



### SUMMER BEAUTY STARTS ON THE GROUND

KEEP ROADS LITTER-FREE  
IN COLLIER COUNTY!

A common topic of discussion at the Collier MPO Board meetings has been the Board's desire to find sustainable solutions to address the overwhelming amount of litter along I-75 and local roads in Collier County.

At the June 13, 2025, MPO Board meeting, FDOT Southwest Area Office Director, Wayne Gaither, said that FDOT had been tracking litter in Collier County, and that in April, FDOT collected 35 tons of trash from arterial roads and 13 tons along I-75.

At the May 9, 2025 MPO Board meeting, former District 1 Secretary L.K. Nandam, noted that while FDOT cleans up litter along I-75 three times a week, the sheer volume of trash dumped along roads and interstates makes it difficult to keep up. He emphasized that the money spent on continuous litter removal could be better allocated to vital transportation projects.

Discussions have focused on ways we can all do our part to tackle roadside litter and keep Collier County's highways and roads clean. From long-term programs to simple daily habits, every effort makes a difference.

One thing is clear. Keeping our roads clean takes a community-wide effort. There are plenty of ways you can make a difference:

#### Ways to Keep Collier County's Roads Litter-Free

- [Adopt-a-Highway](#). Take care of a stretch of road & keep it clean.
- Local involvement. Contact the [Collier County Road, Bridge & Stormwater Maintenance Division](#) at (239) 252-8924 or [RoadMaintenance@colliercountyfl.gov](mailto:RoadMaintenance@colliercountyfl.gov) to learn more.

#### It's the Little Things that Count...

- Throw Trash Where It Belongs. Use trash bins and recycling stations instead of littering.
- Volunteer to Make a Difference. Join a local cleanup event and help remove roadside litter.
- Support Education Outreach. Help spread the message about responsible waste disposal.
- Secure Your Load. Make sure nothing can fall from your vehicle onto the road before you start your trip.

Every small action adds up—let's work together to keep Collier County's roads beautiful!

### CAT'S \$30 SUMMER PAW PASS AVAILABLE FOR ALL STUDENTS!



CAT's Summer Paw Pass is available for purchase by students of all ages with a school ID for \$30 for unlimited rides on CAT from June 1 through August 31, 2025!

Passes can be purchased on the **Transit app** (which can be downloaded via [ridecat.com/rider-info/mobile-app](http://ridecat.com/rider-info/mobile-app), the App Store, Google Play Store), as well as **in-person** at:

- **Intermodal Transfer Station Collier County Government Complex**, 3355 East Tamiami Trail, Naples, FL 34112
- **Collier Area Transit Facility**, 8300 Radio Rd, Naples, FL 34104

Students can board CAT buses with a QR code on their mobile devices as their summer bus pass.

Learn more at [ridecat.com](http://ridecat.com)



The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles' (FLHSMV) Division of the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) is charged with providing highway safety throughout the state. FLHSMV is the state agency responsible for collecting, maintaining and reporting on Florida's official crash, traffic citation and driver & vehicle data. In collaboration with its various partners, the FHP leads and implements the state's traffic safety and education initiatives through participation in numerous national and state education and enforcement campaigns.

Due to its geography, increasing population and thriving tourism industry, the state of Florida consistently ranks as one of the highest traffic fatality states in the nation. Arrive Alive is the first statewide data-driven traffic safety initiative that unifies all of Florida's public safety agencies and partners, leveraging a longstanding tradition of collaboration.

Learn more at [flhsmv.gov](http://flhsmv.gov)

## MPO UPCOMING MEETINGS



### Summer 2025 Schedule

- August 19 | BPAC
- August 25 | TAC/CAC
- September 10 | LCB
- September 12 | MPO



### INTERESTED IN JOINING A COMMITTEE?

The Collier MPO Board is advised by five committees. Committee members are either citizen volunteers, jurisdictional staff, or agency representatives. Check out our [Committees](#) webpage to see if you might be eligible to become a member and fill vacancies for the Citizens Advisory Committee or Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged!

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