

## Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Trails and Sidewalk Improvements

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Area: Countywide

Location: Various locations throughout the County

Category: Quality of Life and Infrastructure

### Need:

Continue the implementation of the Regional Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan approved by the Board of County Commissioners and the Metropolitan Planning Organization in 2019 and County sidewalk connection program

### Purpose:

Provide safe routes for pedestrians and bicycles in Charlotte County.

### Objectives:

Continue implementation of the Regional Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and connect existing sidewalks to improve the walkability of the County.

<b>Project Cost Prior Funding:</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax:</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Project Cost Required New Sales Tax:</b>	<b>up to \$16,000,000</b>
<b>Annual Operating Cost:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Will the project impact public health and safety? If so, how?

Yes, will enhance public health by adding transportation routes for pedestrians and bicycles; and will enhance public safety by adding pedestrian facilities to connect sidewalks to other sidewalks

Will the project foster economic development and create long-term jobs? If so, how?

Yes, safe transportation for pedestrians and bicyclist have a positive impact on economic development

Will the project result in decreased, increased, or no operation and maintenance (O&M) costs?

Increased.

Will sales tax allow for application of grant funds from another entity?

Sales tax may allow for grant funds from other entities at least via cost sharing scenarios.

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2014 sales tax extension?

Yes.

Is this a joint project with another entity?

Yes, joint project between Public Works, Community Services and Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Will the project meet a community obligation to serve a special needs segment of the County's population, such as: low-income, aged, or minorities?

No.

Is the project included in a Master Plan, Comprehensive Plan, or Capital Needs Assessment?

Yes, Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and the Capital Needs Assessment.

Will the project impact environmental quality of Charlotte County? If so, how?

No.

Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

Yes, by improving the connectivity system throughout County making this a more walkable community.

Is the project state or federally mandated?

No.

Is the project dependent upon or connected with the completion of another project?

No.