



**FORWARD  
PINELLAS**  
Integrating Land Use & Transportation

# Local Updates

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# Who We Are

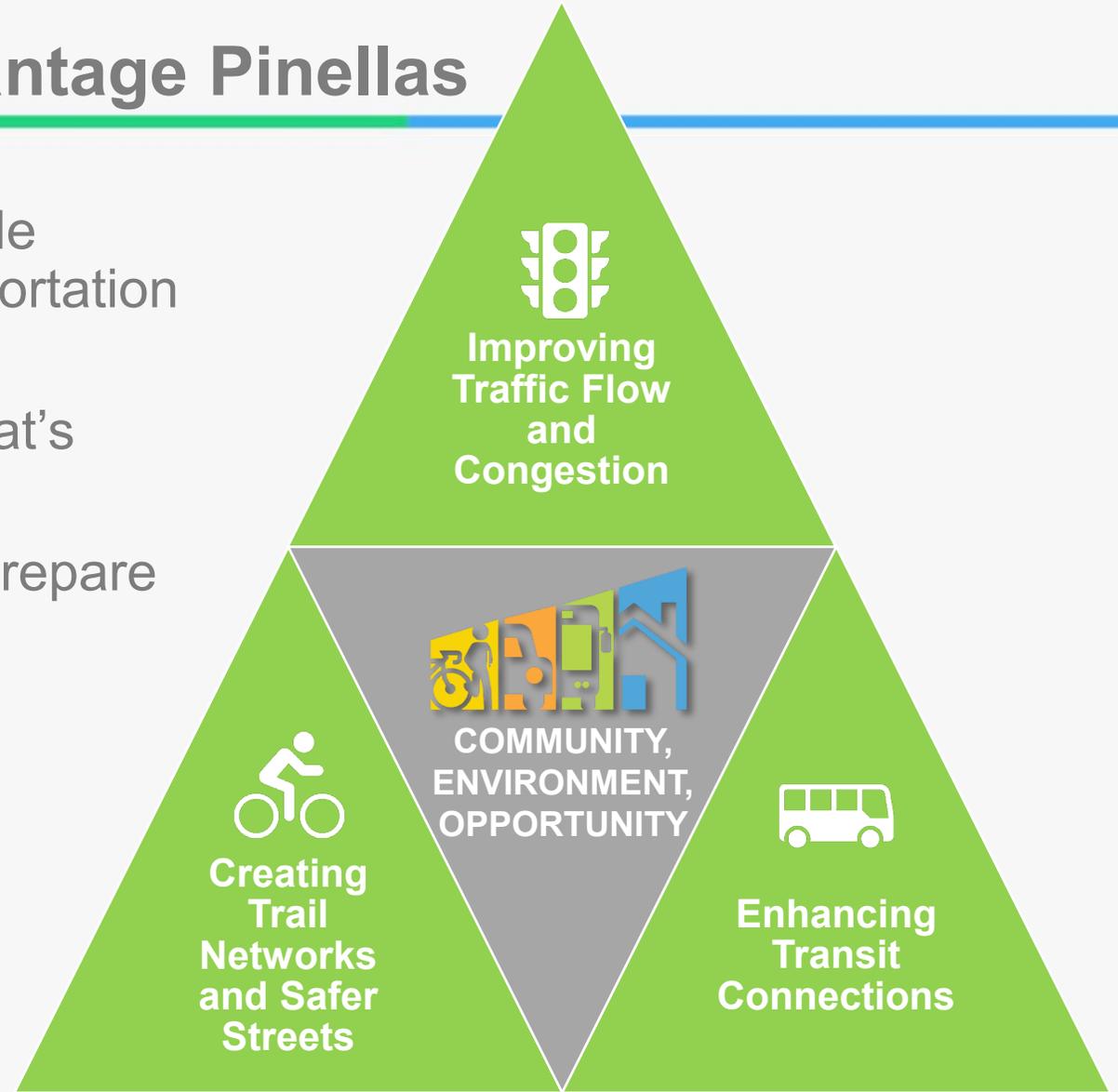
- Policy-making and planning agency consisting of Pinellas Planning Council and Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Guides integrated transportation and land use solutions that together create connections and vibrant communities



# A Vision for the County – Advantage Pinellas

- Recognize our unique context and guide future development and needed transportation investments accordingly
- Connect people to jobs and housing that's affordable
- Strengthen existing communities and prepare for change
- Commit to shared actions and shared outcomes

Over the next 25 years, we expect to add 93,000 people countywide – that is almost the size of Clearwater's population, the third largest city in the region.



# Strategic Initiatives in Place

## Strategic Planning & Operations Topics



# TEILS

Target Employment & Industrial Land Study



- Creating a complete community means having a balance of living wage jobs, attainable housing, and good transportation options
- The Target Employment & Industrial Land Study identifies how to attract future businesses, maintain current businesses, and provide for a growing workforce
- Staff will be reaching out to businesses and stakeholders throughout the project
- The TEILS Update will be completed by the end of 2022

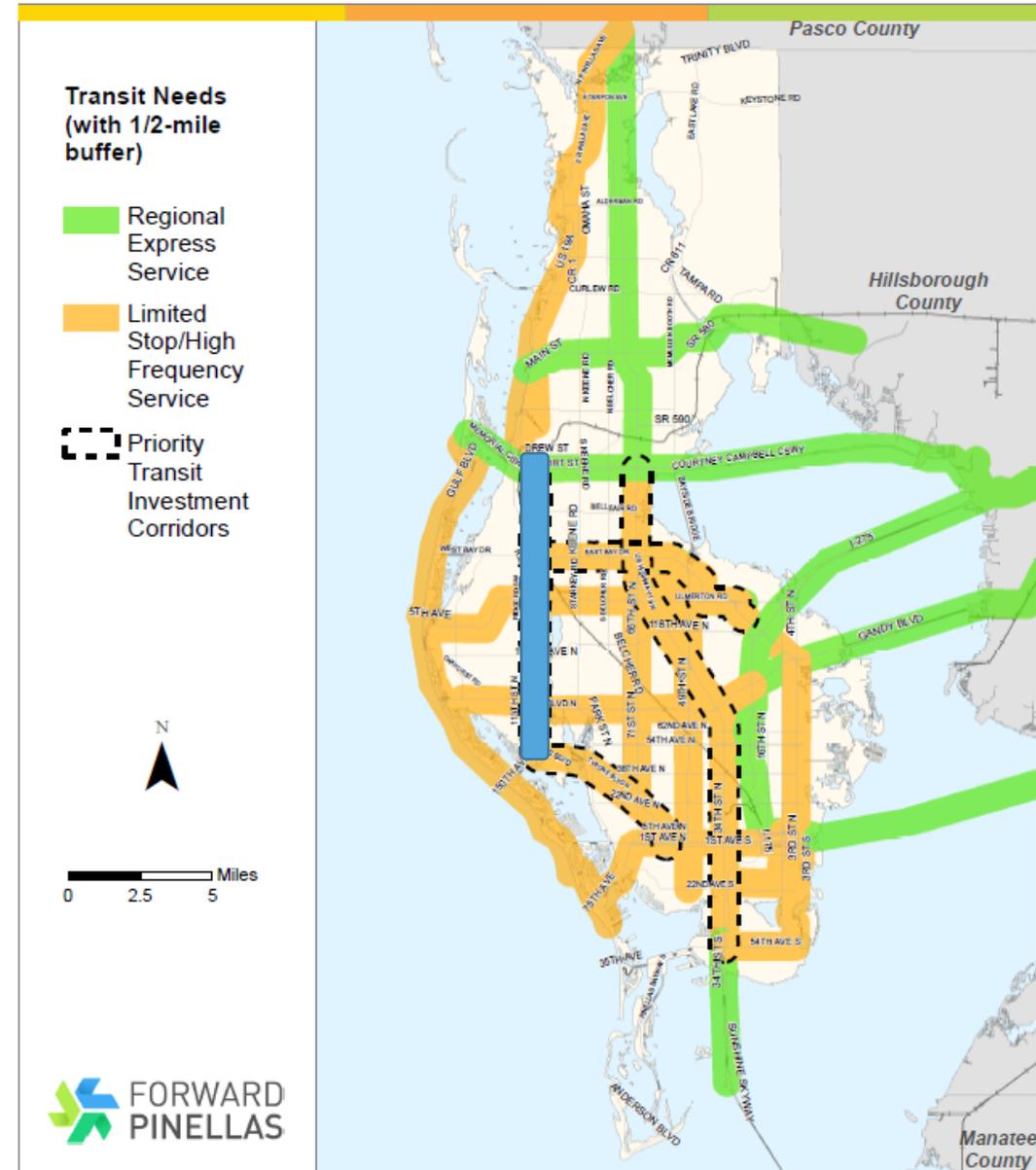


# Investment Corridor Transition Plan

- The Advantage Pinellas framework
- Alternate US 19 (SR 595)
  - From downtown Clearwater to 58th Street North at 5th Avenue North, and 58th Street North from 5th Avenue North to Central Avenue
- Redevelopment and economic opportunity strategy
- Enhanced transit service
- Multimodal transportation options
- Linking jobs, education, and housing
- Complete by early 2023



## Transit Investment Framework



Data Source: Forward Pinellas, 2022. Map Produced: January 20, 2022.

# Major Transportation Projects

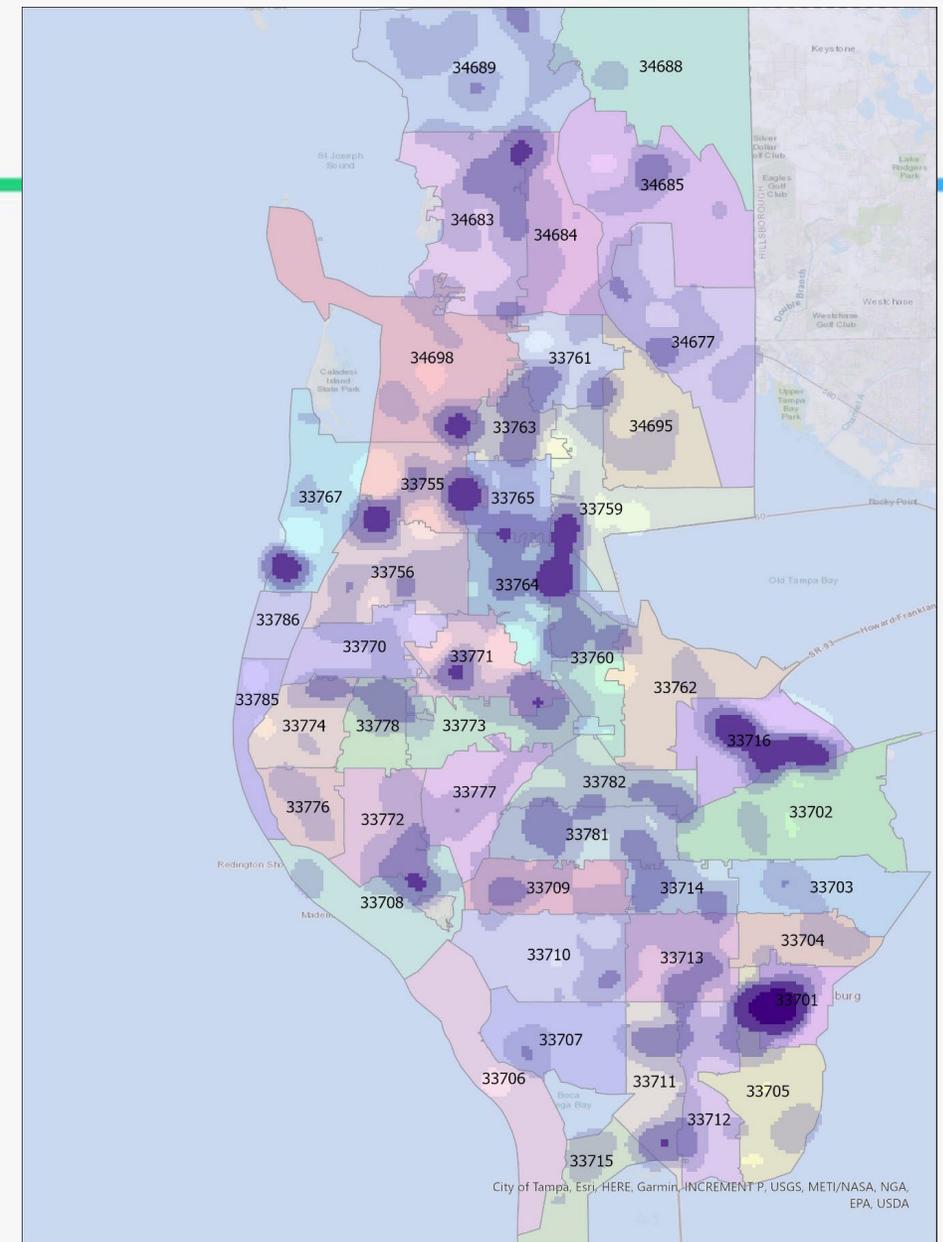
- Gateway Expressway: '23 completion
- Howard Frankland Bridge and Westshore Interchange: construction underway
- US 19, Main to Curlew: 3 yr construction starting in '22
- North Gap Pinellas Trail: '22 completion
- SunRunner: Opening in '22

Check out our Interactive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to see all funded and partially funded projects in Pinellas County: [ForwardPinellas.org/TIPmap](https://ForwardPinellas.org/TIPmap)



# Other Upcoming Projects

- TBARTA US 19 Regional Rapid Transit study: currently underway
- TBARTA Aerial Gondola study: currently underway
- Duke Energy Trail overpass at Gulf to Bay: alignment study underway
- Gulf Blvd. raised sidewalks in Indian Shores
- Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail Overpass: '24 completion
- Harn Blvd overpass at US 19: construction underway
- West Bay Drive resurfacing and safety improvements: '24 completion



2010-2020 Growth Areas Within Pinellas County. Darker Purple Areas Experienced the Greatest Overall Population Growth.

# Annual List of Transportation Priorities

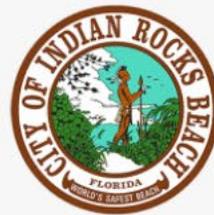
- Every May, the board adopts project priorities to inform the new FDOT work program
- Call for Projects opens each June for Multimodal, Transportation Alternatives and Complete Streets Grant Programs
- The goal is to create mobility and safe access for all users regardless of mode of transportation, age or physical ability
- FDOT programs award recipients in the 5-year work program



# Safe Streets Pinellas

*A Vision Zero Program*

- 165 people lost their lives in 2021 on our roadways
- The board adopted Safety Targets of 20% reduction in fatal crashes in the next 2 years & zero deaths on our roadways by 2045
- We're working on speed management pilot program and other safety strategies through transportation improvement program



# Waterborne Transportation

- Key economic driver
- Resident and tourist mobility
- Contributes to congestion reduction
- Local and Regional Connectivity
- Integrated Transportation Network

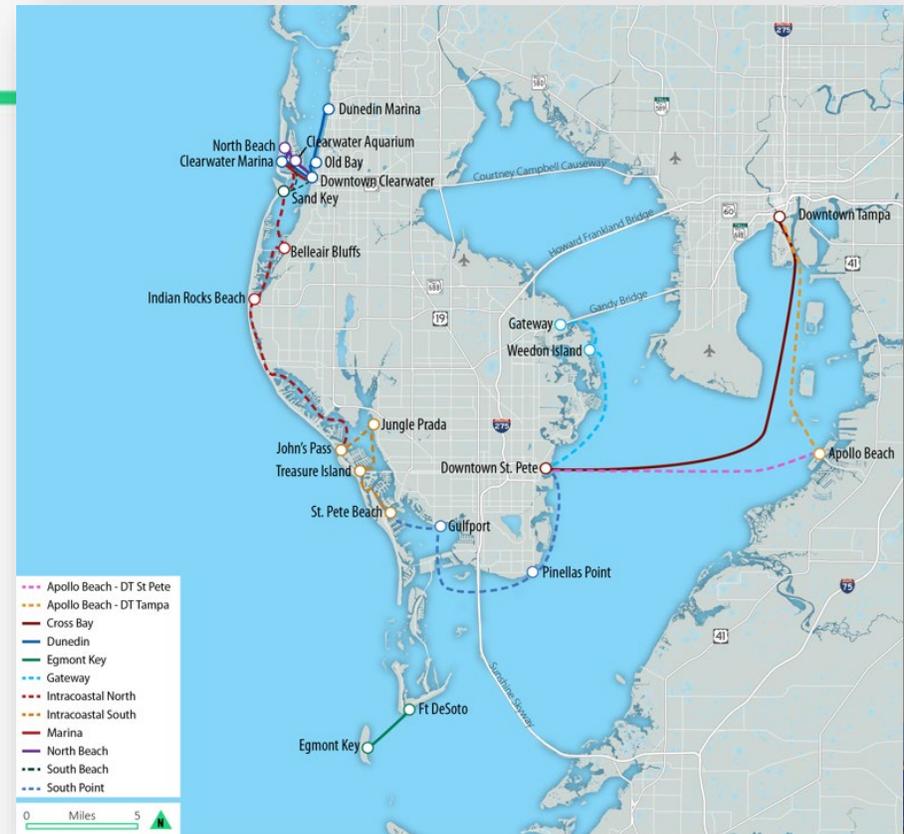
## Waterborne Transportation Committee Adopts LRTP2045 Waterborne Section



System Plan

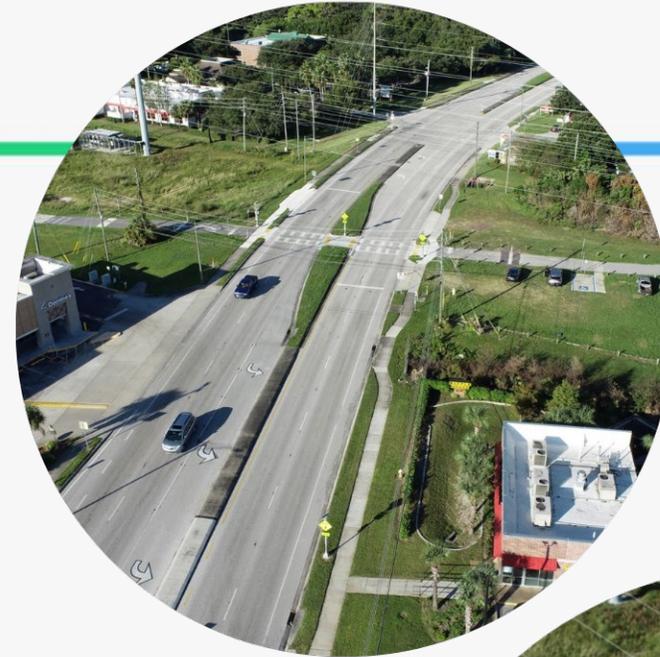
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Phased Plan



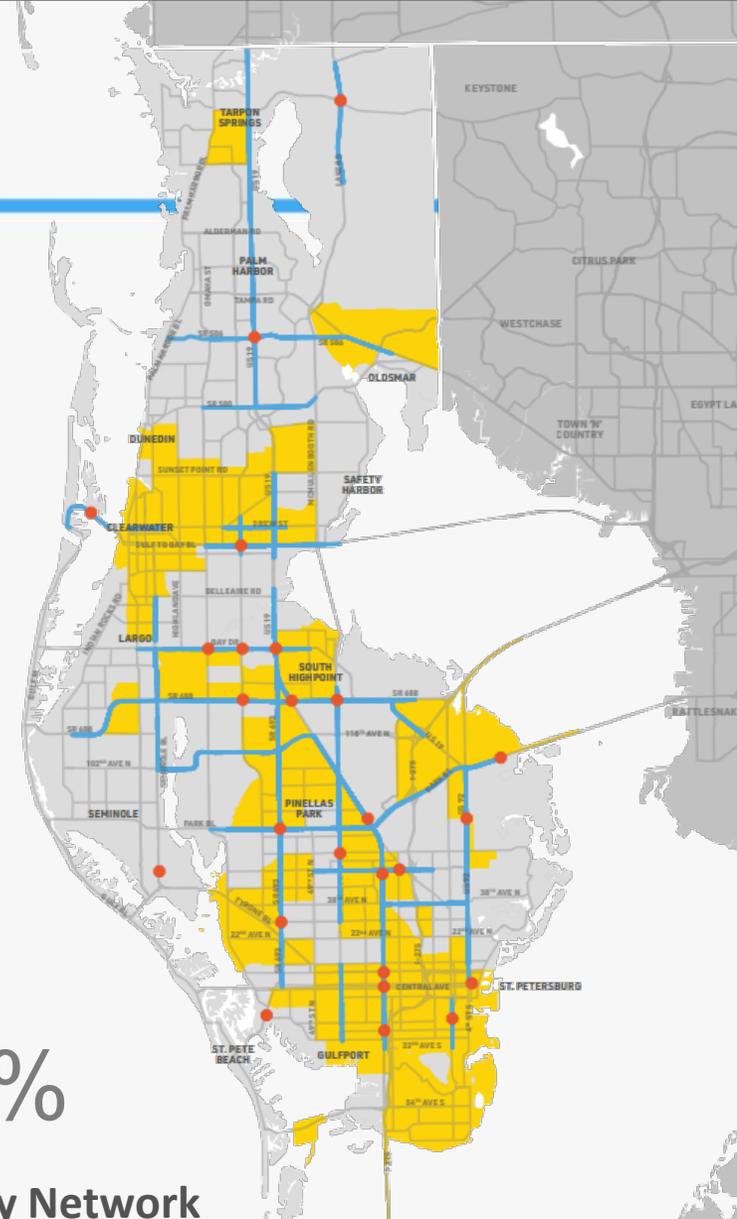
# Sunset Point Trail Crossing Study

- Motorists weren't stopping at Sunset Point Rd and Pinellas County Trail crossings
- County identified substandard signage and markings
- Study took a before and after snapshot of driver compliance
- Analyze changes after appropriate signage was installed is currently underway



# Equity Assessment

- Forward Pinellas Board Adopted the Equity Action Plan: [ForwardPinellas.org/equity](http://ForwardPinellas.org/equity)
- A strategic plan to ensure our work is inclusive and results in equitable outcomes for the entire community
  - Remove barriers to political voice
  - Collaborate with local organizations
  - Increase access to opportunity
  - Strengthen awareness and accountability



70%

of High Injury Network  
and Hot Spots are in the  
Equity Emphasis Area



# Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- \$1.2 trillion federal investment plan over five years for transportation, energy, water and communications infrastructure
- Formula funds and competitive grants available
- Developing priorities to pursue competitive funding
- Local match and maintenance commitment





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# Thank You!

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