



THE LACE & AXLE



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Photo: A yard sign that says "drive like your kids live here" in Riverside.

WELCOME TO OUR THIRD ISSUE!

The Lace & Axle is a quarterly newsletter, developed by the City of Jacksonville's Planning office.

This is your source for updates on planned improvements to make Jacksonville a more walkable and bike-friendly community.

In this issue, we will highlight recent improvements and provide information about upcoming meetings and opportunities to get

involved in our shared mission to improve active transportation throughout Jacksonville.

For the latest information on bicycle and pedestrian-related meetings and events, visit coj.net/pedbike.

Community Events

Mobility Week is coming up soon on October 25-November 1, 2019. During this week, counties, cities and transportation agencies are hosting events to promote safe and sustainable transportation choices. This is also an opportunity for individuals to explore the various modes available.

For more information, visit www.mobilityweekfl.com



Photo: Flyer for Mobility Week with images of a bike, bus, car, and skyway. Mobility Week Oct 25th to Nov 1, 2019.

Photo (Newsletter heading): A picture of a tennis shoe and a bicycle wheel straddling the title "The Lace & Axle".

DEVICES DOWN. HEADS UP.
Minimize all distractions when traveling on roadways.



Share the Road. Share Responsibility.

We have a shared responsibility to keep Jacksonville's streets safe for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists. Please visit coj.net/allindual for safety tips, activity downloads, and other resources.

Photo: image of person on their cell phone. Devices Down. Heads Up. Minimize all distractions when traveling on road. Share the road. Share responsibility.

Updates on Jax's Bike/Ped Infrastructure & Facilities

New Bicycle Lanes on Bowden Road

We mentioned in our Summer 2019 newsletter, Bowden Rd. is getting bicycle lanes. Well, the work is complete! Bowden Rd. between Phillips Hwy. and Spring Park Rd. now has five-foot bicycle lanes, adding 0.6 miles to the bicycle network and filling a gap in the City's bike network. Here are a couple photos:

Before



Photo: Bowden Road with no bike lanes.

After



Photo: Bowden Road with bike lanes.

Buffing up Town Center Parkway

So obviously a road can't go to the gym. But, we can bring the gym to you by adding buffered bicycle lanes in each direction. This connects into existing bicycle lane on Town Center Parkway by adding adding 0.35 miles of bicycle lanes and 18 inch painted buffers between Gate Parkway and Big Island Drive. Here are a couple photos:

Before



Photo: Town Center Parkway with no bike lanes.

After



Photo: Town Center Parkway with buffered bike lanes.

Want to install a bike rack in the City Right-of-Way?

Email the Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator for a step-by-step walkthrough on how to get a permit.



HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE PLANNING PROGRAM?

Email Karissa Moffett, Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator, at kmoffett@coj.net.

(Left) Photo: Icons of information containing punctuation marks

Photo: Florida's beautiful waterway



New Trail Section Opens Connecting St. Johns River Ferry to Huguenot Memorial Park

Visioning for the Timucuan Trail began over 20 years ago. The first trail opened along Little Talbot Island in 2005. More recently, a half-mile trail extension and bridge crossing was constructed over Haulover Creek. Present day, located along State Road A1A, also known as Heckscher Drive, this SUN Trail project extends the Timucuan Trail near Ft. George Island Cultural State Park to the City of Jacksonville's Huguenot Memorial Park.

Funding was established during the 2015 legislative session and administered by the Florida Department of Transportation, the SUN Trail program receives \$25 million annually, from new vehicle tag fees, to expand the statewide system of paved multi-use trails (SUN Trail network) for bicyclists and pedestrians.



The SUN Trail network aligns to the statewide Florida Greenways and Trails System Plan's Land Trail Priority Network. In addition, this trail segment will be part of the East Coast Greenway, which is a national trail project spanning from Maine to Key West, Florida. All these trail projects improves safety and mobility while enhancing access to Florida's unique resources. The next section of the Timucuan Trail will connect Big Talbot and Little Talbot Islands and is scheduled for construction in 2020.



(Above) Photo: Blue sky over the newly constructed trail.

(Below) Photo: Etching along trail saying "Timucuan Trail Over Haulover Creek 72260".



(Left) Photo: Timucuan Trail leading to the entrance of Huguenot Memorial Park.

Summer Rewind: City's Manatee Mascot, C. Cow Ford teaches road safety

The City of Jacksonville and C. Cow Ford, the City's manatee mascot, visited different summer camps throughout the community to teach kids about pedestrian and bicycle safety. During the sessions, youth learned traffic safety tips, including how to safely walk when no sidewalks are present, cross the street at crosswalks, navigate unmarked intersections, and bike/walk through neighborhoods safely. The kids left with a important understanding about how to navigate the roadway safely and some cool utilitarian swag like reflective stickers, lights, and activity sheets related to the City's "All in Duval" roadway safety campaign.

To learn more about how we ALL play a role in making the road a safer place, visit coj.net/allinduval.



Photo: Class photo of youth with C. Cow Ford and the City of Jacksonville.



Photo: Class photo of youth with C. Cow Ford and the City of Jacksonville participating in an activity.

WHAT'S AROUND THE CORNER?

Stay up-to-date on meetings related to Pedestrian and Bicycle Planning by checking out the following webpages:

- COJ Pedestrian & Bicycle Planning - coj.net/pedbike
- Context Sensitive Streets Standards Committee - coj.net/contextsensitivestreets
- Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee- [facebook.com/bpacfriends](https://www.facebook.com/bpacfriends)
- North Florida Transportation Planning Organization - northfloridatpo.com
- Florida Department of Transportation District 2 Meetings - tinyurl.com/fdotdistrict2

Safe Routes to School Program

Florida Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is funded by the Florida Department of Transportation, to make traveling safer for children to walk and bicycle to school. Duval County Schools have made significant progress bringing pedestrian and bicycle safety lessons in the classroom through hands-on bicycle training. Contact Jackie_Morrison@hpcnef.org to get your elementary or middle school involved.

Walk to School Day 2019

The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida administers the Safe Routes to School program in Duval County. On October 2, 2019, five Duval schools celebrated Walk to School Day-- Atlantic Beach Elementary School, Chimney Lake Elementary School, Fishweir Elementary School, Landon Elementary School, and Twin Lakes Academy Elementary School.



Photo: Atlantic Beach Elementary School group picture celebrating Walk to School Day with a Walk and Roll Day.



Photo: A bunch of parked kids bicycles

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