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## **INTRODUCTION**

# ACCESSING SPACE COAST AREA TRANSIT

To ensure access to transit services by all Brevard County citizens/visitors and to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) funded a comprehensive inventory and ADA accessibility assessment of Space Coast Area Transit's (SCAT) bus stops. The study evaluated access to transit in Brevard County and each city within its boundaries that has bus service in an effort to develop an improvement plan that will ensure progress toward achieving ADA compliance at all bus stops served by SCAT. The bus stop data were collected from November 27, 2017 through January 10, 2018.

This publication provides an overview of the inventory and cost assessment and includes information and maps on the following:

- Amenities at each bus stop number of bus stops, benches, and shelters
- ADA compliance at each bus stop
- Estimated cost to achieve ADA compliance at non-compliant stops (low, medium, high)
- Ridership at each bus stop number of riders getting on/off buses on a weekday, Saturday, and Sunday
- Demographic characteristics relevant to transit use for the county and each city population, number of workers, percentages of older adults, youth, persons with disabilities, and low-income and zero-vehicle households

For additional information, including recommended accessibility improvements, refer to the full study, "Space Coast Area Transit Bus Stop Accessibility Study," which details the data collection process, accessibility requirements considered during the assessment, development of a bus stop inventory and database, and steps used to analyze the data and prepare an implementation plan. The study is available at spacecoasttpo.com.





## BREVARD COUNTY

POPULATION 560,683

WORKERS 233,874

OLDER ADULTS 22.5%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 5.6%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 14.9%

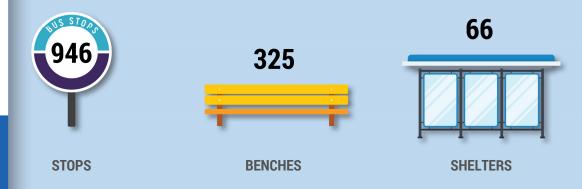
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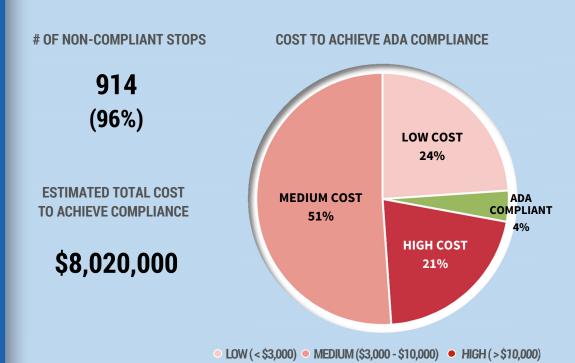
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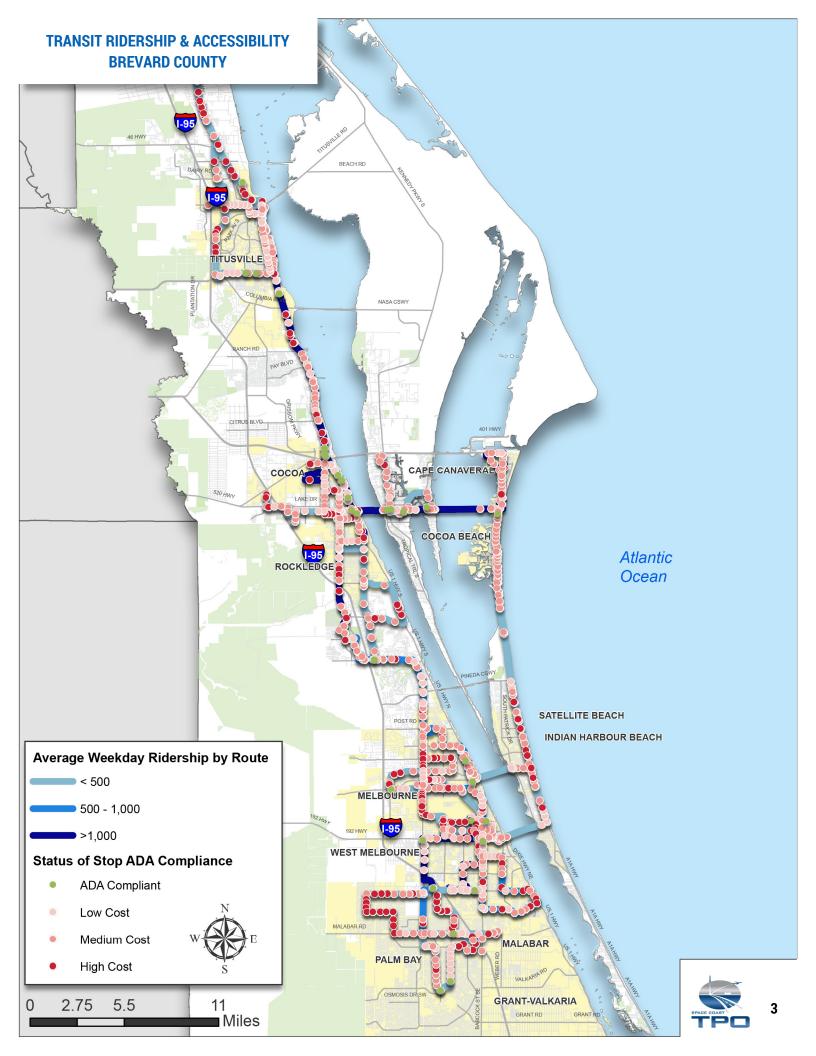
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## UNINCORPORATED COUNTY

POPULATION 220,402

WORKERS 89,994

OLDER ADULTS 24.3%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 5.9%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 15.2%

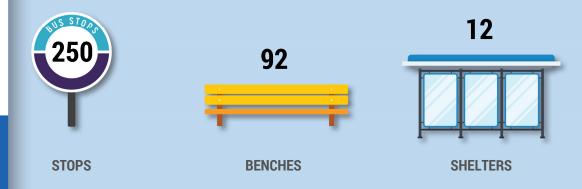
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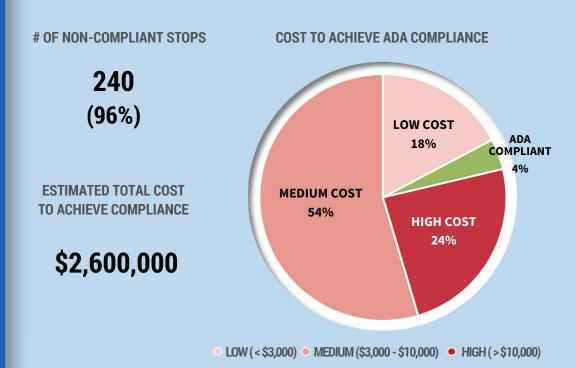
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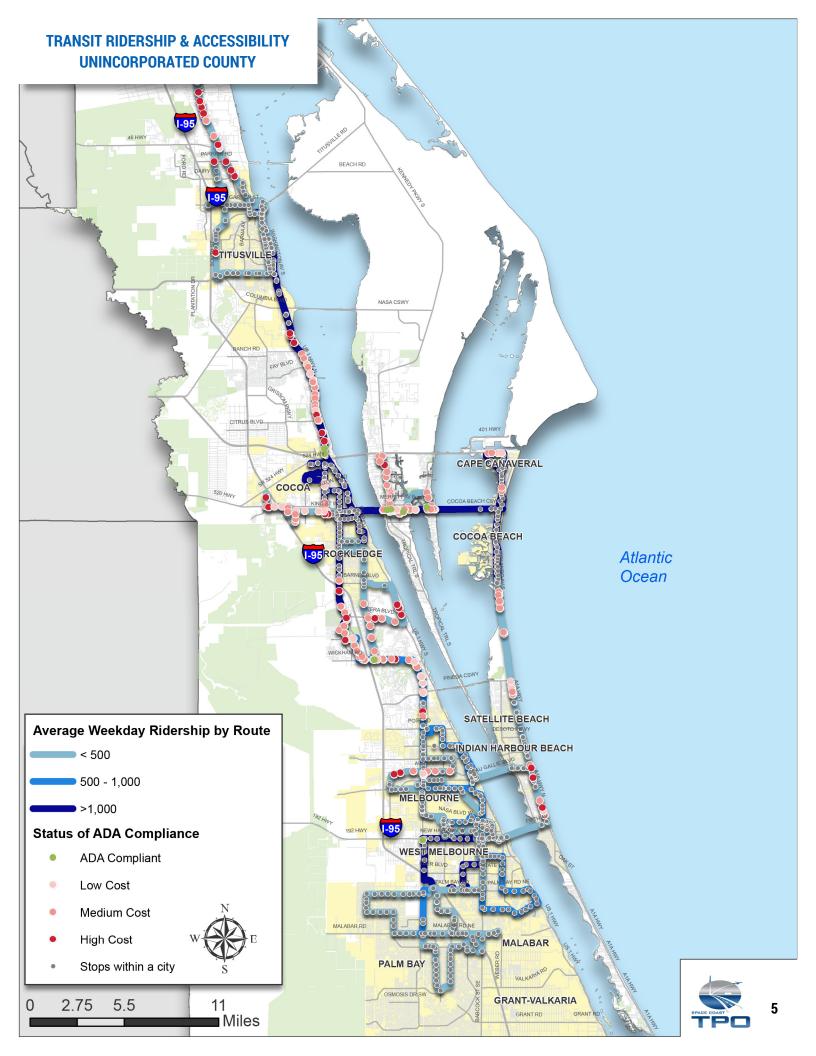
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## CAPE CANAVERAL

POPULATION 10,116

WORKERS 3,949

OLDER ADULTS 37.2%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 1.9%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 17.7%

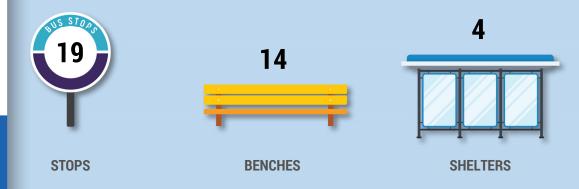
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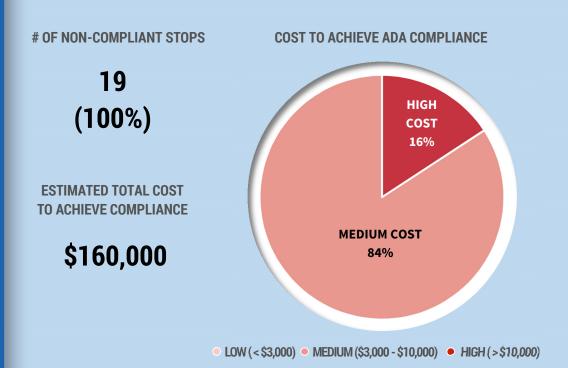
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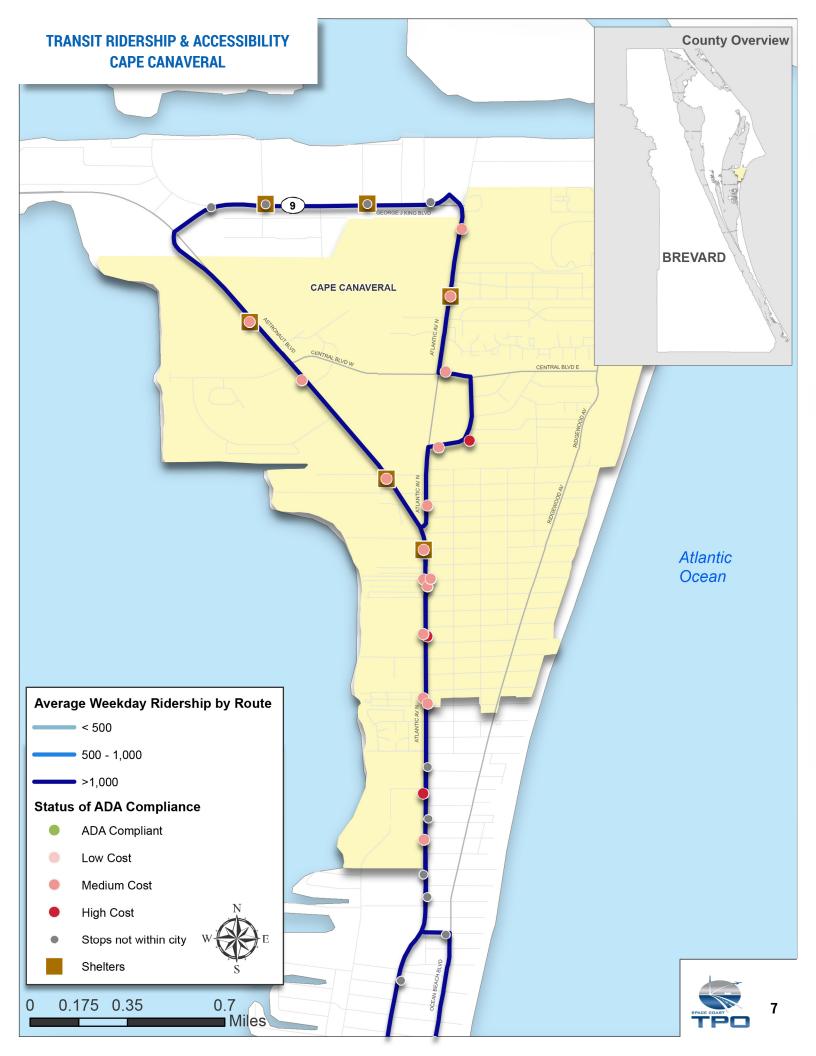
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## **COCOA**

POPULATION 17,558

> WORKERS 6,958

OLDER ADULTS 21.9%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 7.8%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 17.6%

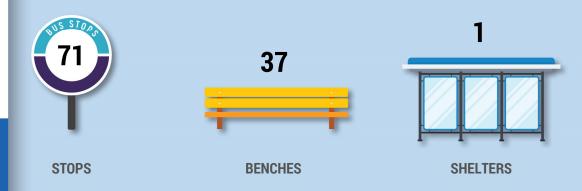
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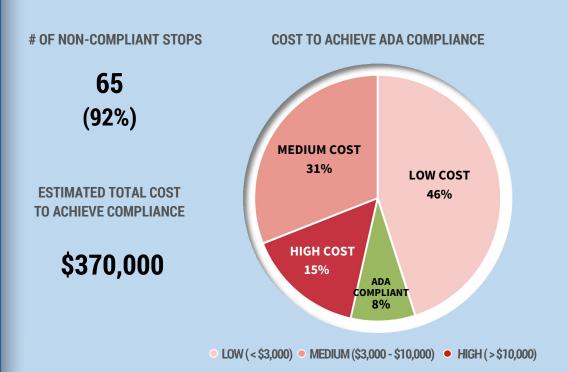
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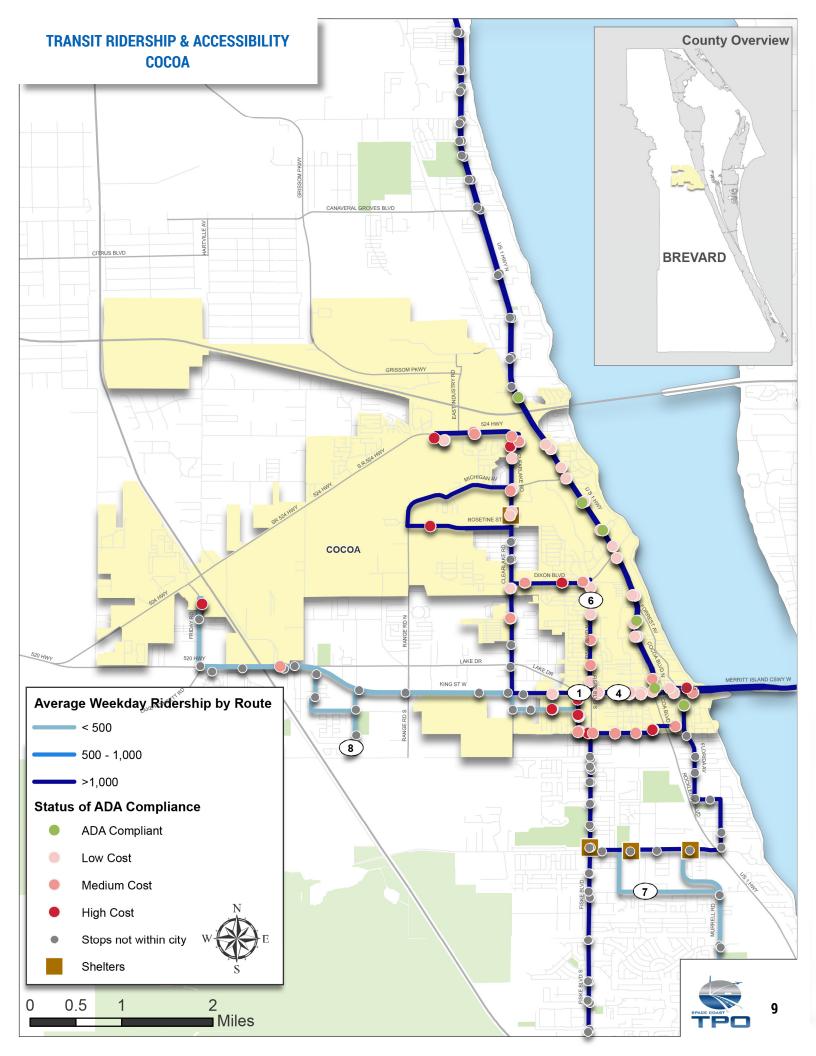
#### **AMENITIES**



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## COCOA BEACH

POPULATION 11,466

> WORKERS 4,844

OLDER ADULTS
33.1%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 3.3%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 16.3%

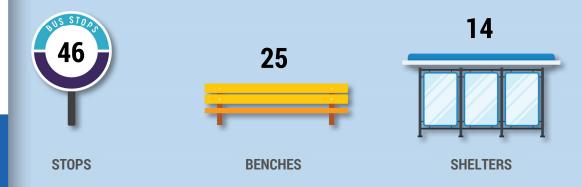
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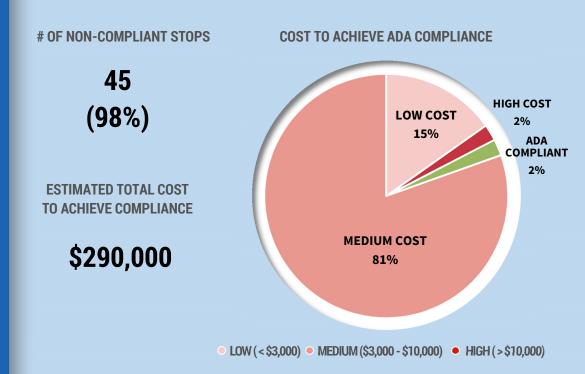
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## SPACE CDAST

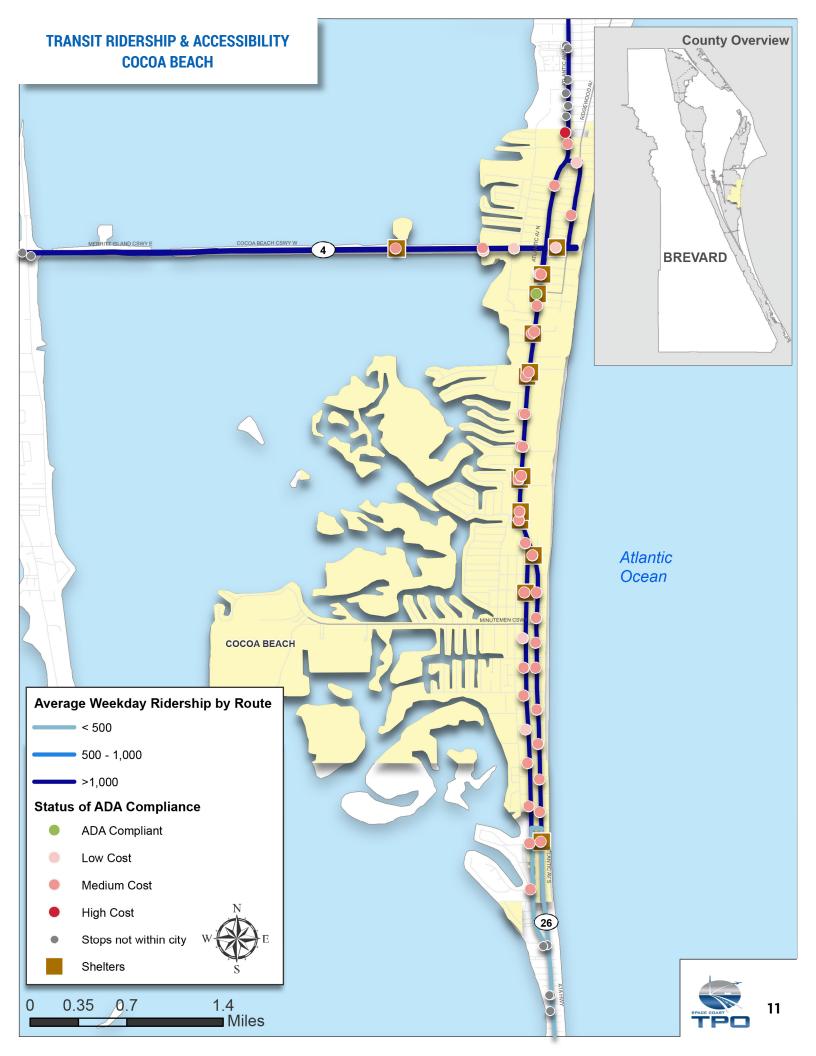
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## **INDIALANTIC**

POPULATION 2,798

WORKERS 1,345

OLDER ADULTS 19.3%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 5.7%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 18.1%

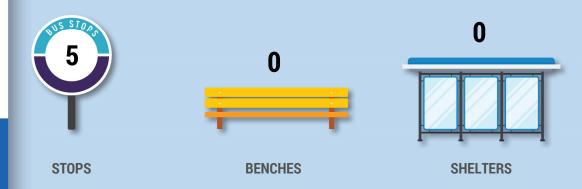
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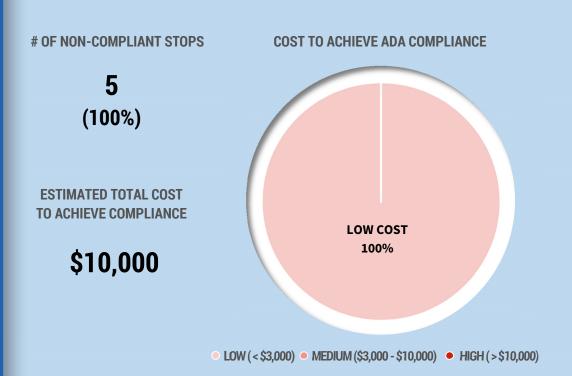
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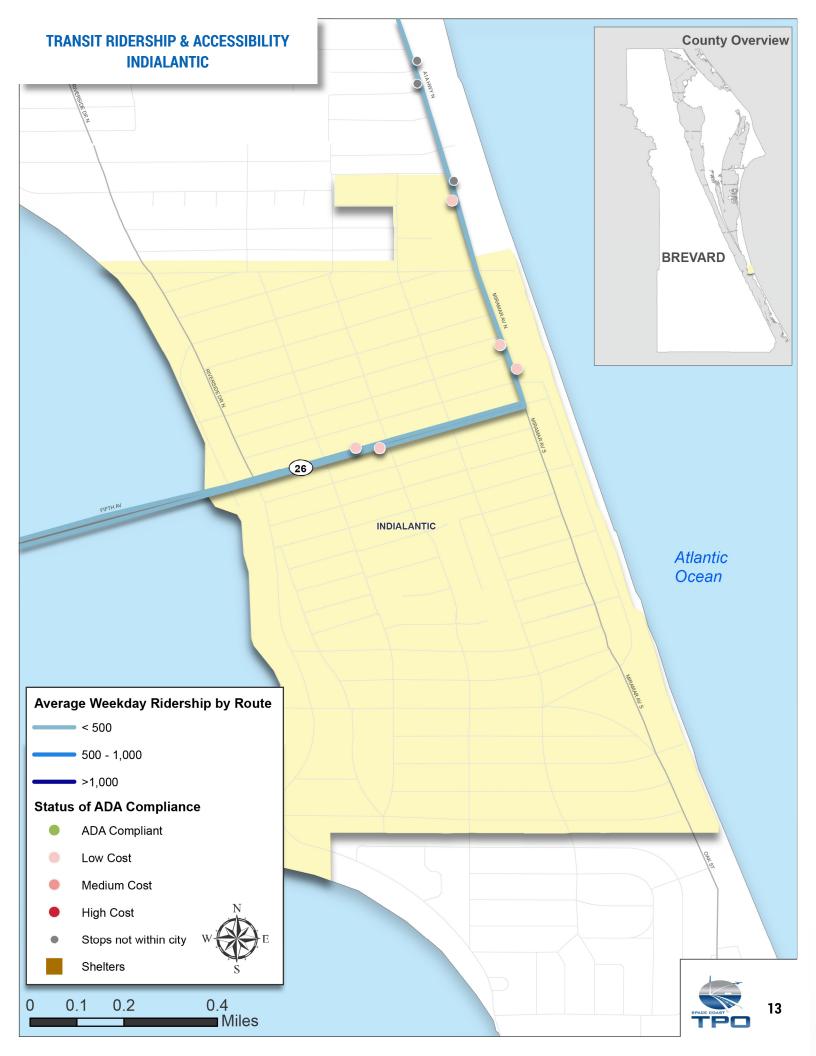
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## INDIAN HARBOUR BEACH

POPULATION 8,381

WORKERS 3,464

OLDER ADULTS 26.0%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 7.5%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 13.8%

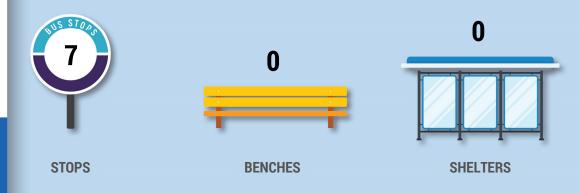
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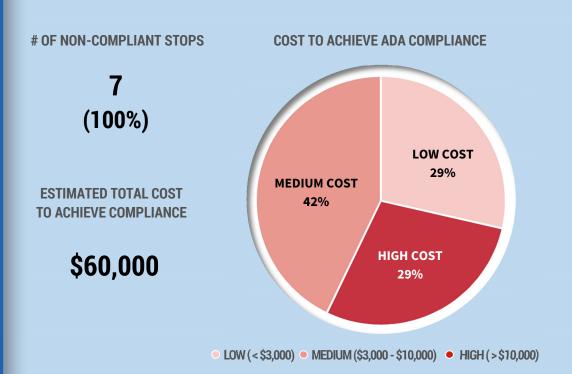
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## **MALABAR**

POPULATION 2,886

WORKERS 1,456

OLDER ADULTS 21.2%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14)
2.0%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 9.7%

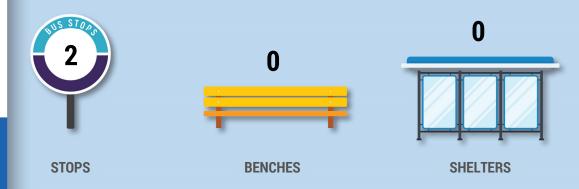
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ZERO-VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS 1.4%

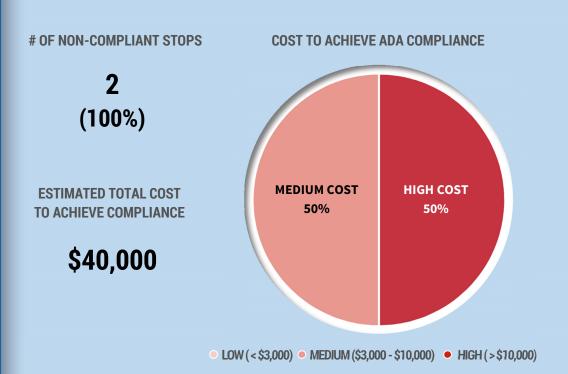
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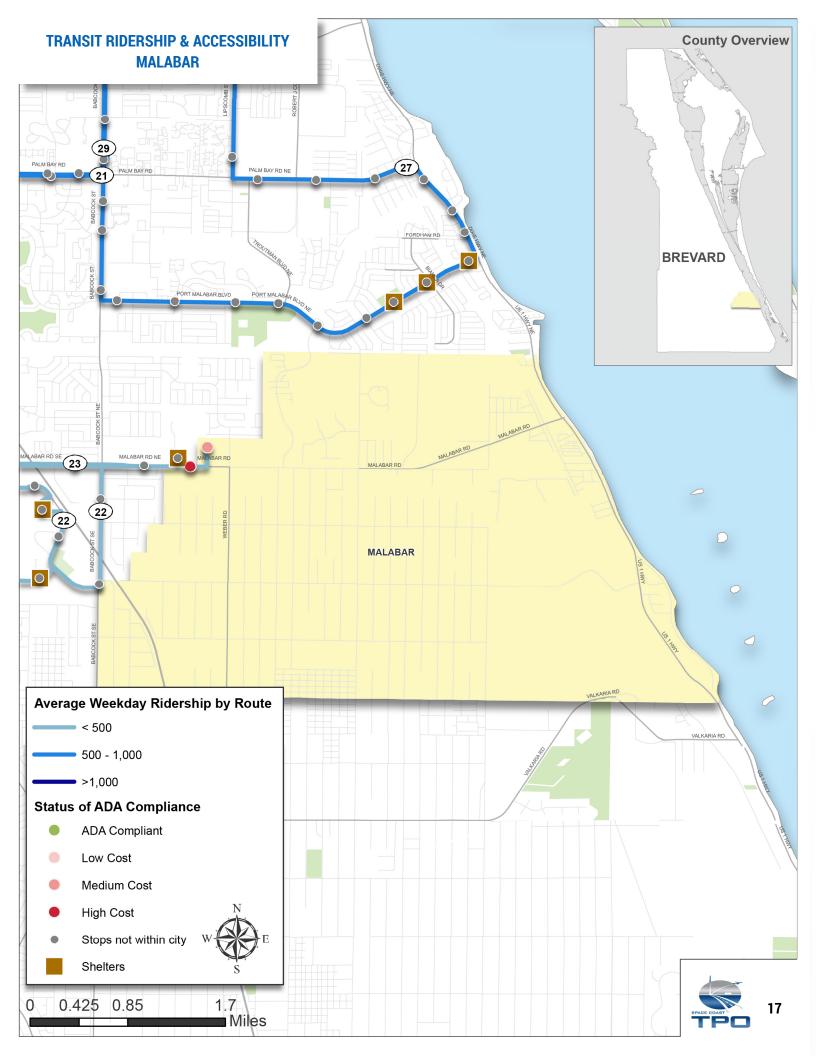
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## **MELBOURNE**

POPULATION 78,911

WORKERS 34,611

OLDER ADULTS 21.8%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 4.4%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 14.8%

LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS (<\$25,000) 30.2%

ZERO-VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS 2.7%

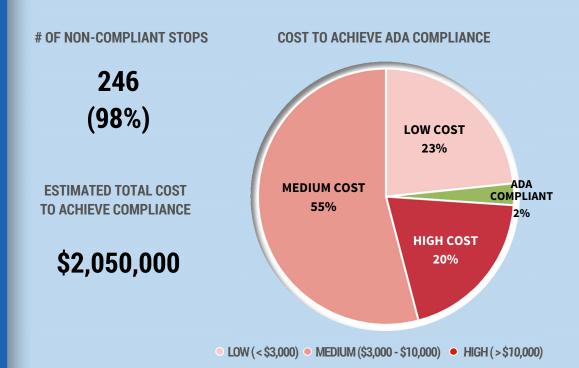
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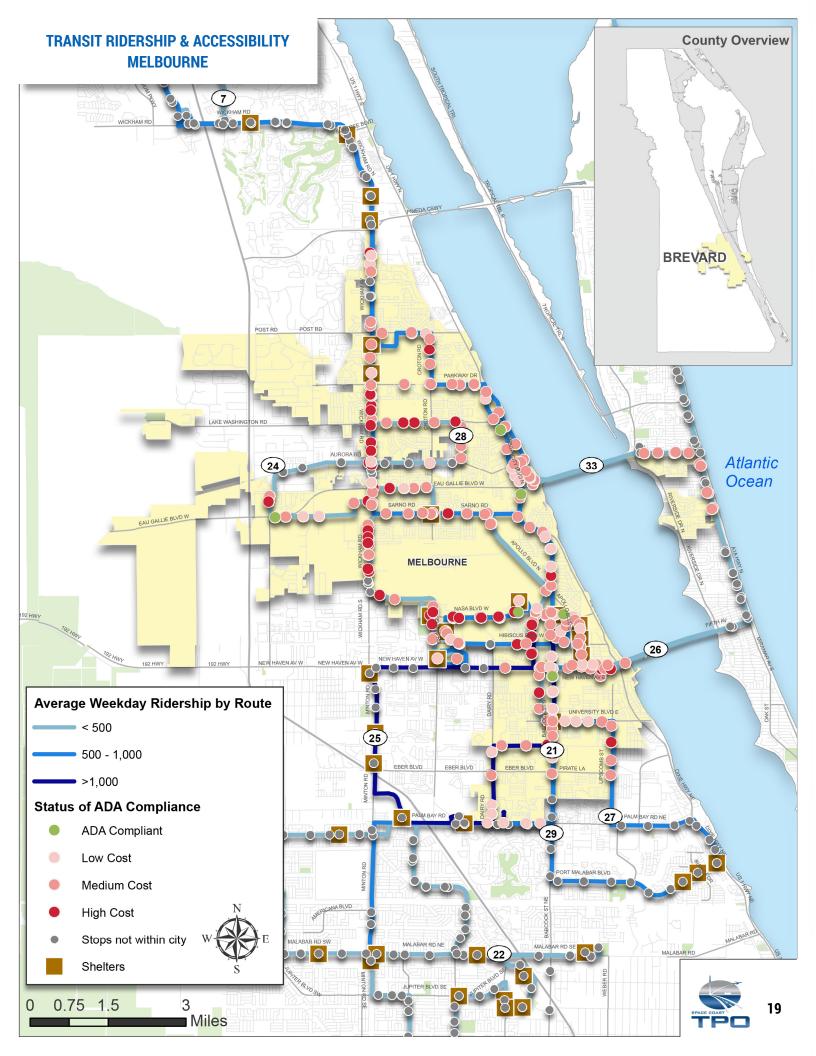
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## **PALM BAY**

POPULATION 106,573

WORKERS 44,144

OLDER ADULTS 17.5%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 6.2%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 13.5%

LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS (<\$25,000) 26.5%

ZERO-VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS 1.7%

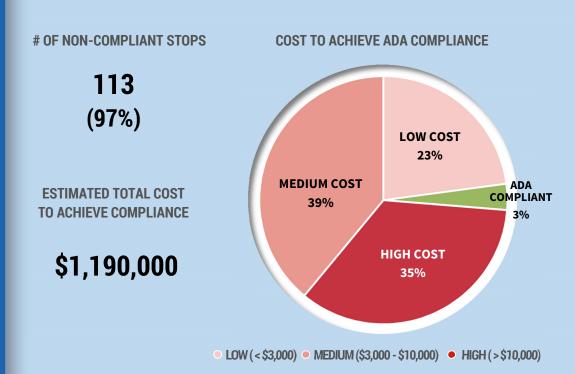
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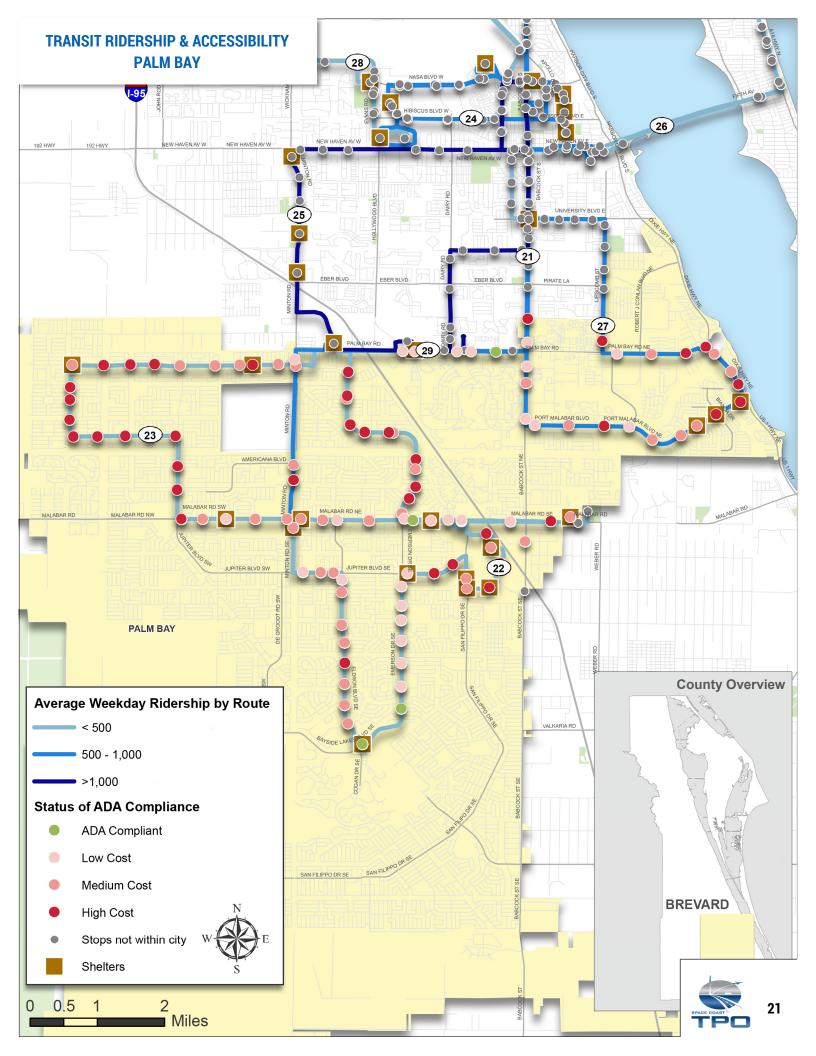
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## **ROCKLEDGE**

POPULATION 26,144

WORKERS 11,678

OLDER ADULTS 21.3%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 5.4%

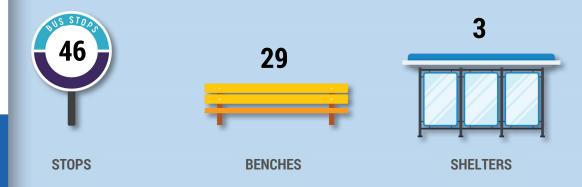
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 15.3%

ZERO-VEHICLE HOUSEHOLDS 1.4%

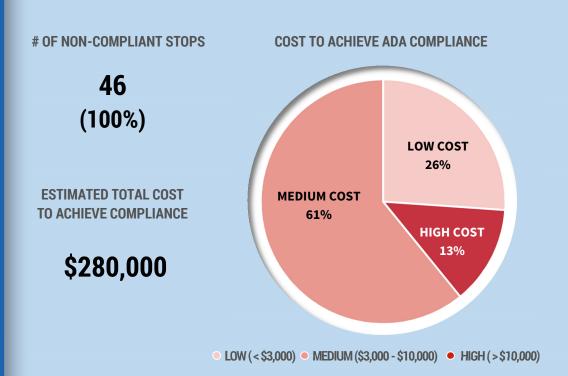
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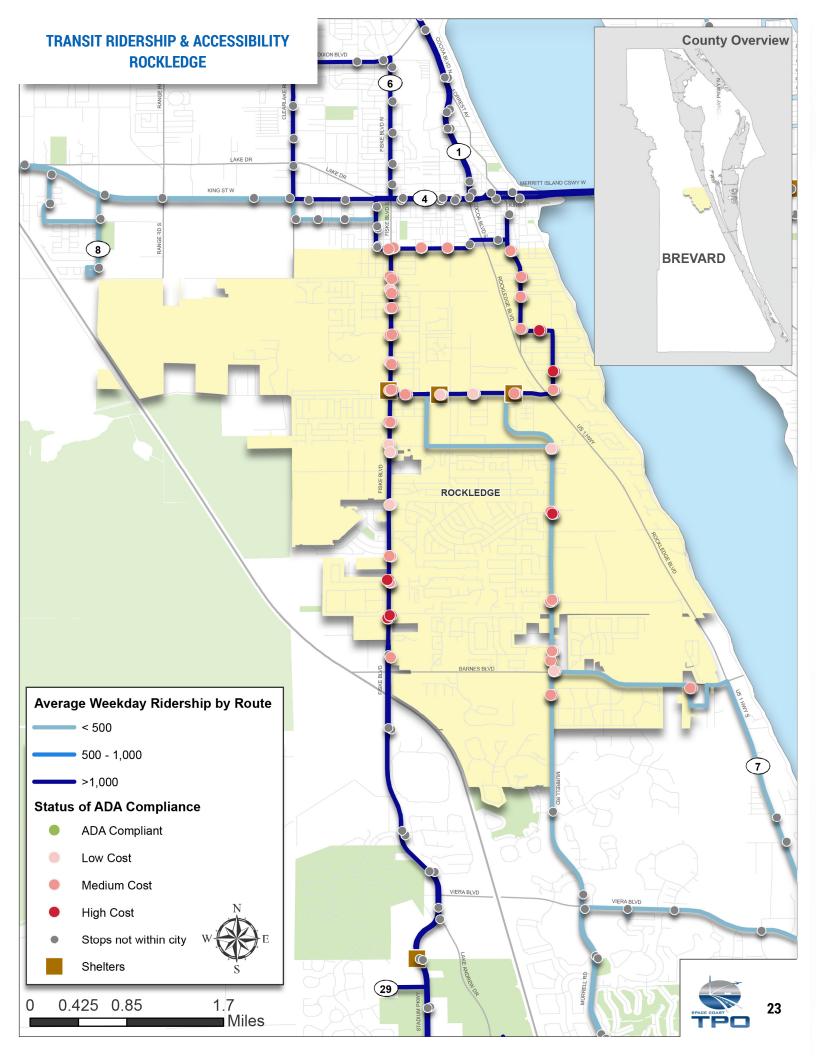
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## SATELLITE BEACH

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> WORKERS 4,494

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YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 7.1%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 10.3%

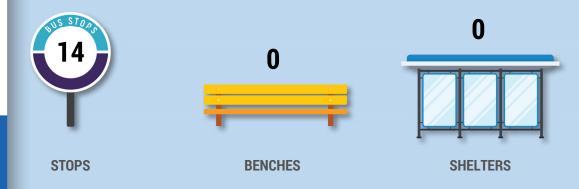
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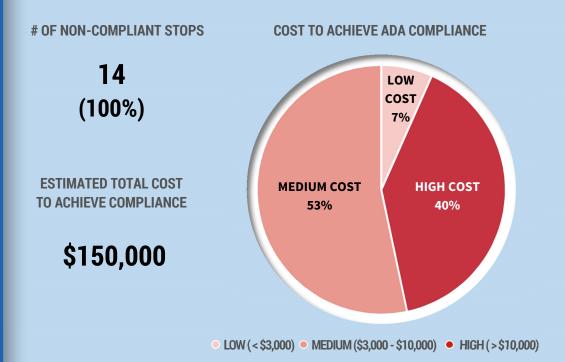
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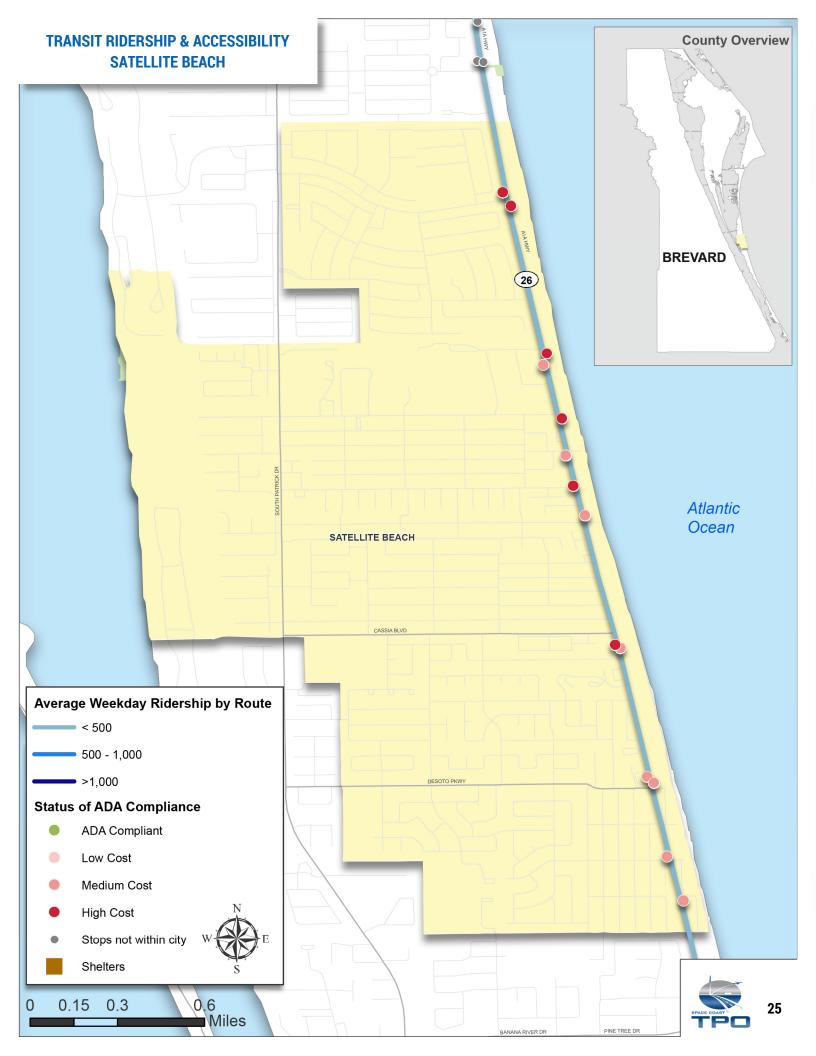
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## **TITUSVILLE**

POPULATION 44,746

WORKERS 18,209

OLDER ADULTS 23.2%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 4.6%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 18.3%

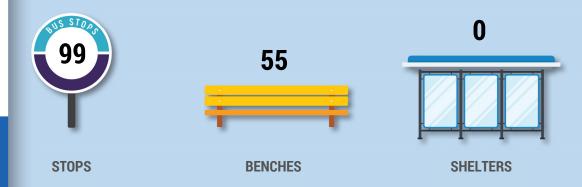
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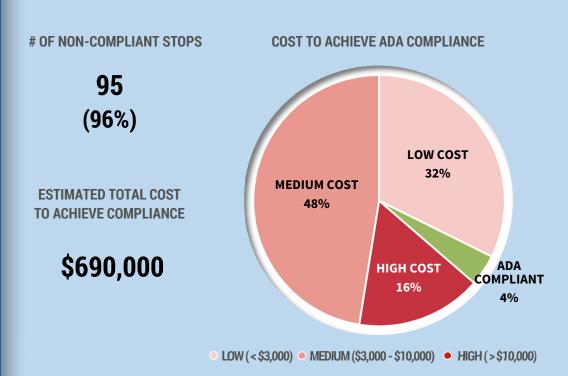
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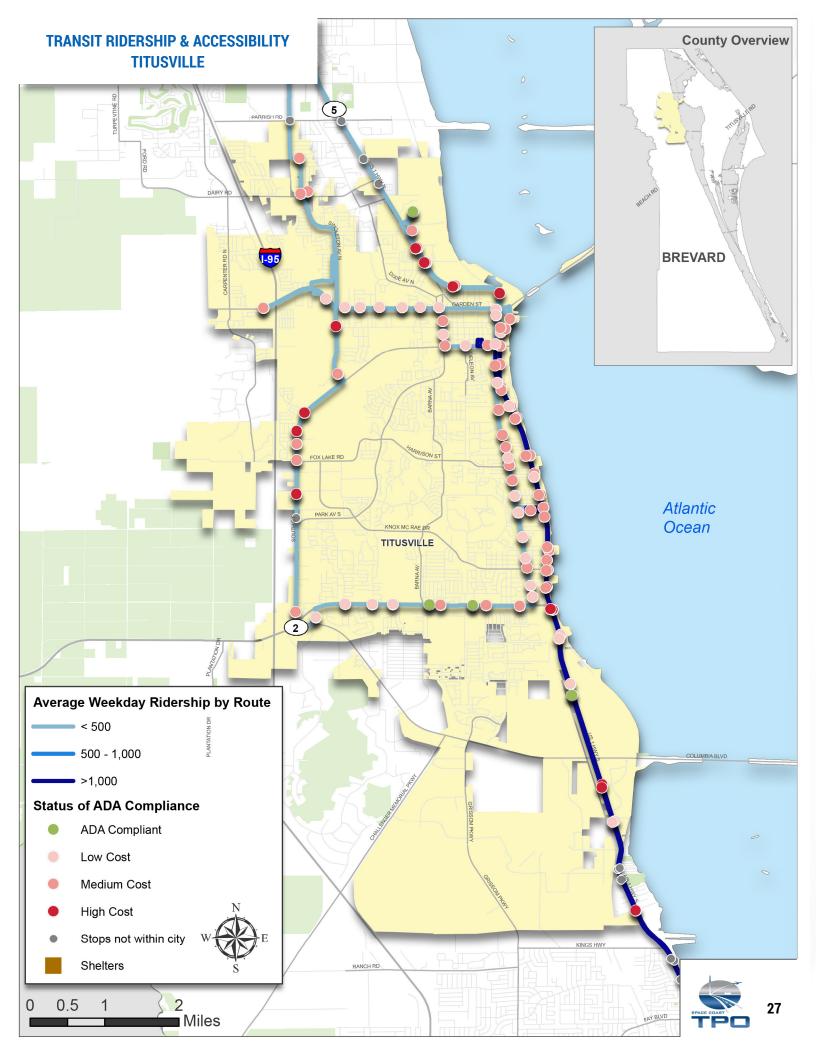
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## WEST <u>MELBOUR</u>NE

POPULATION 20,207

WORKERS 8,728

OLDER ADULTS 18.4%

YOUTH (AGES 10-14) 6.1%

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES 10.8%

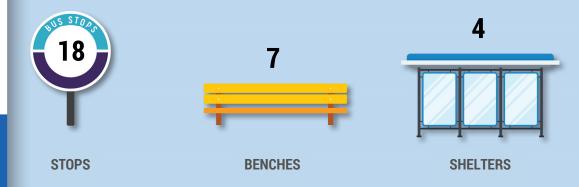
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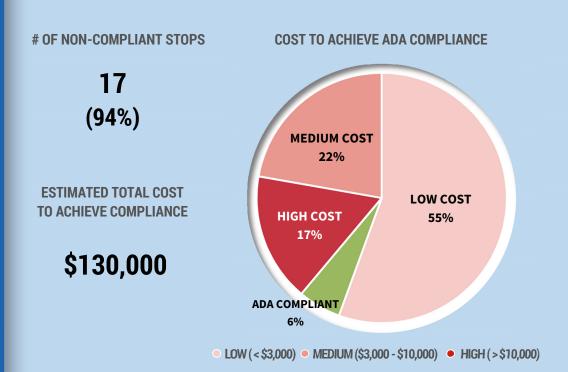
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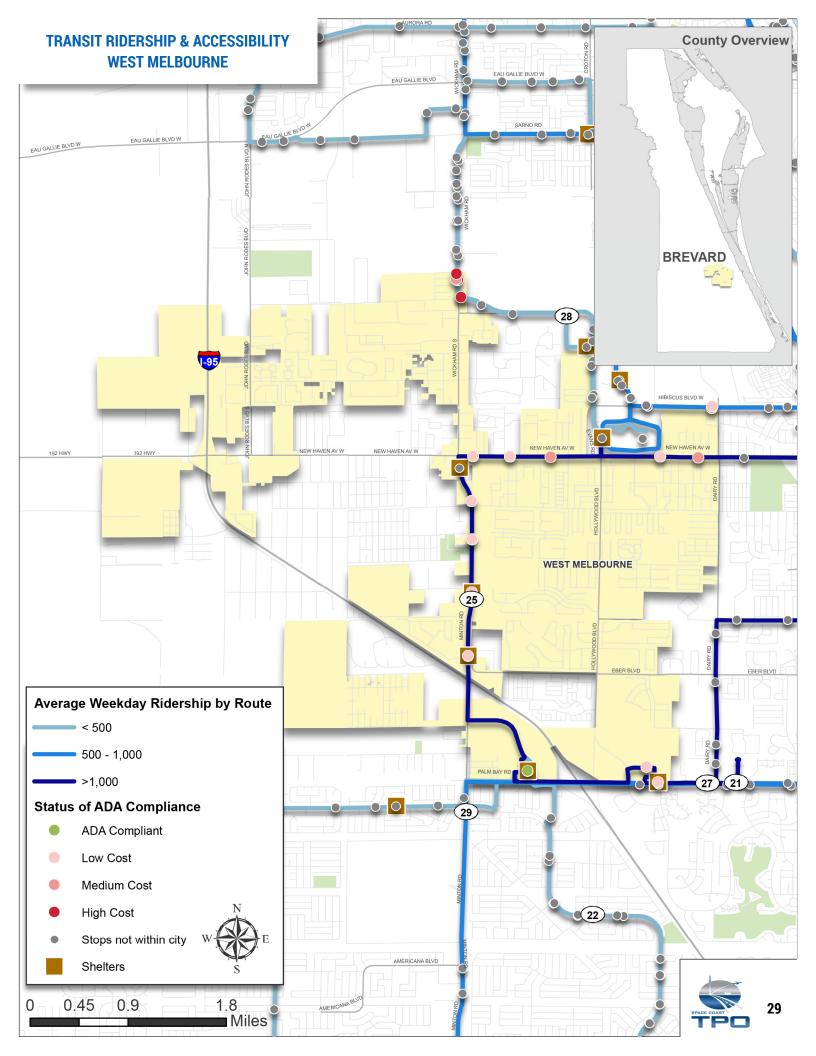
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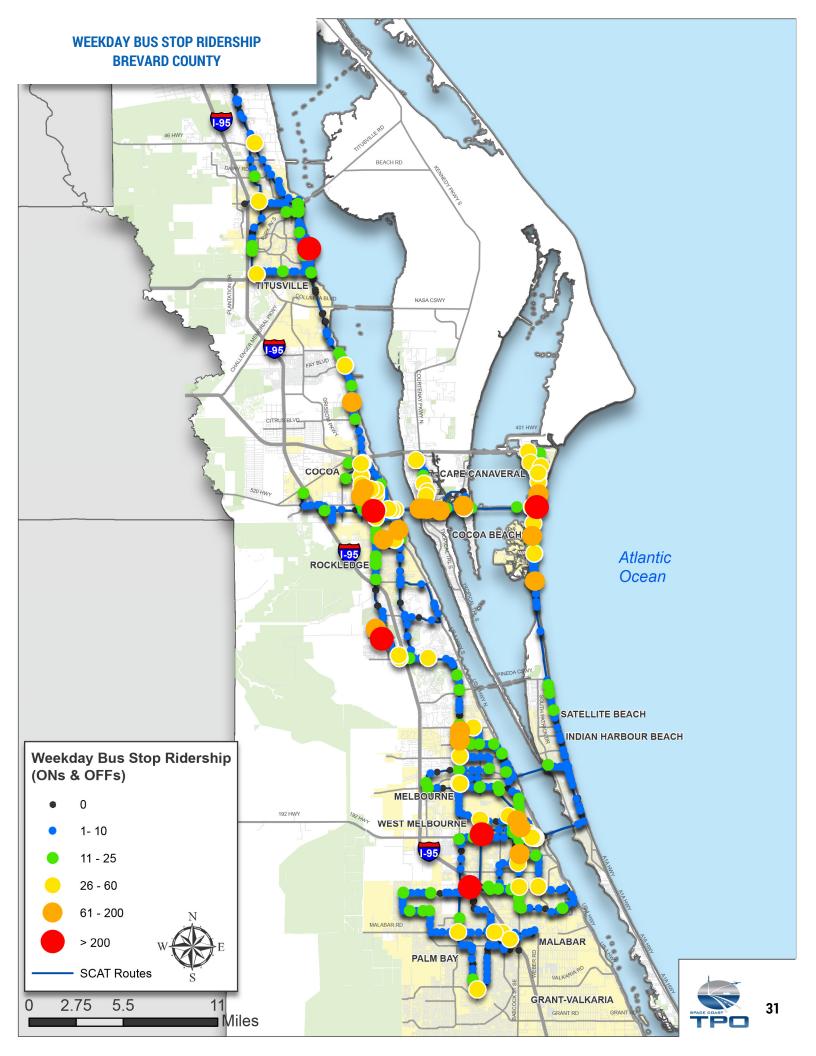
## **BUS STOP RIDERSHIP**

A key component in prioritizing bus stop improvements is understanding the level of passenger activity at each bus stop.

This information was collected through a manual count of boardings and alightings (i.e., "ons" and "offs") at each bus stop, also known as a ride check. The ride check was completed during the week of April 21–26, 2018, and passenger counts at each bus stop were collected using both a computer tablet and paper back-up counts for quality control. The ride check covered 100% of the fixed-route runs for each route for a weekday, Saturday, and Sunday of service.

The map to the right illustrates the weekday bus stop activity collected during the ride check performed for the Space Coast TPO and SCAT.





## **BUS STOP CHECKLIST**

## FOR ADA COMPLIANCE



#### **Boarding and Alighting Area**

- Must be firm, stable, and slip resistant.
- Must be level and not have a slope exceeding 2% perpendicular to the road.
- Must be a minimum of 5'parallel to the road and 8' perpendicular to the road.
- Must connect from the boarding and alighting area to the adjacent accessible route.
- Should be located behind a 6" raised curb.



#### **Accessible Route (Sidewalk/Shoulder of Road)**

- Must connect to the boarding and alighting area.
- Must be firm, stable, and slip resistant.
- Must be a minimum of 36" in width.



#### **Bus Stop Sign**

- Must be present at the bus stop.
- Must display route numbers if served by more than one route.
- Must be an appropriate height from the ground, based on its text size.



#### **Curb Ramps**

- Must have a maximum running slope of 8.3%.
- Must have a level landing located at the top of the curb ramp.
- Must have detectable warnings installed at the base of the curb ramp, extending the full width of the ramp, be high contrast, and 24" in depth.





- If a shelter exists, there must be a connection from the shelter to the boarding and alighting area and the adjacent accessible route.
- If a shelter exists, there must be a clear floor space with a minimum dimension of 30" x 48" fully within the shelter.





- Must not have anything obstructing or blocking the boarding and alighting area or accessible route to the stop.
- Must not have any tripping hazards greater than 1/4" or 1/2" if beveled within the boarding and alighting area or along the accessible route to the stop.
- Must have pedestrian push buttons, if they exist, within reach from a level, firm, stable, and slip resistant surface, with minimum dimensions of 30"x48".
- Must have amenities, if they exist, adjacent to or within reach from a level, firm, stable, and slip resistant surface, with minimum dimensions of 30"x48".



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