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COLLIER COUNTY APPROVES COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

Collier County Commission on Jan. 8 approved a Complete Streets Resolution, joining 69 municipalities that have adopted Complete Streets Policies in Florida. Complete Streets are streets for all people and modes of transportation, with roadways designed for the safety and convenience of drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians alike of all ages and abilities. This policy will allow transportation and land use planners to thoughtfully consider all modalities in new projects and resurfacing projects based on the context and use of the street. According to the Complete Streets Coalition, more than 1,140 local, regional, and state level agencies in the U.S. have adopted complete street policies since 2004. The [Blue Zones Project](#) - Southwest Florida has a committee dedicated to promoting health in built-environment policies within Collier County. Blue Zones Project Policy Specialist Jessica Crane worked closely with Collier County staff on this initiative, a press release states. The Complete Streets Policy is also supported by Naples Pathway Coalition and the community health improvement program put out by the Collier County Health Department.





LEADERSHIP COLLIER APPLICATIONS OPEN

The Leadership Collier Foundation, an affiliate of The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, is now accepting applications for the Class of 2020 Leadership Collier program. The chamber formed Leadership Collier in 1988 to develop a network of informed citizens prepared to assume leadership roles in the community. The primary objective of Leadership Collier is to educate local business leaders about the societal and economic challenges facing the community today. The program runs from September through March and includes 10 full-day sessions. Program tuition is \$2,200 which is due upon acceptance to the program. A limited amount of partial tuition assistance may be available to those accepted. The two-part application must be submitted by March 29, 2019. To apply, visit <https://www.napleschamber.org/leadershipcollier>. For more information, contact Amanda Beights at (239) 403-2903 or amanda@napleschamber.org.



HUFF TO CHAIR BLUE ZONES COMMITTEE

Sue Huff, owner of [E. Sue Huff & Associates Inc.](#), has been named the chair of the [Blue Zones Project](#) Collier County Engagement Committee. In her role, Huff will oversee community activities across all of Collier County and will liaise with other organizations to help them complete the process of participating with Blue Zones Project. The Collier County Engagement Committee is responsible for encouraging faith-based organizations, homeowner's associations, and organizations including nonprofits, clubs, and small businesses to participate with Blue Zones Project. In addition, the committee oversees activities like walking and potluck Moai, purpose workshops, volunteering projects and community events.



PLACERES JOINS THE FOUNDERS FUND

The Founders Fund Board of Trustees welcomes Olga Placeres to its 2019 board. Placeres is the CFO and agency manager at Preferred Travel of Naples and has been with the company for 30 years. She is also an active volunteer in the community. The Founders Fund, a local nonprofit organization, was founded in 1991 by members of Club Pelican Bay. The organization provides scholarships to students from Collier County in their pursuit of higher education. For more information, visit www.TheFoundersFundInc.org.

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