

# CDBG Success Story

## Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority

### Pinellas County, FL

Community Development  
Block Grant (CDBG):  
\$70,000

#### Housing & Community Development Department

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**Problem or need addressed:**

Many locations lack shelter covering from unforeseen weather and it has been noted many passengers are not satisfied with the quality of these bus shelters and are also prone to defacement. Therefore, selecting a shelter model that is durable and robust that can withstand the damage is essential.

**Solution:**

Pinellas County awarded Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) just under \$70,000 for the purchase and installation or replacement of bus shelters, including ADA landing pads, shelter pads, trash cans, bike racks, map boards, benches and photovoltaic (solar) lighting systems utilizing the Community Development Block Grant.

**Before**



**Results:**

With new and improved shelters in the Lealman, Ridgecrest and Tarpon redevelopment areas, it improved the transit experience for people using the bus to get to work, school, shopping, and medical care. New bus shelters not only improved the aesthetics of the area and address some of the site deterioration described in the various target revitalization areas, but also give riders a safer and more comfortable wait experience. The routes serving these stops connect riders to a larger network of routes that allow residents in these targeted areas to reach many destinations throughout Pinellas County, as well as connect to routes in surrounding counties.

**After**

