The Pinellas Trail is a linear park, recreation trail and non-motorized transportation corridor providing a unique, protected greenspace for walking, jogging, skating and biking.

**Pinellas Trail Timeline**

- **1888** First train on Orange Belt Railway arrives in St. Petersburg.
- **1983** Railroad right-of-way land purchased by Florida Department of Transportation.
- **1984** Pinellas Bicycle Advisory Committee proposes using railroad right-of-way as bike route.
- **1988** First train on Orange Belt Railway arrives in St. Petersburg.
- **1988** Pinellas Trails Inc. formed to promote public support for linear park concept.
- **1989** Pinellas Trail project approved by Pinellas Board of County Commissioners; $1.5 million allocated to build a 15-mile segment. Penny for Pinellas funding designated for 35 miles of Pinellas Trail.
- **1990** First Five-Mile Stretch of Pinellas Trail Opens from Taylor Park to Seminole City Park. Two trail preview sites built at Seminole City Park and along Alt. U.S. 19 near Curlew Road.
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- **1993** 9-mile segment from Seminole City Park to St. Petersburg opens. Trail overpass at Orange Street and Alt. U.S. 19 opens.
- **1994** St. Petersburg and Tarpon Springs sections open.
- **1996** Park Boulevard overpass opens in Seminole.
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- **2000** Pinellas Trail 10th Anniversary Pinellas Trail designated a Millennium Trail by the White House. Pinellas Trail’s Cross Bayou Bridge opens.
- **2003** Pinellas Trail designated a National Recreation Trail by U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service, National Trails System.
- **2005** Pinellas Trail 15th Anniversary
- **2006** Jasmine section under U.S. 19 to Keystone Road opens.
- **2007** St. Petersburg begins construction of Downtown Trail Extension. Groundbreaking for first section of the Progress Energy Extension of the Pinellas Trail.
- **2008** 3-mile Downtown Trail Extension opens to St. Petersburg waterfront. Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail inducted into Rail-Trail Hall of Fame.
- **2010** Pinellas Trail 20th Anniversary
- **2011** Trail through downtown Clearwater completed.
- **2014** 3-mile section of the Pinellas Trail opens along Keystone Road connecting the 4 miles along East Lake Road to John Chesnut Park.
- **2017** Pinellas County enters into an agreement with Duke Energy changing the Progress Energy Trail to the Duke Energy Florida Trail.

For a guide to the trail and trail maps, visit www.pinellascounty.org/trailgd