Seminole County YOUR QUALITY OF LIFE

# **State of the County**

Presented by Carlton Henley Commission Chairman

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### YOUR QUALITY OF LIFE

Good Infrastructure Safe Community High-Paying Jobs Excellent School System Cultural & Recreational Opportunities Business-Friendly Government

## GOOD INFRASTRUCTURE

#### **Major Roadway Projects**



#### **Major Sidewalk Projects**



#### **Major Stormwater Projects**



#### **Subdivision Rehabilitation Program**



- Areas of County built prior to 1945 have limited public infrastructure
- Plats recorded prior to State stormwater regulations
- Infrastructure in these areas exceeding designed life span
- Program addresses deficiencies in subdivisions

#### **Utility Service**



- Seminole County operates 16 water treatment plants that provided 7.6 billion gallons of water last year
- Seminole County operates 2 wastewater treatment facilities and has a partnership with the City of Orlando to utilize the Iron Bridge facility



## SAFE COMMUNITY

#### **Mosquito Control Program**



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#### Helicopters



#### Helicopters



#### **Storm Safety**





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#### AED – You've Got to Have Heart







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#### **Safety with Pedestrian Overpasses**



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#### **Sheriff's Office**













#### Residential vs. Commercial Taxable Value



#### North I-4/Lake Mary

#### The Seminole Community College Center for Economic Development

SCC Corporate College Seminole County Small Business Advisory Board Seminole Regional Chamber of Commerce Seminole County Economic Development Metro-Orlando EDC Florida High-Technology Corridor Council University of Central Florida



#### **Small Business Development**

Seminole County partners with two agencies to provide small business development.

Seminole Technology Business Incubation Center (STBIC), located in the I-4 corridor, is dedicated to growing technology based small businesses.



In 2006 the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) serviced 254 clients and hosted 29 events, many in conjunction with our library system that reached an additional 600 individuals.

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#### **UCF** Accelerator

- UCF Technology Incubator program adjacent to Oviedo City Hall
- Complements facility located in the Central Florida Research Park
- Over 87 percent of companies that graduate from these programs remain viable businesses five years after graduation
- More than 85 percent of companies that graduate from an incubator locate within 5 miles
- BCC approved \$300,000 per year for 3 years
- 13,000 square foot facility, will house 10-12 clients

#### **Major Employers in Seminole County**

**Seminole County Public Schools – 9,145** Convergys – 1,700 Florida Hospital (Altamonte) – 1,450 Seminole Community College – 1,350 **Sprint** – 1,200 **First USA – 1,200** South Seminole Hospital – 1,000 **Central Florida Regional Hospital – 850 Sears Home Improvement – 800** AAA - 700Florida Extruders – 650 Veritas – 650 Bank of New York (BNY) – 600 Curascript – 500

#### **Unemployment Rates**



#### **Income in Seminole County**

#### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME \$71,471 MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME \$56,072 Source: DemographicsNow Median Household Income



**\*** Median Household Income

> $\Rightarrow$  3rd highest among Florida counties







#### **Seminole County Public Schools**



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 I7 Seminole County schools were ranked as Florida's Top High **Performing Schools** 

 NEWSWEEK Magazine ranked 8 Seminole County 4-year high schools in the top 3% in the nation according to the Challenge Index

 94% of Seminole County Schools are "A" or "B" with 80% ranked as an "A" school

#### **Partnering with the School System**

- Sharing of the 1-cent sales tax
- Approving the Schlosberg fee for additional revenue
- Partnering in the construction of the Safe Harbor building
- Assisting in funding of the Driver Education Program in two high schools
- Funding construction of swimming pools at three high schools





# CULTURAL & RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITES

#### **County Support**









#### Jetta Point & Soldiers Creek Parks



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#### **The Natural Lands Program**












#### **Upcoming Trail Projects**



## BUSINESS-FRIENDLY GOVERNMENT

#### **Financial Overview**



**Budget Highlights**  Countywide Tax Rate of 4.9989 mills, well below State Cap of 10 mills • Aggregate millage is 7.9002 (unincorporated) Current Rate Maintained for 8 years

#### **Comparative Tax Rates**

#### **Millage Rates in Unincorporated Counties**



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#### Where the Money Goes



#### **Financial Overview**



Investment portfolio \$501 million as of 9-30-06
Strong bond rating, increased from AA- to AA
Restructured Sales Tax Revenue Bonds for more than \$1.6 million in savings





County, State & Private Investments

#### **Airport Potential for Growth**







## ISSUES THAT THREATEN OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

#### **The Issue - Booming Population**

#### Seminole County Population Growth Trends



#### **The Issue - Water Resources**



- Floridan Aquifer major supply
- Residents use 20 MGD
- SJRWMD will cap CUP in 2013

• Projected needs in 2020 are 30 MGD (an increase of 50%)

#### **Communities for a Lifetime**





#### **Local Housing Assistance Plan**



#### The Issue – Absolute Gridlock



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### LYNX Transit System





#### **Central Florida Commuter Rail**



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#### **Proposed Legislation**



Senate Joint Resolution 534 Senate Joint Resolution 452 Senate Bill 454 House Joint Resolution 23 House Joint Resolution 459 House Joint Resolution 571

#### **Summary of Proposed Impacts**



3% Cap on Non-homestead Property\$43.0Double Homestead to \$50,000\$30.8Statewide Portability Save Our Homes Benefit\$18.0\$25,000 Exemption Tangible Personal Property\$1.2

**\$43.4 Million Impact on the County \$93 Million Impact on ALL Entities** 

#### **Visions of Seminole**



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The Seminole County of Tomorrow is in ALL of Our Hands Seminole County YOUR QUALITY OF LIFE

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