## October 2015 SCTPO eNews

#### SPACE COAST PATHWAYS PROJECT WORKSHOP OCTOBER 15



Help us map and promote non-motorized transportation options for Space Coast residents and visitors.

The Space Coast Pathways Project, funded by the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization, is the development of an **Interactive Guide** to Brevard's trails, waterways, sidewalks, bike lanes and unique outdoor adventures.

Hiking, biking, paddling, running and other outdoor recreational activities are primary economic drivers in communities:

- Trails add value to new homes and consistently remain the number one community amenity sought by perspective homeowners. (National Association of Realtors, 2008)
- Every \$1 spent on biking trails and walking paths could save approximately \$3 in medical expenses. (American Heart Association)
- Trails in Orange County support 516 jobs and have an estimated economic impact of \$42.6 million annually. (East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 2011)
- Nearly 75% of all Florida visitors participate in nature-based activities during their visit (Visit Florida, 2011)

Thank you to everyone who has attended one of our informational meetings about this project. We are ready to take the next step but need your help!

Please attend or send a representative to the Pathways Project Partner Workshop:

Thursday, October 15, 8:30 am to Noon Bill Posey Conference Center at Florida Department of Health 2555 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

## Workshop goals:

- 1. What does the community want in an online pathways guide?
- 2. Where are the current pathways?
- 3. How can we promote our pathways?
- 4. What specific elements need to be included in the project RFP?

RSVP today! Contact Katrina Morrell at katrina.morrell@brevardcounty.us

Learn more about this project by visiting:

http://spacecoasttpo.com/modes/walkbike/space-coast-pathways-project/

#### TPO BOARD TO VOTE ON ADOPTION OF 2040 LRTP



Every five years, the SCTPO adopts a new Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). This plan provides a **common vision for the community's future transportation needs** and **guides the investment of public funds in transportation facilities, addressing a timeline of 20 or more years**.

Comments on the Draft 2040 LRTP are accepted through October 7, 2015. The full Plan will be presented at the October 8, 2015 TPO Board meeting for adoption.

#### Download the Draft 2040 LRTP

(http://www.spacecoast2040.com/assets/plandocument\_draft\_082615.pdf) and visit the LRTP webpage (http://spacecoasttpo.com/plan/long-range-transportation-plan/) for more information.

Comments should be made to Steven Bostel by calling 321-690-6890 or emailing steven.bostel@brevardcounty.us.

### PEACHTREE STREET COMPLETE STREET PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION



The SCTPO has been actively supporting Complete Streets in Brevard County since 2010. Complete Streets are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users.

Peachtree Street in Cocoa is one of eight Complete Street projects in Brevard, and is the first one to begin construction. Improvements from Pineda Street to Blake Avenue include landscaping, sidewalks and sharrows (marked lanes shared by cars and bicyclists). Construction is estimated to be completed in early Spring 2016.

Learn more about Complete Streets by visiting our webpage. (http://spacecoasttpo.com/plan/complete-streets/)

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Tuesday, September 29, 4:30-6:30 pm, Public Meeting for S. Washington Ave/US 1 in Titusville <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/public-meeting-for-s-washington-aveus-1-in-titusville/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/public-meeting-for-s-washington-aveus-1-in-titusville/</a>

Monday, October 5, 9:30 –11:30 am, Technical and Citizens Advisory Committees <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/technical-and-citizens-advisory-committee-meeting/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/technical-and-citizens-advisory-committee-meeting/</a>

Wednesday, October 7, 7-8 am, International Walk to School Day <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/international-walk-to-school-day/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/international-walk-to-school-day/</a>

Thursday, October 8, 9-11 am, TPO Governing Board <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/tpo-governing-board-7/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/tpo-governing-board-7/</a>

Thursday, October 15, 8:30 am – Noon, Pathways Project Partners Workshop <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/pathways-project-partner-workshop/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/pathways-project-partner-workshop/</a>

Thursday, October 15, 6-8 pm, FDOT District 5 Five Year Work Program Public Hearing <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/district-5-five-year-work-program-public-hearing/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/district-5-five-year-work-program-public-hearing/</a>

Tuesday – Thursday, October 20-22, EV Transportation and Technology Summit <a href="http://evsummit.org/">http://evsummit.org/</a>

Monday, October 28, 9-11 am, Community Traffic Safety Team <a href="http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/community-traffic-safety-team-7/">http://spacecoasttpo.com/event/community-traffic-safety-team-7/</a>

# WALK TO SCHOOL DAY IS OCTOBER 7TH

more information.



International Walk to School Day is October 7. Students from more than 40 countries walk or bike to school on the same day. Contact your school to see if they participate or check out the **event website** (<a href="http://walkbiketoschool.org/ready/about-the-events/walk-to-school-day">http://walkbiketoschool.org/ready/about-the-events/walk-to-school-day</a>) for