

Florida Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition Meeting Report

April 28-29, 2026

Embassy Suites Sunset Walk, Kissimmee



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Attendees

Coalition Members & Program Management Support:

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Attendance
Acosta-Anderson	Libertad	FDOT District Five	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alluri	Priyanka	Florida International University	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Amicarelli	Mariano	FDOT District Four	<input type="checkbox"/>
Askins	Jon	Florida LEL Program	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Astorga	Elvira	FDOT District Six	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Avola-Brown	Michelle	Naples Pathway Coalition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Babcock	Gina	National Coalition for Safer Roads	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bhattacharya	Poorna	ASHA Planning Consultancy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bobo	Loreen	FDOT District Five	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Borms	Jotan	FDOT – TDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bracken	Tara	FDOT Transit Office	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bryant	Curtis	Creative Fuel, LLC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bush	Emily	Bike/Walk Central FL	<input type="checkbox"/>
Caldwell	Allie	FDOT Central Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Carver	DeWayne	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cerulli	Ronda	Florida Department of Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chen	Cong	USF CUTR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chico	Lina	Orlando Health-Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Corkery	Terrence	FDOT Central Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Craig	Chris	FDOT Central Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Crescenzi	Tara	Florida Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delsoin	David	Davie Police Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Crosby	Dana	FDOT Central Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Discepolo	Isabella	HCA Bayonet Point Hospital-Trauma Center	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Downy	Julie	Emergency Medical Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Duran	Emmeth	FDOT District Seven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ehmer	James	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fall	Matthew	City of Jacksonville	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Farabee	Kelly	FDOT District Seven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fellerhoff	Christopher	Hillsborough County	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frank	Jason	Sarasota Police Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Galloway	Alicia	FDOT Central Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Galoso	Franko	Gresham Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Garcia	Migdalis	Florida Highway Patrol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
George	Brittney	FDOT – State Safety Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
George	Nathan	Palm Beach MPO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Giordano	Nicole	FDOT – State Safety Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Giroux	Rupert	FDOT – State Safety Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gray	Andrew	JMT (on behalf of FDOT District Seven)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gruener	Leilani	FLHSMV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hackett	Jensen	FDOT District Seven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Hardwicke	Laura	City of Orlando	✓
Hartwell	James	Florida Law Enforcement Liaison Program/Element Engineering	✓
Henwood	Jessica	Health First	☐
Horst	Timothy	City of Tampa	✓
Karron	Annely	FDOT District Two	✓
Katz	Eric	FDOT Central Office	✓
Kehres	Katherine	FDOT District Four	✓
Kluttz	Jessica	Alachua County BOCC	✓
Kristiansen	Angela	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	✓
McDaniel	Gevin	SpanPath, LLC	✓
Mello	Megan	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	☐
Merkle	Tanya	FDOT District One	☐
Miller	Chris	FL Highway Patrol	☐
Morales	Martha	FDOT District Four	☐
Morgan	Erin	FDOT Central Office	✓
Morris	Jaqueline	FDOT Roadway Design Office	✓
Neira	Natalia	Miami-Dade County	✓
Peoples	Gretchen	FDOT District Three	✓
Quenneville	Kristina	FL Highway Patrol	☐
Qureshi	Fazal	Broward MPO	✓
Railey	Brett	IPTM	✓
Raulerson	Mary	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.	☐
Reinhardt	Ken	AARP Florida	☐
Reiser	James	City of Tampa	✓
Rendon	Patricia	Space Coast TPO	✓
Rickard	Stephanie	Florida Dept. of Education	☐
Robbins	Keith	FDOT District One	✓
Rodrigues-Silva	Karla	City of Gainesville	✓
Rodriguez	Adriana	MetroPlan Orlando	✓
Roeder	Alexandria	Tampa General Hospital	✓
Rupinta	Kelly	IPTM	✓
Russo	Tina	FDOT District Seven	✓
Severyn	Josette	Broward County Florida	✓
Silva	Lisa	Hillsborough County MPO	✓
Simpson	Kyle	Forward Pinellas	☐
Simpson	Paul	University of Florida –PedBike SRC	✓
Solomon	Rachele	Memorial Healthcare System/Safe Kids Broward	✓
Suguri	Vitor	FDOT District One	✓
Sully	Thuraia	FDOT Systems Implementation Office	✓
Teague	Michael	Florida Police Chief’s Association	✓
Thompson	Erika	FHWA	☐
Torres	Lauren	National Safety Council	☐
Torres	Stephanie	St Lucie TPO	✓

Walford	Kevin	Miami-Dade TPO	✓
Wall	Kathy	Safe Kids Palm Beach County	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wandall	Melissa	National Coalition for Safer Roads	✓
Williams	Angel	IPTM	✓
Zenoni	Scott	Health First	<input type="checkbox"/>

Coalition Guests:

Last Name	First Name	Agency	Attendance
Bogue	Rebecca	Pasco County	
Cai	Can	USF/CUTR	✓
Champlin	Lindsey	AAA	✓
French	Brandy	FDOT State Safety Office	✓
Fuentes	Jesus	Miami-Dade TPO	✓
Greco	Michael	City of Orlando	✓
Green	Daphne	City of Orlando	✓
Keys	Kelly	Jackson Memorial Hospital	
Lang	Emily	Gresham Smith	✓
Panza	Patrick	Bike/Walk Central Florida	✓
SM	Tanvir	District 4	✓

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Call To Order – Chris Craig, FDOT Central Office

Chris outlined the meeting agenda and welcomed the coalition members to the meeting. He reminded attendees that we are currently in the final year of current implementation cycle and encouraged them to work on their implementation plans.

Public Meeting Announcement

The meeting is open to the public. Dedicated time for public comment was announced.

Meeting Dedication, Angela Kristiansen

Angela Kristiansen invited attendees to think of someone they know personally who they'd want to protect while walking or biking. Attendees were provided with individual meeting dedication cards to write in the name of their person. Some attendees shared the story of who they dedicated their time to.

Coalition Members Introductions – All Attendees

Alicia Galloway invited attendees to introduce themselves, their role, organization, and emphasis area.

Announcements – Alicia Galloway, FDOT Central Office

Alicia provided an overview of materials included in attendee folders and reviewed travel logistics.

Chris Craig informed the coalition that the Alert Today website is being reviewed for ADA/508 Compliance. Some items will be removed from the website temporarily as it is reviewed. If elements are needed, reach out to Alicia, Angela, or the Kittelson support team.

Florida School Crossing Guard & Agency of the Year Awards – Dana Crosby

(see Appendix B for slides)

Dana shared information on the Florida School Crossing Guard & Agency of the Year Awards, including a quote from Secretary Perdue. She highlighted the award winners and thanked those involved in making the program successful.

SB 382 Micromobility Devices – Chris Craig, FDOT and Leilani Greuner, FLHSMV

(see Appendix B for slides)

SB 382 proposes new laws related to micromobility devices. Chris provided an overview of the highlights included in the bill. Leilani notified participants that the bill has not been signed, and the timeline is unclear.

Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) is beginning to identify some individuals for the micromobility task force, which will need to be formed within 15 days of the bill's adoption. FLHSMV is developing a Qualtrics survey to collect micromobility crash data from enforcement agencies. FLHSMV received a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) grant to update the crash report form, but this process will take longer than the SB 382 requirement for crashes data. The Qualtrics survey will help support crash report data in the interim.

Questions & Comments:

- Will the crash form be updated to note mobility issues or wheelchair users? Follow up needed.

- Micromobility definition currently excludes e-motos, will FLHSMV address e-moto issues? The task force will come up with recommendations.
- Will Signal 4 crash data include micromobility crash data? Not until the crash report form is updated.
- What happens to the deadlines that were mentioned in the bill if its adoption is further delayed? FLHSMV may request permission from lawmakers to adjust the timeline.
 - The deadline for the Micromobility Task Force should be adjusted to allow them time to review crash data before forming recommendations.
- Mighk Wilson shared that MetroPlan is completing a comparative analysis of crash types.
- Chris noted that the legislative committee may reach out to coalition members for assistance. Please be ready to help!

Florida Greenbook Update Process – Jacqui Morris and Allie Caldwell, FDOT Roadway Design Office (*see Appendix B for slides*)

Allie provided an overview of context classification as an introduction to Jacqui’s presentation on the Florida Greenbook update process.

Jacqui shared that FDOT’s target to fully integrate the update to the Florida Greenbook is 2030.

As part of updates to the Florida Greenbook, Jacqui and the team have polled local jurisdictions to identify challenges with implementing context classification and Greenbook criteria, in addition to sourcing best practices across that state.

Preliminary Local Context Classification data is now available in FDOT’s ConnectPed resource to assist locals with context-based planning. A future update will allow local agencies to enter data.

The Roadway Design Guide is currently in development and will serve as a supplement to the Florida Greenbook with more detailed planning and design guidance. The Design Guide will expand on the minimums set in the Florida Greenbook rule-based document.

Those interested in updates to the Florida Greenbook can sign up for updates on the FDOT Contact Management System, accessed at <https://cma.fdot.gov/>.

Questions & Comments:

- The University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research (USF CUTR) staff use the data and appreciate the work going into it.
- What level of influence does the *desired* biking scenario have on context and planning efforts?
 - FDOT does not set future context classifications for local jurisdictions.
 - Design criteria tables allow for minimum requirements to the preferred elements
 - Confirm that land use is appropriate, and look into future context
- How does a local jurisdiction handle conflicts between municipal code and the Florida Greenbook?
 - The Florida Greenbook is the minimum standard, some local jurisdictions expand upon this or have additional design criteria.
- Participants also expressed interested in learning more about corridors that include multiple jurisdictions and how context class relates to the concept of “movement and place.”

Implementation Plan Updates – James Ehmer, Kittelson

James called the group back together following the break. He explained that we are closing up the current implementation cycle and asked the groups to make a final pass at closing out their plans.

James explained how to set up reminders in Microsoft Lists (where the Implementation Plans are stored). He offered to help anyone who wanted assistance setting up the reminders. James noted that most groups are at least 75% done with their sections. He reminded the goal leaders to reach out if there are any support needs from other groups, using the Collaboration Request sheet. Then James announced breakout locations for each emphasis area team.

Breakout Session: Emphasis Areas Implementation Plan Working Session – All

Emphasis area teams met to discuss their respective implementation plans and which objectives and tasks can be completed by the next quarterly meeting.

Task Collaboration Needs – Emphasis Area Goal Leaders

The coalition group reconvened and shared requests for collaboration in preparation for the following day's breakout session.

Public Comment Period

No comments received.

Day 1 Wrap Up

Angela closed out the day with parking and hotel logistics and an invitation to join an optional group dinner.

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Coffee Talk – All Attendees

As coalition members arrived, they were encouraged to discuss context classifications they experienced during Tuesday evening.

Call to Order – Chris Craig, FDOT

The meeting was called to order by Chris Craig.

Public Meeting Announcement

Chris Craig announced the public comment period.

FDOT District 6 Spotlight – Elvira Astorga, D6 Bike Pedestrian ADA Coordinator

(see Appendix B for slides)

Elvira presented concepts on a separated bike lane project in FDOT District 6. She described alternative concepts and the preferred alternative, describing how the analysis was conducted.

Questions:

- If you implemented the protected intersections, would that be the first in your district? Yes.
- What were the deciding factors between each alternative option? Cost Feasibility was largely a deciding factor.
- Did you coordinate with your transit agency on the bus bay vs. bus island alternatives? Elvira will get back to Laura Hardwicke on this question.

Elvira continued the presentation by covering several recent South Florida outreach events with ped bike safety support.

FDOT District 3 Spotlight – Gretchen Peoples, D3 Traffic Specialist

(see Appendix B for slides)

Gretchen provided an overview of District 3 events and outreach activities, including high school driver education safety outreach, take your child to work day events, career & hiring events, a distracted driving education module filming, & the Teen Safe Driving Coalition's National Night Out.

She gave examples of some infrastructure improvements including a Midblock Pedestrian Signal (MPS) in Carrabelle. Installed in 2024, the MPS was measured to have a 91% compliance rate. Gretchen also described a D3 lighting project and a newly-designed (FY29) SunTrail project. Additional project examples and highlights are included in the slides in Appendix B.

Implementation Plan Refresh and 2021 NHTSA Assessment Reflection – Angela Kristiansen, Kittelson *(see Appendix B for slides)*

Angela introduced the Implementation Plan refresh. She shared some of the history of the current Pedestrian and Bicycle Strategic Safety Plan and next steps.

Angela described the 2021 NHTSA technical assessment that reviewed components of the state's pedestrian and bicycle safety program. The assessment documented strengths and accomplishments, along with recommendations. The 2021 Pedestrian Bicycle Strategic Safety Plan (PBSSP) was developed

based off this feedback, alongside the 2021 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and input from the coalition team.

Each emphasis area team received a one-page summary from the NHTSA assessment to review alongside their goals and objectives from the 2021 PBSSP. Groups were tasked with reviewing the guidance provided to identify if the feedback is still relevant and documenting successes from the past five years. Teams will further review current tasks that should be carried over to the plan refresh by October 2026.

FDOT is finalizing the 2026 Strategic Highway Safety Plan. Erin shared that the 2026 SHSP is awaiting final signature and is anticipated to be released to the public in May.

Context Classification Discussion – DeWayne Carver, Kittelson

DeWayne furthered the conversation on context classification by sharing some aerial maps of the surrounding area, describing prevalent features and discussing the context classification. DeWayne compared the Sunset Walk pedestrian infrastructure with another coalition meeting location on I-drive in Orlando.

Breakout Session: Collaboration & Partnerships

Emphasis area teams met to discuss their respective implementation plans. Members were encouraged to collaborate across emphasis area teams and plan for the next quarter.

Emphasis Area status Updates – Goal Leaders

(see Appendix B for slides)

- Communication, Outreach, and Education
 - o Closing Out:
 - Alert Today Website Content Review
 - Implementation Updates (ongoing)
 - o Coming Up:
 - Alert Today Website Design Refresh
 - Education Ideas for E-Bike etiquette
 - Battle of the Helmets inter-school competitions
 - Social media, Geofenced ads
 - Menu of options to support education and outreach events across the state
 - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) tip card feedback
- Data, Analysis, and Evaluation
 - o Closing Out:
 - Cleaned up Implementation Plan, updated task completion
 - All but two tasks are 100% complete
 - o Coming Up:
 - Document Implementation Plan success stories
 - Speed management projects
 - Before/after evaluation of projects
 - Provide children's crash data preliminary findings to Communications Team
 - Revisit vision for Plan Refresh

- E-Bike Focus Group
 - o Closing Out:
 - Local Area Ordinance Updates on Matrix.
 - o Coming Up:
 - Track Progress of Statewide E-Bike Task Force Implementation.
 - Collaboration with Communications on e-bike etiquette materials for SB 382.
 - Review matrix updates for best practice language.
- Emergency Medical Services
 - o Closing Out:
 - EMS education: already exists and available for specific topics
 - o Coming Up:
 - Create a toolkit which discusses how developing an ordinance can aid in implementing severe bleeding control kits throughout Florida.
- Law Enforcement
 - o Closing Out:
 - Reviewed SB/382 and submitted recommendations for the Governor's committee
 - Reviewed Evaluations/Recommendations to check our progress
 - Reviewed objectives on current strategic plan see what needs to carry over into next year
 - o Coming Up:
 - Continue to review Implementation Plan
 - Follow up with Communication on Tip Cards
 - Check with Orange County on their e-bike ordinance to use as a model for other agencies
- Planning, Design, and Operations
 - o Closing Out:
 - Presented Best Practices for Accommodating Pedestrians at Florida Transportation Builders' Association, Inc. (FTBA) Construction Symposium and District Maintenance Engineers (DME) Monthly meeting.
 - o Coming Up:
 - Coordinate with the Florida Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) to provide refresher training on Bike/Ped accommodation in work zones (Updated guidelines, new dev specs, audible information devices)
 - How to classify desire paths to qualify for grant funding
 - Coordinate with FDOT Central Office for design standards regarding emergency access to separated bike/ped facilities, specifically in constrained conditions
 - Updates to FAC 14-97 ([State Highway System Access Control Classification System and Access](#))
 - Make SharePoint for Bike/Ped Road Safety Audit (RSA) resources. Update FDOT Design Manual (FDM 100) to provide guidance on when a bike/ped RSA should be completed.

- Framework for pilot new countermeasure and then lead to formalized guidance in Specs/FDM/Traffic Engineering Manual (TEM) - Partner with locals and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) for implementation pilots
- Policy & Programs
 - Closing Out:
 - Teen Driving Coalition model legislative language signed into law in 2025. DETS (Drive Education Traffic Safety -Classroom).
 - Coming Up:
 - Continued collaboration with Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) on the Permissive Left Turns concerns in Sarasota.
 - Looking at local agency implementation of safer land use policies as part of the SafeSystems Approach.
 - Clarify confusion surrounding "Crosswalk" statutory language 316.003.
- Vision Zero:
 - Closing Out:
 - Implementation Plan updates completed
 - Reviewed and discussed 2021 NHTSA Assessment
 - Evaluation Criteria White Paper –Draft
 - Coming Up
 - RSA Best Practices
 - Strategic Plan Refresh- Oriented towards Safe System Approach
 - Organize deliverables into an identified location
 - Further Greenbook Discussions

Public Comment Period

Melissa shared a personal anecdote as a reminder that the work the coalition does has wide-reaching impact not just in preventing crash-related injuries and deaths, but also in the lives of the families who are impacted.

Next Steps – Coalition Management Team

Angela shared announcements about upcoming mid-quarter calls and future 2026 coalition meetings.

Closing Remarks – Chris Craig, FDOT State Safety Office

Chris thanked the coalition members for their participation and noted the great progress that was made in the breakout sessions and on implementation plan task items.

Next Meeting Announcement:

The next Coalition Meeting will be held:

July 22nd, 2026, 1:00PM – 5:30PM

July 23rd, 2026, 8:00AM – 12:30PM

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