

PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

DEPARTMENT OF P.L.A.C.E | BLUEPRINT 2000

ALIGNING BOARD PRIORITIES WITH OPTIMIZED RESOURCES

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Mission Statement

To implement the Blueprint program in a timely and cost-effective manner, utilizing sound but innovative business practices while keeping the citizenry informed and involved.

Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights

Blueprint 2000 (BP2000) is a division of the Department of PLACE (Planning, Land Management, and Community Enhancement). BP2000 plans, designs, and constructs infrastructure and environmental projects funded from the one-cent localoption sales tax. BP2000 is managed by the Intergovernmental Agency Board, which consists of the seven Leon County Commissioners and the five City of Tallahassee Commissioners. BP2000 also works with a 13-member Citizens Advisory Committee and technical staff from City and County departments.

The City and the County Commissions agreed to a joint management approach for the implementation of BP2000 projects, which are allocated 80% of the funds generated from the one-cent local-option sales tax. Additionally, 10% of the one-cent sales tax revenue is allocated to support County projects, and 10% is allocated to support City projects, as approved by the respective Commissions.

PLACE emphasizes the desire to create a livable, sustainable community and coordinates BP2000 and Planning activities for Leon County and the City of Tallahassee.

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PRESERVE, PROTECT & ENHANCE THE COMMUNITY'S QUALITY OF LIFE

- Blueprint 2000, managed through the joint Leon County/ City of Tallahassee Intergovernmental Agency, is committed to preserve, protect and enhance the community's quality of life through holistic and coordinated planning, transportation, water quality, environmental and green space projects.
 - » Completed improvements to Franklin Boulevard, which runs six blocks from Tennessee Street to Cascades Park. While the project focused on providing flood relief and improved stormwater management, roadway enhancements were incorporated that make it an enticing gateway to Cascades Park, including: bike lanes, lighting, abundant landscaping, broad sidewalks, benches, and drinking fountains for pedestrians and pets, too.
 - » Constructing Cascades Park, which will be the social center of our community when it opens in 2014, encompasses the arts, entertainment, history, education, wellness, and pride. Forming a gentle bend in the southeast corner of Tallahassee's downtown, it will include an amphitheater, multi-use trail and bike paths, interactive water play

- plaza, commemorative Smokey Hollow, timeline walkway, children's play area and many other furnishings. The park will also provide significant stormwater management facilities to abate flooding problems along Franklin Boulevard and South Monroe Street.
- » Constructing a signature pedestrian bridge, to cross South Monroe Street, to connect Cascades Park with the Capital Cascades Trail, near the State Capitol. Construction will begin winter 2013.
- » Constructed Coal Chute Pond, a downtown regional stormwater facility that is an integral part of the Gaines Street and FAMU Way corridors.
- » Constructing a 2.5-mile, Capital Circle Northwest/ Southwest road-widening project, which includes enhanced median and border landscaping typical of other Blueprint roadway projects. A 90-foot bridge will be constructed over Gum Creek, improving the hydrology of Gum Swamp. Additionally, wildlife crossings will be constructed under the roadway, north and south of the bridge. Construction began late 2012, and is anticipated to take 3 years to complete.
- Completed a 1.15 mile segment of Capital Circle (Crawfordville Highway to Woodville Highway). The

project was funded by the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Program. The project improvements included three 12-foot travel lanes in the eastbound direction and four 12-foot travel lanes in the westbound direction, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, a mixed use trail stormwater improvements and landscaped medians and borders.



Cascades Park