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MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT: May 2018

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING and OUTREACH

- Organized and distributed the April 2018 Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Newsletter, FRCA Forward. Began collecting articles and formatting the May 2018 Newsletter. Continued to update the FRCA Facebook page.
- Continued to work with the Florida Association of Counties regarding the maintenance and enhancement of the FRCA website and newsletter. Continued to update and maintain the email listserv for the more than 2,500 individuals who receive FRCA Forward.
- To enhance partnerships and strengthen the relationship between regional planning councils and their state and federal partners, participated in or attended the following meetings and shared information:
  - Florida Transportation Plan Implementation Meeting
  - Resiliency Forum, hosted by the Department of Environmental Protection
  - Coordination Meeting with the Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Transportation and the Greenways and Trails Foundation
  - Coastal Meeting hosted by the Department of Environmental Protection
  - Rural Economic Development Initiative Meeting
  - Florida Economic Development Council Annual Conference
- Promoted the Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity Webinar hosted by the Economic Development Administration.

ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT

- Participated in the May 10, 2018, Executive Directors Advisory Council (EDAC) held by conference call. Prepared for the June 28th and 29th EDAC and Partners Meetings being held in conjunction with the Florida Association of Counties Annual Conference including developing agendas and securing presenters.
- Coordinated FRCA participation with the following upcoming annual conferences:
  - National Association of Regional Councils, June 2 – 4th
  - Florida Association of Counties, June 27 – 29th
  - Florida League of Cities, August 15 – 17th
  - American Planning Association, Florida Chapter, September 11 – 13th
- Distributed grant opportunities and information of interest from local, state and national organizations.
All aboard as Brightline launches fast train service to Miami

Wayne K. RoustanContact Reporter Sun Sentinel May 19, 2018

Brightline higher-speed passenger rail service officially added MiamiCentral station to its route Saturday and every express train was sold out for the kick-off weekend. Deep discount fares of $3 and $5, system-wide, were the main reason.

Luis Guzman and eight family members caught the first train out of Miami at 9:10 a.m. for what would be a roundtrip to Fort Lauderdale.

“We wanted to test it out and see what it was all about,” he said. “We liked it. Actually, my whole family wanted to keep going up to West Palm Beach because they enjoyed the train ride so much.”

Each 4-coach, 2-engine train set can carry 240 passengers. There were up to eight roundtrips scheduled between Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach on Saturday and Sunday.

An estimated 8,000 people were expected to ride the trains during the weekend, said Brightline President and COO Patrick Goddard.

“We actually had people asking if they could go ‘on standby’ which was pretty wild,” he said.

Brightline could not take any walk-up customers but Goddard said that won’t be the case in the future.

“Generally speaking, if you do show up late or early we can get you on the next available train unless we have sold-out trains,” he said.

James and Belinda Rhodes live in Port St. Lucie so they caught the train in West Palm Beach for a ride to Fort Lauderdale and back. James Rhodes says he got the idea while sitting in his car at a railroad crossing as a Brightline train zipped past in Lake Worth.

“I’m the first in line and wham!” he said. “The train goes by and I said, ‘we got to do that.’”

Kevin and Allicia Walford, and their two children, live in Fort Lauderdale but wanted to see the new MiamiCentral station.

“I wanted to see what the Miami leg was like,” Kevin Walford said. “I purposely bought tickets on each side [of the train] because I didn’t want to see the same thing twice [out the windows].”

A weekend of festivities was scheduled at the MiamiCentral station to celebrate its grand opening and to show people farther north that Miami is not too far away.

“We like to think we’ve made their backyard bigger,” Goddard said.

Introductory fares of $10 and $15, one-way between each station, resume Monday.

“We’re going to have introductory fares for a few more weeks and we encourage people to try it out because these introductory rates are not going to last forever,” he said.

No specific date has been picked for the start of regular fares that will fluctuate depending on peak travel times daily.
City Officials from Across the State Honored with 2018 Home Rule Hero Awards

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The Florida League of Cities recently recognized 89 city officials with 2018 Home Rule Hero Awards. These local government officials earned this prestigious award for their tireless efforts to advance the League’s legislative agenda and help protect the Home Rule powers of Florida’s cities during the 2018 legislative session.

“These dedicated municipal officials are some of the Florida League of Cities’ biggest advocates for municipal issues,” said Florida League of Cities President Gil Ziffer. “Their efforts during the 2018 legislative session were extraordinary. The League and its legislative team are proud to recognize and thank them for their service.”

Home Rule is the ability for a city to address local problems through and by local decision makers with minimal state interference. The Home Rule Hero Award recipients are local government officials – both elected and nonelected – who consistently responded to the League’s request to reach out to members of the legislature and help give a local perspective to an issue.

Mayor Judy Wertz-Strickland, City of Arcadia
Vice Mayor Leo Longworth, City of Bartow
Commissioner Trish Pfeiffer, City of Bartow
Debra R. Buff, MMC, City Clerk, City of Belle Glade
Council Member Scott Singer, City of Boca Raton
Councilman Fred Forbes, City of Bonita Springs
Mayor Robert Samuel Fite, City of Bowling Green
John Titkanich, City Manager, City of Cocoa
Commissioner Mike Miller, City of Cocoa Beach
Mary Blasi, City Manager, City of Coconut Creek
Mayor Greg Ross, City of Cooper City
Commissioner Dan Daley, City of Coral Springs
Commissioner Scott Black, City of Dade City
Mayor Robert Aggar, City of Deland
Vice Mayor Heidi Herzberg, City of Deltona
Councilman Prebble Ramswell, City of Destin
Commissioner Heather Gracy, City of Dunedin
Mayor Walter Green, City of Dunnellon
Bea Meeks, City of Edgewood
Mayor Randall Henderson, City of Fort Myers
Councilwoman Teresa Watkins Brown, City of Fort Myers

Mayor Linda Hudson, City of Fort Pierce
Michael Beedie, City Manager, City of Fort Walton Beach
Councilmember Eddie Farris, City of Freeport
Deric Feacher, City Manager, City of Haines City
Mayor Matthew Surrency, City of Hawthorne
Mark Ryan, City Manager, City of Indian Harbour Beach
Councilmember Matt Schellenberg, City of Jacksonville
Mayor Charlie Latham, City of Jacksonville Beach
Commissioner Jo Ann Lucarelli, City of Lake Mary
Mayor Eugene Fultz, City of Lake Wales
Commissioner Phillip Walker, City of Lakeland
Mayor Woody Brown, City of Largo
Commissioner John Carroll, City of Largo
Commissioner Jamie Robinson, City of Largo
Cheryl Reed, Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator, City of Largo
Mayor Dale McDonald, City of Maitland
Mayor Kathy Meehan, City of Melbourne
Mayor Oliver Gilbert, City of Miami Gardens
Councilmember Cal Rolfson, City of Mount Dora  
Mayor Rob Marlowe, City of New Port Richey  
Commissioner Judy Reiker, City of New Smyrna Beach  
Councilmember Bill Schaitz, City of Niceville  
Vice-Mayor Linda Yates, City of North Port  
Mayor Tim Lonergan, City of Oakland Park  
Mayor Kent Guinn, City of Ocala  
Mayor Dowling Watford, City of Okeechobee  
Councilmember Dan Saracki, City of Oldsmar  
Mayor Bill Partington, City of Ormond Beach  
Mayor Richard Musgrave, City of Parker  
Mayor Christine Hunschofsky, City of Parkland  
Mayor Frank Ortis, City of Pembroke Pines  
Councilmember P.C. Wu, City of Pensacola  
Lana Beck, Government Relations Administrator, City of Pinellas Park  
Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo, City of Port St. Lucie  
Mayor Rachel Keesling, City of Punta Gorda  
Vice Mayor Mick Denham, City of Sanibel  
Councilmember Holly Smith, City of Sanibel  
Commissioner Willie Shaw, City of Sarasota  
Courtney Barker, City Manager, City of Satellite Beach  
Councilman Dominic Montanaro, City of Satellite Beach  
Councilor Thomas Barnhorn, City of Seminole  
Mayor Leslie Waters, City of Seminole  
John Regan, City Manager, City of St. Augustine  
Commissioner Nancy Sikes-Kline, City of St. Augustine  
Commissioner Terri Finnerty, City of St. Pete Beach  
Wayne Tedder, Assistant City Manager, City of Tallahassee  
Commissioner Gil Ziffer, City of Tallahassee  
Commissioner Julie Fishman, City of Tamarac  
Council Member Cheri Donohue, City of Temple Terrace  
Vice Mayor Bill Ribble, Village of Estero  
Terry Atchley, City Manager, City of Wauchula  
Mayor Daniel Sternor, City of Weston  
Mayor Gary Rosnick, City of Wilton Manors  
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper, City of Winter Park  
Mayor Steven Leary, City of Winter Park  
Commissioner Pete Weldon, City of Winter Park  
Mayor Jordan Leonard, Town of Bay Harbor Islands  
Councilmember Isaac Salver, Town of Bay Harbor Islands  
Commissioner Tom Shelley, Town of Belleair  
Deputy Mayor Stu Glass, Town of Indialantic  
Mayor Drinda Merritt, Town of Inglis  
Mayor Marlene Wagner, Town of Lake Hamilton  
Council President Ann Kaggis, Town of Ocean Breeze  
Mayor Gall Coniglio, Town of Palm Beach  
Mayor Carol McCormack, Town of Palm Shores  
Commissioner Vinny Barile, Town of Sewall’s Point  
Mayor Gary Bruhn, Town of Windermere  
Chevédé Rubin, Village Clerk, Village of Wellington

Founded in 1922, the Florida League of Cities is the united voice for Florida’s municipal governments. Its goals are to promote local self-government and serve the needs of Florida’s cities. Florida’s cities are formed by their citizens and governed by their citizens. The League is founded on the belief that local self-government is the keystone of American democracy. For more information, visit www.floridaleagueofcities.com.
May 28, 2018

Tim Hernandez
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Dear Mr. Hernandez,

Thank you very much for participating and presenting at the Martin County CRA event on April, 26th. Your presentation was an excellent overview of Community Redevelopment from the developer perspective. Many of the points you made are extremely relative to where we are in the evolution of our CRA’s. Transitional development on the edges our CRA’s vs. development in the core of the CRA to draw residents back to the ‘downtown’ area is an issue we are discussing often.

Your explanation of the importance of having the CRA and Governing body on the same page was an excellent point which I believe resonated with the audience. We are working to get new CRA specific codes written to avoid the dual CRA/County permitting process. I believe this will stimulate interest and investment in our CRA.

Our CRA members have been very supportive of investing in the public infrastructure such as sidewalks and lighting to make people feel comfortable and safe. I feel that your comments helped reinforce this decision for our NAC and CRA members.

Additionally the point you made about having clear goals and objectives, and allowing no cost extensions for developers was good for them to hear. The reminder that redevelopment is a long term investment vs an immediate, high rate of return is also an important point; not all developers have the necessary level of patience. There is a need to work with quality developers such as New Urban Communities that understand the value proposition and are willing to work with the community. We have to continue to support the pioneer.

Thank you so much for your frank and honest explanation of the complicated process of redevelopment. Your knowledge, vision and experience are invaluable and we greatly appreciate your coming to this event to share with us.

Sincerely,

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Employment Summary - Treasure Coast Region
May 18, 2018

Highlights

- Unemployment in the Region decreased to 3.4 percent in April, down from 4.0 percent in April of the previous year.
- Gained 3,300 new non-agricultural jobs year over year from April 2017 to April 2018.
- Job gains were primarily in mining and construction; leisure and hospitality; financial activities; and government.

- This unemployment summary is derived from: Local Area Unemployment Statistics prepared by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Overview of the CareerSource Research Coast Region (Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie counties) and Overview of CareerSource Palm Beach County Region (Palm Beach County) prepared by the two workforce development boards in the Treasure Coast Region. The CareerSource reports follow this regional summary.

- The unemployment rate for the Treasure Coast Region was 3.4 percent in April 2018, down 0.6 percentage points from the April 2017 rate of 4.0 percent. The Region’s unemployment rate was the same as the state’s unemployment rate of 3.4 percent and 0.6 percentage points lower than the national unemployment rate of 4.0 percent. Out of a labor force of 999,646 there were 34,252 unemployed residents in the Treasure Coast Region.

- The Treasure Coast Region contains three metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs): the Port St. Lucie MSA (Martin and St. Lucie counties), the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA (Indian River County), and the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MSA (Palm Beach County). In April 2018, non-agricultural employment in the combined metropolitan areas of the Region was 827,200, an increase of 3,300 jobs over the previous year.
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Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.
* Not seasonally adjusted.

- In the combined metropolitan areas, job gains were primarily in mining and construction (+2,700); leisure and hospitality (+2,500); financial activities (+1,900); and government (+1,100).

- Job losses were felt primarily in education and health services (-3,200) and trade, transportation, and utilities (-1,200).

**Port St. Lucie Metro Area:**

The professional and business services; government; and trade, transportation, and utilities industries grew faster in the Port St. Lucie MSA than statewide over the year.

**Sebastian-Vero Beach Metro Area:**

The leisure and hospitality; manufacturing; financial activities; and trade, transportation, and utilities industries grew faster in the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA than statewide over the year.

**West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach Metropolitan Division:**

In this MSA, the construction; financial activities; manufacturing; and government industries grew as fast or faster than statewide over the year.
Overview of the CareerSource Research Coast Region  
Not Seasonally Adjusted  
May 18, 2018

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Research Coast region (Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie counties) was 3.9 percent in April 2018. This rate was 0.6 percentage point lower than the region’s year ago rate of 4.5 percent. The labor force was 275,950, up 2,283 (+0.8) over the year. There were 10,685 unemployed residents in the region.

- Martin County had the lowest unemployment rate (3.3 percent) in the CareerSource Research Coast region followed by Indian River County (4.0 percent), and St. Lucie County (4.1 percent).

- The CareerSource Research Coast region contains two metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs): the Port St. Lucie MSA (Martin and St. Lucie counties) and the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA (Indian River County). In April 2018, nonagricultural employment in the combined CareerSource Research Coast metro areas was 201,400, an increase of 2,800 jobs (+1.4 percent) over the previous year.

- In the combined CareerSource Research Coast metro areas, the major industries that gained jobs over the year were: leisure and hospitality (+800 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+600 jobs); government (+500 jobs); education and health services (+400 jobs); professional and business services (+300 jobs); manufacturing (+200 jobs); and financial activities (+100 jobs). The mining, logging, and construction (-100 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year. The information and other services industries were unchanged over the year.

Port St. Lucie Metro Area

- The majority of the nonagricultural employment in the CareerSource Research Coast region was in the Port St. Lucie metro area. This metro area accounted for 148,800 jobs in April 2018, an increase of 2,200 jobs from April 2017 (+1.5 percent).

- The professional and business services (+2.9 percent); government (+2.6 percent); education and health services (+2.2 percent); and trade, transportation, and utilities (+1.6 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year.

- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: education and health services (+600 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+500 jobs); professional and business services (+500 jobs); government (+500 jobs); manufacturing (+100 jobs); and leisure and hospitality (+100 jobs).

- The mining, logging, and construction (-100 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.

Note: All data are subject to revision.  
- The information; financial activities; and other services industries were unchanged over the year.
- The Port St. Lucie MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in government (+2.6 percent) in April 2018.

Sebastian-Vero Beach Metro Area
- In April 2018 nonagricultural employment in the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA was 52,600, an increase of 600 jobs (+1.2 percent) over the year.
- The leisure and hospitality (+8.2 percent); manufacturing (+5.3 percent); financial activities (+3.8 percent); and trade, transportation, and utilities (+1.0 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: leisure and hospitality (+700 jobs); manufacturing (+100 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+100 jobs); and financial activities (+100 jobs).
- The professional and business services (-200 jobs) and education and health services (-200 jobs) industries lost jobs over the year.
- The mining, logging, and construction; information; other services; and government industries were unchanged over the year.

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### Unemployment Rates

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### Nonagricultural Employment by Industry

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**Source:** Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics.
Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
May 18, 2018

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 3.3 percent in April 2018. This rate was 0.5 percentage point lower than the region’s year ago rate of 3.8 percent. The region’s April 2018 unemployment rate was 0.1 percentage point lower than the state rate of 3.4 percent. The labor force was 723,696, down 2,037 (-0.3) over the year. There were 23,567 unemployed residents in the region.

- In April 2018 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was 625,800, an increase of 500 jobs (+0.1 percent) over the year.

- The West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was tied for the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in government (+600 jobs) in April 2018.

- The construction (+8.0 percent); financial activities (+4.5 percent); manufacturing (+3.6 percent); and government (+0.9 percent) industries grew as fast or faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.

- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: construction (+2,800 jobs); financial activities (+1,800 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+1,700 jobs); manufacturing (+700 jobs); and government (+600 jobs).

- The education and health services (-3,600 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-1,800 jobs); professional and business services (-900 jobs); information (-500 jobs); other services (-300 jobs) industries lost jobs over the year.

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### Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)

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### Population

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### Average Annual Wage

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Note: All data are subject to revision.