



Safe Neighborhood Lee Road Action Plan May 2016



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INTRODUCTION

Safe Neighborhoods:

The Safe Neighborhoods Program provides assistance to Orange County's older and transitioning neighborhoods. It was designed to assist residents in reclaiming their communities from crime, deterioration, and blight. The program partners citizens with the Orange County Sheriff's Office, Orange County Government, the private sector, community stakeholders, and others to collaboratively preserve and stabilize neighborhoods.

Community residents, business owners, and stakeholders will continue to work with Orange County leaders and staff to implement an update to the existing Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Action Plan. The Action Plan provides a profile of the community, demographic information, land use and zoning data, and information about the community's infrastructure. The plan identifies the community's core issues and then recommends projects and programs to address them.

Funding Source:

The money used by the Safe Neighborhoods Program is maintained in the Crime Prevention Fund. This fund is generated by fines assessed to criminals found guilty by the judicial system. Criminals found guilty of a misdemeanor are assessed \$25 and anyone convicted of a felony is assessed \$50.

HISTORY

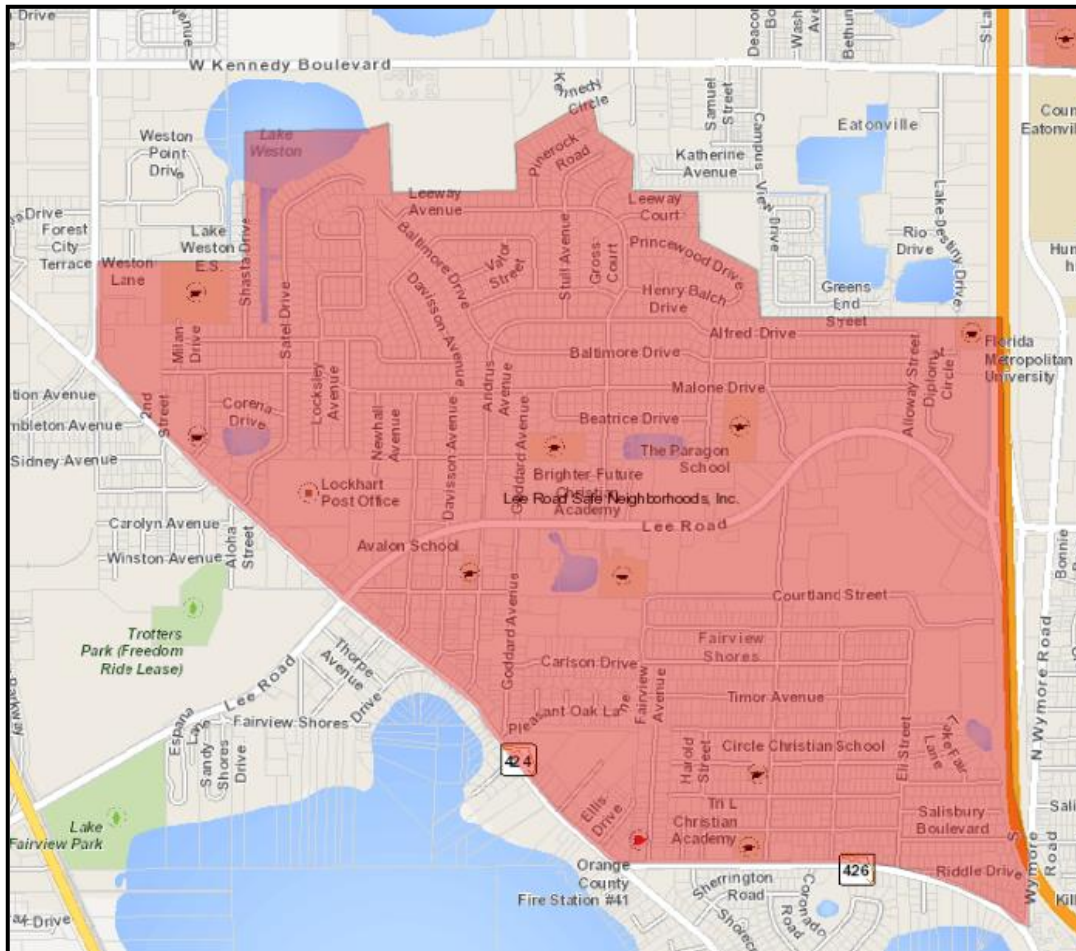
Kingswood Manor was developed in several phases beginning in the late 1950's. Asbury Park, Albert Lee Ridge and Queenswood were developed around the perimeters. Lake Weston Elementary School was built in 1958 with an initial enrollment of 200 students and now serves approximately 750 students. Some residents have described Kingswood as a "quiet neighborhood in suburbia out in the country".

Lee Road began as a two-lane road and now is a major state highway consisting of six lanes. Many second and third generation families live in both the Lee Road and Fairbanks Avenue areas. Fairview Baptist, Calvary Presbyterian, St. Paul's Methodist and two Jewish synagogues flourish in the area.

Northgate Shopping Center was the prime shopping place in the 1960's and 1970's but many of the major tenants moved out with the opening of the Colonial Plaza Mall built on East Colonial Drive. The residents in the Lee Road study area continue to be encouraged by the consistent commercial redevelopment along Lee Road, considered the heart of the community, as the neighborhoods try to maintain a sense of stability.

LOCATION

The Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Community is located just west of Interstate 4, where Interstate 4 serves as the eastern boarder for the Community. W. Fairbanks Avenue and Edgewater Dr. serve as the southern and western borders, respectively. The northern boundary can loosely be defined as W. Kennedy Boulevard. Meaning, any of the crossroads off W. Kennedy Boulevard heading south are not included in the boundary and any of the crossroads heading north off Lee Road are included in the boundary. This jagged boundary can be seen in the map above.



CITIZEN PARTICIPATION STRATEGY

The Action Plan process began with a kick-off community meeting to build interest in the process. A survey was sent to homes determine the perception of crime and assess the public safety needs of Lee Road. Participation and input continued through a series of community meetings. Dialogue between citizens, church leaders, community organization representatives, and business owners worked to prioritize issues, identify projects, and develop action steps for implementation. Through this process a core group of leaders emerged and will continue to build capacity for further community involvement so that projects are seen through to completion.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS:

All meetings were held at Edgewater Library Branch, 5049 Edgewater Dr, Orlando, FL 32810 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, unless otherwise indicated.

KICK OFF INFORMATION MEETING: Tuesday, August 11, 2015

ACTION PLAN INTRODUCTION MEETING: Tuesday, September 8, 2015

COMMUNITY MEETING REMINDER FOR SURVEY: Tuesday, October, 13, 2015

PRESENTATION AND SURVEY RESULTS: Tuesday, November 10, 2015

VISION AND GOAL MEETING: Tuesday, December 8, 2015

COMMUNITY MEETING FOLLOW UP: Tuesday, January 12, 2016

DEMOGRAPHICS

Data from the US Census Bureau is used to provide demographic information about Lee Road. The information collected is from the 2010 Census and is compared to similar data for Orange County. According the United States Census Bureau, Lee Road is not considered a census designated place (CDP). All the demographic data for Lee Road was compiled from Census Tract 152.02, which closely matches the geographic outline of the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Community. Categories reviewed in this section include:

- Population
- Housing
- Household Income
- Educational Attainment
- Employment

Total Population – **Table A** shows total population, total family households, and households divided by gender for Lee Road. The 2010 census estimates shows that there was a -7% decrease in population from 2000 to 2010. Additionally, the total number of families also decreased but at a rate of 12% from 2000 to 2010. As for the gender population, both genders saw a decrease from 2000 to 2010.

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2010 TOTAL POPULATION – TABLE A

	2000 Lee Road	2010 Lee Road	% Change	2010 Orange County
Total Population	6,171	5,754	-7%	1,145,956
Total Families	1,501	1,316	-12%	273,454
Total				
Households	2,217	2,174	-2%	421,847
Men	2,967	2,703	-9%	569,326
% of Population	48.1%	47.0%	-	49.2%
Women	3,204	3,051	-5%	581,630
% of Population	52%	53.0%	-	51%

Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

Population Characteristics – Table B shows that the racial makeup of Lee Road consists of 49.8% White, 37.1% African American, 3.3% Asian, and 4.0% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race is 18.6% of the population. The table further shows that of the Lee Road community is losing a significant portion of its white population. The white population decreased at a rate of 19.8% between the 2000 and 2010 censuses. Another trend to examine is the Hispanic population. Following the trend in Orange County, the amount of Hispanics in Lee Road increased between the two censuses.

2010 POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS – TABLE B

	2000 Lee Road	2010 Lee Road	% Change	2010 Orange County
Total White	3,569	2,863	-20%	728,795
% of Population	58%	50%	-	63%
Total Black	2,000	2,134	7%	238,241
% of Population	32%	37%	-	21%
Total Asian or Pacific Islander	150	189	26%	57,847
% of Population	2.5%	3%	-	5%
Total Hispanic	776	1,072	38%	308,244
% of Population	13%	19%	-	26.9%
Total American Indian or Alaska Native	30	28		4,532
% of Population	0.5%	0.5%	-	0.4%
Total Two or More Races	123	231	88%	39,325
% of Population	2%	4%	-	3%
Total Other	299	309	3%	77,216
% of Population	5%	5%	-	7%

Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

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Population By Age – Table C shows that the majority of Lee Roads’ residents are between 45 and 54 years old, or 14.5% of the population. The second largest age range in the community is residents between 25 to 34 years old, or 13.5% of the population.

2010 POPULATION BY AGE – TABLE C

	2000 Lee Road	2010 Lee Road	2010 Orange County
Under 5 years	8%	8%	7%
5 to 9 years	10%	7%	6%
10 to 14 years	9%	7%	7%
15 to 19 years	7%	7%	8%
20 to 24 years	6%	7%	9%
25 to 34 years	14%	14%	16%
35 to 44 years	16%	13%	14%
45 to 54 years	11.7%	15%	14%
55 to 59 years	4%	5%	6%
60 to 64 years	4%	5%	5%
65 to 74 years	7%	7%	5%
75 to 84 years	5%	5%	1%
85 years and over	1%	2%	1%

Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

Household Income – Table D shows that the median household income within Lee Road is \$30,982, significantly lower than the County median of \$50,138. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than 24% of individuals in the Lee Road community for whom poverty could be determined have incomes below the poverty level, while only 13.4% of the total County population has income below poverty. The lack of income and employment opportunities for residents may have contributed to the income decline of the community.

2010 HOUSEHOLD INCOME – TABLE D

	Lee Road	Orange County
Median Household Income	\$30,982	\$50,138
Median Family Income	\$43,056	\$57,473
Median Earnings (age 16+)		
Male Income	\$27,344	\$30,830
Female Income	\$21,180	\$23,235
Income per Capita	\$16,294	\$25,490

Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

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Educational Attainment – Table E identifies the level of educational attainment for Lee Road residents 25 years and older. The table shows that approximately 14% of the community does not have a high school diploma. About 36% does have a high school diploma, but only around 23% of residents have attempted college and did not finish with a degree. Educational attainment can be a determinant for employment and higher income; it also can account for the number of individuals with incomes below poverty level.

**2010 EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AGED 25 YEARS AND OLDER –
TABLE E**

	Lee Road	Orange County
Less Than 9th Grade	4%	5%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	14%	8%
High School Graduate (Includes Equivalency)	36%	27%
Some College, No Degree	23%	19%
Associate's Degree	9%	10%
Bachelor's Degree	10%	21%
Graduate or Professional Degree	4%	10%

Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

Employment Status – Table F identifies employment status for Lee Road residents who are 16 years or older. Lee Roads’ labor force only accounts for 64% of the total population. Of that percentage 55.2% is employed and almost 9% is unemployed; compared to Orange County’s 6.4% of unemployment. It is important to note that when compared to Orange County, Lee Road has a lower employment rate and a higher unemployment rate.

2010 EMPLOYMENT STATUS AGED 16 YEARS AND OLDER – TABLE F

	Lee Road	Orange County
Population 16 Years and Older	4,170	879,802
In Labor Force	64%	70%
Armed Forces	0%	0.1%
Employed	55%	64%
Unemployed	9%	6%
Not in Labor Force	36%	30%

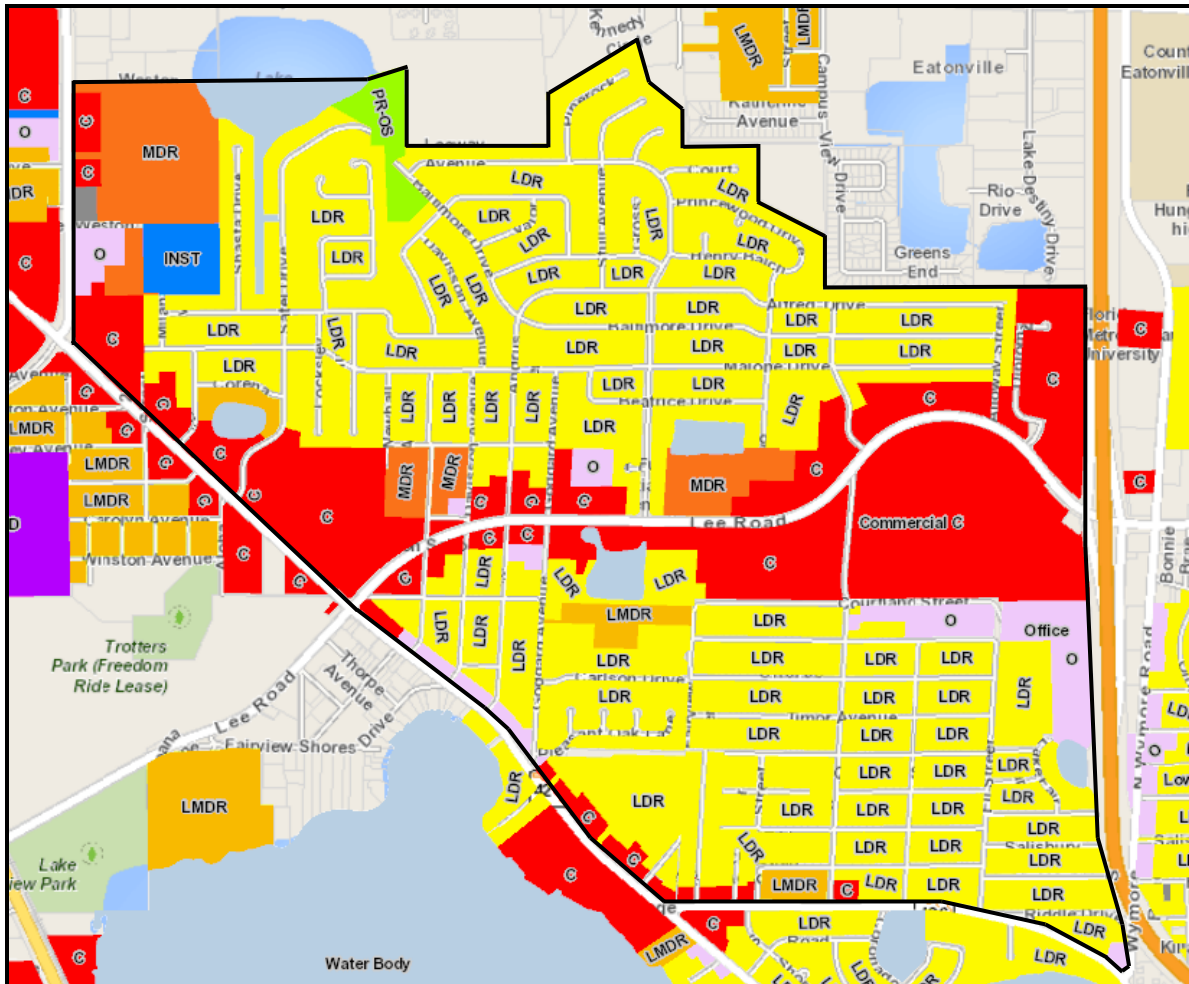
Source: 2010 U.S. Census Bureau

LAND USE

In order to gain a better understanding of the Lee Road community, a brief description of the area’s land use and zoning has been conducted. Although portions of the area are adjacent to Eatonville’s boundaries, only Orange County’s future land use and zoning are reported.

Future Land Use (FLU): The Lee Road Safe Neighborhood consists of mostly residential land uses. The area’s FLU is Low Density Residential (LDR – Orange), which allows 2 to 5 dwelling units per acre. The future land use and zoning are generally consistent throughout the community; the exceptions are the Commercial (C – Red) parcels along Lee Road and portions of Edgewater Drive and the scattered Office (O – Pink) parcels.

Lee Road Future Land Use Map



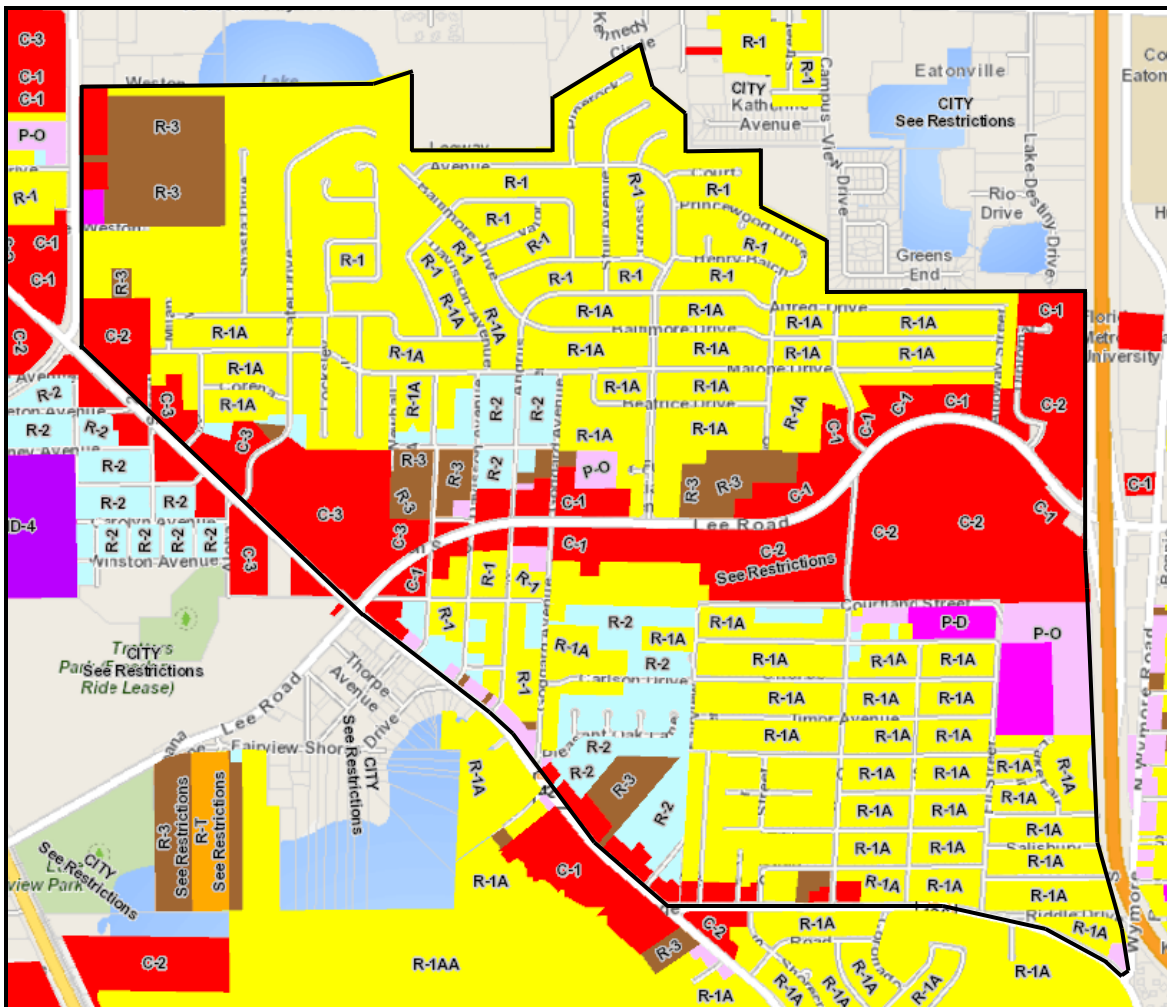
Zoning: The current zoning throughout the core of Lee Road is Residential-1, Residential-1A, and Residential-2. These zoning types are defined as a single-family dwelling districts or residential district. Lot sizes will vary from 4,500 sq. ft. to 7,500 sq. ft. The characteristics of such areas are single-family homes built on lots larger than the structure itself. The purpose of

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the single-family residential district is to stabilize and protect the residential characteristics of the area and to promote and encourage a suitable environment for family life. There is a small pocket located within Lee Road zoned as P-D, or Planned Development. P-D areas provide a unique approach for developing large parcels of land with a minimum site area of 2 acres.

Along Lee Road and Edgewater Drive, the two main corridors in the community, there are a blend of zonings that allow commercial and residential uses such as Residential-3 (R-3), Commercial-1 (C-1), Commercial-2 (C-2), and Commercial-3 (C-3). In the northwest corner and small pockets on Lee Road there is a block of zonings for R-3, which allows for multifamily units to be constructed. This type of construction is typically apartment complexes. A bulk of the commercial zoning in the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood is C-1 and C-2, or retail commercial and general commercial respectively. Intermittently, there is a C-3 zoning in the Lee Road area; this type of identification is used to indicate wholesale commercial zoning.

Lee Road Zoning Map



TRANSPORTATION

Roads: Major roadways include:

- Interstate 4 from W. Fairbanks Avenue to Lee Road
- Lee Road from Edgewater Drive to Interstate 4
- Edgewater Drive from W. Fairbanks Avenue to Forest City Road
- Forest City Road from Edgewater Drive to Lake Weston Drive



Transit: LYNX's bus routes include:

- Route 23 – W. Fairbanks Avenue, Edgewater Drive, Forest City Road
- Route 443 – Lee Road, Edgewater Drive

Bicycles and Pedestrians: The Lee Road Safe Neighborhood has designated bicycle lanes on Kingswood Avenue and Edgewater Drive; it has no bicycle trails or signed routes. Sidewalks are present on both sides on most major roadways in the area. In the residential areas north of Lee Road almost every road has sidewalks on both sides of the streets. However, in the residential areas south of Lee Road, there are hardly any sidewalks with exception of Adanson Street.



Wide 4-lane roads place bicyclists and pedestrians directly in the flow of traffic. All the major roadways are medium to high-speed and high traffic, depending on the time of the day. Speeding continues to be an issue, as well as a lack of education for drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians about proper behavior. A strategy which includes engineering and education is highly recommended to address these issues.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Parks: The Lee Road Safe Neighborhood does not currently have any public parks within its boundaries. The closest public parks to the community is Trotters Park and Lake Fairview Park, both managed by the City of Orlando

Community Centers: There are currently no community centers in the Lee Road area. The closest ones are the Eatonville Neighborhood Center and the Eatonville Community Center.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Police: The Orange County Sheriff’s Office will play an integral role in reshaping the image of the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood community. The community falls in Sector 1 within Zone 14. Currently, the Sector Capitan and Crime Prevention Officer are heavily involved in the community.



Fire: The Orange County Fire Rescue Station # 41 is located at 4412 Fairview Avenue and is a member Fire Battalion 1. This station is equipped for rescue missions for both land and marine environments.

Post Office: The Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Community has one post office situated at the corner of Edgewater Drive and Satel Drive, in the same shopping plaza as the Edgewater Branch Library.

Libraries: The Edgewater Branch Library is located in the heart of the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood and is conveniently located on the bus route, Route 23. The Library provides a number of services and activities for the community. The Library has public computers that offer internet access, word processing and online reference resources. The computer lab at the library allows staff and volunteers to teach classes for PC and MAC users, such as computer basics, E-mail basics, and classes in Microsoft word, excel, and power point. The Library also has an Open Language Lab where you can practice a language of your choosing. The Library also offers book clubs, educational opportunities for children and teens, and job placement programs for adults.



Schools: Lake Weston Elementary School is located at 3607 Damon Drive. The school serves 574 students from pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

Approximately 27% of the teachers employed at the school have advanced degrees. Lake Weston Elementary is a Title I school where 92% of the student population is a minority.



Pinecrest Creek Academy is a tuition free charter school for students in kindergarten to 5th grade. The school is located at 1100 Lee Road and as of 2014 it has a total enrollment of 235 students, with a 16 to 1 student to teacher ratio.

Aspire Charter Academy can be found at 928 Malone Drive and is also a tuition free charter school. They operate under the assumption that all students can be successful and every teacher is certified in Exceptional Student Education. The student population has 45% of its students eligible for Special Education services, and come to the school 2 to 3 years below grade level

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The Princeton House Charter School is a state funded charter school that serves 160 students from all economic backgrounds in pre-kindergarten through 5th grade. The school emphasizes on teaching children with autism, focusing on everything from Asperger's Syndrome to severely disabling autism.



Churches: Lee Road is home to many churches of different faiths, adding to the cultural vibrancy of the area:

- Christ City Church
- Free Methodist Church
- St. Paul's Presbyterian Church
- Church of Scientology
- Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness
- Orlando Worship Center
- Calvary Chapel
- Majestic Temple of Faith Ministries, Inc
- Fairview Shores Baptist Church
- Maximum Life Christian Church
- Maitland Apostolic Church
- Cathedral of Praise Sanctuary
- Korean Central Baptist Church
- Presbyterian Synod of Florida
- Faith temple Church of God
- Iglesia Metodista Libre

Social Programs: There are only a handful of organizations and non-profits that offer services to the citizens in the Lee Road community. The Action Plan update process revealed that many residents around Lee Road feel that there is a lack of services available. Many people who serve the community believe that the problem is a lack of effective communication regarding the services available. Current services available are:

New Horizons Computer Learning Center – New Horizons Orlando offers an extensive selection of vendor-authorized training classes for top technology providers like Adobe, Cisco, Citrix, Microsoft, and VMware.

Kambuck Resources LLC – Kambuck Resources offers the federally mandated Mortgage Loan Originator’s Pre-License Course as well as state and national exam prep courses and continuing education. Kambuck’s priority is to deliver the highest level of education to those qualified candidates who are dedicated to becoming professionals in the field of mortgage lending.

Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County – Their focus is to decrease Florida's high infant mortality rate, low birth weight babies, and to improve health and developmental outcomes for all children. Healthy Start Coalitions across the state are charged with developing and implementing quality systems of care by funding maternal and child health programs in the community.

Opportunity Community Ability (OCA) – OCA was founded by parents, teachers, therapists and members of the community who know that school-aged children and adults with autism and other disabilities need more opportunities to engage in age-appropriate activities with their typical peers.

Florida Hospital Homecare – Florida Hospital Home Care Services (FHHCS) is a not-for-profit hospital affiliated home care agency. They are a state licensed, Medicare/Medicaid certified and CHAP (Community Health Accreditation Partner) accredited home health agency established in 1985.

SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM SURVEY

Using information gathered during the initial meeting, a survey was developed and sent to every residential and commercial address within the Lee Safe Neighborhood. Over 215 of the surveys were returned.

The survey results show that the residents of Lee Road are homeowners, and the overwhelming majority of the homeowners have lived in their home for 15+ years. Residents feel safe in their neighborhood but still perceive crime as a serious issue. The survey also showed concerns about traffic/speeding, property crimes, rundown/vacant homes, and code enforcement. The survey results were very similar to the comments received during the initial meeting.

IDENTIFYING NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES

The initial Lee Road Safe Neighborhood community meeting to update their action plan was held on September 8, 2015 at Edgewater Library. During the initial meeting Neighborhood Preservation and Revitalization Division (NPRD) staff provided an introduction about the Action Plan and explained the



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benefits of having the Safe Neighborhoods program in the neighborhood. The second Lee Road Safe Neighborhood community meeting was held on November 10, 2015. In attendance were more than 30 residents, Orange County District 2 Commissioner Bryan Nelson and his staff, Orange County Sheriff's Office (OSCO) Major Denise Demps and other representatives from OCSO Patrol Unit, and NPRD staff. NPRD gave a presentation on the community's survey results and census data. An issues identification exercise was also conducted at the meeting, which gave residents a chance to voice their ongoing issues and concerns in their neighborhood. Each issue was divided up by 4 categories: Traffic/Speeding, Code Enforcement, Beautification, and Crime Prevention. Listed below are the issues identified in the initial meeting:

Traffic/Speeding:

- Speeding concerns have been identified in the following areas:
 - Fairbanks Avenue approaching Edgewater Drive, near the entrance to the Fire Station entrance and Fairview Avenue.
 - Henry Balch Drive between Kingswood Drive and Somerset Street
 - Eli Street between Fairbanks Avenue and Naples Drive
 - Malone Drive
 - Alfred Drive
- Roads that are being used as cut through routes:
 - Kingswood Drive
 - Newhall Avenue
- Stop signs are being ignored at the following areas:
 - The corner of Stull Avenue and Leeway Avenue
 - The corner of Eggleston Avenue and Mosher Drive
 - Beatrice Drive between Weirwood Avenue and Alfred Drive
- Stop signs need to be added:
 - Kingswood Manner subdivision

Beautification:

- Sidewalks that need to be completed:
 - Eli Street between Fairbanks Avenue and Naples Drive
- Improve lawns and landscaping in the following areas:
 - The intersection of Lee Road and Adanson Street at the 7-Eleven
 - Lee Road from I-4 to Kingswood Avenue
- The clean-up of trash in the following areas:
 - Somerset Drive
 - The old Burger King parking lot at 961 Lee Road
 - The Sunny Mini-Mart on Satel Drive

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- Clean up vacant and deserted buildings:
 - The Arby's on Lee Road
- Street lights have been identified as a need in the following areas:
 - In front of the parking lot before Big Lots at 5739 Edgewater Drive
 - The Roy Rogers site
 - On Lee Road near Adanson Street
- More parks and green space are needed
 - Dog park
- Assorted beautification projects in the area:
 - Beautifying the entranceway of Kingswood Avenue on Beatrice Drive
 - Adding new medians similar to Winter Park

Code Enforcement:

- Over grown lots have been identified in the following areas:
 - Naples Drive
 - Carlson Drive
 - Timor Avenue
- Residents living/staying in hotels for extended periods of time:
 - The Motel 6 on Adanson Street
- Removal of trees in a wetland
 - End of Courtland Street
- Abandoned houses and boats have become hubs for homeless people in the various locations on:
 - Beatrice Drive
 - Goddard Avenue
- Clean up illegal signage at the Sunny Mini-Mart

Crime Prevention:

- Prostitution has been identified as a continuous crime in the following areas:
 - The corner of Adanson Street and Lee Road at the 7-Eleven and Motel 6
 - The McDonald's on Lee Road
 - The Country Side Inn & Suites on Lee Road
 - The Quality Inn & Suites Winter Park Village on Lee Road
 - InTown Suites on Lee Road
 - George's Bar & Grill on Edgewater Drive
 - Kingswood Drive bushes

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- Drug dealing often occurs in the following areas:
 - The corner of Adanson Street and Lee Road at the 7-Eleven and Motel 6
 - InTown Suites on Lee Road
 - George’s Bar & Grill on Edgewater Drive
 - The Quality Inn & Suites Winter Park Village on Lee Road
 - Wild Rice Chinese Restaurant
- Loitering and panhandling has been a nuisance in the following areas:
 - The corner of Adanson Street and Lee Road at the 7-Eleven and Motel 6
 - Wild Rice Chinese Restaurant
 - The Somerset Apartments
- Jaywalking and pedestrian safety has been identified at the corner of Adanson Street and Lee Road at the 7-Eleven and Motel 6
- Burglaries are consistently a problem at the Somerset Apartments
- The abandoned movie theater has become an eyesore and a location for transients to relocate to

ISSUES, GOALS, AND ACTION STEPS

Lee Road Safe Neighborhood envisions Lee Road as a safe community with strong neighborhoods and dedicated residents. What makes Lee Road unique is that it is home to generations of families who desire to keep the community safe and beautiful. Lee Road is located



just minutes from downtown Orlando, the community is an integral part of the image of Orange County. Residents demonstrate their pride by caring for their properties, reducing the speed of their vehicles, working cooperatively with Orange County staff and supporting neighborhood businesses.

In order to realize this vision, residents agreed to work together along with Orange County staff. The majority of issues the residents raised fell under four categories: Crime, Traffic, Beautification, and Code Enforcement. Based on these categories, the residents formed committees to begin identifying solutions. The following is a summary of the goals developed by the committees:

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Traffic/Speeding

Goal: Improve the safety and quality of neighborhood streets. Install traffic calming or speed limit signs

Action Step:

- Contact Orange County Traffic Engineering Division and guide residents in the petition process for traffic calming devices
- Increase Sheriff's Office patrols to reduce cut-through traffic

Stop Signs

Goal: Improve the safety and quality of our neighborhood streets by installing new stop signs and enforcing existing stop signs

Action Step:

- Contact Orange County Traffic Engineering Division and guide residents in the petition process for traffic calming devices
- Contact Orange County Sheriff's Office using the non-emergency number

Sidewalks

Goal: Fill in sidewalk gaps to improve the walkability and safety of the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Community

Action Steps:

- Add sidewalks to at least one side of road that do not have any on Eli Street between Fairbanks Avenue and Naples Drive
- Fill in any sidewalk gaps where they may be needed

Lawns and Landscaping

Goal: Improve the aesthetics of the Lee Road Safe Neighborhood Community by adding trees and landscaping.

Action Steps:

- Partner with Public Works to access the Orange County Tree Program
- Work with citizens to attend Orange County Cooperative Extensions monthly adopt-a-tree events to add trees close to the ROW

Neighborhood Clean-Ups and Beautification Projects

Goal: Improve the aesthetics of the community by cleaning up trash build up and developing right-of-way improvements

Action Step:

- Partner with Public Works, Code Enforcement and Waste Management to identify illegal dumping sites
- Develop methods and strategies of cleaning up the area
- Work with the Orange County Neighborhood Preservation and Revitalization Division to conduct more community clean ups in the area
- Partner with Traffic & Engineering to identify possible streetscape improvements such as new medians similar to Winter Park

Increase parks and greenspace in the corridor

Goal: Improve and add more parks and public space in the area.

Action Step:

- Partner with the Orange County Parks and Recreation Division and the Head Start Program to identify new public gathering spaces and green space opportunities

Lighting

Goal: Improve Community Safety by adding more street lights

Action Steps:

- Report broken street lights to the respective utility company
- Report tree covered street lights to 311
- Work with Comptroller’s Office and guide residents through MSBU process to add street lights

Drug Trafficking and Drug Housing

Goal: Improve and protect our community by removing drugs and drug dealers

Action Steps:

- Call Emergency hotline and get to know your neighbors
- Educate Community on how to identify drug houses

Entry Sign

Goal: Beautify the community by adding identifiable entranceways.

Action Steps:

- Follow Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles of adding more neighborhood identification speed limit markers.
- Add community signs at the east and west entranceways to Lee Road and W. Fairbanks Avenue
- Add signage to identify the Kingswood community

Code Enforcement

Goal: Improving and protecting our community from code violations

Action Steps:

- Work as a community to help residents with violations or to report violations
- Call 311 to report issues in the right of way
- Install no littering signs “post fine”
- Work with NPRD to establish a Community Code Enforcement program
- Educate community members to call 311 to report code violations

Homelessness and Drug Dealers

Goal: Protect our community from potential problems caused by transients and drug dealers illegally using privately owned property

Action Steps:

- Report transients on private property
- Request assistance before issues escalate
- Educate community residents on what to do
- Connect transients with resources
- Contact Orange County Sherriff’s Office using the non-emergency number

Prostitution

Goal: Improve and protect our community by removing prostitution

- Action Step:
- Contact Orange County Sherriff’s Office using the non-emergency number
 - Educate community residents on how to report illegal activity
 - Increase Sheriff Patrols in the community
 - Work with the Crime Prevention Officer and the Off Duty Deputies to identify gaps in Sheriff coverage

Loitering & Panhandling

Goal: Improve and create a safer community by eliminating panhandling and loitering.

- Action Step:
- Identify problem areas where panhandling is a persistent problem
 - Increase Sheriff’s Office patrols to reduce aggressive panhandling
 - Educate residents on how to report crimes and code violations in Orange County
 - Contact Orange County Sherriff’s Office using the non-emergency number

This is a living document, designed to change and adapt to the needs of the community. The residents will make sure to update the vision to reflect the current desires of the entire community. As goals are accomplished, new ones will take their place.



ORANGE COUNTY SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM: LEE ROAD ACTION PLAN SURVEY

Para obtener una copia de esta encuesta en español,
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1. **How are you responding to this survey? (check all that apply)**
 Homeowner Renter Landlord Business Owner Other _____
2. **If you are a business owner, are you interested in joining an organization that aims to improve the quality of life in the Lee Road area?**
 Yes No
3. **Have you heard of Lee Road Safe Neighborhood?**
 Yes No
4. **How long have you lived in your neighborhood?**
 0 - 5 Years 5 – 10 Years 10 – 15 Years 15+ Years
5. **Do you feel safe in your community?**
 Yes No
6. **Which statement best describes how you feel about the crime in your community over the past 3 years?**
 It's gotten much worse It's gotten a little worse It's about the same
 It's gotten a little better It's gotten much better
7. **Do you think foreclosures are a problem in your neighborhood?**
 Yes. No
8. **Are you concerned about traffic/speeding on your street?**
 Yes No
9. **Have you noticed an increase in the amount of vacant/abandoned homes on your street?**
 Yes No
10. **Please select the top 3 issues that you think are decreasing the quality of life in your neighborhood.**
 Rundown/Vacant Structures Code Enforcement Violations
 Vandalism/graffiti Speeding/Traffic Homelessness Gangs Property Crimes
 Lack of Public Facilities (Street Lights, Sewer, Sidewalks, Playgrounds, etc.)
 Lack of Services (Educational, Recreational, Health, Legal, Financial, etc.)
 Other _____
11. **Have you ever witnessed criminal or suspicious activity your community?**
 Yes No
If yes, did you report it? Yes No
12. **Have you attended a public hearing, community meeting, or neighborhood meeting in the past 3 years?**
 Yes No
13. **How would like to be notified about community meetings/events and issues in your neighborhood?**
 Email Newsletter Web page Other _____



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