

Resources

Thank you for your continued participation in CHAT and on the Healthy Environments work group. I have attached brief notes from the work group meeting, as well as where we have reached in the development of our goals and strategies. Please send revisions, additions, and omissions through email or phone by **January 25th**. Below (and attached) please find the materials that team members referenced during our discussion. I have reached out to Debbi McCarthy via email, and will let the group know if the Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger will be involved in the continuing discussion. The most recent version of our Community Health Assessment is now posted to the CHAT site, accessible through <http://www.pinellashealth.com/indexr1.asp> .

Below are the links Denise referenced during our Healthy Environments discussion.

E-mail with article re: virtual supermarket, below: <http://e2.ma/message/m0e5f/ytdtoo>

Health Impact Link: <http://www.cdc.gov/healthyplaces/hia.htm>.

Healthy Homes: <http://doh.state.fl.us/environment/medicine/lead/healthyhomes.html>

Below is the information David referenced during our Healthy Environments discussion.

Below are some links to the goals, objectives and policies from select elements from the adopted Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan. Not all (goals, objectives and policies) are applicable, unfortunately I could not only send you certain applicable portions so I am sending you the whole link. You may see similar goals, etc. as you peruse the link.

Housing Element:

http://www.pinellascounty.org/Plan/comp_plan/06housing/02-goals.pdf

Transportation Element (note Objective 1.6, 1.11 & 1.13):

http://www.pinellascounty.org/Plan/comp_plan/03trans/2-goals.pdf

Future Land Use and Quality Communities Element (note Objective 1.3 & 1.5 and Goal 2 and Objective 2.1

http://www.pinellascounty.org/Plan/comp_plan/02-future/02-goals.pdf

Recreation and Open Space Element:

http://www.pinellascounty.org/Plan/comp_plan/8rec/2-goals.pdf

There was some discussion on a new transportation system in Tarpon Springs. There is a PSTA system called DART (Demand Response Transportation), which not new to the County, but may be new to Tarpon Springs. The system is a shared ride, door-to-door service for people who, because of disability, are unable to independently use the regular, fixed-route bus. See link:

<http://www.psta.net/dartinfo.php>

I spoke with Armanda Lampley of Community Development. There is a lot going on in Lealman – more specifically “Central” Lealman (between 34th and 49th Streets). A capital improvement called the Lealman Central Area Drainage project is scheduled land acquisition, project design, and construction of a major drainage program through year 2020. Pond construction to mitigate area flooding (Lealman Area Drainage) is scheduled over the next 2 fiscal years. The phased development of the Joe’s Creek Greenway Park continues in 2013. This is the development of a park facility on both sides of Joe’s Creek including bank stabilization of the creek, installation of a second pedestrian bridge to complete a circular walking path and the provision of pedestrian access to lands on the north side of the creek.

Community Development also provides an interest-free loan for select home improvement for income-eligible households. See link: <http://www.pinellascounty.org/Community/pdf/home-repair-lil.pdf>

Several years ago, Community Development conducted a windshield survey of home conditions in the Central Lealman area. This survey was updated by students from USF’s Office of Community Engagement. Attached is a discussion of the housing condition evaluation. Furthermore, Community Development is funding a code enforcement officer solely for the Central Lealman area (see attached memo).

Also, the County has in its current Capital Improvement Program, 10 sidewalk projects, 7 of them are part of the Safe Route to School program, where inadequate or missing sidewalk links are addressed. Over the years, many “low-hanging fruit” sidewalk projects; these scheduled projects are higher priced projects.