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# **Olean Boulevard Widening**

# **Transportation/Infrastructure**

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Area: Mid Location: Between U.S. 41 & Harbor Blvd.

#### Need:

Widen existing 3-lane roadway to 4-lane divided roadway to facilitate multiple access points to existing business and medical facilities along the corridor.

## **Purpose:**

Proposed improvements are intended to provide a more orderly and consistent corridor via modification of lane widths; number of lanes; and appropriate alignment.

## **Objectives:**

Add pedestrian and bicycle facilities including elimination of traffic operations issues within this congested area.

PROJECT COST PRIOR FUNDING:	\$376,000
PROJECT COST PRIOR FROM SALES TAX:	NONE
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$10,290,000
PROJECT COST REQUIRED NEW SALES TAX:	\$9,914, <mark>000</mark>
ANNUAL OPERATING COST:	\$7,000

Will the project impact public health and safety?

Enhance/improve public safety by: adding pedestrian and bicycle facilities; adding additional lanes to eliminate congestion; reducing/controlling numerous turning movements.

- Will the project foster economic development and create long-term jobs? Positive impact on economic development via creating a more business accessible road infrastructure.
- Will the project result in decreased, increased, or no operation and maintenance (O&M) costs? New O&M costs will be incurred due to new traffic signage, road striping, street lights, traffic signal lights, drainage and pavement maintenance.

Will sales tax allow for application of grant funds from another entity? Sales tax may allow for some grant funds from the Florida Department of Transportation or Community Block Grants.

- Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2008 sales tax extension? No.
- Is this a joint project with another entity? No.
- 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 Master Plan and/or Comprehensive Plan?

This project is referenced in both the Parkside Citizen's Master Plan and the Comprehensive Plan (Parkside redevelopment).

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Will the project impact environmental quality of the County? No.

## Percentage of population served

Olean Blvd. is currently Functionally Classified as a Major Collector/Minor Arterial Road.

#### Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

Yes, by relieving traffic congestion, improving overall traffic operations, and providing pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

#### Is the project state or federally mandated?

No.





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