SUN Trail Funding Fact Sheet

Palmetto Avenue Trail

Established in 2015 with enacted changes in 2023 under Section 339.81, Florida Statutes, the Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program receives an annual allocation from the redistribution of new vehicle tag revenues deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund for administration by the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Systems Implementation Office. The competitively awarded funding is one source for expanding a safe statewide system of interconnected, high priority, and strategic paved multi-use trails (SUN Trail network) for bicyclists and pedestrians and improving connections to and through lands of the Florida Wildlife Corridor Act.

In 2017 the SUN Trail program provided over $1.4 million to complete Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study extending over 13 miles near US 1 from State Road 44 / Lytle Avenue to State Road (SR) 400 / Beville Road. In 2019 the SUN Trail program provided nearly $973,000 for designing a one-and-a-third mile segment along the east side of South Palmetto Avenue from Ridge Boulevard in the City of South Daytona Beach to SR 400 / Beville Road in the City of Daytona Beach. The City of South Daytona passed Resolution 2022-19 and the City of Daytona Beach passed Resolution 2022-447 reaffirming support and to comanage this segment upon the opening. In 2023 the SUN Trail program provided nearly $1.4 million to construct the concrete trail segment, varying in width from eight to 12 feet due to restrictions along the project boundary, just east of US 1. In January 2024 this segment was the first to open from the larger PD&E Study area.

This project connects to Riverfront Veterans Memorial Park, located at 1933 South Palmetto Avenue. The Park provides restrooms, picnic pavilions with grills, a playground, a public boat launch ramp and state of the art kayak launch, and a fishing pier along the Halifax River which forms part of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway. The Tomoka Basin serves as the source of the Halifax River and the Atlantic Ocean serves as its mouth. According to the City of South Daytona, parks and recreation activities play a vital role in a community by increasing residential and commercial property values, promoting active lifestyles that improve health, creating gathering spaces that bring members of the community together and protecting our natural environment for future generations. The project is a contributing resource to the:

- St. Johns River-to-Sea Loop, a developing 260-mile regional trail system that will link the Tri-County Agritourism Corridor and the Space Coast.
  See: **sjr2c.org**
- East Coast Greenway, a developing 3,000-mile national trail system that will link communities from Key West, Florida to Calais, Maine.
  See: **www.greenway.org**

To visit the trail or for more information, please contact

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PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE

TRAIL

FDOT DISTRICT NUMBER: 5

CITIES: Daytona Beach, South Daytona Beach

COUNTY: Volusia

WIDTH: Varies from eight to 12 feet

LENGTH: 1.3 miles

SURFACE TYPE: Concrete

PROJECT

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NUMBER: 439865-1, 439865-2

LIMITS: South Palmetto Avenue from Ridge Boulevard to State Road 400 / Beville Road

CONSTRUCTION START: April 2023

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION: January 2024

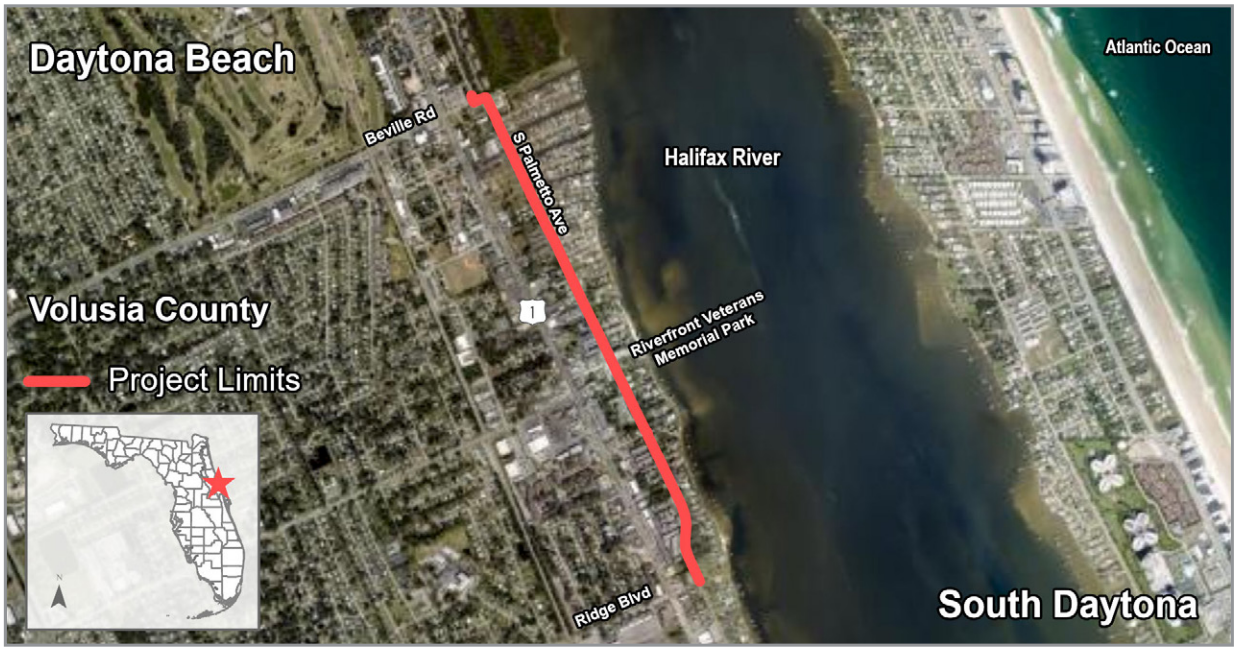
PHASE: Project Development and Environment Study, Design, Construction

Connecting neighborhoods and parks

FUNDING

FISCAL YEAR: 2017, 2019, 2023

AMOUNT: $3,754,921 was awarded by the SUN Trail program. Within the project boundary an additional $381,757 was provided by other FDOT state sources beginning in 2017



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