



North Central Florida Regional Planning Council



Overview - Year 2011 Review

- The Region
- The Council
- Regional
- Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance
- Economic Development
- Local Government Assistance
- Transportation
- Financial Report
- Council Team
- Summary



Mission Statement

*To improve the quality of life
of the Region's citizens,
by coordinating growth management,
protecting regional resources,
promoting economic development and
providing technical services to local governments.*



The Region

- 11 counties and 33 municipalities (13 member cities)
- 7,000 square miles
- 500,000 population



The Council

- 2/3 Local Elected Officials & 1/3 Gubernatorial Appointees
- Counties Mandatory & Cities Voluntary



The Council

■ Member Counties

- Alachua County
- Bradford County
- Columbia County
- Dixie County
- Gilchrist County
- Hamilton County
- Lafayette County
- Madison County
- Suwannee County

- Taylor County
- Union County



The Council

■ Member Cities

- Alachua
- Archer
- Gainesville
- Hawthorne
- High Springs
- Jasper
- Lake City
- Live Oak
- Madison
- Newberry
- Perry
- Starke
- Waldo



The Council

- Executive Committee Members
 - Roy Ellis, Chair
 - Lorene Thomas, Vice-Chair
 - Garth Nobles, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer
 - Kenrick Thomas, Committee Member
 - Louie Davis, Immediate Past Chair



The Council

- Board of Directors
(10 Directors plus Executive Committee)
 - Stephen Bailey, Columbia County
 - Thomas Collett, Alachua County
 - Sandra Haas, Suwannee County
 - Donnie Hamlin, Lafayette County
 - Thomas Hawkins, Gainesville
 - Charles Maulsby, Taylor County
 - James Montgomery, Columbia County
 - Ronny Morgan, Hamilton County
 - Carolyn Spooner, Starke



The Council

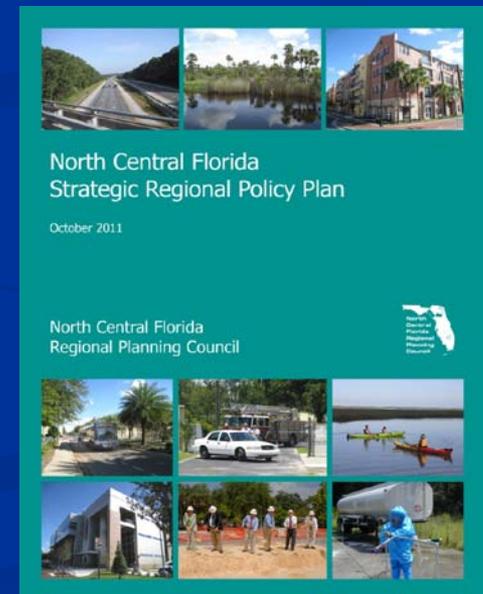
- Ex-Officio Members
 - Enterprise Florida, Inc.
 - Florida Department of Environmental Protection
 - Florida Department of Transportation
 - St. Johns River Water Management District
 - Suwannee River Water Management District



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Regional

- Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based Amendments to North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan
 - Affordable Housing
 - Economic Development
 - Emergency Preparedness
 - Natural Resources of Regional Significance
 - Regional Transportation



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Regional

- Foley Master Development of Regional Impact Sufficiency Review
 - Multi-phased mixed use development in Taylor County
 - 10 planning areas
 - 113,000 acres



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Regional Review Activities
 - Council designated as areawide clearinghouse review agency
 - Federally funded projects
 - Other review activities



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Regional Review Activities

■ 107 projects

- Applications for federal assistance totaling \$411.3 million
- 35 local government comprehensive plan amendments
- 30 U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development Community Development Block Grant applications



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Regional Review Activities

■ 107 projects

- 19 U.S. Federal Transit Administration grant applications
- 12 local government comprehensive plan evaluation & appraisal reports
- 5 U.S. Department of Agriculture grant/loan applications
- 6 other review items



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Local Emergency Planning Committee
 - Updated Regional Emergency Response Plan
 - Conducted How-to-Comply seminars
 - Gainesville
 - Lake City
 - Starke



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team
 - Alachua County
 - Bradford County
 - Columbia County
 - Dixie County
 - Gilchrist County
 - Lafayette County
 - Suwannee County
 - Union County
 - Gainesville
 - Lake City
 - Starke



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team
 - Conducted hazardous materials training class for first-responders in Live Oak
 - Deployed decontamination unit in Gilchrist County



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Emergency Management
 - Assisted with training and exercises based on Statewide Regional Evacuation Study
 - Served as evaluator at Statewide Hurricane Exercise



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Emergency Management
 - Assisted in planning and implementation of statewide exercise for Florida Department of Health
 - Assisted with updates of Training and Exercise Plans for North and Northeast Regional Domestic Security Task Forces



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - First Responder Training
 - Coordinated 22 hazardous materials emergency response training classes
 - Over 250 emergency responders completed over 5,000 hours of training
 - Taught Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program Class
 - Assisted in teaching Hurricane Evacuation and Reentry Class



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Hazardous Waste
 - Conducted hazardous waste compliance site visits for nine counties
 - Bradford County
 - Columbia County
 - Dixie County
 - Gilchrist County
 - Hamilton County
 - Lafayette County
 - Madison County
 - Suwannee County
 - Union County



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Hazardous Waste
 - Conducted four "How to Stay Out of Trouble with Used Oil Storage and Hazardous Waste Management" seminars
 - Bell
 - Gainesville
 - Lake City
 - Starke



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Interoperable Communications
 - Served as Chief Controller for "Operation Omega" at Camp Blanding
 - Served as Controller for North Florida Regional Domestic Security Task Force exercise



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
 - Interoperable Communications
 - Organized classes on Florida Interoperability Network
 - Assisted with inaugural Florida Interoperability Summit Workshop



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ Economic Development Planning

- Council designated an Economic Development District in 1978 by U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration
- Council serves as primary regional economic development planning organization for region



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ Economic Development Planning

- Provided technical assistance to local governments and economic development organizations to promote economic growth of the region
- Completed six economic development project impact analysis reports



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Economic Development
 - Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
 - Promoted initiatives that support regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
 - Santa Fe College awarded \$1.7 million U.S. Economic Development Administration grant for health sciences



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Economic Development
 - Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies
 - Promote two rural economic development catalyst sites
 - Promote regional tourism
 - Create strategies to increase labor force in healthcare and life sciences industries



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Economic Development
 - Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies
 - Seek opportunities to improve multi-modal infrastructure
 - Support regional business incubators and research parks



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ Amended Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Long-Range Priorities

- Encourage use of water resources of region in an economically sustainable manner
- Maintain adequate supplies of high-quality groundwater
- Strengthen regional control of area surface and groundwater systems



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ Disaster Resiliency Study

- Identified concentrations of housing, businesses and critical infrastructure located in hurricane/flood prone areas
- Provided an economic analysis of effects of two catastrophic regional events
- Utilized for advance planning, allowing for better post disaster outcomes



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ The Original Florida Tourism Task Force

- Created by Council in 1992
- Promotes the development of nature, culture and heritage-based tourism
- Council provides staff services to Task Force



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ The Original Florida Tourism Task Force

- Alachua County
- Dixie County
- Gilchrist County
- Hamilton County
- Jefferson County
- Lafayette County
- Levy County
- Madison County
- Taylor County
- Wakulla County



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Economic Development
 - The Original Florida Tourism Task Force
 - Upgraded and maintained website
VisitNaturalNorthFlorida.com
 - Organized regional press familiarization tours
 - Coordinated travel show participation



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Economic Development

■ The Original Florida Tourism Task Force

- Created proactive publicity campaigns
- Produced collateral materials to meet goals of Task Force
- Created a placemat of region depicting tourism related activities



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Local Government Assistance
 - Comprehensive Planning
 - Assisted counties and cities in complying with Community Planning Act



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Local Government Assistance

■ Comprehensive Planning

- Provided comprehensive planning assistance to eight counties

- Bradford County
- Columbia County
- Dixie County
- Hamilton County
- Lafayette County
- Suwannee County
- Taylor County
- Union County



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Local Government Assistance

■ Comprehensive Planning

- Provided comprehensive planning assistance to eight municipalities

- Bell
- Fanning Springs
- Lake Butler
- Lake City
- Madison
- Perry
- Starke
- Trenton



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Local Government Assistance
 - Comprehensive Planning
 - 97 development applications
 - 32 comprehensive plan map and text amendments
 - 39 land development regulation map and text amendments
 - 19 special exceptions and special permits
 - 7 other applications



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Local Government Assistance

■ Comprehensive Planning

- Prepared concurrency assessments for roads, water, sanitary sewer, solid waste, storm water drainage and recreation facilities
- Assisted two municipalities prepare evaluation and appraisal reports of comprehensive plans



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Local Government Assistance

■ Community Development Block Grants

■ Purpose

- Reduce and reverse community decline and restore community vitality

■ Grants in four categories

- Housing
- Neighborhood Revitalization
- Commercial Revitalization
- Economic Development

- Secured \$53.1 million for 105 projects over 38 years



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Local Government Assistance
 - Community Development Block Grants
 - Assisted with applications for Housing, Commercial Revitalization & Neighborhood Revitalization
 - City of Lake City - \$750,000
 - City of Madison - \$700,000
 - Town of Mayo - \$650,000



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Local Government Assistance
 - Community Development Block Grants
 - Provided administrative assistance
 - Bradford County - \$800,000
 - Bradford County - \$750,000
 - Columbia County - \$750,000



Regional Planning Council Programs

- Local Government Assistance
 - Community Development Block Grants
 - Provided administrative assistance
 - City of Lake City - \$1,400,000
 - City of Lake City - \$750,000
 - City of Live Oak - \$700,000
 - City of Madison - \$700,000
 - City of Perry - \$700,000



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Transportation

■ Metropolitan Transportation Planning

■ Regional Transit System

- Served over 10,000,000 passengers
- Awarded \$9.0 million by U.S. Department of Transportation for bus maintenance facility to service additional buses



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Transportation

■ Metropolitan Transportation Planning

■ Interstate 75 at State Road 26 Interchange Safety Modifications

- Improved safety by widening the northbound exit ramp at State Road 26 (Newberry Road)
- Provided additional storage space for vehicles leaving I-75



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Transportation

■ Transportation Disadvantaged

- Provided access to employment, healthcare, education and other life-sustaining activities for elderly, disabled or low-income residents
- Provided over 728,000 trips in region
- Majority of trips were provided for medical purposes



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Transportation

■ Transportation Disadvantaged

■ Council is official planning agency for

- Bradford County
- Columbia County
- Dixie County
- Gilchrist County
- Hamilton County
- Lafayette County
- Madison County
- Suwannee County
- Union County



Regional Planning Council Programs

■ Transportation

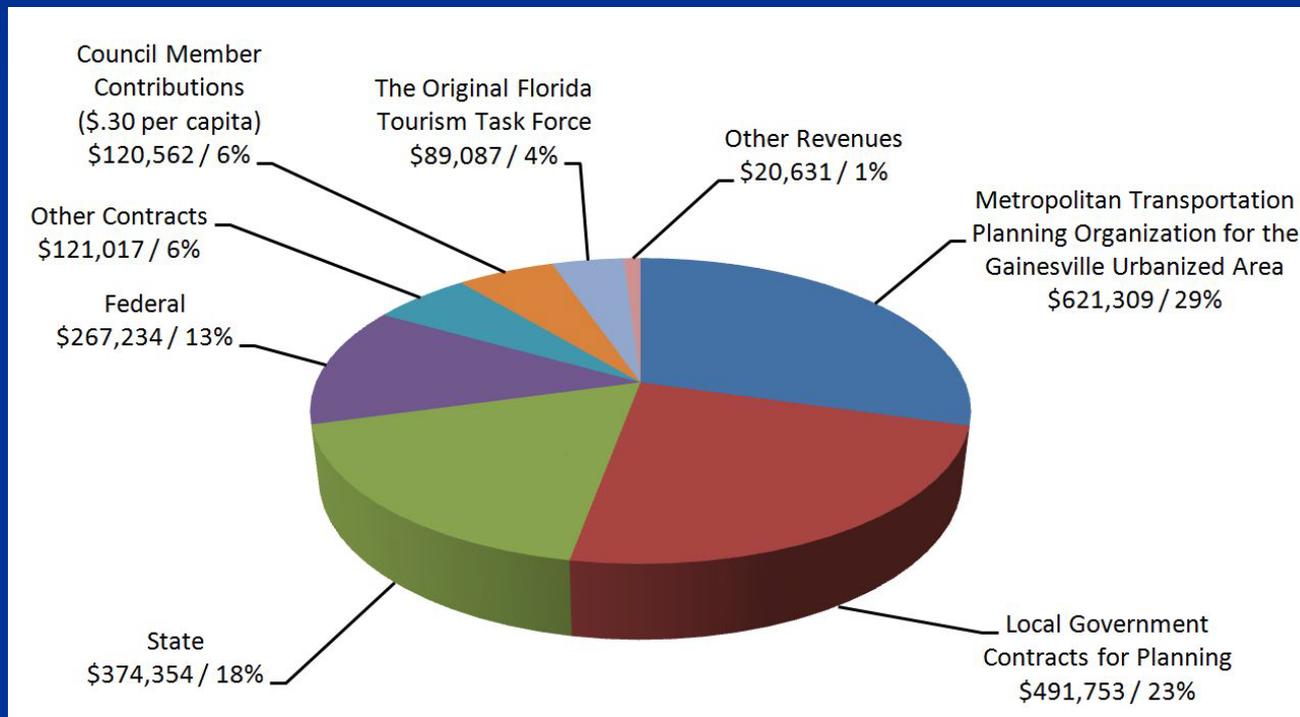
■ Transportation Disadvantaged

- Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area is official planning agency for Alachua County



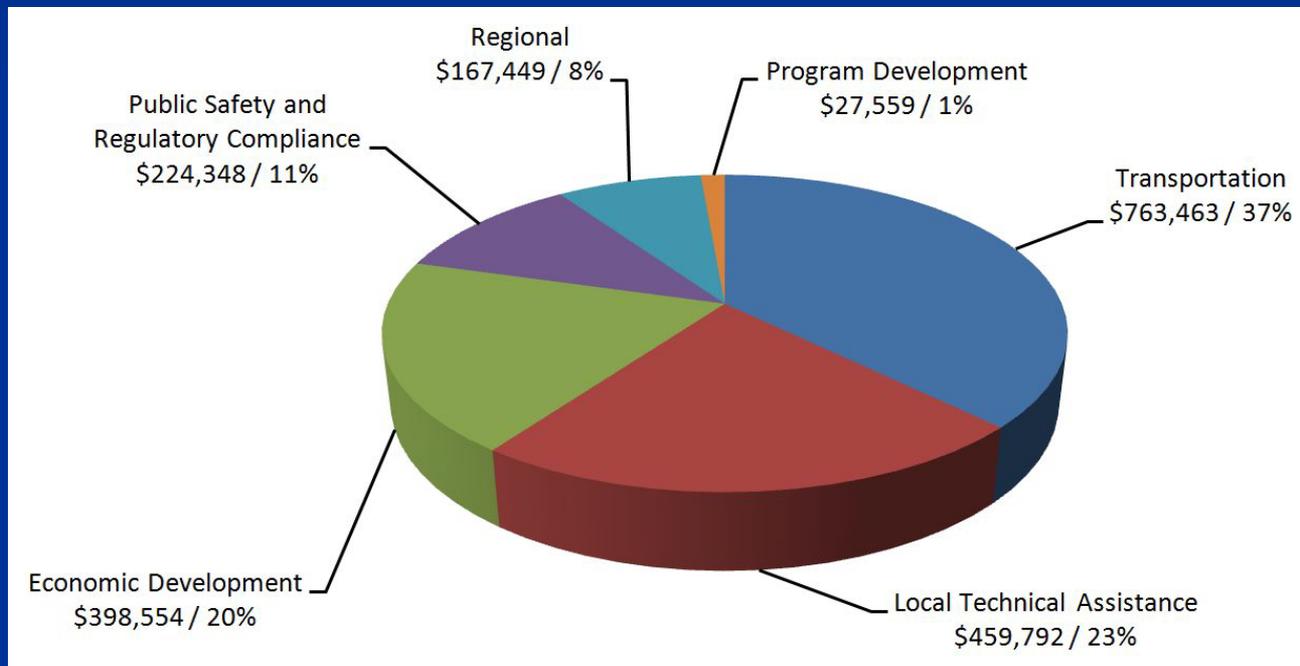
Financial Report

■ 2010-11 Revenues \$2.1 million



Financial Report

■ 2010-11 Expenditures \$2.0 million



Regional Planning Council Team

Team Leaders

Scott R. Koons, AICP
Executive Director

Marlie J. Sanderson, AICP
Assistant Executive Director and
Director of Transportation Planning

Tony R. Marshall
Finance Director

Dwayne L. Mundy
Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance
Program Director

Kevin D. Parrish
Information Technology and
Property Management Director

Bryan S. Thomas
Economic Development Program Director



Regional Planning Council Team

Team Members

Janice Carpenter, Senior Accounting Clerk

Michael DePalma, Associate Planner

Steven Dopp, Senior Planner

Michael Escalante, AICP, Senior Planner

Carmelita Franco, Planning Administrative Assistant

Lynn Franson-Godfrey, AICP, Senior Planner

Sandra Joseph, Senior Planner

Carol Laine, Executive Assistant to the
Executive Director

Martha Orthoefer, AICP, Senior Planner

Jean Strong, Secretary II



Summary

- 11 Regional Planning Councils
- 2/3 Local Elected Officials - 1/3 Gubernatorial Appointees
- Planning and Coordinating Role
- Programs
 - Regional
 - Public Safety
 - Economic Development
 - Local Government Assistance
 - Transportation





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