



SUN Trail Funding Fact Sheet

Atlantic Greenway Trail

The Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program provided six million dollars between 2018 and 2019 to leverage funding from local resort taxes, the federal Transportation Alternatives program and other state sources to reconstruct the Atlantic Greenway Trail network in Miami Beach. An integral component of the City's overall Bikeways Master Plan, the Trail supports key elements of the Miami Beach Comprehensive Master Plan including conservation and coastal zone management for marine and terrestrial habitats and resiliency, providing recreation and open space, and improving transportation. The original elevated, wooden, pedestrian "Beachwalk" traversing the Mid-Beach neighborhood did not meet accessible entry or environmental standards. Over time, in tandem with other improvements, the original structure was replaced in intermittent segments with 15-foot-wide concrete-paver paths, and trail use was expanded to include bicyclists. Extending between the vegetated beach dune and oceanfront properties, the SUN Trail funded bicycle and pedestrian trail connects 23rd and 53rd Streets. Elements within this project's boundary included removal of the wooden walkway, relocation of the sand accumulation beneath to strengthen the dune proper, successional plantings of native species to reduce invasive exotic vegetation, installation of signage to inform trail travelers of ecosystem sensitivity and the installation of post-and-rope delineators preventing free traversal of the dunes. The improvements are consistent with the City's active dune area management program for protecting upland structures from erosion.

Florida lawmakers established the SUN Trail program

in 2015 under Section 339.81, Florida Statutes, as a funding source for helping communities expand a safe statewide system of interconnected, high priority and strategic paved multi-use trails (SUN Trail network) for bicyclists and pedestrians. The 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. Projects with funding from the SUN Trail program help implement the vision of the Florida Transportation Plan, which guides the state's transportation future. Trails improve safety and the environment, enhance mobility of bicyclists and pedestrians, and accommodate the diverse needs of Florida's growing population for decades to come. The Atlantic Greenway Trail extends from the northern city limits to connect business districts, cultural and tourism centers, residential neighborhoods, parking facilities and natural beach areas with those at South Beach. This Trail is a contributing resource to these facilities:

- 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
- Miami LOOP, envisioned by the Miami-Dade Trail Alliance as a 225-mile cross-county trail system, formed by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy in partnership with The Miami Foundation and other partners. See: www.railstotrails.org/our-work/trailnation/miami-loop/



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

City of Miami Beach Parks and Recreation Department

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PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE

TRAIL

FDOT DISTRICT NUMBER: 6

CITY: Miami Beach

COUNTY: Miami-Dade

WIDTH: 15 feet

LENGTH: 2.6 miles

SURFACE TYPE:
Concrete



PROJECT

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NUMBER: 440303-1 (see also 251271-5 and 436748-1)

LIMITS: 23rd Street to 53rd Street

CONSTRUCTION START: November 2019

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION: March 2022

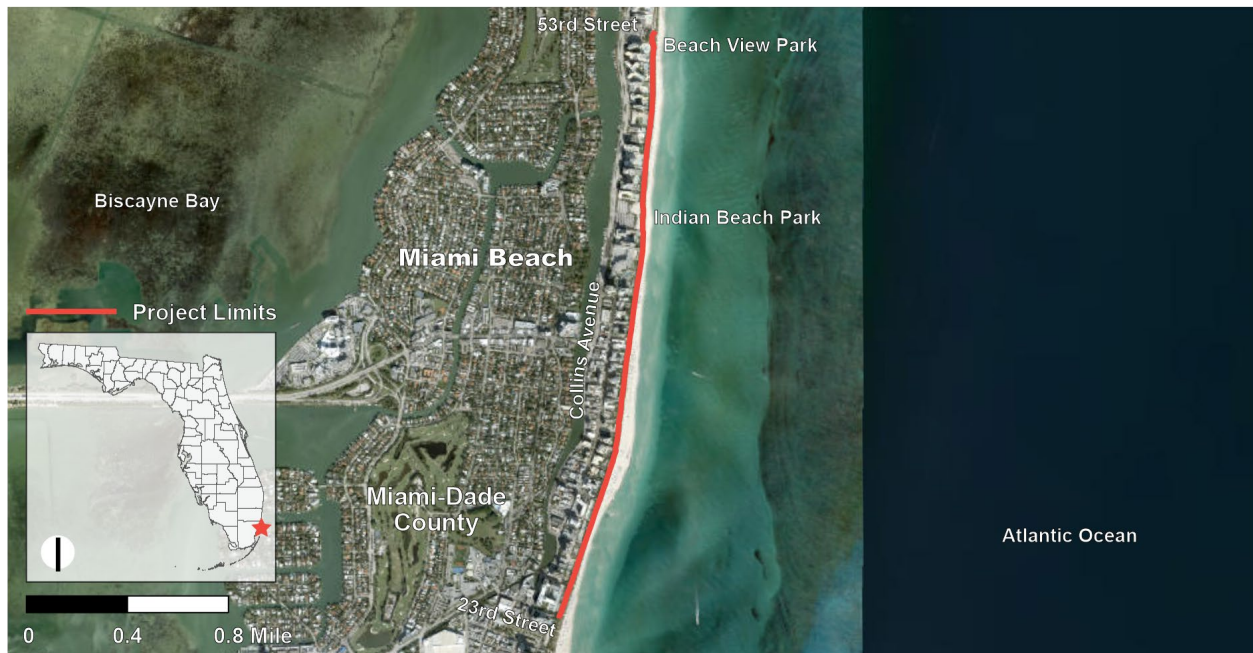
PHASE: Construction

*Extending between
the beach dunes and
oceanfront properties to
connect destinations*

FUNDING

FISCAL YEAR: 2018, 2019

AMOUNT: \$6,000,000 was awarded by the SUN Trail program. Within the project boundary, another \$2,115,866 was provided by other FDOT federal and state sources.



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