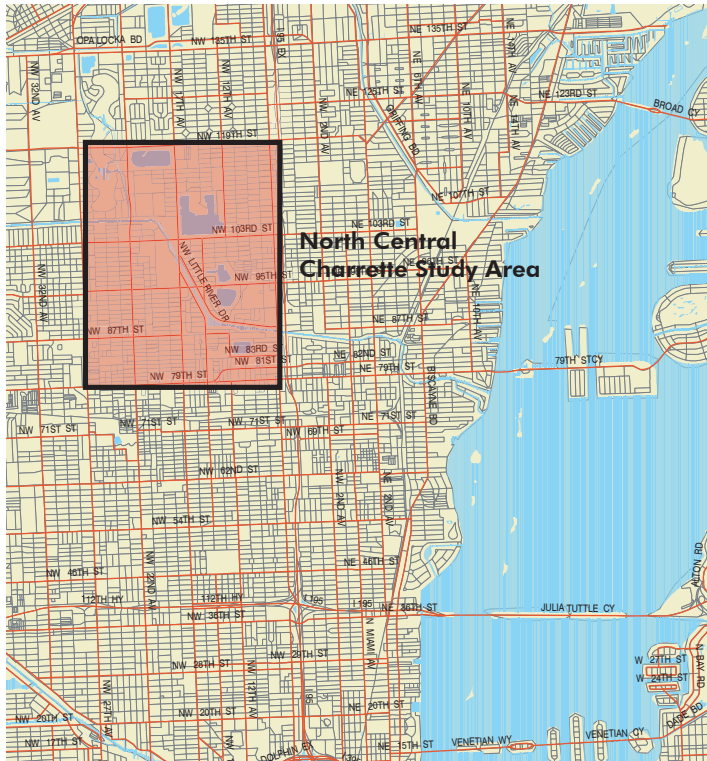




North Central Charrette

CHARRETTE AREA PLAN REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Above: The North-Central Charrette study area in the context of Miami-Dade County. **Below:** Numerous citizens participated during the charrette at William Turner Technical Arts High School.



NORTH CENTRAL CHARRETTE, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

The North Central Miami-Dade Master Plan is the citizens' vision for the revitalization of a series of urban neighborhoods centrally located within the unincorporated North Central Miami-Dade County.

THE NORTH CENTRAL MIAMI-DADE MASTER PLAN GREW OUT OF A DESIGN CHARRETTE HELD FROM MAY 3rd THROUGH MAY 10th, 2002:

The Charrette was held at the William Turner Technical Arts High School and was well attended by over 90 residents, property and business owners, representing a diverse cross-section of the community. During the week, the design team set up its studio in a wood shop at Turner Tech and was open to the public all week. A presentation of work in progress was held on Friday, May 10th. Residents, property and business owners as well as North Dade Chamber of Commerce, County staff and elected officials were present. Work continued in the weeks that followed the initial public workshop.

THE CITIZENS, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL TEAM, STUDIED THE MANY CHALLENGES FACED BY THE COMMUNITY AND PROPOSED SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS:

A series of presentations by County Staff were held and during that time further citizen and professional input was taken into account. The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) passed a resolution (# R-497-04) on April 27th 2004, thereby accepting the North Central Charrette Area Plan Report and its recommendations.



NORTH CENTRAL: "THE HEART OF MIAMI-DADE"

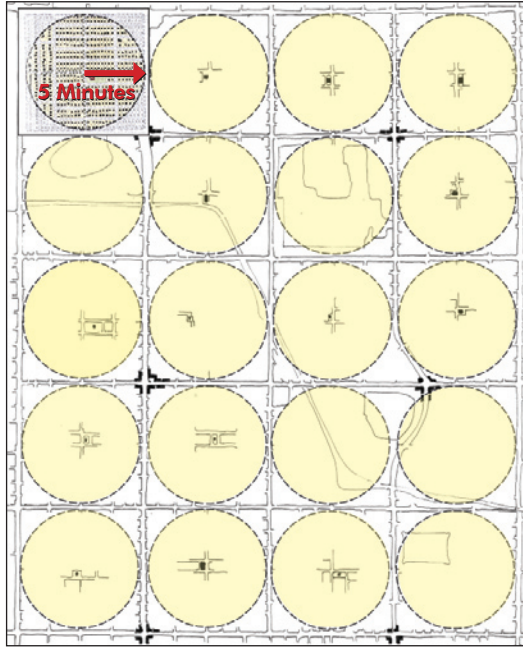
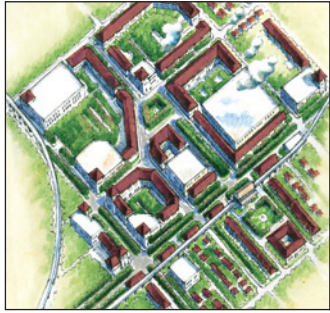


Top left: NW 7th Avenue showing existing conditions. **Above left:** Right of way landscaping improvements and new, urban building types in place of obsolete strip shopping centers. **Above right:** Aerial view of NW 7th Avenue with showing landscaped median and possible new development.



Above: NW 7th Avenue at NW 95th Street existing conditions. **Below:** NW 7th Avenue, showing additional development possible without displacing existing buildings.





Citizens' Requests:

- Home Ownership
- Government Presence/Civic Center
- Improve the Edge Corridors
- Enhance Main Community Arteries
- Improve Northside Shopping Center
- Improve Existing Parks
- Solve Drainage Problems
- Infill Trailer Parks
- Create a Main Street for the Community
- Extend Metrorail or Busway
- Mixed-Use Buildings along Main Corridors
- Build Gateways
- Calm Traffic
- Create Community Identity

THE VISION

Below: View of the proposed new and improved neighborhoods within North Central



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Project Goals and Objectives:

The goal of the North Central Miami-Dade master plan is to create a framework that will facilitate development and investment in private land as well as in public infrastructure, preserve the community's heritage, enhance its livability and sense of unity, and encourage design quality, both architectural and urban, in a manner that achieves the following objectives:

- To implement a plan that promotes growth and infill development and preserves the community's heritage in a form that is compact, diverse and walkable.
- To define the community's structure: a center and edges, a series of neighborhoods and neighborhood centers, a network of interconnected streets, proper building height and placement as well as sites for open space and civic buildings.
- To create a main street that will contribute to define the community's identity and serve to foster civic pride.
- To encourage local ownership of properties, businesses and development.
- To assure a range of housing types and costs.

- To encourage the partnership of public, private and not-for-profit sectors.
- To improve and complete street furniture, landscaping and signage wherever necessary.
- To improve general infrastructure, including streets and sidewalks and generate a safe and friendly pedestrian environment.
- To improve the community's appearance
- To provide the necessary services in order to integrate Miami-Dade Community College, its activities and students, into the community.
- To improve vehicular circulation and mass transit in a manner that is functional, economically feasible, and supportive of a pedestrian environment.
- To bring government presence to the community
- To improve existing public buildings and to build a new library in a location that better serves the community's needs.
- To attract businesses, both retail and office uses, that will provide a wide range of jobs easily accessible to residents.

THE CHARRETTE AREA PLAN: A COMMUNITY'S VISION



The North Central Charrette conducted with the assistance of: North Dade Chamber of Commerce • Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. For more information contact Miami-Dade County Department of Planning and Zoning at 305-375-2842



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