Trail Town
Palatka

Palatka Trail Town
October 2018
It’s all about Perseverance and Location

“To establish Putnam County as the Trail Hub of Florida...”
Trails connecting to Palatka

“To establish Putnam County as the Trail Hub of Florida...”
Rail Trail, HUB, and Loop

Maintenance
- FPS = 66mi
- County = 7mi
- County/SJR2C Loop = 30mi
- City of Palatka = 4mi

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- 22mi paved from Carraway to Keystone Hts.

Palatka to St. Augustine State Trail
- 10mi paved from Palatka to Hastings
- 8mi paved from Spuds to Vermont Hts.

Construction 2017-18
Acquisition pending

Putnam County Trail System

Putnam County Waterways and Trails Committee
June 2017

for history, background, or updates – contact
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Support Trail Users
Trail Use

The Great Outdoors

Putnam County offers opportunities to walk, run, canoe, kayak, horseback ride and bicycle ride. It’s a veritable outdoors paradise.

Sawgrass Creek State Park offers a variety of outdoor activities, including the option to kayak along the creek.

... hiking in the city

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Trail Access

... Train station

Palatka residents don't have to go far for a kayaking location. The St. Johns River is perfect for watercraft of all kinds.
Trail Connection to Downtown
Palatka’s Strategy

- Perseverance on trails
- Enhanced Festivals
- Initiative to encourage private investment
Maintenance

Yes, there are blue skies ahead...

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– Leadership – SJR2CLoop – Agreement FDOT – Rural Funding Initiative
Amenities – we have it covered
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Arts
Murals, a blend of history and art

And, they support one of our trail routes
Opportunities
Businesses – love this. . .
Businesses
Additional Business Support

Thanks to Our Corporate Sponsors

Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.

The Coca-Cola Foundation

rails-to-trails conservancy

Sunbelt Rentals

Bartram Inn

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Georgia-Pacific Palatka Mill

FPL

Vulcan Materials Company
Trail Support Organizations

Putnam Blueways & Trails, CSO
It's Our Nature
PutnamBluewaysAndTrails.org

PUTNAM COUNTY
Trail System

Florida Trail Association

FLORIDA TRAIL
NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL

Bartram Trail in
Putnam County

NATIONAL RECREATION TRAIL
Support in Action
Palatka Trail Festival

“Let the Trails Begin”

August 17, 2013
10:00 – 2:00
Celebrate the opening of the 4 Mile Rail Trail through the City of Palatka
Fred Green Park
Main Street between 4th and 5th Streets

Food, Information and Entertainment
Ribbon cutting ceremony
Scavenger Hunt & Reward Ride with prizes for kids
Drawings for larger prizes for kids (including BIKES) donated by local and area merchants
Free Give-a-Ways

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
8:30: Pre-festival 22 mile, with 28 mile option, supported bicycle ride with a rest stop in Hastings
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Celebrating Successes

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DON’T MISS THIS EVENT!
Dedication & Trail Celebration | 10:00AM–2:00PM | NOV 17

Experience the beauty, the reality and the opportunity of the St. Johns River-to-Sea Loop as it reaches Hastings

CELEBRATE THE POSSIBILITIES
HELP EMPOWER THE REGION
LEARN | PARTICIPATE
BE PART OF THE FUTURE

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Bob Mahoney – 3/27/18 - I absolutely love what has been accomplished with the area trails. I ride the trails frequently which will eventually combine to form “Lake City to St Augustine Rail Trail”. Florida roads have the unfortunate distinction of being among the most dangerous places for cycling in the US. . . . have done so much to provide fantastic and safe places to ride. This is a great story to tell and it needs a national audience. As a cyclist who rides trails all over the country, I can say what this area has is really awesome. Every week I see cyclists with pannier bags loaded, attempting the St Augustine/ San Diego ride. While the combination of trails through the area fit into one of the most popular cross country routes, they are also part of the St. Johns River to Sea Loop. There's a great story to tell here that is a significant part of an “all in” approach to a vibrant and exciting future for the Palatka area economy.
Immediate Enhancements
Information and Signs

3rd Street Downtown Gateway Option B

Primary Gateway Option A

Primary Gateway Option B

Gateway Signage Option A

Secondary Gateway Signage

Gateway Signage Option B

Primary Directional

Secondary Directional

Information Kiosks

Parking Directional

Riverfront Identification Signage
Website, Phone app, Hardcopy map.

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Quality - Integrity - Respect
Our webkrew...
Brochures, maps, etc.
Interpretive Signs

Bartram Trail in Putnam
Welaka, Florida

Satsuma Spring
Special permission is required to visit this spring, which is on private property off the Bartram Water Trail. For more info, visit bartram.putnam-fl.com.

Morning Glory
Social Media

Bartram Trail in Putnam

Welcome to the River
175 views 6 months ago
http://bartram.putnam.fl.com/

Sites - Bartram Trail in Putnam County

Welcome to the River
by Bartram Trail in Putnam
175 views 6 months ago

Site 1 - Palmetto Bluff
by Bartram Trail in Putnam
66 views 6 months ago

Site 2 - Forrester Point
by Bartram Trail in Putnam
23 views 6 months ago

Site 3 - Rice Creek
by Bartram Trail in Putnam
25 views 6 months ago

Site 4 - Palatka Riverfront
by Bartram Trail in Putnam
45 views 6 months ago

Paddling Tips

Site 1 - Paddling Tips - Palmetto
Site 3 - Paddling Tips - Rice
Site 11 - Paddling Tips - Bear
Site 12 - Paddling Tips - 7
Site 19 - Paddling Tips - Bear
Safety – we have it covered...
. . . Trails rock in Palatka
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