BROWARD COUNTY

Low Stress Multimodal Mobility Network Master Plan











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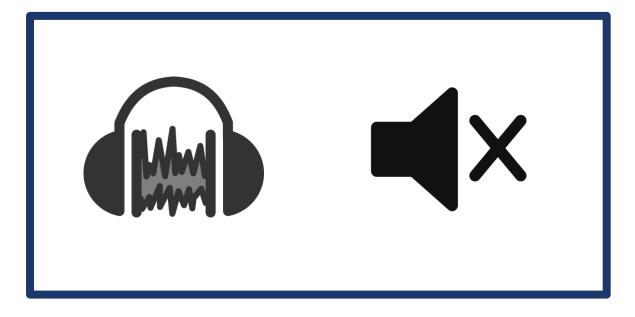








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Meeting Format

PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

3 OPEN HOUSE









Agenda

- Project Overview
 - Purpose/Goal
 - Low-Stress Networks
- Existing Conditions
 - Level of Traffic Stress
- Need Assessment
- Next Steps
- Public Comment Period



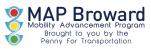




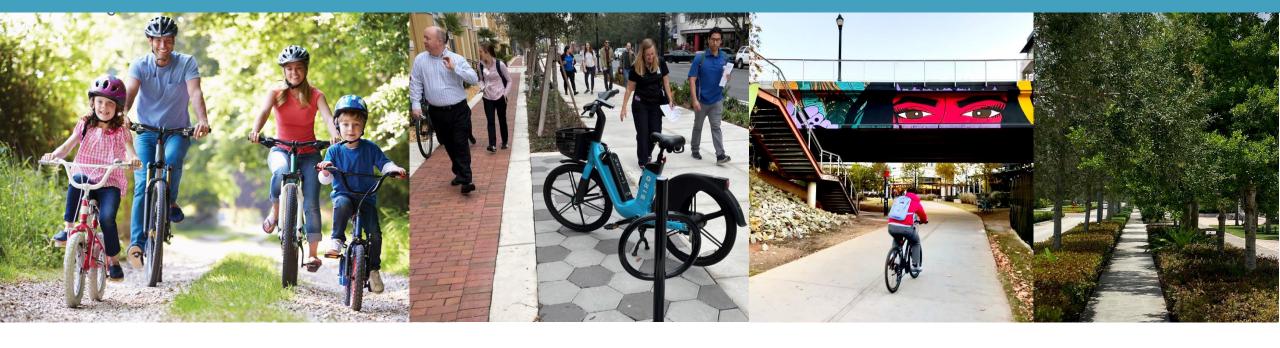












Project Overview

- Scope Overview
- Purpose
- What are low-stress networks

- Level of traffic stress (LTS)
- Why this plan matters









Scope Overview: Multimodal Transportation Master Plan

- 1. Project Management
- 2. Public Engagement & Outreach
- 3. Existing Conditions
- 4. Needs Assessment
- 5. Feasibility Analysis
- 6. Design Manual
- 7. Final Report









Vision Statement



To create an inclusive low-stress multimodal transportation network for all ages and abilities in Broward County.



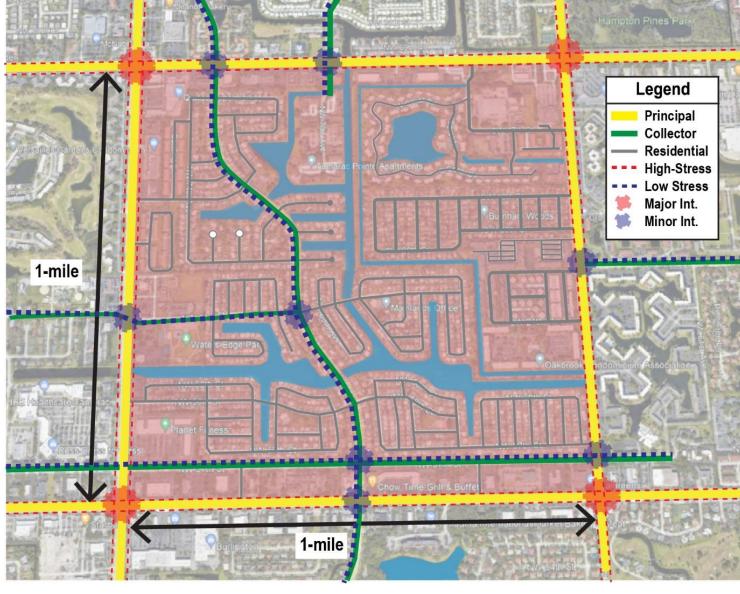






Purpose/Goal

Enhancing accessibility and mobility for all through educational, economic, and social opportunities.











Foundation Principles of the Master Plan











Low-Stress Networks

- Facilities with an emphasis on low-speed transportation with the perception and reality of safe travel with lesser impact from high-speed motorized vehicles.
- Low-stress facilities connect to create a network allowing for travel within and between neighborhoods and communities.

 Can be used by all ages and abilities.











Low Stress Bicycle Facilities

The majority of the population interested in bicycle prefers a separated or protected facility.

In a national survey, 44% of respondents said they would ride a bike if facilities were separated from traffic (Corona Insights, PeopleforBikes, 2018).





Note: Percentages represent the level of comfort that people feel bicycling, according to peer-reviewed surveys as recently as 2016. Source: FHWA Bikeway Selection Guide: https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/tools_solve/docs/fhwasa18077.pdf
For more information, please visit FHWA's Bicycle and Pedestrian Program webpage: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/



Examples of Low Stress Pedestrian Facilities



Middle River Trail



Coral Springs Art Walk



Hollywood









Examples of Low Stress Bicycle Facilities





Miami Beach, Florida

San Diego, California

West Palm Beach, Florida

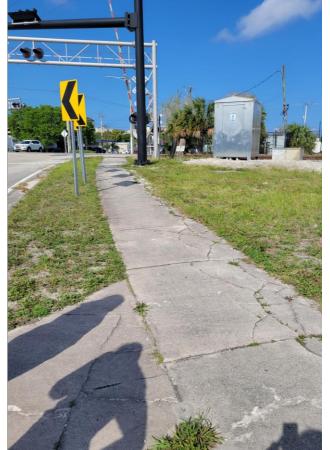








Existing Facilities



















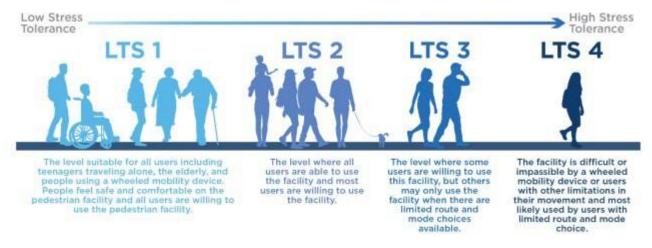
Level of Traffic Stress or LTS

Evaluation method to measure the level of stress a person might experience while using the transportation system and available facilities.

Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress



Pedestrian Level of Traffic Stress



Source: FDOT









to ride under stressful conditions.

Project Overview: Why?

- Population & Demographics
- Climate Change & CO2
- Transportation Options
- Sustainability
- Right-of-way is public land













Project Overview: Health & Wellness

"The built environment influences a person's level of physical activity. For example, inaccessible or nonexistent sidewalks and bicycle or walking paths contribute to sedentary habits. These habits lead to poor health outcomes such as obesity, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and some types of cancer. Today, approximately two thirds of Americans are overweight." - CDC

- Obesity increased to 41.9% in the U.S. (CDC, 2023)
- Heart Disease, Cancer and COVID-19 are top three causes of death in U.S today. (CDC, 2023)
- Air pollutants lead to poor cardiovascular, respiratory and brain health – it also leads to low birth weight. (CDC)
- Exercise can reduce the risk of developing a mental health condition by 32.5%. (Medical News Today)

How walking affects the body

3 minutes Blood pressure decreases

5-10 minutes Creative thinking improves

30 minutes after meals Helps to lose weight (depending on walking

90 minutes outside Reduces the number of depressive thoughts 5 minutes outside Mood improves

15 minutes after meals Blood sugar level decreases

40 minutes
Reduces the risk of
developing coronary
heart disease in the elderly

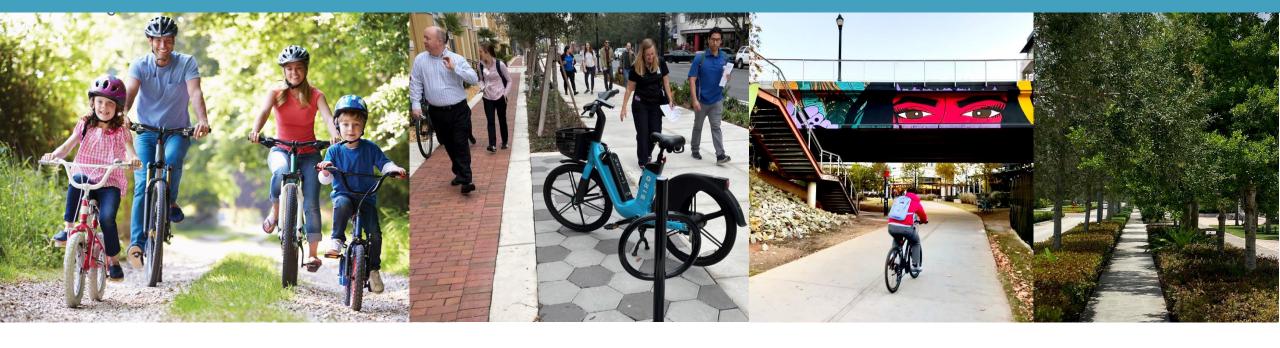
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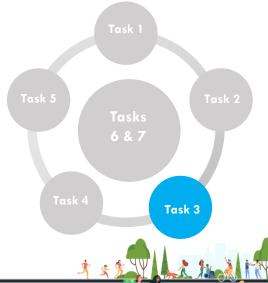
Existing Conditions Analysis & Plans Review

Task 3 Summary









Key Findings for Broward County

Less than 5% of the county population travel to work by walking, biking or transit (ACS, 2017).

Almost **30%** of county residents are not physically active (County Health Rankings, 2020).

Residents are cost burden, the average resident spends **66% of their income on housing and transportation** (*Broward County Affordable Housing Needs Assessment*, 2022).

The transportation network is **not designed for people walking and biking**, rather it was designed to accommodate vehicular peak hour conditions (*Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Action Plan*, 2018).

Broward ranks 14th nationally as the most dangerous metropolitan area in the nation and is one of the top 3 counties in Florida leading the state in serious injuries and death for people walking and biking (Dangerous by Design, 2022 & Florida Pedestrian & Bicycle Strategic Safety Plan, 2021).

Over 60% of bike/ped crashes occurred on roadways with a speed limit of 40 + MPH (*Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Action Plan*, 2018).

Fort Lauderdale, Plantation, Hollywood, and Pompano had the most people killed or seriously injured while walking or biking over a 5-year period (Signal Four Analytics, 2018 - 2022)









Public & Focus Group Comments

Bike trails are not as wide or accessible. I would like to see splash pads.

Need more trees, benches, and better lighting.

More crosswalks.
When crossing the street, the time is too short.

Driving in Broward is stressful.

More shade on biking and walking routes.

Physical barrier between traffic lanes and bike lanes.

There is no where people can walk or ride a bike safely. Those spaces are limited.

Bike lanes next to traffic do not feel safe.

Sidewalks & bike lanes are not well maintained.

Need better connectivity.



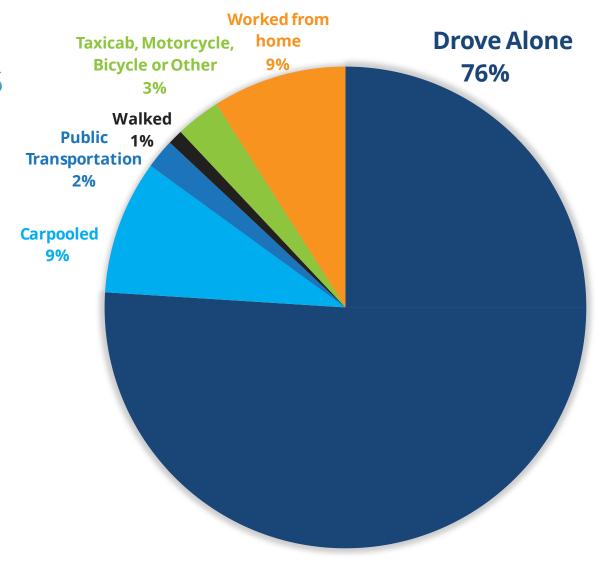






County Demographics

- **Population:** 1,947,026
- **Jobs:** 816,836
- 6.6% of residents have a disability (under 65 years)
- 22% under 17 years
- 18% over 65 years
- 7% of households have No Car



American Community Survey, 2017 - 2022









Plan Review

State

- FDOT Plans & Guidance
- Future Improvements

Regional

- Broward County
- Broward MPO
- SFRPC

Municipal

 Key Strategic Plans, Transportation Related Plans, and Comp Plans



BICYCLE MASTER PLAN



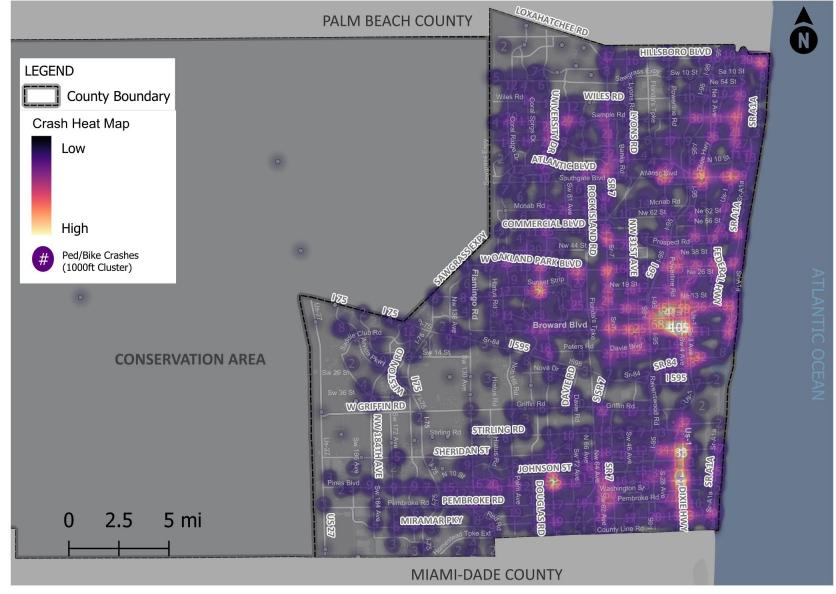




All Bike/Ped Crashes Heat Map

Ranking by City:

- 1. Fort Lauderdale
- 2. Hollywood
- 3. Pompano Beach
- 4. Pembroke Pines
- 5. Davie
- 6. Coral Springs









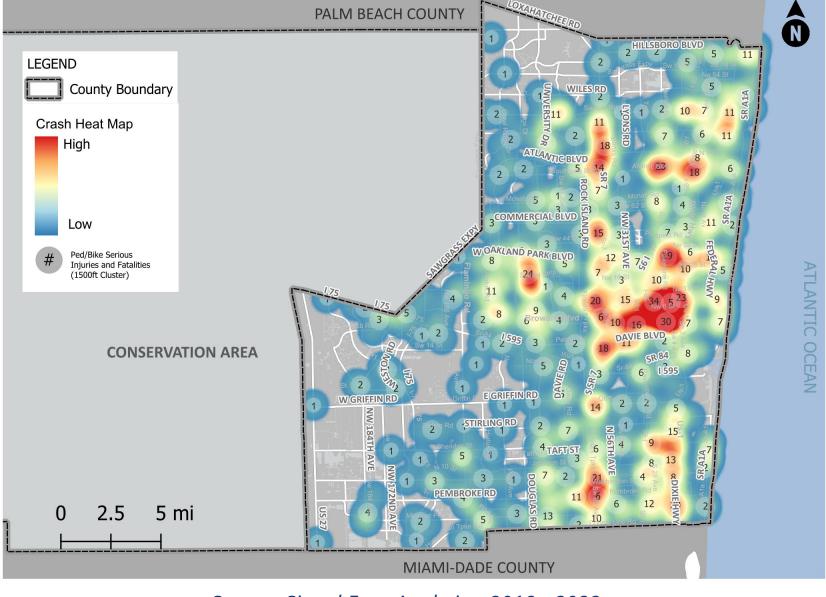




Bike/Ped Killed or Seriously Injured Heat Map

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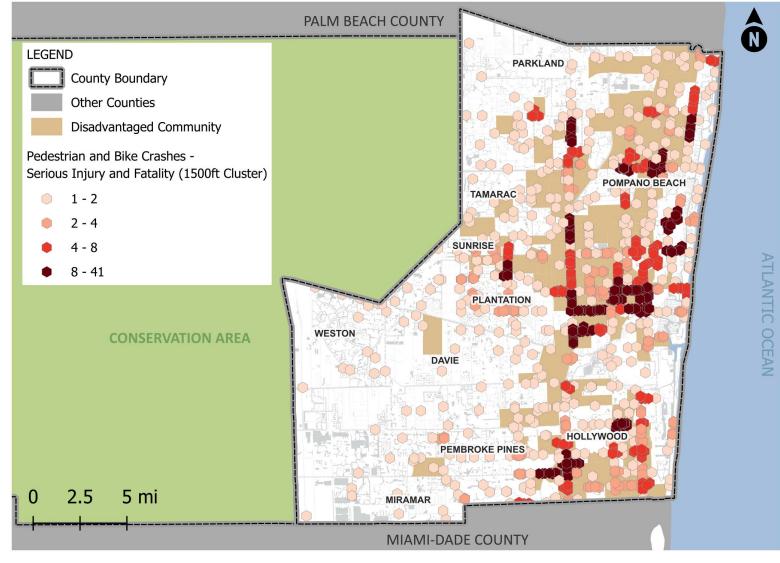






Disadvantaged Communities & Crashes

- Nationally, Native Americans and Black or African Americans are 3 to 4x more likely to be killed while walking (*Dangerous By Design*, 2022).
- Communities identified as disadvantaged are being disproportionately effected by bicycle and pedestrian crashes.









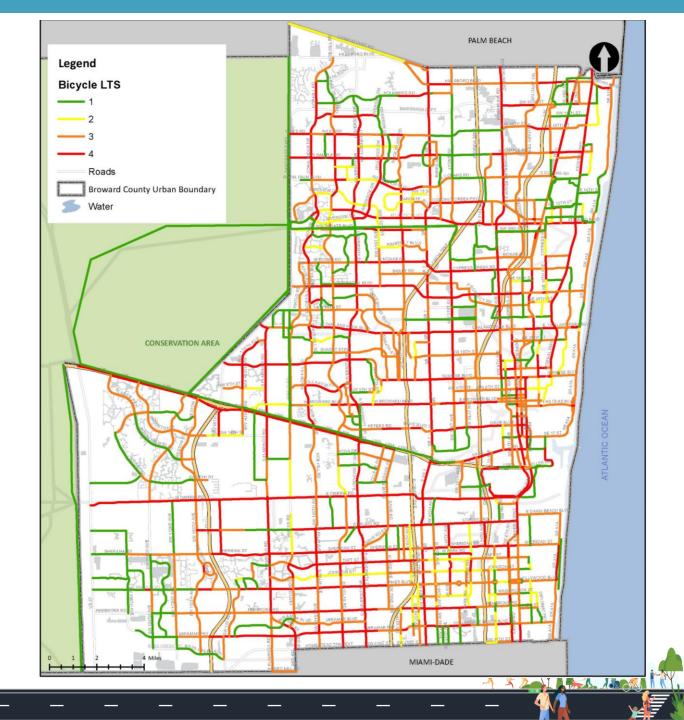
Disadvantaged communities: defines a community as either: (1) Geographic: a group of individuals living in geographic proximity (such as census tract), or (2) Common condition: a geographically dispersed set of individuals (such as migrant workers or Native Americans), where either type of group experiences common conditions.

Justice 40 Initiative

Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress

Criteria for Analysis:

- 1. Type of facility present
- 2. Posted Speed Limit
- 3. Number of traffic lanes
- 4. Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT)





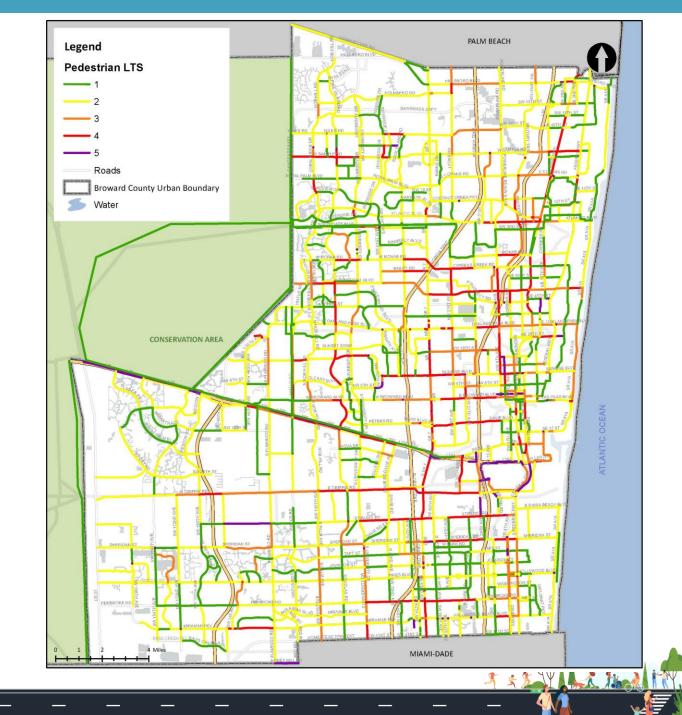




Pedestrian Level of Traffic Stress

Criteria for Analysis:

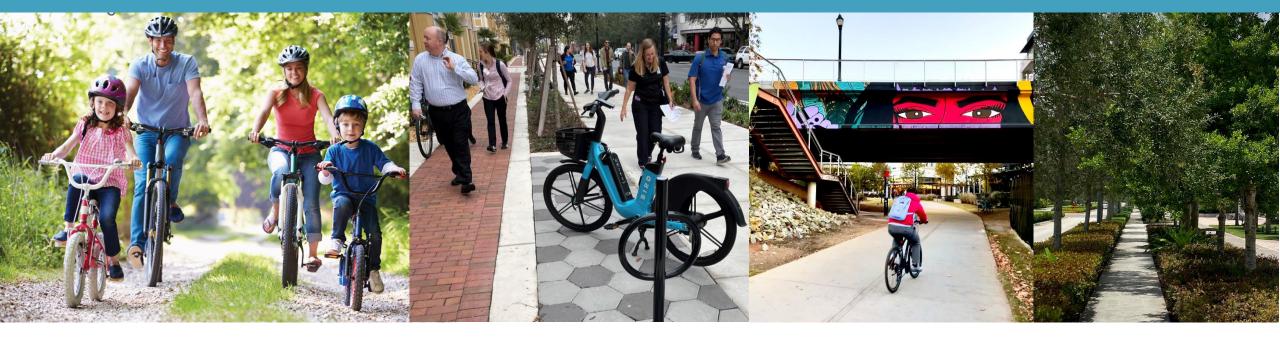
- 1. Sidewalk Coverage (one or both sides)
- 2. Sidewalk separation
- 3. Posted Speed Limit
- 4. Number of traffic lanes
- 5. Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT)











Needs Assessment

Task 4 In Progress









Needs Assessment

Task 4: Needs Assessment

- □Identify gaps & opportunities
- □ Develop prioritization criteria
- □ Develop recommendations
- □ Identify funding opportunities
- ☐ Create a Cost Feasible & Vision Plan
- ☐ Prioritized Project List







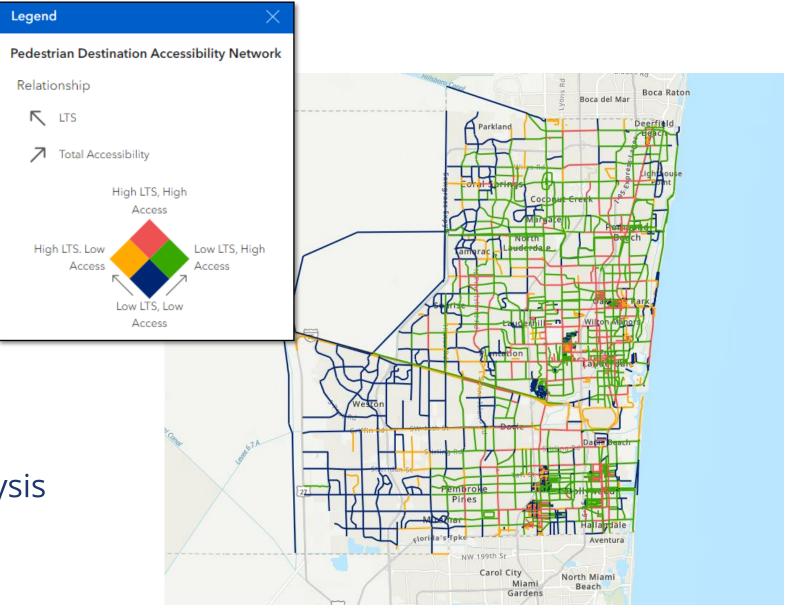




Pedestrian Accessibility Analysis

Accessibility Analysis

- Destinations Prioritized
 - Schools
 - Parks
 - Jobs
 - Transit
 - Grocery Stores
- Future Accessibility Analysis
 - Planned or programmed projects











Prioritization Criteria

- 1. Safety
- 2. Connectivity
- 3. Comfort
- 4. Equity
- 5. Health
- 6. Demand Potential
- 7. Environment & Resiliency













Next Steps









Design Manual







Best Practices
 Branding
 Placemaking toolkit for municipalities









Next Steps: Current & Future

Task 2: Outreach & Engagement Now - Ongoing

- Public Survey
- Crowdsource Map
- View LTS Analysis Online

Future

- 9/23/23: Touch-A-Truck Pembroke Pines
- 10/25/23: Complete Streets Advisory Committee
- TBA Public Meeting 2





About

The Broward County Multimodal Mobility Transportation Master Plan is the blueprint for a countywide low stress mobility network designed for people of all ages and abilities, emphasizing safety, comfort, convenience and

Take the Multimodal Mobility Master Plan Survey

Think of your typical <u>neighborhood or local street (2 lanes)</u> with a posted speed limit of <u>25 to 30 MPH</u>. Please select which facility or facilities are comfortable to walk? (Select all that apply)



No sidewalk



1 min read - Updated Aug 31, 2023

Sidewalk with no physical



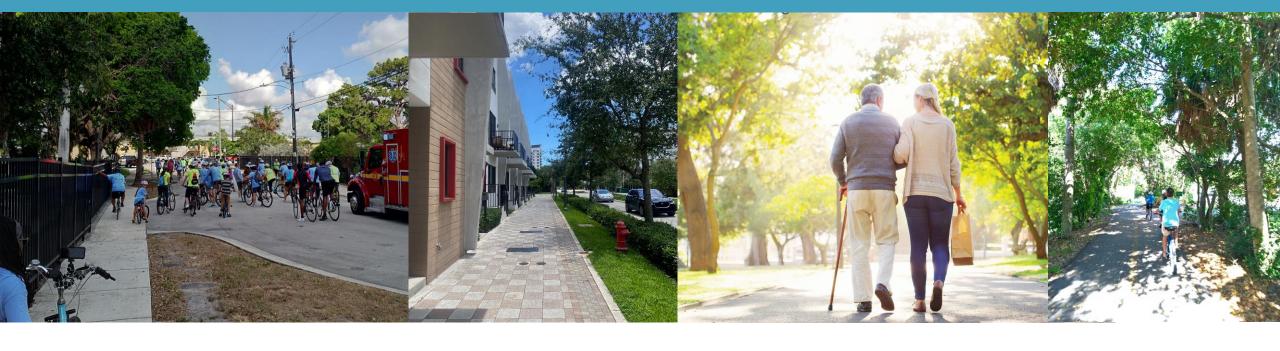








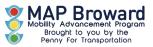




Questions & Answers



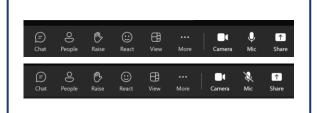




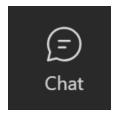


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Meeting Materials & Recording



Public Meeting Transcript

Public Meeting Exhibits



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Public Involvement - Comment Options



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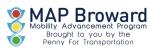
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