

# River to Sea TPO Outreach & Activities

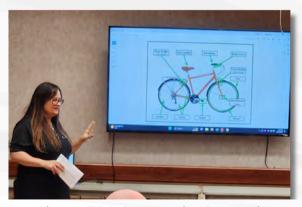
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### River to Sea TPO Summer Bicycle Safety Presentations & Helmet Fittings



Above: left to right: TPO BPAC members Victor Ramos (Deltona) & Bob Storke (Orange City) & TPO staff members Pamela Blankenship and Donna Ralston



Above: TPO Community Outreach Coordinator Pamela Blankenship explaining the parts of the bicycle and how the kids can check to be sure these are in working order and safe to ride

As part of its summer public outreach, the River to Sea TPO reaches out to children to teach them about bicycle safety. In addition to providing a bicycle safety presentation which covers obeying all laws, signs and signals, making sure their bicycles are safe to ride, and learning hand signals, TPO staff properly fits the children for bicycle helmets. The kids receive their helmets free of charge along with safety education literature on a level they can understand and items such as bicycle lights and band-aid kits.

The TPO visited the DeBary Public Library and Deltona Parks & Recreation Camp at Wes Crile Park in June and more than 100 kids received bicycle helmets and engaged in a safety discussion.

Upcoming safety events include a presentation and helmet fitting at the **Deltona Regional Library Summer Bash 2024** on August 2, from 1pm - 3pm, and outreach to kids heading back to school as well as their parents during the **Back to School Jam in Flagler County** on August 3, from 10am - 1pm at Flagler Palm Coast High School. The TPO will be partnering with the Flagler County Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST) at the Back to School Jam.



Left: TPO staff member Stephan Harris properly fitting a camper for a free bicycle helmet at the Deltona Parks and Recreation helmet fitting at Wes Crile Park



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# ADA34 \*\*\*\*

Americans with Disabilities Act

Celebrate the ADA! July 26, 2024

On July 26, 2024, the River to Sea TPO celebrates the 34th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). We commemorate this important civil rights law that works to ensure ALL people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. The River to Sea TPO values the relationships we've built and reaffirms our commitment to reach the vision of full ADA compliance in transportation.



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#### **Ongoing Projects, Studies, & Activities**

- Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant implementation
- Best Foot Forward for Ped Safety Program
- 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan development
- FY 2023/24 Public Participation Wrap-Up
- FY 2024/25 to 2028/29 Transportation
  Improvement Program (TIP) Roll Forward amendment
- Distracted Driving Awareness Pilot Program

# Operation Best Foot Forward for Pedestrian Safety

During Operation Best Foot Forward's May/June crosswalk enforcements in Volusia County, 104 warnings & citations were issued across five crosswalk locations. The next round of enforcements will take place between July 23 and August 2. The theme will be Back to School. For more information go to **BFF for Ped Safety**.

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