

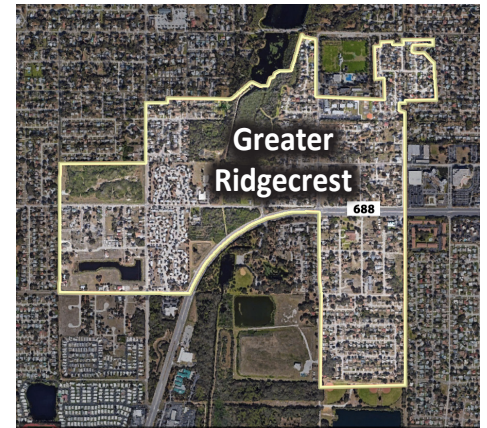
Ridgecrest Community Plan 2021



Pinellas County partnered with community stakeholders in 1994 to create an action plan for community development and planning in Greater Ridgecrest. In 2015, Pinellas County led another community engagement process to determine the needs and priorities of the community. From these efforts the Greater Ridgecrest Neighborhood Revitalization Vision was created. The Vision included goals, strategies, and priority projects.

In 2021, the County worked with the Friends of Ridgecrest to review these documents. The Friends of Ridgecrest is the lead community group made up of volunteers and representatives from community service providers in the area. The County and the Friends determined what priorities had been accomplished, what was no longer relevant, and what additional needs exist in the community today. Together, they produced this updated Ridgecrest Community Plan.

County staff will identify priority projects and funding to achieve the goals and strategies.



Goal 1

Enhance Connectivity

Strategies:

1. Improve Intersections and streetscapes for pedestrian safety
2. Provide bike lanes
3. Provide safe shaded paths with ample lighting
4. Improve street connections
5. Improve bus stops with shelters

Priority Projects:

- Improve signage and neighborhood gateways
- Dansville and Greater Ridgecrest Community Gateway Signs
- Street lighting and trees along principal streets
- Establish street lighting district in Dansville



Goal 2

Preserve/Enhance Natural Systems

Strategies:

1. Improve and enhance stream valleys and regional water sheds
2. Improve access to existing parks
3. Provide new trail connections
4. Provide pocket parks/ parklets with eyes on them
5. Create new park and connections around Dansville stormwater pond to transform the property into a community asset

Priority Projects:

- Dansville Community passive park surrounding stormwater facility



Goal 3

Encourage Local Retail/Mixed Use

Strategies:

1. Create local retail opportunities along Wilcox/130th Ave
2. Create mixed use opportunity at Trotter parcel along 134th Ave
3. Create local job centers or incubators (local food co-op/market)
4. Explore neighborhood retail opportunities near Ulmerton and 119th St



Goal 4

Brownfield and Infill Redevelopment

Strategies:

1. Match density of infill residential development to surrounding context
2. Create recreational opportunities on brown field sites
3. Provide residential/ community supportive services infill
4. Encourage tactical urbanism/public art projects on existing vacant spaces to create new community amenities/open spaces

Priority Projects:

- Test contamination levels at brown field sites
- Develop county-owned lots in Dansville
- Rainbow Village Redevelopment



Goal 5

Streamline Service Delivery

Strategies:

1. Encourage coordination between service providers
2. Consolidate space
3. Identify opportunities for additional space
4. Identify gaps in services