

St. Johns / Putnam Traffic Safety Team

Meeting #8 • August 11, 2026 • 1:30 pm

Call In 1-850-739-5589 – Conference ID 674 116 67#



AGENDA

- Meeting Call to Order / Attendees' Introductions
 - **OFFICERS: Andrea Atran, Community Traffic Safety Team Program Manager**
- CTST Engineering Roadway Concerns
- Public Information and Construction Updates
- CTST Program Resources and Crash Data Reports
- Upcoming Events and Traffic Safety Campaigns

- **August**

- Back to School Safety Month
- Child Safety Awareness Month
- 2 - 8 – National Stop on Red Week
- 19 – 9/7 – Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Mobilization

- **September**

- National Preparedness Month (Disasters/Emergencies)
- 1 – 7 – Florida Drowsy Driving Prevention Week
- 20 - 26 – Child Passenger Safety Week
- 21 – 27 – See Tracks? Think Train Week
- 26 – National Seat Check Saturday

- **October**

- Pedestrian Safety Month
- 7 – National Walk and Roll to School Day
- 15 – White Cane Safety Day
- 18 - 24 – National Teen Driver Safety Week
- 19 – 23 – National School Bus Safety Week
- 31 – Halloween – Enforcement Impaired Driving Campaign

- Agency Reports and Open Forum
- Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings:

- **September 8**
- **October 13**

First Day of School
St. Johns – 08/11/2026
Putnam – 08/10/2026

**Submit a Traffic
Safety Concern:**



<https://trafficsafetyteam.org/roadway-concerns/>



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Meeting #7 • July 14, 2026 • 1:30 pm

Previous Meeting Summary



- Meeting Call to Order
- Attendees

• Andrea Atran	• Brian Frasca	• Christine Aronow
• Duane Kent	• George Frady	• Holly Walker
• Jacob Pickering	• Jacob Quigley	• Jason Sparks
• Jim Hannigan	• Joanne Conrad	• Karen Favorite
• Mark Sekelsky	• Michael Cumpton	• Michael Thrush
• Mike Likley	• Paul “Chip” Carey	• Richard Warner
• Vera Smith	•	•

- Engineering Roadway Concerns

Issue	New	Open	Closed
3008: SB I-95 onramp at CR 210: Asphalt is deteriorating.			X
3009: US 1 & Malaga St: Pavement markings in front of Fire Department.		X	
3014: S. Ponce De Leon & SR 207: Requesting traffic signal timing review.		X	
3023: US 1 & US 312: Requesting pavement markings for turn lanes. Also, a sign to show which lane is which.			X
3025: US 1 & Ponce Island Dr: Concerns regarding a proposed project that is still under review.			X
3027: Near 1160 Ponte Vedra Blvd: Street parking is causing site distance issues for residents.			X
3034: May St & A1A/US1: Requesting Safety Study.	X		
3035: A1A towards Serenata Dr: Bicycle lanes need sweeping.	X		
3036: Florida School for the Deaf & Blind: Requesting information for Stop Signs and Pavement Markings.	X		

- Public Information and Construction Updates
 - See [NFLRoads.com](https://www.nflroads.com)
- CTST Coordinator's Report
 - Teen Driving Data Fact Sheets
 - Safe Streets for All and Grant Recipients
- Meeting Adjourned



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FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3036	CTST TEAM	St. Johns
Notified Date	Thursday, July 30, 2026	District 2 County	St Johns
Your Name	Shawn O'Brien	Road Name	School Grounds
Agency / Organization	Florida School for the Deaf and Blind		
E-Category	Engineering		
Primary Concern Type	Signing / Pavement Markings		
Statuses (check all that apply)	New		

Issue Description

During the Limelight theatrical production held on the FSDB campus last weekend, Officer Holman brought a safety concern to my attention. He observed numerous drivers whose attention appeared diverted from the roadway and, more specifically, from our stop signs. He expressed concern that this creates a significant safety risk and suggested the installation of stop signs equipped with solar-powered flashing lights to enhance visibility and driver awareness.

Given that a student was the victim of a hit-and-run last school year after a driver failed to stop at a stop sign, I believe this would be a worthwhile safety initiative to consider. Enhanced stop sign visibility could help reduce the likelihood of a similar incident occurring in the future.

Would this be something we could potentially consider budgeting for in the next fiscal year, either through our departmental budget or in coordination with Facilities? I would greatly appreciate your professional insight on the feasibility of pursuing this improvement.

D2 Admin Notes

07/30/2026 - This concern is informational. Requesting recommendations from the Team.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3035	CTST TEAM	St. Johns
Notified Date	Tuesday, July 14, 2026	District 2 County	St Johns
Your Name	Joanne Conrad	Road Name	A1A
Agency / Organization	National Community	Intersecting Roadway	Towards Serenata Drive
E-Category	Engineering		
Primary Concern Type	Bike / Pedestrian Issues		
Statuses (check all that apply)	New		

Issue Description

Bicycle lanes need cleaning.

D2 Admin Notes

07/22/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Pattie Yakaboski with St. Augustine Maintenance.

07/27/2026 - Response from Pattie Yakaboski - I'm forwarding to Matt Evitt, Mike Pontani and Casey Pacetti. This would be the Field, who would handle this issue.

08/06/2026 - Requested an update from Matt, Mike, and Casey.

08/06/2026 - Response from Matt Evitt - We began sweeping bike lanes on 08/03/2026, headed north starting at Mussallem Park. We will be back working bike lanes with a flagging operation next week as well.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3034	CTST TEAM	St. Johns
Notified Date	Tuesday, July 14, 2026	District 2 County	St Johns
Your Name	Michael Cumpton	Road Name	A1A
Agency / Organization	NBCA	Intersecting Roadway	San Marcos
E-Category	Engineering	Location Description	The "Peanut" intersection of May Street and San Marco
Primary Concern Type	Other		
Statuses (check all that apply)	New		

Issue Description

Cars heading southbound on San Marco Ave attempting to turn left to head east on May Street (A1A) often block the lane for people attempting to turn left from May Street to head south on San Marco.

D2 Admin Notes

- 07/22/2026 - Requested more information from Mr. Cumpton regarding this issue.
- 07/25/2026 - Mr. Cumpton confirmed the description is correct and he would send pictures.
- 08/06/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Jeff Scott with FDOT Studies.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3014	CTST TEAM	St. Johns
Notified Date	Thursday, May 21, 2026	District 2 County	St Johns
Your Name	John Rohan	Road Name	S. Ponce
Agency / Organization	Resident	Intersecting Roadway	SR 207
E-Category	Engineering	Location Description	The traffic signal at S. Ponce /US 1 and SR 207
Primary Concern Type	Traffic Signal Issues		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Ongoing		

Issue Description

The traffic signal needs to be timed. Only two to three cars are allowed to exit Dianes Market, It takes 10 minutes to get through. Traffic gets backed up in all directions in the parking lot. Making it unsafe, especially if Police or Fire were trying to get in.

D2 Admin Notes

- 05/29/2026 - This concern has been forwarded to Glenn English with FDOT.
- 06/09/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for a response from Glenn English.
- 06/24/2026 - Requested an update from Glenn English.
- 07/07/2026 - Sent an email to Glenn English for an update.
- 07/10/2026 - Response from Glenn - This issue has been assigned to my consultant for review. Once my consultant has completed their review and determined what, if any, timing adjustments are to be implemented, I will let you know.
- 07/14/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Leave open for the consultants report.
- 08/06/2026 - Requested an update from Glenn English.

FDOT District Two Engineering Concerns

Access ID	3009	CTST TEAM	St. Johns
Notified Date	Tuesday, April 14, 2026	District 2 County	St Johns
Your Name	Todd Clark	Road Name	US 1
Agency / Organization	St. Augustine Mobility	Intersecting Roadway	Malaga Street
E-Category	Engineering		
Primary Concern Type	Maintenance / Construction Issues		
Statuses (check all that apply)	Review Complete		

Issue Description

The concern is simply that the Emergency Vehicles can potentially become unable to exit promptly currently because cars are constantly blocking the intersection. Folks think that the Emergency Signal should be “connected” to our temporary signal at Malaga & turn red as our temporary signal turns red so that drivers do not block the intersection at all and know to stay behind the stop bar. I reiterated that the Fire Station has access to triggering this emergency stoplight and they usually trigger it as soon as the alert comes prior to gearing up and leaving so that it activates upon dismissal; and that perhaps a solution involves the Fire Station adjust their timing so that the Emergency Signal activates quicker than usual during this period.

D2 Admin Notes

04/14/2026 - Jacob Pickering reached out to Matt Kuhn with the Construction Project.

04/14/2026 - Response from Mr. Kuhn - I just spoke with Carlos Aviles (SAFD Fire Chief) and Don Fullerton (ETM traffic specialist) regarding these concerns. We are reviewing the option of placing pavement markings on US 1 at the Fire Station Emergency Exit Signal, which would state Do Not Block for the intersection and install post-mounted signs as well. Both would help with the concern and would be continually evaluated to ensure they are working. Please note, there is currently no communication between the two signals (Fire and Malaga) and there may be complications with using that approach. Hope this helps!

04/14/2026 - Email from Jacob to Matt Kuhn - Thank you, Matt, for the update and

for coordinating with Carlos and Don. I agree with the team's assessment; upgrading the pavement markings and installing new post-mounted signage will provide additional clarity for motorists and help to keep the intersection clear.

Looking forward to the results. Should the intersection continue to be blocked by motorists following the additional warnings, the next step would involve coordinating with law enforcement for stricter monitoring.

05/12/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for the report.

06/04/2026 - Requested an update from Jacob Pickering.

06/04/2026 - Response from Matthew Kuhn - Project Manager - COSA is working to purchase the pavement markings/signage to help provide additional clarity for the motorists and to help keep the intersection clear. From my understanding, they are also exploring other options (delineators) as well.

06/09/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for the review to see what options will be done.

07/07/2026 - Requested an update from Jacob Pickering and Matthew Kuhn.

07/07/2026 - Matthew Kuhn sent an email to Marcus Pinson and Todd Clark for an update.

07/14/2026 - Comments from the meeting - Wait for the response from the City of St. Augustine to see what their options will be.

08/06/2026 - Requested an update from Matthew Kuhn and Jacob Pickering.

Resolution

08/06/2026 - Response from Ray Farcas - I talked to Todd Clark earlier today. The City does not think the signs will be effective and does not want to install pavement markings on US1 at this time.

King St is scheduled to open in early November, and the temporary signal near the fire station will be subsequently decommissioned.

The City advised that the Fire Department has not had an issue to date.

We will continue to monitor the area.

District Two Public Information

<https://nflroads.com>



St. Johns Roadway Construction Updates

Avenida Menendez (State Road A1A) from Cathedral Place to Charlotte Street - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 9:30 p.m. to 7 a.m. for pedestrian safety improvements.

County Road 16A west of Timberwolf Trail - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., nighttime lane closure 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for roadwork.

I-95 from Redhook Bay Drive to one mile east of Redhook Bay Drive - Daytime southbound shoulder closures Saturday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for roadside work.

King Street from North Ponce de Leon Boulevard (U.S. 1) to Malaga Street - Road closed to traffic through late 2026 for bridge rehabilitation. Follow detour.

St. Johns Parkway (County Road 2209) from Waterford Drive to Silverleaf Village Drive - Daytime and nighttime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning for road work.

State Road 16A just west of Timberwolf Trail - Daytime lane closures weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and nighttime lane closures weeknights from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for road work.

State Road A1A from Cathedral Place to Cuna Street - Nighttime northbound lane closures Tuesday from 8:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. for road work.

U.S. 1 at I-95 (Bridge #780034) - Daytime northbound lane closures Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for routine overpass maintenance.

Putnam Roadway Construction Updates

State Road 15 from Memorial Bridge to State Road 19 - Nighttime lane closures Sunday through Thursday from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. for road work.

State Road 20 at Fowlers Prairie (Bridge #760067) - Daytime westbound lane closure Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for routine bridge maintenance.



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Occupant Protection

[Building a Culture of Buckling Up - Traffic Safety Team](#)

Occupant Protection Safety Reminders

"Always Buckle Up... For Your Family, For Yourself, for LIFE."

No Regrets When You BUCKLE UP

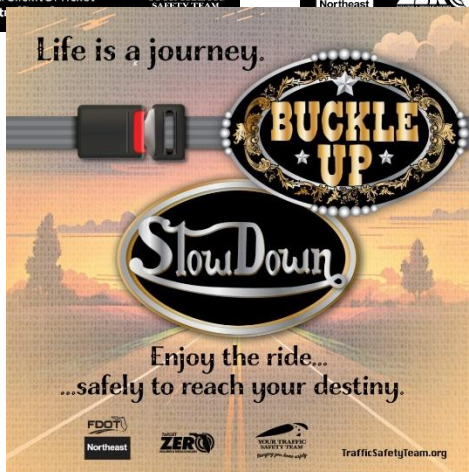
As part of our "No Regrets When You Drive With Care" traffic safety campaign, these seat belt safety tip cards are easy handouts as quick reminders to always wear your seat belt.

- **Wear your seat belt for every ride.**
- Buckling up is the single most effective thing you can do to protect yourself in a crash.
- Secure children in the proper child safety seat.
- Safety belt use isn't just a good idea, IT'S THE LAW.

A variety of tip cards have been distributed through all of our 18 counties in Northeast Florida District Two. They include our buckled up heart, family buckled up, "Buckle Up Religiously: and a rural "Be Tough Enough to Buckle Up!"

One Click Does The Trick

Safety belts save lives! Wear your safety belt across your shoulder and your waist. By law, front seat drivers and passengers AND backseat passengers under age 18 MUST wear a safety belt in Florida!



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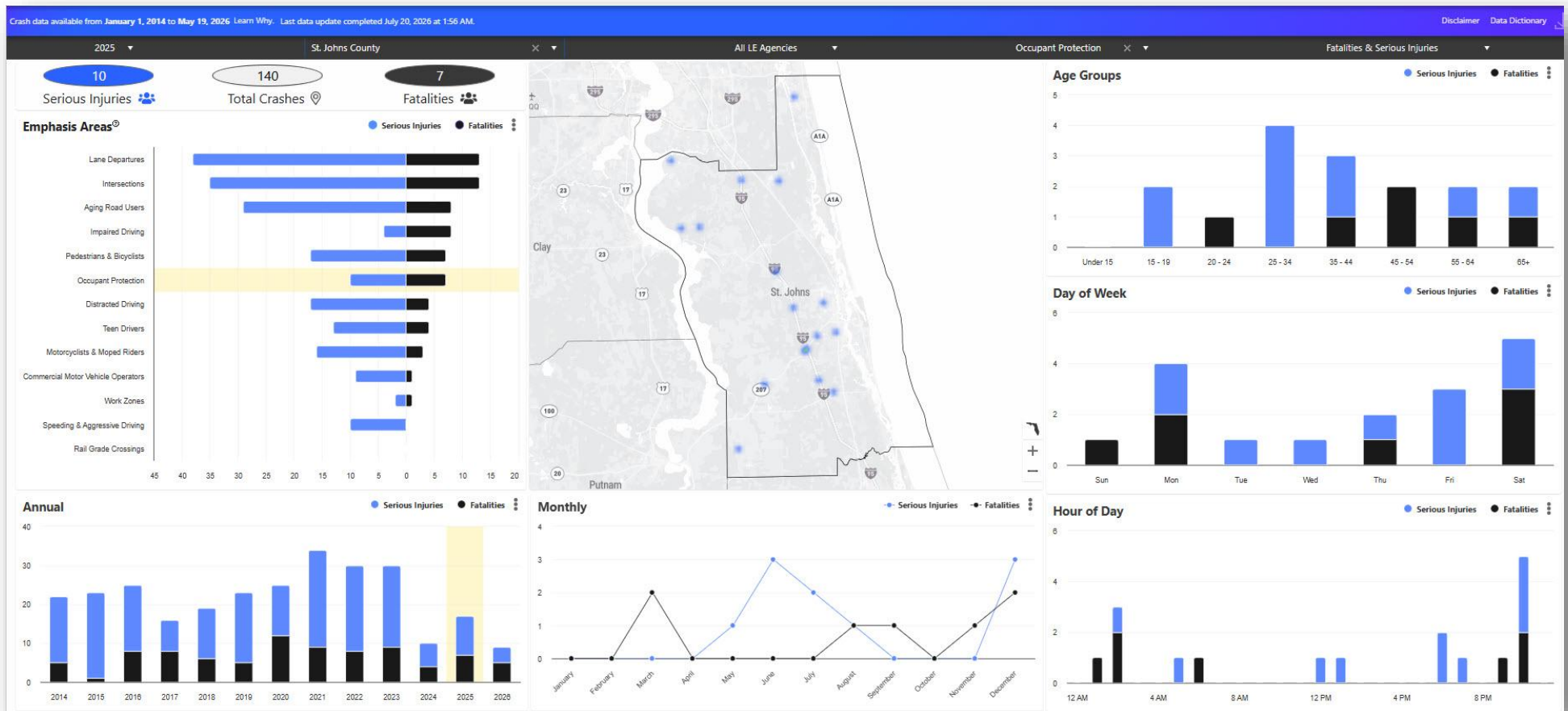
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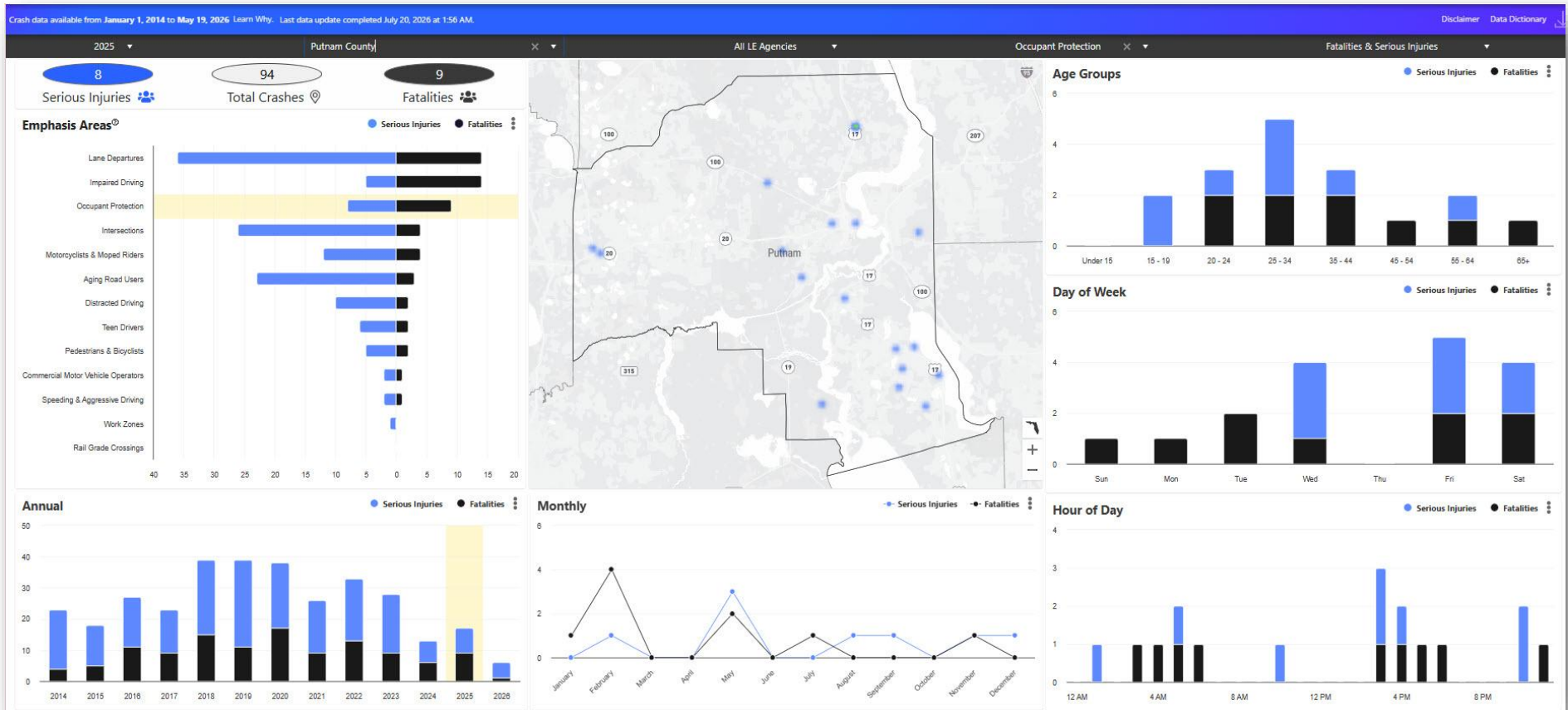
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St. Johns Crash Data – Occupant Protection



Putnam Crash Data – Occupant Protection



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Planning Today for Safer Roads Tomorrow

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SS4A funding supports communities at different stages of safety readiness through four primary grant phases:



- **Action Plan** – Development of a comprehensive Safety Action Plan that identifies high-injury networks, analyzes crash trends, and prioritizes safety strategies.



- **Planning & Demonstration** – Detailed analysis and quick-build or pilot projects to test safety countermeasures before permanent installation.



- **Implementation** – Design and construction of proven safety improvements identified in an adopted Action Plan.



- **Supplemental** – Development or updates of Action Plans to advance readiness for future implementation.

SS4A Awardees of FDOT District Two

Action Plan Grants:

- City of Palatka

Planning & Demonstration Grants:

- St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Learn More: <https://trafficsafetyteam.org/safe-streets-for-all/>



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CITY OF PALATKA SAFETY ACTION PLAN

Summer 2026

The City of Palatka is committed to making its streets safe for all people, whether you walk, bike, or drive, with the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2033. As a proud recipient of a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, the City is developing a “**Safety Action Plan**” to guide future policies, projects, and strategies to reach this goal.

ENGAGE WITH US!

The City of Palatka invites you to the
Safety Action Plan Public Workshop
to discuss the safety analysis, draft policies,
and project selection.

Date: June 3, 2026

Time: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Robert H. Jenkins Jr. Community Center
1990 Napoleon Street, Palatka, FL 32177

WHY SAFETY NOW?

The true cost of a crash goes far beyond the moment of impact. According to the Florida Department of Transportation’s State Safety Office Bulletin (February 23, 2022), **a single fatal crash costs society \$10,890,000**, accounting for lost lives, medical care, emergency response, and long-term economic loss.

Road safety is not just a transportation issue, it is also a community health and economic concern. That is why the City of Palatka is committed to reaching zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2033, and why **your PARTICIPATION in this plan MATTERS!**

Our Streets Are For Everyone!



Safe Streets and Roads For All

CITY OF PALATKA SAFETY ACTION PLAN

WHAT IS THE WORKSHOP ABOUT?

From 2020 to 2024, there were 111 fatal or serious injury crashes on Palatka’s streets. The City has analyzed the data, identified the High Injury Network (HIN), and is developing a “Safety Action Plan” to reduce crashes. Now we need your voice to shape what comes next.

Join us at the workshop to:

- **Explore the Safety Analysis** - See where and how many crashes are happening across Palatka, including the streets that make up our HIN
- **Review Draft Policies & Strategies** - Learn about proposed solutions designed to reduce crashes and protect our most vulnerable road users
- **Shape the Project List** - Tell us which safety improvements matter most to you and help prioritize where investments should go

HOW YOUR INPUT WILL SHAPE THE PLAN?

Attend & Engage

Prioritize Projects

Feedback is weighed
alongside Crash Data

Draft Plan & Second
Workshop

PROJECT TIMELINE

Winter 2025

- Project Kickoff
- Safety Analysis
- Community Awareness

Spring 2026

- Draft Policies
- Strategy & Project Selection

Summer 2026

- Public Workshop 1 (June 3, 2026)
- Draft Safety Action Plan
- Public Workshop 2

Fall 2026

- Final Safety Action Plan Adoption

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?

You can attend the Spring 2026 Public Workshop on **June 3, 2026**, at the **Robert H. Jenkins Jr. Community Center** from **4:00 PM to 6:00 PM**, visit the project website, or scan the QR code to share feedback online. Your participation ensures the plan reflects real experiences, real concerns, and real needs from across the community and helps achieve the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2033. **JOIN US ON JUNE 3!**

Follow us to learn more about the
Safety Action Plan and give your input



<https://palatka-fl.gov/609/City-of-Palatka-Safety-Action-Plan>

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