



FINDING COMMON GROUND

A Conversation with State Legislators

August 11, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



FORWARD
PINELLAS

Event Agenda

10:00 AM Check-in, Breakfast & Networking

10:30 AM Welcome

Brandi Gabbard
City of St. Petersburg Councilmember

10:35 AM Framing the Context

Whit Blanton
Forward Pinellas Executive Director

10:50 AM Today's Objectives

Brandi Gabbard
City of St. Petersburg Councilmember

**10:55 AM Moderated
Conversation**

Members of the Pinellas County
Legislative Delegation and
Community Leaders

**11:55 AM Next Steps &
Closing Remarks**

Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy
Forward Pinellas Vice-Chair

Whit Blanton
Forward Pinellas Executive Director

Today's Topics



Connecting Our Community

Linking Housing, Jobs & Transportation

Keeping our communities strong and independent, while working to solve bigger challenges together.



Finding Flexible Funding

Investing in Transportation

Finding flexible solutions to fund transportation needs in our community.



Safe Streets Pinellas

A Vision to Zero

Working with communities to ensure a targeted, focused and collaborative approach toward safety.



Changing the Tide

Creating a Resilient Future

Enhancing the resilience of our roads and bridges to guarantee the safety and prosperity of our communities and maintain our quality of life.

PINELLAS COUNTY

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Jeff Brandes
Delegation Chair | Florida Senator
District 24



Ed Hooper
Florida Senator
District 16



Darryl Rouson
Florida Senator
District 19



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District 66



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District 64



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District 67



Michele Rayner
Florida Representative
District 70



Chris Sprowls
Speaker of the House | Florida Representative
District 65

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Legislative Committee

The Forward Pinellas Legislative Committee prepares legislative priority positions, monitors active legislation, and discusses a range of potential local concerns and issues related to state and federal legislative affairs.

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BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER TO CREATE A BRIGHT FUTURE

In Florida's most densely populated county, change is constant. Through vision, leadership and commitment, Forward Pinellas plans for prosperous, equitable and healthy communities, with complementary investments in transportation that serve the needs of our diverse and dynamic county.



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