SUN Trail Funding Fact Sheet

Sweetheart Trail

The Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program awarded over $2.2 million from 2017 to 2020 for completion of six segments of the Sweetheart Trail, totaling one and three-quarters of a mile. The Trails' namesake is the *Sweetheart* yacht, built from cypress in 1898, owned by Charles Grover Burgoyne and named for his wife Mary Therese MacCauley Burgoyne. Elected mayor of Daytona Beach in 1897, Mr. Burgoyne was commodore of the Halifax River Yacht Club in 1899. The Sweetheart frequently cruised the Halifax River, departing from what is now the Magnolia Street Bridge.

Today, the Sweetheart Trail totals 4.5 miles. It connects through the South Beach Street Historic District, listed on the National Register of Places, and beyond to restaurants, shops and the weekly Farmers' Market, cultural destinations, and parks. Along the Trail, at Riverfront Park across from the Halifax Historical Museum, is a bronze bust of Commodore Burgoyne. Manatee Island Park provides restrooms and picnic pavilions, a fishing pier, playground, and amphitheater. Connecting to the Trail is a wooden footbridge leading to City Island Park on the Halifax River (Intracoastal Waterway). In addition to the Daytona Beach Regional Library and the Jackie Robinson Ballpark, it has tennis and volleyball courts, and picnic areas with grills. Parking is available at Sickler Park and Pier, at public lots behind the Riverfront Shops, and at Bethune Point Park.

Florida lawmakers established the SUN Trail program in 2015 under Section 339.81, Florida Statute. Administered by the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Systems Implementation Office, the Program receives an annual allocation from the redistribution of new vehicle tag revenues deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund. The Program helps communities expand a safe statewide system of interconnected, high priority and strategic paved multi-use trails (SUN Trail network) for bicyclists and pedestrians. FDOT strives to improve safety for all travelers, enhance mobility for a growing Florida, inspire innovation in our mobility solutions, and foster talent. The Sweetheart Trail helps achieve vital few goals by providing safer travel routes for bicyclists and pedestrians for efficient transportation and to fit the diverse needs of Florida's growing population for decades to come. The Sweetheart Trail is a contributing resource to the:

- **St. Johns River-to-Sea Loop, which is a developing 260-mile regional trail system that will link the Tri-County Agritourism Corridor to the Space Coast.** See: sjr2c.org
- **East Coast Greenway, which is a developing 3,000-mile national trail system that will link communities along the eastern seaboard from Key West, Florida to Calais, Maine.** See: www.greenway.org
- **Halifax Heritage Byway – An American Tapestry, designated in 2020, focusing on the nearly 300 years of history and heritage along the Halifax River region of Florida.** See: www.visitflorida.com/en-us/travel-ideas/florida-scenic-highway-the-halifax-heritage-byway.html

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To visit the trail or for more information, please contact:

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PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE

TRAIL

FDOT DISTRICT NUMBER: 5

CITY: Daytona Beach

COUNTY: Volusia

WIDTH: Mostly 12 feet

LENGTH: 1.76 miles

SURFACE TYPE: Concrete with a two-way cycle track along Ballough Bridge

PROJECT

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (ITEM) NUMBERS: 439866-1, 439867-1, 439868-1, 439869-1, 439870-1, 439871-1

LIMITS: Segments are along South Beach Street from Wilder Boulevard to Orange Avenue, along Donnelly Place from Shady Place to Bellevue Avenue, along Ballough Road between Lexington Drive and Root Street, and along Sickler Drive from south of 2nd Street to 2nd Street and North Beach Street

CONSTRUCTION START: The first segment began in May 2018

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION: Cumulative completion in April 2021

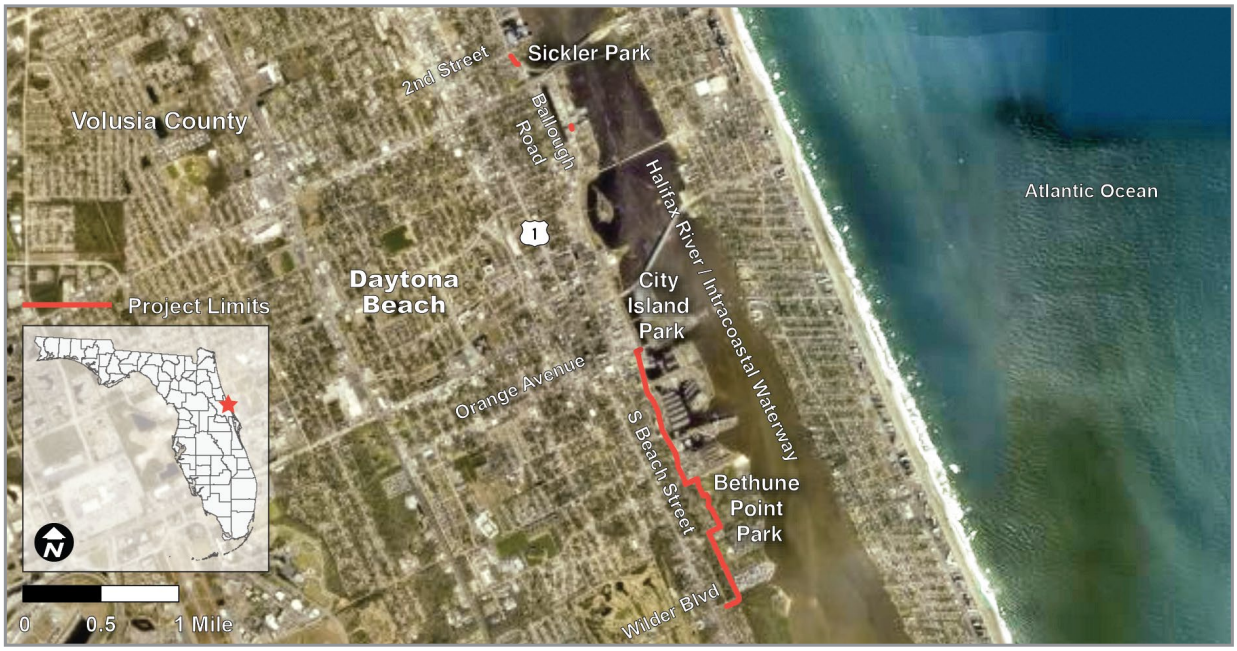
PHASES: Design and Construction

Connecting the community by providing mobility options between neighborhoods, businesses, and destinations through the South Beach Street Historic District and beyond

FUNDING

FISCAL YEARS: 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

AMOUNT: $2,226,098



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