



Sarasota County wants your help in shaping the future of walking and biking

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SARASOTA COUNTY — Sarasota County's public works department wants your help in shaping the future of bicycle and pedestrian travel.

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The bicycle and pedestrian master plan focuses on road connections and mobility options. It's updated regularly to reflect transportation trends in the community.

The updated master plan is expected to be completed this fall. The first workshop, held in December 2019, focused on plan development and information gathering.

The second workshop planned for Aug. 4 will present consultant Tindale Oliver's initial draft findings.

Adopted in October 2013, the plan provides the framework to promote efficient and safe bicycle and pedestrian travel throughout the county.

The plan, scheduled to be updated every five years, focuses on several guiding components including an inventory of existing facilities, a crash analysis and a facility-needs assessment.

In addition to the master plan updates, Tindale Oilver will also develop a Complete Streets Implementation Plan and Vision Zero Policy. These new chapters of the master plan will help adopt standard policies for on-street and off-street treatments, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.

For more information on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan or the public workshops, call the Sarasota County Contact Center at 941-861-5000 or visit scgov.net.

Registration is encouraged but not required. The hourlong presentation will also be recorded and available for those unable to attend live.