



Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

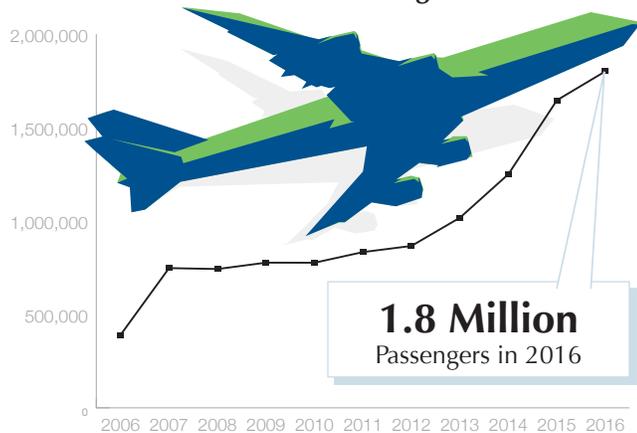
Supporting a Vibrant Community

As a result of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, the County received a \$7.1 million settlement from British Petroleum (BP). Projects were selected based on your input on how funds can be used to enhance our community. Money has been allocated to affordable housing, stormwater, arts and culture, community-based projects, youth sports and transportation, including electric bus charging stations. The charging stations will support Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority's (PSTA) purchase of electric buses, helping to reduce emissions being released into the environment. Learn more at PinellasCounty.org/BPupdates.

Providing Safe and Effective Transportation

 In an ongoing partnership with our beachfront municipalities, we sponsored traffic improvements for your safety at the Gulf-Causeway Boulevard intersection in the City of Belleair Beach. The project, part of the County's Gulf Boulevard Beautification Plan, will help better protect pedestrians and enhance traffic flow.

St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE)
Annual Passengers



Now offering non-stop flights to 56 destinations, PIE experienced a record year with a 12% increase in the number of travelers.

Helping our residents in need, we partnered with Habitat for Humanity to create more affordable housing options. With Community Development Block Grant funds, we supported construction of six new homes as part of the Martin's Glen development in West Lealman. Also, nine lots were made available in the Dansville community as part of redevelopment efforts in the area. Construction is underway on some of the homes, and others were completed in time for families to move in prior to the holidays.

Did You Know?

Overnight visitors and tourists enjoyed visiting, dining and staying in Pinellas, adding almost **\$40 million in direct economic benefit to our local businesses and community.** Approximately 1/3 of the Penny for Pinellas revenue is paid for by our tourists and seasonal visitors.



In partnership with the City of St. Petersburg, Hillsborough County and the City of Tampa, we funded a six-month pilot ferry program that connects St. Petersburg to downtown Tampa. The BP-funded project improves regional connectivity and provides another transportation choice for residents and visitors.

