modal School Site Planning Design and Transportation for Primary Grades:** Due to popular demand, the National Center for SRTS and ITE will be repeating this webinar. Watch the ITE's web site for more details.
- **October 30-31, the Philadelphia Bike Expo:** Philadelphia, PA. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/35nqp4c>.
- **November 5-7, Winning Campaigns Training,** Asheville, NC. Info: Provided by the Alliance for Biking & Walking, hosted by Asheville Bicycle Coalition. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/y94p7uh>.
- **November 6-10 American Public Health Association:** Denver, CO. Info: <http://www.apha.org/meetings/>.
- **November 11-12, CNU 2010 Transportation Summit,** Detroit, MI. Watch for info at: <http://www.cnu.org/transportationsummits>.
- **November 14-17, 1st T&DI Green Streets & Highways Conference,** Denver, CO. Info: Transportation & Development Institute, American Society of Civil Engineers. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/ygcy75r>.
- **November 14-17, 20th American Trails National Symposium,** Chattanooga, TN. More info: American Trails <http://tinyurl.com/yjmk6mb>.
- **November 17-19, WALK21 Conference, in The Hague, The Netherlands:** The theme is *Getting Communities Back On Their Feet*. See a video introduction to the conference and The Hague at: <http://www.walk21.com/conferences/thehague.asp#>.
- ❖ **November 30, free Webinar: *Creating Aging-Friendly Communities*,** Module III Integrated Approaches to Mobility (starting Nov 30). See also previous archived Modules. Info and registration: <http://tinyurl.com/2w9hxzx>.

2011:

- ❖ **January 4, free Webinar: *Creating Aging-Friendly Communities*,** Module IV Emerging Environmental Issues in Healthy Aging (starts Jan 4, 2011). See also previous archived Modules. Info and registration: <http://tinyurl.com/2w9hxzx>.
- **March 24, 3rd Annual Florida Bike Summit,** Florida Capitol Courtyard, Tallahassee FL. Sponsored by Florida Bicycle Association.
- **May 15-19, National Scenic and Historic Trails Conference, Abingdon, VA.** Info: The Partnership for the National Trails System: <http://tinyurl.com/2bl3n3r>.
- **May 22-25, National Main Streets Conference:** Des Moines, IA. Info: National Trust for Historic Preservation Main Street Center: <http://tinyurl.com/25lpg4>.
- ❖ **August 16-18, 3rd Safe Routes to School National Conference,** Minneapolis, MN. Info: <http://tinyurl.com/ajk7jy>.

Ongoing Resources of Interest:

Archived Webinars:

- The PBIC and APBP held a Webinar on Pedestrian and Bicycle Changes to the 2009 Edition of the MUTCD. View this excellent archived webinar at: http://www.walkinginfo.org/training/pbic/webinar_04-15-2010.cfm.
- The National Work Zone Clearinghouse held a webinar on September 29, 2009 on "Taking Proper Care of Pedestrians in Work Zones", discussing the MUTCD work zone requirements for pedestrians, including those with disabilities. View the webinar at <http://www.workzonesafety.org/node/9900>.
- **America Walks/National Center for SRTS Webinar series:** See: http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/training/can_webinars.cfm
- **Context Sensitive Solutions Webinars:** See: <http://www.contextsensitivesolutions.org/content/webinar/>. Some webinars of interest to SRTS advocates include:

- A Guide to Building CSS Knowledge and Skills for Successful Project Delivery
- Using Design Flexibility to Achieve Context Sensitive Solutions
- Complete Streets and Context Sensitive Solutions
- **MP3 and MP4 versions of completed Transportation for America free webinars are available on these topics at:** <http://t4america.org/webinars>:
 - Transportation and Social Equity
 - Transportation, Energy and Climate
 - Transportation, Housing and Development
 - Transportation, Health and Public Safety
 - Transportation and Economic Opportunity
- **Leadership in Action: Policymakers Addressing Childhood Obesity through Collaboration and Policy Change:** See www.esgn.tv and click on the red and blue promotional graphic for the program on the right side of the ESGN home page. It will be available until July 1, 2010.

Archived Conference Presentations:

- **New Partners for Smart Growth 2009 Presentations:** More than 230 PowerPoint presentations at: <http://www.smartgrowth.org/newpartners/NPSG2009.asp>
- **The Association Of Metropolitan Planning Organizations' 2008 National Conference,** included presentations on SRTS and other Bike/Ped issues: View these & others at the links below:
 - **Safe Routes to School Washington State Planning and Funding Assistance,** Charlotte Claybrooke, Washington DOT, SRTS Coordinator: http://www.ampo.org/assets/719_claybrook.pdf.
 - **Safe Routes to School – Practical Solutions on a Small Budget:** Andy Hume, Las Cruces Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO): http://www.ampo.org/assets/725_hume.pdf.
 - **Safe Routes 2 School,** Lee Kokinakas, Michigan Fitness Foundation: http://www.ampo.org/assets/726_kokinakas.pdf.
 - 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning presentations from Anchorage, Atlanta and Omaha at: <http://www.ampo.org/content/index.php?pid=197>

Web-based Training:

- **The National Highway Institute (NHI) Offers Free Web-Based Training:** Courses of interest to SRTS partners include *Introducing Highway Federal-Aid* and *Introduction to NEPA and Transportation Decision-making*, as well as a variety of courses on planning and engineering topics. See the course listings at: http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/training/list_catalog.aspx?cat=&key=&num=&loc=&tit=&sta=%25&typ=3&lev=%25&ava=1&str=&end=&drf

Live Training:

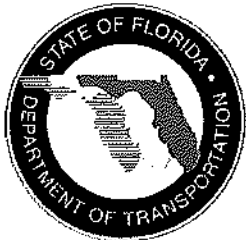
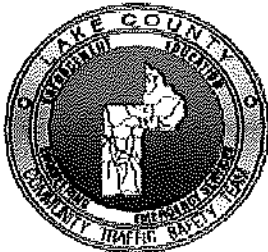
- **The Florida Technology Transfer Center:** located at the University of Florida, offers a variety of training courses, which can be scheduled to meet your needs. See: <http://t2ctt.ce.ufl.edu/t2ctt/Default.asp>

Websites of Interest:

- **Canadian Operation Lifesaver Website for Children:** in English or French: <http://www.olkids.ca/>. A variety of train safety activities for children; some activities show children who must cross train tracks walking to school.

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September 2010



2010 CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK

September 19th—25th

During the **2010 CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY (CPS) WEEK**, parents and caregivers are urged to verify that their child safety seats are properly installed and correctly used.

Certified technicians will be available to inspect and verify - free of charge - your child seat installation. Go to <http://www.nhtsa.gov/cps/cpsfitting/> to find the inspection station nearest you.

Not sure which child safety seat to use?

The national **4 STEPS FOR KIDS** campaign will help you to properly choose and correctly install the safety seat for your child.

Rear Facing:

Infants - From birth to at least 1 year old and at least 20 pounds

For the best possible protection keep infants in the back seat, in rear-facing child safety seats, as long as possible up to the height or weight limit of the particular seat. At a minimum, keep infants rear-facing until a minimum of age 1 and at least 20 pounds.

Forward Facing:

Toddlers - Age 1 & 20 lbs to Age 4 & 40 lbs

When children outgrow their rear-facing seats (at a minimum age 1 and at least 20 pounds) they should ride in forward-facing child safety seats, in the back seat, until they reach the upper weight or height limit of the particular seat (usually around age 4 and 40 pounds).

Booster Seats:

Children - From about age 4 to at least age 8

Once children outgrow their forward-facing seats (usually around age 4 and 40 pounds), they should ride in booster seats, in the back seat, until the vehicle seat belts fit properly. Seat belts fit properly when the lap belt lays across the upper thighs and the shoulder belt fits across the chest (usually at age 8 or when they are 4'9" tall).

Seat Belts:

Tweens - Age 8 and older

When children outgrow their booster seats, (usually at age 8 or when they are 4'9" tall) they can use the adult seat belt in the back seat, if it fits properly (lap belt lays across the upper thighs and the shoulder belt fits across the chest).

International Walk to School Month

October is International Walk to School Month

Why Promote Walking and Bicycling?

Communities are using the walk or bike to school as the first step to change community culture and create environments that are more inviting for everyone, young and old. Here are some reasons to support walking and biking to school:

To enhance the health of kids

Increased physical activity can combat a host of health problems facing kids today.

To improve air quality and the environment

Replacing car trips to school with walking or bicycling can help reduce air pollution

To create safer routes for walking and bicycling

Sidewalks, education programs and traffic calming measures are some of the ways to improve condition



About International Walk to School Day

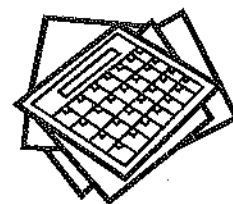
What is the date of this year's International Walk to School event?

This year, Walk to School Day is Wednesday, October 6, 2010. Communities can choose to celebrate for a day, a week, once a week or the entire month as part of International Walk to School Month. In the USA, the focus will remain on Walk to School Day with support for communities that choose to celebrate for the timeframe that is right for their interests and resources.

What is the theme for this year's Walk to School Day event?

While there is no international "theme" for Walk to School 2010, organizers are encouraged to craft an event that best fits their local community's needs and to get students involved in Walk to School Day. Is Walk to School an opportunity to address safety concerns? Does the health or environment message resonate better with your school? Are you including students of all abilities in your events? Work with parents, teachers and other partners to plan the celebration and, together, decide what type of event fits your school and community.

Dates to Remember



September 2010

- 1st—7th Drunk Driving—Over the Limit/Under Arrest <http://www.nhtsa.org/Impaired>
- 6th Labor Day
- 8th Osceola CTST meeting 9:00 AM Osceola Sheriffs Office
- 9th Marion CTST meeting 9:00 AM Ocala PD
- 14th West Volusia CTST meeting 8:30 AM FHP DeLand
- 15th Brevard CTST meeting 9:30 AM Brevard County Government
- 16th Lake CTST meeting 9:00 AM FDOT Leesburg Operations
- 19th-25th National Child Passenger Safety Week <http://www.nhtsa.org/>
- 21st Orange CTST meeting 9:00 AM Orange County Public Works
- 23rd East Volusia CTST meeting 9:00 AM Daytona Beach Public Works
- 25th National Seat Check Saturday <http://www.nhtsa.org/>
- 28th Seminole CTST meeting 8:30 AM Lake Mary PD

October 2010

- 1st—31st International Walk To School Month <http://www.walktoschool.org>
- 4th—8th Drive Safely Work Week <http://www.trafficsafety.org>
- 11th Statewide CTST Coalition Meeting Turnpike Turkey Lake Plaza
- 12th West Volusia CTST meeting 8:30 AM FHP DeLand
- 13th Osceola CTST meeting 9:00 AM Osceola Sheriffs Office
- 14th Marion CTST meeting 9:00 AM Ocala PD
- 17th-24th National Teen Driver Safety Week
- 18th-22nd National School Bus Safety Week <http://www.napt.org/>
- 19th Orange CTST meeting 9:00 AM Orange County Public Works
- 20th Brevard CTST meeting 9:30 AM Brevard County Government
- 21st Lake CTST meeting 9:00 AM FDOT Leesburg Operations
- 26th Seminole CTST meeting 8:30 AM Lake Mary PD
- 28th East Volusia CTST meeting 9:00 AM Daytona Beach Public Works

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

In a 180 day school year, it is estimated that Florida drivers illegally pass stopped school buses nearly 2 million times. Each incident, could result in a tragic injury or fatality of a student.

Twenty five million children ride school buses to and from school each day. Each year, there are about 15 pedestrian fatalities at school bus stops in the United States.

Florida Motor Vehicle Laws require that motorists stop upon approaching any school bus that displays its flashing red lights and has its stop signs extended. Penalties for breaking these laws can include fines, points on your license, and even suspension of your license.

Florida law specifies when you must stop for school buses. If you violate the law you commit a moving violation:

- You must pay a minimum civil penalty of \$165 and will incur 4 points against your license.
- You must complete a basic driver improvement course.
- For another offense within 5 years, your drivers license will be suspended for at least 90 days.
- The most serious violation, an illegal pass on the side of the bus where students enter and exit, will result in a



School Bus Facts

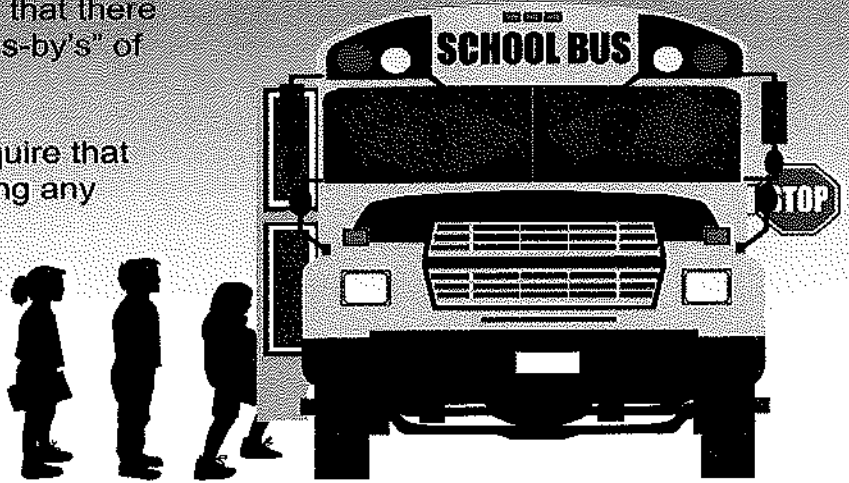
- School buses are very safe, but the most dangerous part of the school bus ride is getting on and off the bus. The loading and unloading area is called the "Danger Zone" and consists of the 10 ft area in front or in back of the bus and 10 ft on either side of the bus.
- Half of the pedestrian fatalities in school bus related crashes are children between 5 and 7 years old.
- Young children are more likely to be struck because they:
 - Hurry to get on and off the bus
 - Act before they think
 - Have little experience with traffic
 - Assume motorists will see them and wait for them to cross the street
 - Don't always stay within the bus driver's sight.
- Please remind children:
 - If something falls under or near a bus, tell the driver. NEVER try to pick it up yourself.
 - While waiting for the bus, stay in a safe place away from the street and danger zone.
 - When you get on or off a bus, look left, right, left before you enter or cross the street.
 - When the driver says it is safe to cross the street, cross in FRONT of the bus.
 - Stay in your seat and sit quietly so that the driver is not distracted.

STOP for School Buses:

It's More Than Just the Law, It's a Child's Life

In a school year, it is estimated that there are almost 2 Million illegal "pass-by's" of Florida school buses.

Florida Motor Vehicle Laws require that motorists stop upon approaching any school bus which displays its flashing red lights and has its stop signs extended.



What Is The Law?

TWO-LANE:
Vehicles traveling in both directions **MUST** stop.

MULTI-LANE Paved Across:
Vehicles traveling in both directions **MUST** stop.

DIVIDED HIGHWAY
Unpaved space (Min 5ft) OR any raised median/physical barrier.
Vehicles behind bus **MUST** stop.
Vehicles traveling in the opposite direction proceed with caution.

The inconvenience of an extra few seconds spent waiting for a stopped school bus is *insignificant* compared to the loss of a child's life.



FLORIDA'S MOTORCYCLE SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Florida is a popular tourist destination and host to a number of motorcycle enthusiast events each year. Just under 90% of riders injured in motorcycle crashes in Florida are residents of the State of Florida. 94% of motorcyclist fatalities were also Florida residents (2006-2008)

Factors such as population and proximity to motorcycle rallies and events have proven to have a direct correlation to higher motorcycle crash rates.

With October quickly upon us and Spring 2011 right around the corner, motorcycle events will be kicking into full gear and our roadways will be full of eager motorcyclists.

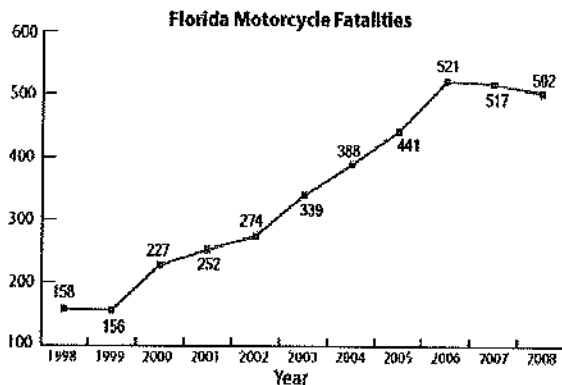
District 5 has 3 of the top 10 counties for motorcycle crashes and many other

counties that are well known for motorcycle events hosted within their jurisdiction. In coming months, the D5 Safety Staff will be looking for ways to work with the CTST's in promoting motorcycle safety throughout Central Florida.

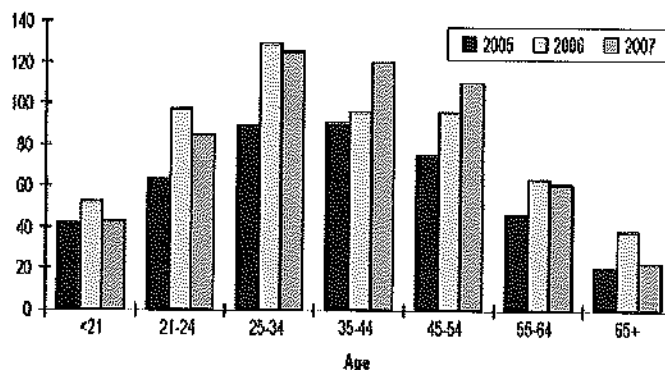
County	Total Motorcycle Crashes (6/23/2009)
Miami-Dade	852
Broward	687
Orange	555
Hillsborough	540
Volusia	525
Pinellas	506
Duval	415
Palm Beach	383
Brevard	259
Polk	240

As we move forward with these initiatives or as you prepare for your own safety events, we encourage you to visit Florida Motorcycle Safety Coalition's website at: www.RideSmartFlorida.com for information about upcoming events, statistical data, and motorcycle safety related materials.

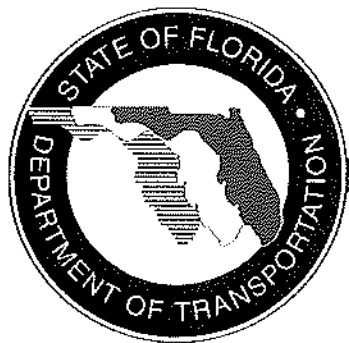
LOOK TWICE, SAVE A LIFE!



Motorcycle Traffic Fatalities in Florida by Age and Year 2005 to 2007



Community Traffic Safety Teams(CTST) District 5 Directory



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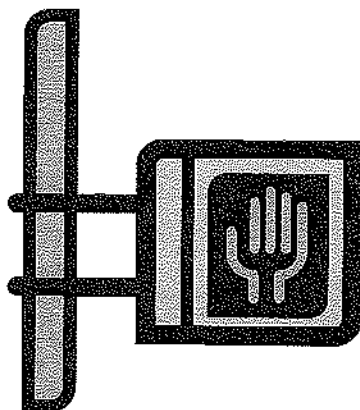
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