L to R: FDOT's Victoria Peters and Collier MPO Executive Director Anne McLaughlin, Lighthouse Vision Fair Flyer, Collier MPO Principal Planner, Sean Kingston

COLLIER MPO AT VISION FAIR

Lighthouse for Blindness & Vision Loss of Collier County is a beacon of hope for those in the community who have partially or completely lost their vision, offering free programs and services to help the blind and visually impaired become independent.

On March 8th, Lighthouse held its annual Vision Fair, an event where participating vendors provide information and demonstrations of technology designed for those who are blind or visually impaired. Collier MPO was there helping community members learn about committees they could join to have an active voice in the transportation and transit decisions in Collier County.
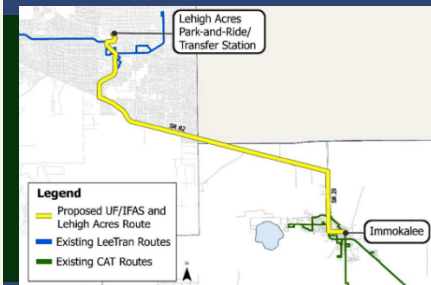
MARCH IS FLORIDA BICYCLE MONTH!

FDOT celebrates Florida Bicycle Month in March. This is a time to encourage bicycling and recognize its important role in providing transportation and recreation to millions of Florida's residents and visitors.

More people are cycling than ever before, especially in Florida's beautiful weather. FDOT is committed to reducing crashes, fatalities, and serious injuries involving pedestrians and bicyclists. FDOT has adopted a target of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the state.

Read more at: https://www.swflroads.com/d1safety/news/news-headline/

TRANSIT READY KIT

Tips for riding transit: What you need and why you need it.

FDOT'S RESOURCES FOR ELDER TRANSIT RIDERS

Transit Ready Kit What do you need when you ride transit and why do you need it? This print-ready transit kit answers these questions and helps older adults prepare for transit trips by recommending items to bring, from face coverings and hand sanitizer to navigation tools and entertainment.

FindaRideFlorida.org is an online listing of transportation service providers in Florida, including public transit, community transportation coordinators, mobility managers, travel trainers, and other providers.

Florida's Guide to Safe Mobility for Life workbook was developed to help Floridians understand the impacts of aging on driving, how to drive safely with age, and how to achieve mobility independence beyond the driver's seat. To download or order print copies of the tip cards and booklets, visit the coalition's Resource Center.

DRAFT REGIONAL TRANSIT SERVICE & FARE STUDY

The study, developed by Jacobs Engineering in collaboration with Collier MPO, Collier Area Transit, and Lee County Transit, evaluated existing travel patterns identifying areas that would benefit most from additional regional transit service. One source of information was the Collier MPO Origin-Destination Report.

Based on the results of regional travel patterns, market analysis and public outreach, the study recommends the University of Florida/Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) and Lehigh Acres route for a new connection between CAT and LeeTran, operated by CAT.

The study is still in draft form and will go through the MPO Board and Advisory Committees process: CAT'S Public Transit Advisory Committee on March 20, MPO's Technical Advisory and Citizens Advisory Committees on March 25, and the Collier MPO Board on April 12th.

View the Draft Regional Transit Service & Fare Study

MPO UPCOMING MEETINGS

Winter / Spring 2024 Schedule

- March 19 | BPAC
- March 20 | CMC
- March 25 | TAC/CAC
- April 12 | MPO Board
- May 1 | LCB

Welcome to COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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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