

# **Summary of Event**

**EVENT:** Speak Up Broward "Let's Talk Transportation" presentation

DATE/TIME: March 6, 2014, 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Broward County Sierra Club, Fern Forest Park, 201 S Lyons Rd, Coconut Creek, FL 33063

PRIMARY AUDIENCE: Broward Sierra Club members

## ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED: 5

**PROJECT TEAM MEMBER PARTICIPATION:** Speakers Bureau volunteers Eric Swanson (speaker) was accompanied by Pamela Adams

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#### **SUMMARY OF EVENT:**

- ✓ The meeting began with introductions. Eric Swanson and Pamela Adams introduced Speak Up Broward to the audience.
- ✓ Due to inclement weather and low attendance, Stan Pannaman, requested to reschedule the full Speak Up Broward presentation until the June 2014 meeting.
- Eric provided a high level overview about Speak Up Broward focusing on how to get involved and stay informed until they have the benefit of seeing the full presentation.
- The audience was encouraged to get more information from the website and to talk about Speak Up Broward in their communities. They were asked to provide new presentation opportunities.
- ✓ The audience shared the following observations and concerns about the current transportation system in Broward:
  - Traffic congestion, delays and wasted fuel caused by the lack of a traffic synchronization system. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma is cited as a city that has a good system for Broward to reference.
  - Reduced bus service to Tri-Rail has made using Tri-Rail very inconvenient. A former rider now has to rely on driving to Miami. More people would ride Tri-Rail if there was better access.
  - Better east to west connections are essential to make public transportation more feasible.

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### FOLLOW UP / ACTION RESULTS:

✓ Mr. Pannaman has requested the Speak Up Broward team present Speak Up Broward at the June 2014 meeting.

**EVALUATION OF EVENT:** The meeting resulted in an introduction to Speak Up Broward and the beginning of a constructive conversation about transportation challenges today.

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