

City of Gainesville Bicycle/Pedestrian Program

Events Timeline

The following is an outline of significant changes and accomplishments in the evolution of the City of Gainesville Bicycle/Pedestrian Program.

DATE	EVENT
Feb. 1969	Green and white "Bike Route" signs erected in pilot project area
May 1970	Black Acres Bike Trail completed (NW 29 th Street to NW 8 th Avenue)
May 1970	Bicycle Registration drive is launched which lasts for 3 years
1974	First Gainesville Bike Route System Map developed
April 1982	Long Range Travel Plan adopted (City, County and FDOT) CH2M Hill study included
Oct. 1983	First full-time bicycle coordinator (Jay Powell) hired
July 1984	City and FDOT polices adopted in support of in-street bicycle facilities, rather than sidewalks marked as "bike routes" as the appropriate, preferred and safest bicycle facility treatment
Sept. 1990	Gainesville Area Bicycle Plan prepared by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with assistance of the UABAB (now BPAB) and adopted by the MTPO
1998	The City's Bicycle/Pedestrian Program eliminates the Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator position in favor of a full-time Transportation Planning Analyst and a Bicycle/Pedestrian Program Assistant (made full-time in 2000) to staff the Board and fulfill the Program's goals.
June 2001	Countywide Bicycle Master Plan is adopted by the MTPO, setting forth policy and planning goals as well as an expansive, prioritized list of in-street and off-street bicycle facilities based on objective data collection, analysis, and benefit/cost evaluation
May 2005	The City's Bicycle/Pedestrian Program officially reverts back to a full-time Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator position to staff the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board and fulfill the Program's goals.