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Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Public Involvement Plan (PIP) is to assist in providing information, to obtain input from the public and to engage local government, agencies and citizens for the Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The Martin MPO maintains a PIP to meet the requirements of state and federal laws by providing opportunities for public involvement and input in the multimodal transportation planning process. This plan utilizes information from the MPO's overall PIP but is specific to the 2045 LRTP project outreach and documentation. This project specific plan will help ensure the study reflects the values and needs of the communities it is designed to benefit. The public involvement process will help engage the community, allow opportunity for input and document key public involvement activities which will be used to help develop a blueprint for Martin County's future multimodal transportation network.

The 2045 LRTP will identify transportation needs, priorities and a strategic investment plan for improvements to all modes of transportation including roadway, public transportation, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. It will outline both long-range and short-range strategies/actions that will help lead to the development of an integrated multimodal transportation system that facilitates the efficient movement of people and goods.

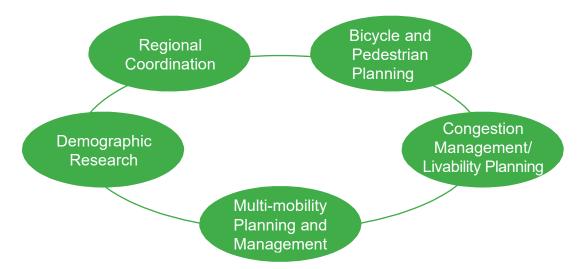
The LRTP PIP is integral to the success of the project in that it ensures public participation in each phase of the planning process. The PIP identifies community stakeholders, including many in the underserved and low-income communities, transportation disadvantaged, environmental groups, the business community, tourism officials and other interested stakeholders. Further, the plan lays out public involvement goals, summarizes public outreach strategies and identifies metrics that track, as well as measure the effectiveness of various outreach activities.

# 2. HISTORY

# Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

The Martin MPO was established in 1993 and is governed by an eight (8) voting member Policy Board that serve the Metropolitan Planning Area with a US Census Bureau 2018 estimated population of 160,912. The 2040 LRTP was approved on December 14, 2015, prior to the Village of Indiantown becoming a voting member on December 10, 2018.

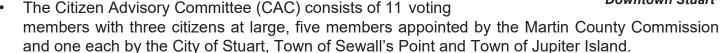
The Policy Board oversees a staff whose planning tasks include:

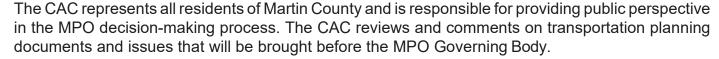


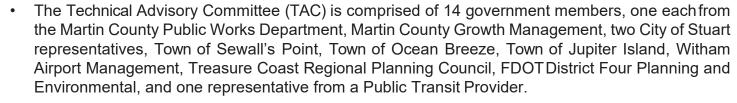
The Martin MPO serves as the conduit with the State of Florida, federal government and other agencies for all transportation and multi-modal transportation projects. On specific regional issues, the Martin MPO collaborates with the Palm Beach County Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), St. Lucie County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), Indian River County MPO and the Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO), which serves Okeechobee County and Glades County and other area counties west of Lake Okeechobee.

Martin County includes the incorporated municipalities of Stuart, Sewall's Point, Jupiter Island, Indiantown, and Ocean Breeze.

The Martin MPO Governing Board utilizes multiple advisory committees for information in the policy making process. The advisory committees are composed of experts, state officials and Martin County residents.







The TAC brings together a wide range of local and state government professional expertise for the MPO Governing Body. The TAC advises the Board on all technical matters, including transportation plans, studies and implementation programs.

• The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) is a 19-member committee with 15 voting members and four non-voting members. The committee includes: seven members appointed by the Martin County MPO Administrator, five members appointed by the Martin County Commission, two appointed by the City of Stuart, and four ex-officio/non-voting members, one each representing the Martin County Sheriff's Office, City of Stuart Police Department, Town of Sewall's Point Police Department, and the FDOT - District Four.

County residents with interest in bicycle and pedestrian safety comprise the BPAC. The committee provides input to the MPO decision-making process on all bicycle and pedestrian-related issues. The BPAC reviews and comments on planning documents and identifies issues or conflicts to be considered by the MPO Governing Body.

 The Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged (LCB-TD) is comprised of 16 voting members, and an undesignated number of non-voting members. There are two citizen advocates, and one each representing the FDOT, Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation or Division of Blind Services, Florida Department of Elder Affairs, Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Public Education Community, a



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representative from the Veterans' Services Office, an economically disadvantaged representative, a disabled representative, an elderly representative, an at-risk children representative, a representative from the local medical community, a representative from the Workforce Development Board and a private transportation industry representative.

The LCB-TD is the administrative entity, established by Florida Statute, responsible for providing information, advice, direction, and support to the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) for the delivery of transportation disadvantaged services.

## 3. PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Martin MPO is developing and adopting a 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to meet federal planning requirements necessary for obtaining and expending federal transportation funds. The LRTP will develop goals and objectives for updating and revising the 2040 Transportation Plan which identified the following priorities from the public engagement process: enhanced maintenance of existing roadway conditions, local bus service and construction of bicycle infrastructure on roads and greenways. The 2045 LRTP includes technical analysis, such as, forecasting travel demand, developing strategies to manage congestion, improve freight movement, support complete streets, address potential climate change and/or extreme weather event impacts on the transportation network and enhance travel and tourism. This process will include developing a financial plan and a 20-year cost feasible plan. The overall goals are to have a safe multimodal transportation system that supports and maintains the quality of life as well as addresses the needs and concerns of the public.



SE Ocean Blvd and Sewalls Point Rd

## 4. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

The current Martin MPO Public Involvement Plan outlines the expectations for public participation during transportation planning and decision-making activities. It outlines involving the appropriate agencies, governments and general public and identifying transportation improvements that are accepted by the community where the improvements are intended to serve.

Building on the Martin MPO PIP, the 2045 LRTP plan outlines the process to involve the community to include:

- Engaging stakeholders early and throughout the plan
- Maintaining regular communication with members of the community
- · Providing multiple opportunities and methods for the public to participate in the process
- Providing the opportunity for input and comments to help shape the plan

Key stakeholders and groups have been identified for inclusion in the public involvement process including the general public, younger generations, residents 65 and older, special interest groups, traditionally underserved communities and the Martin MPO committees. The detailed list can be found at the end of the PIP in section 7. Additionally, the LRTP PIP recognizes the changing characteristics of the county as outlined in the MPO 2017 MPO Community Characteristics Report, and endeavor to ensure all segments of the community are included. Additional stakeholders will be identified and



Veterans Memorial Bridge open house

added to the PIP throughout the study. A Project Steering Committee (PSC) comprising technical experts from the Martin MPO and its partner agencies will be assembled specifically for the 2045 LRTP. This PSC will provide guidance and input throughout the LRTP process. The public outreach efforts to these groups will help shape the recommendations for planned improvements.

The outreach for this project includes increased efforts to identify and provide the opportunity for involvement among traditionally underserved and underrepresented population groups. To that end, low-income, transportation disadvantaged, elderly population, minorities and

disabled residents who may be impacted by the multimodal components of the LRTP are included in this public outreach and involvement plan. **Appendix A** includes maps identifying concentration areas for environmental justice population groups and those protected by Title VI residing in Martin County.

Additionally, the PIP includes environmental community stakeholders who manage or oversee each of the environmentally sensitive lands as listed by Martin County, the Nature Conservancy, US Fish and Wildlife, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Those lands include:

- The Nathaniel P. Reed Hobe Sound National Wildlife Refuge, 13640 US Highway 1, Hobe Sound, FL 33475
- Seabranch Preserve State Park, Trailhead, 6093 SE Dixie Highway, Stuart, FL 34997
- Jonathan Dickinson State Park, 16450 SE Federal Highway, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
- St. Lucie Inlet Preserve State Park, 4810 SE Cove Road, Stuart, FL 34997
- Savannas Preserve State Park, 2498 NE Savannah Road, Jensen Beach, FL 34957
- Jensen Beach to Jupiter Inlet Aquatic Preserve, Offshore Island, Port Salerno, FL 34997
- Nature Conservancy Blowing Rocks, 575 S. Beach Road, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
- Peck Lake Park, 8108 SE Gomez Avenue, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
- Maggy's Hammock, 3845 SE Kubin Ave., Stuart, FL 34997
- Lake Okeechobee Ridge Park, US Highway 441, Port Mayaca, 34956
- Kiplinger Nature Preserve. 4146 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart, Fl 34997
- John and Mariana Jones Hungryland Wildlife and Environmental Area, 4146 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart, FL, 34997
- Hawk's Hammock, 7201 Markel St., Palm City, FL 34990
- Halpatiokee Regional Park, 7645 Lost River Road, Stuart, Fl 34997, and
- Dupuis Wildlife and Environmental Area, 23500 SW Kanner Highway, Canal Point, 33438

# **Public Involvement Goals**

GOAL 1

Collaborative and cooperative local and regional consensus: Achieve collaborative and cooperative local and regional consensus to identify the challenges in Martin County and assist Martin County and local governments in investigating efficient methods to improve infrastructure and manage capacity. Input gathered from stakeholders, agencies, and interested parties regarding community needs and perspectives also will become a part of the decision-making process.

GOAL 3

**Opportunity:** Provide opportunities to gather, seek and consider stakeholder input regarding the future of transportation management in Martin County. Through public involvement activities, provide a comprehensive transportation plan for Martin County, local municipal partners and the region.

GOAL 3

**Information and Communication:** Provide the public and stakeholders with clear, timely and accurate information related to the Plan and its progress.

**30AL** 4

Maintain an open, two-way line of communication with stakeholders to ensure they are comfortable with and understand the process. This will include an interactive website, use of social media and a consistent responsive team contact.

# 5. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

A variety of tools and tactics will be used to communicate and engage the stakeholders and residents of Martin County in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan.

**Project Branding:** A project brand will be designed and implemented early in the project to help identify and separate the 2045 Long Range Transportation Planning Project from other projects and initiatives of the Martin MPO. A new logo and slogan will be used on all project collaterals throughout the study and in the final report.

**Project Specific Website:** A project specific ADA accessible website will be developed to distribute information regarding the LRTP and to help receive public feedback. The website will be used to spotlight the plan including project schedule, public meetings, project video and latest project information and announcements. The number of visits and time spent on the website will be monitored using Google Analytics. Stakeholders will be encouraged to submit comments and input through the website. The website will be designed using WordPress as the content management software to help make the website easy to update. The website will utilize the project branding and will be easy to navigate and updated periodically throughout the project. The project-specific website will be www.Martin2045.com.

**Social Media:** Project information will be dissemination using the MPO's established social media accounts. The project team will coordinate with the Martin MPO regarding content for social media to help engage the community, promote the opportunity for feedback and provide key project updates and meeting information.

**Stakeholder Interviews and Focus Groups:** These activities will be conducted by the MPO with input and support from the project team. Key stakeholders will be identified and will be asked to participate in one-on-one or small group sessions to provide input and insight to help identify strategic investments in transportation improvements as well as address issue-based needs. The project team anticipates using focus groups or stakeholder interviews to gather input on freight, travel and tourism, mobility and accessibility needs of aging population as well as improving resiliency of the transportation system relative to extreme weather events and/or climate change. The project team will conduct one-on-one stakeholder interviews and the MPO staff will conduct meetings with focus groups from stakeholder organizations such as the United Way and Council on Aging, among others.

**Community Events**: The Martin MPO will continue to seek opportunities to host a booth at local events and gatherings to help reach a wide variety of feedback and incorporate people. These booth events may be project specific or more general in nature, about overall Martin MPO activities. Specifically, the MPO will seek to host an event booth at places such as the Stuart Air Show and Indian River State College registration. The purpose of this booth event is to disseminate information and gather input from people, who might not normally seek out MPO initiatives.

**Project Video:** The project team will create one short, high-impact project video to help inform the public about the 2045 LRTP and help provide a call to action to gather involvement and feedback. The video will help explain the process and importance of feedback for transportation planning and opportunities for all residents to get involved. The video will be displayed on the project website and distributed through the Martin MPO.

**Project Steering Committee (PSC):** A project specific steering committee called PSC consisting of technical experts from the Martin MPO and its partner agencies will be assembled at the project outset. The PSC membership will include the following agencies' representatives; Martin MPO, City of Stuart, Martin County Public Works Department, Martin County Growth management Department, and Florida Department of Transportation, District Four.

**Exhibit 1: Project Steering Committee Membership** 

AGENCY	
Martin MPO	Martin County Growth Management Department
City of Stuart	Florida Department of Transportation, District Four
Martin County Public Works Department	

The PSC will meet at major milestones throughout the course of the LRTP development process. The project team will provide the PSC with all the information and materials needed to allow for meaningful input and recommendations during the planning process. The project team will meet with the PSC to discuss, understand and concur on the LRTP goals and objectives, performance measures, provide study information, present data collection and results of the technical analysis, obtain feedback, present the results of the financial analysis and seek guidance for the multimodal improvements. In summary, the PSC will provide the project team guidance and input throughout the LRTP process. All the technical components as well as public input received by the project team will be shared with the PSC in advance of materials being presented to the MPO Advisory Committees and MPO Governing Board.

Martin MPO Governing Board and Advisory Committee Meetings: As shown in Exhibit 2, the project team will make presentations at major milestones and at regularly scheduled Martin MPO meetings to update the groups on the progress of the plan and gather necessary feedback.

**Exhibit 2: MPO Meetings Timeline** 

Project Phase	Timeframe	Type Of Meeting	Intended Outcome(S)	
Project kick off	June 3, 5, 10, 2019	TAC/CAC/BPAC meeting #1	<ul><li>Project overview</li><li>Public involvement plan</li><li>Expectations and vision</li></ul>	
	June 17, 2019	Board meeting #1		
	Aug. 26, 2019	PSC Meeting #1	Visioning open house     announcement	
Public Involvement and Outreach Activities Update	Sept. 4, 9, 2019	TAC/CAC/BPAC meeting #2		
	Sept. 16, 2019	Board meeting #2		
	Oct. 2019	Visioning Public Open House		
Goals, Objectives, and Performance Measures	Nov. 5, 2019	PSC meeting #2	Goals, objectives, performance measures	
	Nov. 18, 2019	TAC/CAC/BPAC meeting #3		
	Dec. 9, 2019	Board meeting #3		
2045 Needs Plan	Mar. 4, 2020	PSC meeting #3	Project costs     Financial analysis     Funding plan	
	April 29, 2020	TAC/CAC/BPAC meeting #4		
	May 11, 2020	Board meeting #4		
Draft 2045 Cost Feasible Plan (CFP	May 29, 2020	PSC meeting #4	Project prioritization     Project costs	
	June 1, 3, 10, 2020	TAC, CAC, BPAC meeting #5		
	June 9, 2020	CFP Public Open House		
	June 15, 2020	Policy Board meeting #5		
Final 2045 Cost Feasible Plan (CFP)	Aug. 18, 2020	PSC meeting #5	Recommended     short- and long-     term improvements     Financial plan	
	Sept. 9, 14, 2020	TAC/CAC/BPAC meeting #6		
	Oct. 19, 2020	Board meeting #6		

All materials are provided to committee members in advance and available to the public. Feedback will be taken from these meetings in addition to community outreach opportunities. The team anticipates five meetings to take place throughout the LRTP process.

Municipal, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), Community and HOA Meetings: Community Groups and HOA's play an active role in the Martin County community and are supporters in helping engage residents and the public. The MPO will continue to meet with these groups to update them about the project and other Martin MPO programs. We will look for members of these groups and communities to get involved and provide feedback for the overall transportation plan. By attending neighbor gatherings and group meetings, you can inform and help gather necessary support for long range transportation planning. The team anticipates up to eight of these meetings to take place throughout the LRTP process.

The Martin MPO already actively participates with the Martin/Stuart Chamber of Commerce providing information on Martin MPO plans and programs, as well as funding issues. Historically, the Martin MPO Administrator attends the monthly Stuart/Martin Chamber of Commerce's Transportation committee meetings. Chamber of Commerce directors and staff are also included on the Martin MPO mailing list and receive information about open houses, meetings, and surveys.

**Open Houses:** The MPO and team will host three visioning public open houses in different ADA compliant locations across Martin County to include one in Indiantown, one in the southern part of the County and one in a central location in Stuart. By hosting the meetings in the different locations, the MPO can reach a wider audience and gather input to cover the County as a whole. One open house to present the 2045 Cost Feasible Plan will be held as part of this project. These will be interactive meetings to help encourage participation and targeted outreach effort to discussion and feedback. Presentations and other project materials will be available to the public to help educate and inform them about the LRTP and the process.

For these meetings, formal notice will be provided in advance including invitational letters emailed to elected and appointed officials, agency staff and other interested parties. The team will utilize local groups to support outreach efforts. The team will publicize the events via the project website, MPO social media and a targeted outreach effort.

Data and information will be collected from the meeting to use as part of the plan. Comment cards will be available, and attendees will be asked to sign into the meeting to provide contact information to stay on top of the latest project information and for any necessary follow up. Additional meetings will be hosted as needed and determined by the Martin MPO.

**Surveys:** The Martin MPO has used and may continue to use surveys to gather feedback from the public on plans and programs, as well as on the effectiveness of various public outreach techniques. At meetings, the Martin MPO may use brief surveys of attendees to track participant interest, demographics and the effectiveness of meeting notices, handouts and website. In addition, the Martin MPO has access to an online survey system known as "Survey Monkey" which can be used to conduct online surveys through the Martin MPO website, project website or on portable tablets at various events to obtain public feedback on transportation, transit and regional planning issues. Surveys can be made available in Spanish to ensure non-English speaking residents may participate.

**Targeted Outreach:** Every effort will be made to help ensure communication to traditionally underserved communities and to gather feedback from the Martin County community, including younger generations, special interest groups, retirement communities and groups challenged with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). These groups will be identified up front, and outreach will be tailored to reach them to include them in the transportation planning process. This outreach will include email communications, direct mail and flyer distributions. Our team will provide a 24-hour contact to reach for questions regarding the transportation plan and help answer questions or concerns. This contact will also document all coordination as part of this project for the project records.

The Martin MPO will continue to utilize an extensive mail and email database to convey information to the public, publicize upcoming meetings and events and solicit input. Martin County has an existing database, which, combined with the Martin MPO mail and database can be used to distribute transportation planning information. Also, the PIP includes contacts for multiple stakeholders. Notifications, when necessary, will be sent via electronic email addresses to members in the Martin County/Martin MPO community databases. In the event there is no email address on file, direct mail will be used to contact the stakeholder.

Documents and project information will be translated into Spanish as needed for this project.

**Media Relations:** The Martin MPO will distribute project press releases and public open house information to the established media contacts. The MPO will engage the media throughout the process to help promote the project and provide project opportunities to a wider audience. The team will support the MPO in providing key messages and talking points and proactive communication throughout the project.

**Project Materials:** Project materials will be prepared throughout the project to help distribute information and inform the community. Project materials will be both printed and displayed on the project website for easy access. Copies of the materials will be provided to key stakeholders, local agencies and community groups.

**Radio:** MPO staff will use radio broadcasting as a means of providing information to the public about upcoming MPO events and traffic safety related information. The MPO uses Public Service Announcements (PSA) to provide notice of meetings as well as participates in on-air interviews with local media related to transportation planning and decisions. The WQCS Radio Reading Service will also be used, when applicable, as a means of providing information to the visually impaired in the area.

**MCTV Television:** The Martin MPO will utilize the on-site Martin County public access television channel (MCTV) to broadcast project information, solicit input and promote open house information. The project video will be played on this station. Board meetings are currently aired on MCTV.

**Documentation:** Project documentation is a very important part of any project. The Martin MPO values input from residents throughout the transportation planning process. This input will be documented and incorporated into the plan. All comments, questions, concerns and coordination will be documented and provided to the MPO at the end of the project.

# 6. PUBLIC OUTREACH EVALUATION

The public involvement outreach and activities will be evaluated throughout the project and will be adjusted as necessary. This will help determine the effectiveness of the public involvement efforts used throughout the study. The evaluation will include tracking participation and outreach at meetings and events to ensure participation and equal opportunity to our targeted audience. Evaluation methods include monitoring attendance and feedback; website usage and analytics; including tracking the city of each website click, gamification at open houses to encourage participation, and tracking sign in sheets with attendees zip codes and email addresses among other methods to measure the level of interest. and measuring level of interest.

# 7. IDENTIFICATION OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS

A stakeholder is a person who has a particular interest in something. Stakeholders are residents who live and visit Martin County and will be able to identify potential issues, needs and possible solutions early in the development of the LRTP. Key stakeholders have been identified for inclusion in the public involvement process. This plan also identifies traditionally underserved groups including low-income, transportation disadvantaged, disabled and younger generations. Contacts from the Martin County trucking industry and freight haulers who rely on Martin County roads and infrastructure are also included. This document will be updated throughout the LRTP process and additional stakeholders will be added as they are identified.

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St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization,

Indian River County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Palm Beach County Transportation Planning Agency

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

South Florida Water Management District

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Chief, Martin County Fire Rescue

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City Clerk

Director of Public Works

Police Chief

Fire Chief

**Emergency Management Coordinator** 

Town of Sewall's Point: http://sewallspoint.org

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Town Clerk

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Town of Jupiter Island: http://townofjupiterisland.com

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Town Clerk

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Gigi Suntum, Executive Director, Caring Children Clothing Children

Rob Ranieri, CEO, House of Hope

Jacqueline Clarke, Director, Indiantown Community Outreach

MaryBeth Batchelor, President/CEO, Nicholas' Pantry Inc

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Krista Garofalo, Chief Program Officer, Treasure Coast Food Bank

The Rev. Jerry Gore, Pastor, Martin County Ministerial Alliance

Jimmy Smith, Executive Director, NAACP-Martin County

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Tim Arthur, Executive Director, Light of the World Charities

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Jeff Shearer, Executive Director, Tykes & Teens, Inc.

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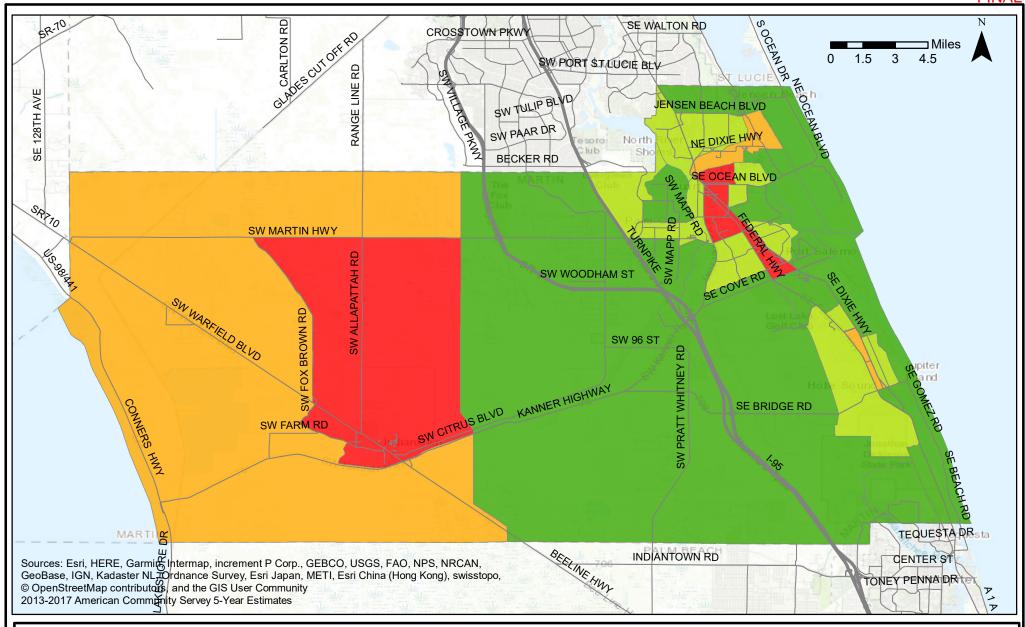
Jodi McNamara, President, Martin County Interagency Coalition

Bruce Irwin, President, Stuart Rotary Club

Michael Costopoulos, President, Stuart-Sunrise Rotary Club

Additionally, there are 650 registered homeowner's associations, condominium associations or co-operatives in Martin County.

# **APPENDIX A**





Percent Below Poverty Line by Census Tract

0.0 - 3.8% 3.8 - 9.2% 9.2 - 16.0%

16.0 - 35.3%

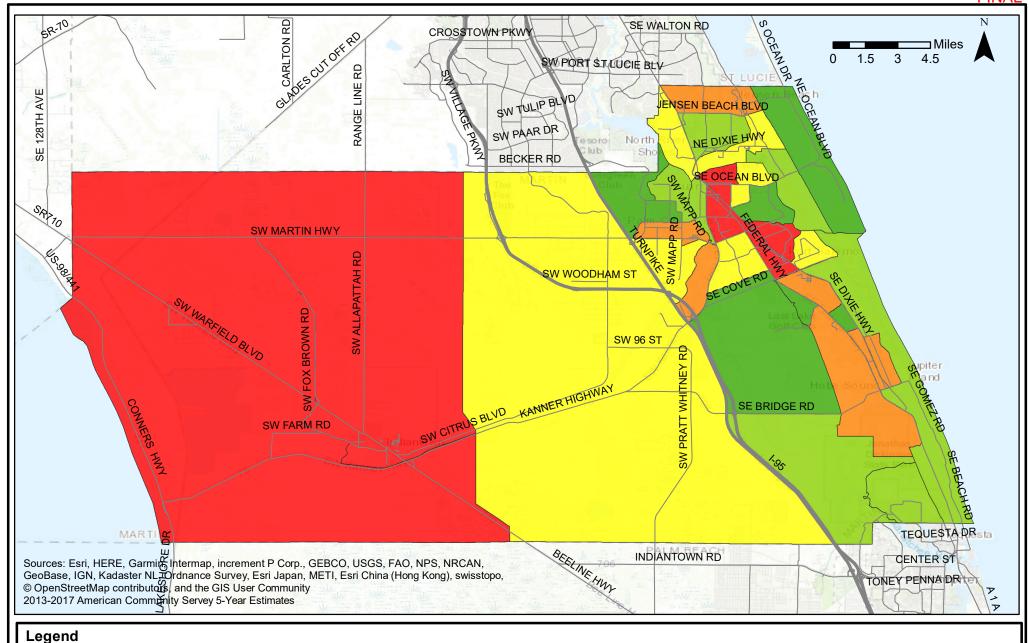
Standard Deviation: 8.8%

Mean: 8.0%

Low Income Households

Martin County

Figure 1

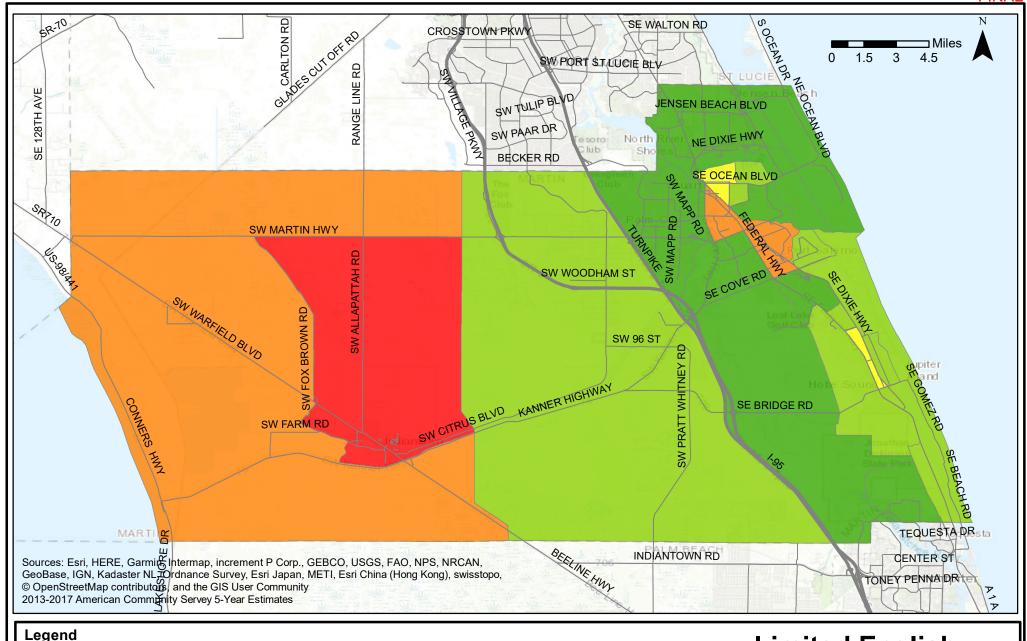


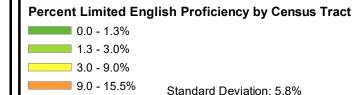
# Percent of Minorities by Census Tract 1.7 - 2.9% 2.9 - 5.1% 5.1 - 7.1% 7.1 - 26.4% Standard Deviation: 14.0% 26.4 - 55.9% Mean: 12.0%

Minority Population

Martin County

Figure 2



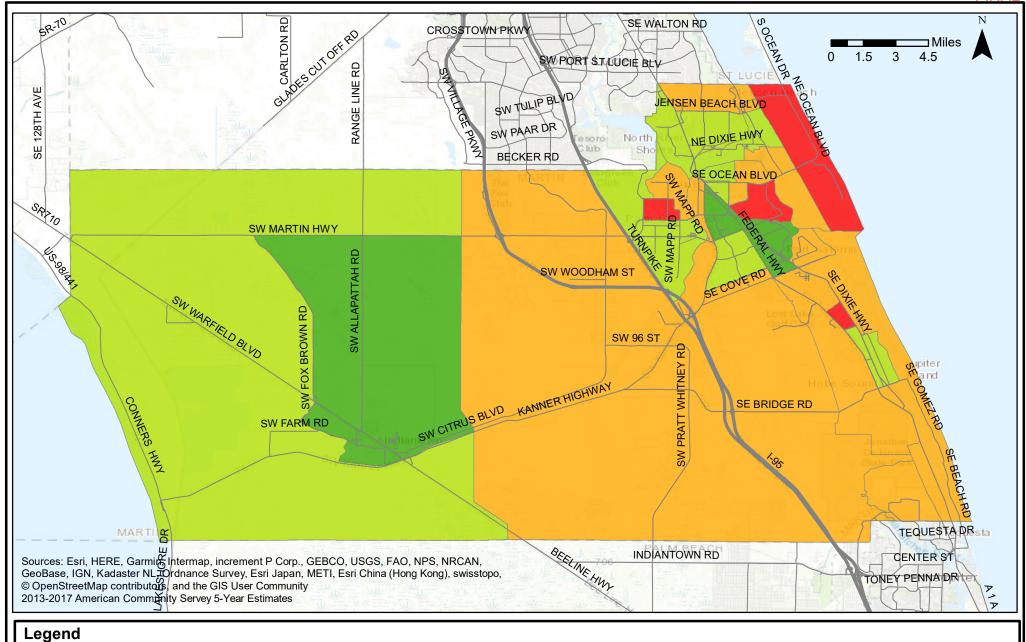


Mean: 3.4%

15.5 - 27.7%

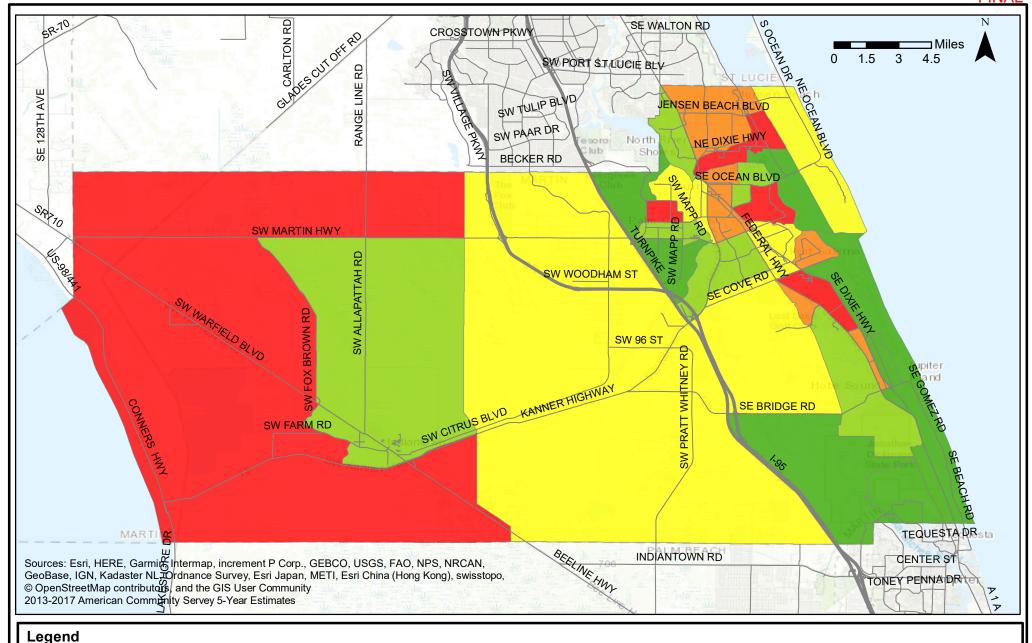
Limited English
Proficiency Population
Martin County
Figure 3

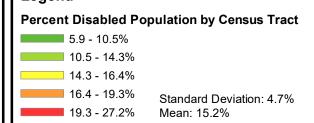




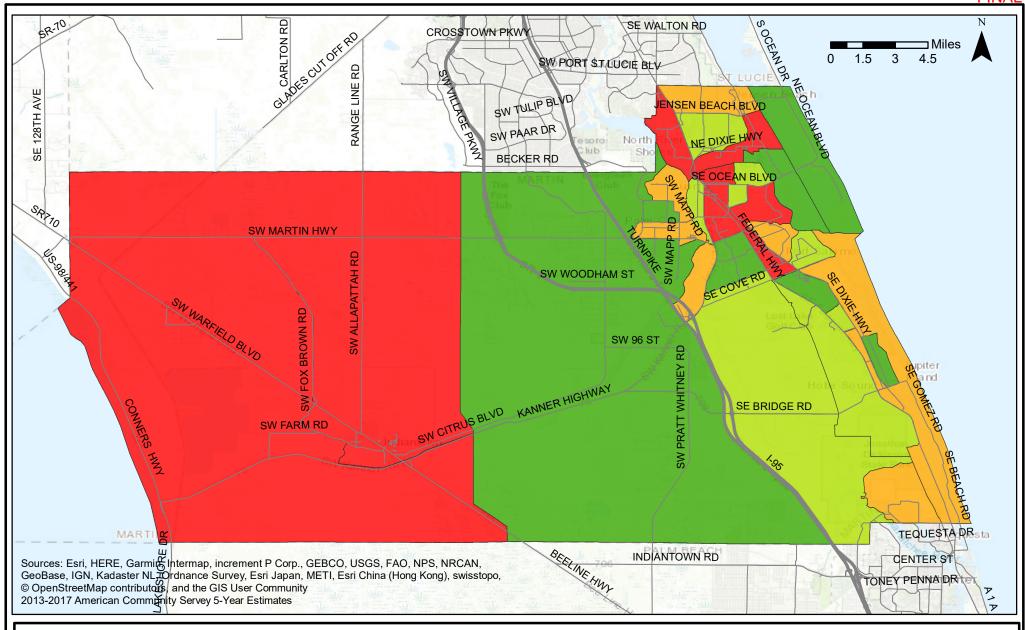


Median Age
Martin County
Figure 4





Disabled Population
Martin County
Figure 5





Percent of Households without a Vehicle by Census Tract

0.0 - 1.5% 1.5 - 4.0% 4.0 - 7.2%

7.2 - 16.8%

Standard Deviation: 4.0%

Mean: 5.0%

Zero Auto Households

Martin County

Figure 6