# Florida Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition Meeting Report

April 18-19, 2022

FDOT Turnpike Headquarters, Turkey Lake Plaza, Ocoee, FL



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# Attendees

# **Coalition Members:**

Last Name	First Name	Agency
Afonso	Becky	Florida Bicycle Association
Alluri	Priyanka	Florida International University
Amundson	Hailey	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Acosta-		FDOT District Five
Anderson	Libertad	
Askins	Jon	Florida LEL Program
Bacon	Julie	EMSC Advisory Council
Batchelor	Elise	DHSMV
Benson	Stephen	City of Tampa
Bhattacharya	Poorna	ASHA Planning Consultancy
Bowman	Jenna	FDOT Central Office
Brasier	Alana	City of Tampa
Bryant	Curtis	Creative Fuel, LLC
Buchwald	Peter	St. Lucie TPO
Caper	Sarah	Hillsborough County
Chesna	Deborah	FDOT District One
Connaughton	Dan	University of Florida
Crosby	Dana	FDOT Central Office
Day	Amanda	Day Communications
El-Urfali	Alan	FDOT Central Office
Frank	Jason	Sarasota Police Department
Gehrke	Tiffany	FDOT Central Office
Giroux	Rupert	FDOT State Safety Office
Gruener	Leilani	FLHSMV
Hardwicke	Laura	City of Orlando
Jeffries	Ken	FDOT District Six
Kautz	Nathan	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Kristiansen	Angela	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Lewis	Michael	FDOT District Three
Mai	Alan	Florida Department of Health
Martin	Jim	FHWA – Florida Division
Martinez	Janice	Florida LEL Program
McDaniel	Gevin	FDOT Roadway Design Office
Morrow	Megan	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Moss	Stephanie	FDOT District Five
Murchison	Sharon	Institute of Police Technology
wurchison		and Management
Nandam	L.K.	FDOT District One
Plass	Mark	FDOT District Four
Railey	Brett	Institute of Police Technology
		and Management
Ramos	Emerito	University of Florida

Raulerson	Mary	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Reiser, SGT,	James	Tampa Police Department
Ret.	James	Tampa Police Department
Rickoff	Matt	Jacksonville Jaguars
Severyn	Josette	Broward County Florida
Silva	Lisa	Hillsborough TPO
Smith	Kim	Space Coast TPO
Soria-	Irene	Miami-Dade DTPW
Cordero		(Transportation/Public Works)
Summers	David	Health Care District Palm Beach
		County
Throndsen	Amanda	Florida Department of Health

#### **Virtual Attendees:**

Last Name	First Name	Agency
Katz	Eric	FDOT Central Office
Regalado	Ginger	FDOT District Seven
Wandall	Melissa	National Coalition for Safer Roads

#### **Coalition Guests:**

Last Name	First Name	Agency
Bobo	Loreen	FDOT District Five
Cloud	Vicky	Joshua Lyonnais's family
Craig	Chris	FDOT Central Office
Flores	Paula	GPI
Hemmes	Caitlyn	GPI
Moore	Denise	City of Orlando
Норе	Nick	FDOT District Two
Karron	Annely	FDOT District Two
Marquez	Kevin	FDOT District Five
Martin	Celeste	Joshua Lyonnais's family
Pearson	Jason	FDOT District Five
Powell	Kevin	FDOT District Five
Rice	Lonnie	School Crossing Guard Trainer
Saha	Dibakar	FDOT Central Office
Scott	Brenda	City of Orlando
Yee Fong	Shereen	FDOT District Six

# Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

# Call To Order – Secretary L.K. Nandam

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Secretary Nandam. He reminded coalition members to think about how other emphasis areas can help them accomplish their goals and he asked groups to focus on the high-impact tasks that can move the needle the most. Sectary Nandam acknowledged all the important work done by Trenda McPherson, who has since left FDOT, and shared that Chris Craig will be the point person for the Coalition while FDOT looks to fill Trenda's role. Secretary Nandam also acknowledged the recent appointment of District 5 Secretary Jared Purdue to the role of FDOT Statewide Secretary following Secretary Thibault's departure. While Secretary Purdue was not able to join the Coalition meeting this time, he hopes to attend in October when the meeting will be held in Tallahassee.

# Welcome – FDOT District 5 Safety Administrator Loreen Bobo

Loreen, who serves as the District 5 Safety Administrator, welcomed Coalition members to the meeting. She acknowledged the good fortune of having Secretary Purdue as the new state Secretary since he was integral in creating the District Safety Administrator positions. Loreen thanked everyone for being part of the Coalition and recognized the progress that has been made over the past several years. She acknowledged all of the recent work targeting behavior change and encouraged the Coalition to look to other cities, counties, and states for inspiration.

# Public Meeting Announcement – Angela Kristiansen

Angela Kristiansen welcomed any visitors and announced the public comment period for the meeting.

# Meeting Dedication in Honor of Joshua Lyonnais

Stephanie Moss, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator for District Five, shared a meeting dedication in honor of Joshua Lyonnais. Stephanie shared a slideshow prepared with Joshua's mother and sister (see Appendix B). Stephanie described how following Joshua's crash, his family advocated for change in order to prevent additional crashes on the roadway on which Joshua was killed. FDOT District Five programmed a safety project on the corridor, and FDOT employees and design consultants from the corridor project team joined for the meeting dedication.

# Coalition Announcements – Hailey Amundson and Megan Morrow

Hailey Amundson welcomed new members and guests of the Coalition. Megan Morrow congratulated Jim Martin on his recent retirement, shared housekeeping and other announcements, and introduced the photo contest.

# Florida School Crossing Guard Training Program & Awards – Dana Crosby

Dana Crosby announced the winners of the 2021 Florida School Crossing Guard of the Year Award, awarded to Pat Alfonso from Seminole County, and the 2021 Florida School Crossing Guard of the Year Extra Mile Award, awarded to Heather Calloway from Fort Walton Beach. Dana announced and presented a special award to Lonnie Rice, in recognition of his commitment, dedication, and exceptional service to the Florida School Crossing Guard Training Program.

## Florida Bike Association Awards – Becky Afonso

Becky Afonso presented the 2021 Bicycle Professional of the Year Award to Tiffany Gehrke, for her work developing a data-driven tool that incorporates the three FDOT Vital Few Safety Initiatives, creates transparency and consistency in the prioritization of roadway segments, and encourages collaboration among partners. Becky awarded the 2021 Program of the Year Award to Alert Today Florida, for the program's national brand recognition and commitment to eliminating pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities. Secretary Nandam and Chris Craig accepted the award on behalf of the program.

## Vision Zero Overview & Tampa's Vision Zero Action Plan – Alana Brasier

#### See Appendix B for Presentation Slides

Alana Brasier shared a presentation on Vision Zero Tampa and the City's Vision Zero Action Plan. Alana defined Vision Zero and explained how Tampa's citywide Vision Zero policy was a result of the "Transforming Tampa's Tomorrow" Plan, released by the Mayor's office in 2019. This plan included recommendations that focused on transit and trails, the adoption of Vision Zero, and a new way of approaching urban mobility and neighborhood engagement. Separately, the Hillsborough TPO initiated a Vision Zero action plan in 2016. Alana described how the Vision Zero approach differs from the traditional approach and provided both international and national examples demonstrating the success of Vision Zero campaigns. Alana outlined Tampa's 12 Steps to Recovery on the Road to Zero and explained the data-driven approach to identifying who is most vulnerable, where crashes are occurring, and why they often occur. The top three factors for crashes in Tampa have been speeding and aggressive driving, intoxication, and distracted driving. Alana then outlined the Vision Zero Action Plan, including the creation of a task force, the embracing of the Safe System approach, and several key objectives.

Mark Plass noted that there is sometimes a disconnect between the pedestrians and bicyclists that live and move about an area and the drivers that drive through an area and recommended educating both groups. Ginger Regalado shared how District 7 has used geofencing to target education campaigns focused on PHBs, RRFBs, and other projects. Laura Hardwicke shared how she has worked with the District Safety Administrator to share the high-injury network with other district staff and city staff so that others working on projects in these corridors can make the connection. Lisa Silva noted that TPOs and MPOs are good resources when coordinating efforts on county roads. Angela asked what hurdles Tampa has overcome in the process of bringing Vision Zero to the city. Alana said that political support from the Mayor's office was important, as well as funding and technical support. Kim Smith noted that politics can often stand in the way of implementing Vision Zero policies and Jim Martin emphasized the importance of designing facilities not just for cars.

#### Implementation Plan Process & Status – Megan Morrow

Megan shared the updated implementation progress icon and reviewed the schedule for the year ahead. She shared the goals and schedule for the Implementation Plan breakout session and urged emphasis area teams to think through their partnership needs and to work together with the other groups to determine next steps for the quarter.

#### Legislation & Policy Support – Stephen Benson

Stephen shared the new flow chart for the Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, & Policy team and requested that the other emphasis areas think through their top 1-3 legislative ideas to focus on this year.

#### Breakout Sessions: Collaboration and Partnerships

Each emphasis area spent 30 minutes regrouping, reviewing the Implementation Plan, and identifying priorities for collaboration. The groups then rotated among three other emphasis areas for blocks of 25 minutes each. During these blocks, the paired emphasis areas discussed collaboration requests and identified specific areas for partnership. The following groups met together:

Vision Zero: Data, Analysis, and Evaluation; Communication, Outreach, and Education

Planning, Design, and Operations: Law Enforcement; Data, Analysis, and Evaluation

**Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, & Policy**: Data, Analysis, and Evaluation; Communication, Outreach, and Education; Law Enforcement

**Data, Analysis, and Evaluation**: Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, & Policy; Vision Zero; Planning, Design, and Operations

**Communication, Outreach, and Education**: Law Enforcement, Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, & Policy; Vision Zero

**Law Enforcement**: Communication, Outreach, and Education; Planning, Design, and Operations; Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, & Policy

Emergency Medical Services: Did not rotate; focused on updating Implementation Plan

#### Public Comment Period

No public comments were received on Day 1.

#### Day 1 Wrap Up – Nathan Kautz

Nathan reminded attendees of the schedule for the next day and the location and timing of the optional dinner.

# Tuesday, April 19, 2022

#### Coffee Talk – Meet and Greet with Coalition Members

Meeting attendees were invited to join for 30 minutes of networking before the meeting was called to order.

## Call to Order and Welcome – Chris Craig, FDOT Traffic Safety Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 AM by Chris Craig. Chris introduced himself to the attendees and encouraged members to volunteer for tasks as they met with their emphasis area groups. Evoking his predecessor, Trenda McPherson, he told members that if they did not volunteer, he would "voluntell" them to take on tasks in the Implementation Plan.

#### Travel Announcements- Sharon Murchison

Sharon asked that coalition members requiring travel reimbursement submit their forms in the manilla folders before the end of the meeting. She asked attendees to check their hotel receipts and share them with her if they were incorrectly charged for parking so she may seek reimbursement.

#### Breakout: Emphasis Area Implementation Tracking and Next Steps – Angela Kristiansen

Angela asked attendees what they learned during the networking session. She then explained that during the breakout sessions, emphasis areas should identify task priorities, task leaders, due dates, and how they plan to measure success. Angela requested that members provide feedback on the Microsoft List and Microsoft Teams systems. She explained the benefits of these tools, including the fact that updates can be made to the Implementation Plan simultaneously by multiple members. She encouraged teams to work directly within the Lists so there is not a need to update plans following the conclusion of the meeting.

During this breakout session, the emphasis areas met together to discuss the progress of their plan and to adjust task priorities, leaders, and timelines.

#### Emphasis Area Status Updates – Goal Leaders

A goal leader from each emphasis area shared a short update on the progress of their group's Implementation Plan.

**Planning, Design, and Operations** (Jenna Bowman): Jenna shared that the team has completed the incorporation of target speed into the FDOT Design Manual (FDM) and is implementing target speed on projects throughout the state. She shared that the access management rule in FAC 14-97 and Transportation Site Impact Analysis handbook have been opened for updates related to multimodal safety. The team identified a key priority of developing short trainings (social media) for public users and law enforcement on countermeasures deployed across the state such as PHBs and midblock pedestrian signals. The team identified the need to develop a way to make crash report narratives searchable to better determine the cause of crashes, and to increase access to speed data and non-motorized counts.

**Vision Zero** (Josette Severyn): Josette began by emphasizing that the transportation system was originally created to get people from "point A" to "point B." and that the system fails when people do not get to "point B" due to fatal or serious injury crashes. She shared that the Vision Zero team discussed focusing on high priority strategies, reassessing the leads, identifying fellow emphasis areas to partner with, writing out bulleted asks, and coordinating with other emphasis areas. The group would

like to advance trainings as a priority, specifically related to updates to the manuals that incorporate vision zero friendly standards.

**Data, Analysis, and Evaluation** (Rupert Giroux): Rupert shared that his team has a lot of tasks they are currently working on prioritizing and assigning task leaders. His team is also identifying the performance measures needed for each task. The Data, Analysis, and Evaluation team is developing a data library for pedestrian and bike data. The data library will have an internal facing site for DOT and partner staff as well as an external facing site for the public.

**Emergency Medical Services** (Julie Bacon): Julie stated that the EMS team discussed reducing intersection conflicts with emergency vehicle preemption technology and analyzing the impact of response times for crashes involving pedestrians and bicycles. This team also focused on how speed and type of vehicle affects pedestrians and bicyclists, including this into EMS training, identifying how this affects trauma centers, and developing an information campaign. The EMS team is relying on the Data, Analysis, and Evaluation team's information to identify problems.

**Communication, Outreach, and Education** (Amanda Day): Amanda shared that aggregating all of the databases and contact lists is an important task for the Communication, Outreach, and Education team. The first step in this process will be identifying relevant contacts. If fatalities are happening along a specific corridor, this team is identifying the applicable tip cards to be sent out. Similarly, there is a need for education/tip cards on scramble intersections (exclusive pedestrian phases) and on blank out signs.

Law Enforcement (Janice Martinez): Janice shared that the Law Enforcement team will streamline communication with law enforcement agencies by contacting the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) regarding their list of enforcement agencies and establishing a contact list. This team will then contrast the FDLE list of agencies with the state matrix to focus on active agencies and identify jurisdictional boundaries. The law enforcement team plans to identify the top 25 counties, the top problem jurisdictional areas, and catalogue them in a list. Through this top 25 county and jurisdiction list, the team will collect improvements that need to be made from these agencies.

**Driver Education & Licensing and Legislation, Regulation, and Policy** (Leilani Gruener): Leilani stated that this team will be compiling white papers to dispel misinformation. Leilani also stated that following the end of the legislative session, she is requesting that coalition members review the most recent <u>Driver License Handbook</u> and provide feedback by Friday, May 18.

# Discussion: EA Legislation and Policy Support – Stephen Benson and Becky Afonso

Stephen Benson kicked off this section of the meeting by listing the five policy areas that the Legislation and Policy team have been following closely, which are:

- 1. Automated enforcement
- 2. Move over law
- 3. Hands free devices
- 4. Vulnerable users
- 5. Definitions for crosswalk and clarify language

Becky expanded on these five policy areas. She noted resistance to *automated enforcement* due to worries of "big brother," despite the fact that it could help enforce the law.

A proposal to include cyclists in the *Move Over Law* was not instituted into law. This proposed language would require approaching motorists to move over a full lane or slow down when passing.

Becky met with enforcement and learned they are equipped to enforce the use of *hands free devices* while driving. For context, Section 316.305, Florida Statutes, went into effect on July 1, 2019. Motorists can be stopped and cited for texting and driving. The second part of the law, section 316.306, Florida Statutes, adds that a motorist can be pulled over and issued a warning for using wireless communications devices in a handheld manner in school and work zones. As of January 1, 2020, motorists can be issued a citation for not using a device in a hands-free manner in school and work zones (https://www.flhsmv.gov/safety-center/driving-safety/distracted-driving/).

Becky updated the coalition on an effort to increase the penalty for hitting a *vulnerable road user* from a civil to a criminal offense, which did not pass.

Becky shared background that in 2014 and 2015, Billy Hattaway and DeWayne Carver wanted to clear up the *definition of a crosswalk* and include updated language for the changes.

The following contributions were provided in the question and comment time after Becky presented.

- Dana Crosby emphasized the importance of educating the public on these issues so they can understand the benefits.
- Josette Severyn shared there is ongoing research and development related to equity and automated enforcement. It is important to understand the ripple effect of automated enforcement on communities of concern.
- An attendee asked if tip cards could be distributed with licensing information. Leilani explained that tip card distribution was not in the bid for the manual, but one can work with the tax collector's office to have educational materials available or disseminated with other mailings.
- Janice Martinez stated that there is discussion about redesigning the crash reporting process. She asked if engineers can work with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) to update?
  - Chris Craig shared that there was hesitancy in the past.
  - Janice responded that DHSMV should work with the coalition and agency wish lists to include which items to incorporate.
  - Kim Smith added that there needs to be education for law enforcement about how this information is used. Some officers assume only insurance companies need crash information. Explain why additional information is important in the crash reports.
- An attendee inquired about driver education in schools, and if Slosberg funds could be used toward funding driver education programs. Distribution of Slosberg funds is up to County discretion.
- Josette Severyn asked about funding for bicyclist and pedestrian safety via surtax. If there is a possibility to include bike and ped improvements for transit infrastructure, this could be achieved via half mile walkshed from transit stops to qualify as transit improvements.
- Jim Martin stated we should think more critically about speed management and automated enforcement. Technology can capture photos, read license plates, and measure speed.
- Lisa Silva stated that Hillsborough County is considering a surtax for bike and ped safety projects.

# **District Hot Topics**

Each FDOT District Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Champion (or another representative) was invited to answer the following questions:

- 1) What is the biggest ped/bike safety challenge your district is currently facing?
- 2) What is the best thing that has happened with ped/bike safety since our last Coalition meeting?
- 3) What is your district doing to advance Target Zero?

#### • District 1 – Deborah Chesna

Deborah shared that competing priorities and data use restrictions can sometimes hinder the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian improvements in her district. She shared that the District One Active Transportation Master Plan is complete along with the GIS Advanced Safety Tool, which uses a data-driven approach to inform investments and prioritize corridors on the state roadway based on five goals: demand, safety, connectivity, equity, and comfort. The District also conducted four road safety audits and included safety education in community events. Deborah shared she has disseminated Target Zero campaign posters and TV messages throughout the department buildings. Lastly, six Target Zero workshops focusing on safety countermeasures have been conducted within the department.

#### • District 2 – Nick Hope

Nick shared the results of an analysis which identified "correctable crashes" at intersections in Jacksonville and evaluated the effects of Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPIs) and increased All Red timing. At the intersections at which the All Red time was increased for LPIs, there was a reduction in red light running.

#### • District 3 – Michael Lewis

Michael shared that District 1 is interviewing candidates to fill vacant positions right now, including the Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordination. Their biggest safety challenges are on rural roadways. They have been working with Florida Power on lighting projects.

#### • District 4 – Mark Plass

Mark shared that the District is analyzing data from transit operators to develop strategies to ensure busses do not leave riders that may be waiting to cross the road to reach the bus stop. Mark shared that there is a new traffic safety team manager with extensive experience in law enforcement. His District has received many requests for pedestrian crossings on roadways with high speeds. Lastly, Mark shared that the Safety division has recently moved out of Traffic Operations.

#### • District 5 – Loreen Bobo (in place of Stephanie Moss)

Loreen shared the Bike Lane Contest winners from Mobility Week, which was held in October. In this contest, students from select elementary schools were asked to design a new bike lane symbol. The District selected winners and installed the bike symbols in select locations. The District's biggest challenge has been an increase in bicycle and pedestrian fatalities since last year. Loreen shared that target speed is currently being implemented into projects at all stages, including those still being scoped and existing projects for which there is time to make changes. For those projects too far along, the District is implementing countermeasures where posted speed will not be changed. They are tracking those locations so they may evaluate the impacts. Lastly, the District is asking each unit to identify a target zero delegate so that they can "make safety second nature" in all the work they do.

• District 6 – Shereen Yee Fong (in place of Ken Jeffries)

Shareen shared a <u>video</u> highlighting the functionality of the PedApp, which allows low-visibility pedestrians (or pedestrians who don't wish to push buttons) to push pedestrian buttons through their phone. She highlighted the implementation of a scramble crosswalk (all pedestrian phase) in the Brickell neighborhood of Miami. She shared that public education was needed to help pedestrians learn how to cross at these intersections and drivers to understand when they are allowed to turn right on red. She also highlighted the use of thermal detection of pedestrians at an intersection on US 1. Lastly, Shareen shared that District 6 is seeking to fill the position of District Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator.

• District 7 – No representative in attendance

# Upcoming Safety Events – Nathan Kautz

- Becky Afonso stated that May is National Bike Month.
  - The third week of May is the ride of silence, which will be conducted at several locations around the state. For more information, please contact Becky Afonso or see <u>http://www.rideofsilence.org/locations-domestic.php?s=FL#FL</u>.
  - There will also be a virtual Ride Like MADD event. For more information, contact Becky Afonso, Larry Coggins, or

https://www.walklikemadd.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=1283.

- Laura Hardwicke stated that on May 4th, the City of Orlando is partnering with the Audubon Park Elementary School to create a children's bike to school event featuring a pop up, quick-build multiuse path.
- The City of Orlando is hosting Walk Like MADD Central Florida in Altamonte Springs during the first week of May on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Alert Today will be one of the vendors at the event. For more information, see <u>https://www.visitorlando.com/event/walk-like-madd-central-florida/19200/ or</u> <u>https://www.walklikemadd.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=1346</u>.
- Denise Moore with the City of Orlando shared that there will be a motorcycle-themed event at one of the public pools on Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>. The event is about water safety and bike safety is also featured.
- Stephanie Moss stated the following:
  - Trail summit in DeBary will have helmet fittings and bike light distribution.
  - Take Your Child to Work Day is coming up in FDOT District 5.
- Dan Connaughton could use more people to train the bike safety trainers for the University of Florida's Pedestrian and Bicycling Safety Resource Center (UF PB SRC). These trainings will also be in Leon County soon. For more information, please see

https://www.pedbikesrc.ce.ufl.edu/pedbike/Resources.asp.

• The 2022 Walk Like MADD & MADD Dash Fort Lauderdale 5K event will be held on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> for the first time after a two year pause due to the pandemic. For more details, go to <a href="https://www.walklikemadd.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=1261">https://www.walklikemadd.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=1261</a>.

There is a Southeast Police Motorcycle Rodeo for Concern of Police Survivors (COPS). This COPS event will be held on Saturday, April 30th, 2022, at the Pompano Beach Citi Centre, from 8 am – 4 pm. Jason Frank stated that this will serve as a training.

# Safety Hook, Next Steps – Kittelson (Mary Raulerson) and IPTM

Mary Raulerson presented the Safety Hook, which involved sharing one idea generated from the coalition to take back to your day job. Each participant was asked to write their name on one side of a provided index card and share one idea to take back to their day job on the other side. This could be something inspired by the meeting.

Jim Martin was given three Alert Today pens symbolizing batons to be passed onto the next person at FHWA since he will be retiring. David Hawk and Kevin Burgess are also great points of contact at FHWA.

# Public Comment Period

Denise Moore from the City of Orlando thanked Amanda Throndsen for inviting her. Denise stated that it was a pleasure to sit in the Data, Analysis, and Evaluation team meeting to discuss what they are doing to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety. Denise thanked everyone for their work, appreciated learning about speed zoning for schools, and will take the information she learned back to her daily work.

#### Announcements

Becky Afonso announced that May is National Bicycling Month. Becky was pleased to let the coalition know that the League of American Bicyclists updated their state rankings. Florida moved up to number eight in the ranking of most bicycle-friendly states! Oregon lost their number one status to Massachusetts. She also shared the FBA newsletter, which includes resources sorted by the FDOT district and an explanation of the safety baton.

Libertad Acosta-Anderson explained that she has a partnership between Bike Walk Central Florida with Curtis Bryant. Curtis advertised a contest to create a song aimed for young adults and children for bicycle safety. There were eight total submissions from five different schools. Partnerships make this happen. It will be the official public service announcement for walking to school safely.

# **Closing Remarks**

Chris Craig encouraged coalition members to keep working to move the Implementation Plan forward. Each member can see other's progress in Teams so he encouraged keeping up the good work.

# Next Meeting Announcement:

The next quarterly Coalition Meeting will be held:

July 12, 2022, 1:00 – 5:00PM July 13, 2022, 8:00AM – 12:00PM

FDOT District Two Office, Madison Room 1109 South Marion Avenue Lake City, Florida 32025