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Community Background Report

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Boundaries

East: NW 5th Avenue

West: State Road 7

North: Glades Road

South: Glades Road

Community Type: Neighborhood

Background

The Glades Road Corridor runs east-west through south Palm Beach County from Northwest 5th Avenue in the City of Boca Raton to State Road 7. The 16 Census block groups adjacent to the corridor encompass a total land mass of 6,976 acres (11 miles) as the Corridor runs seven miles from east to west. The eastern portion of the Corridor falls completely within the City of Boca Raton while the remaining two-fifths fall within unincorporated areas of Palm Beach County.

Community Dynamics

The Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization's 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan has identified the Glades Road Corridor as one of three proposed locations for express bus service. This service would lead from Broward County north along State Road 7 to Boca Raton (pp. 3).

According to the 2000 Census slightly less than half (45%) of persons over 25 had a bachelor's degree or higher and a vast majority (89%) of the population had at least a high school diploma or equivalent.

Although the Corridor does not have areas of acute poverty, the poorest block groups on Glades Road are those farthest east and south of Glades Road. The only mobile home park in the area, West Lakes of Boca Raton is just south of Glades Road near the Florida Turnpike. Still, the median household income for the Corridor as a whole was \$66,021.

Of the 12,333 housing units in the Glades Road Corridor the majority were single-family homes (57% of housing units). Multi-family homes accounted for 42% of housing units. In 2000, the median home price was \$185,691 and the median rent was \$571.

The Glades Road Corridor has five senior centers or communities with large concentrations of residents over the age of 65. These facilities are located on or in close vicinity

to Glades Road. The senior centers in Boca Raton will be affected by the City’s encouragement of the widening of Glades Road from a six-lane road to an eight-lane road.

Useful Tables

Population Characteristics	
Population	24,491
Median age	47
Residents 65 and over	25.8%
Residents under 18	15.5%
Married-Couple Households	55%
Non-Hispanic Whites	84.6%
Blacks	4%
Hispanics	9%
Foreign born	19%
English spoken at home	76%
Spanish spoken at home	9%
Other Language spoken at home	15%

Income	
Median household income	\$66,021
Per capita Income	\$40,862
% Households Below the poverty line	6.8%

Housing	
Description	2000
Housing Units	12,333

Total occupied	10,308
Owner occupied	7,809
Renter occupied	2,499

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