Delray Beach, Delray

DOWNTOWN
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

State of the Downtown
Town Hall
May 17, 2023





State of the Downtown Agenda:

Introductions

What is the DDA?

Summer of #LoveDelray

Recognize DDA Volunteers

Recognize DDA Safety Ambassadors

Keynote Speaker: Bob Gibbs

Q & A with Audience

Mavis Benson DDA Board Chair

What Do You Love About



Laura Simon

Executive Director & CEO, DDA

What is the DDA?



- Downtown Management Organization
 - Created by State Statute in 1971
- Approved by Downtown Property and Business Owners (Voters)
- DDA Revenue: 1 mil tax on property owners within Downtown District
 - DDA reinvests those funds back into Downtown

MISSION

Stimulate, enhance and sustain the economic vitality of Downtown Delray Beach and the quality of life enjoyed by locals and visitors.



We do this through:

Events



Placemaking





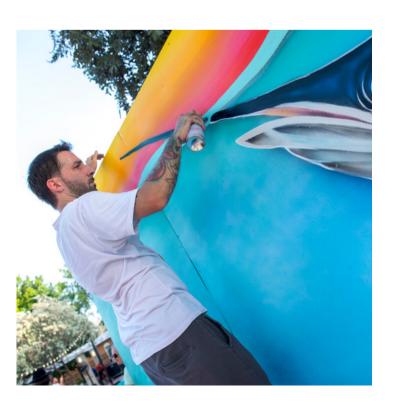
Marketing/PR



Advocacy







Business Dev



DDA is now operating and managing Old School Square for the City of Delray Beach



Suzanne Boyd Strategic Marketing Manager, DDA



WHAT IS THE SUMMER OF #LOVEDELRAY?

A DDA Marketing Campaign to show how much we LOVE OUR LOCALS!



Downtown Delray Discount for LOCALS









Participating Hotels:

- The Seagate Hotel
- Opal Grand Resort
- Courtyard by Marriott
 - Hyatt Place
 - The Hampton Inn
 - The Aloft Hotel







Dozens of Businesses Participating:

- The Cart Shop
 - Deck 84
 - Spa Me Now
 - Playa Bowls
 - Just Hearts
- Bella Reina Spa
 - Many More











Look for the #LoveDelray Decal!





www.downtowndelraybeach.com/lovedelray

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"Cities have the capability of providing something for everybody, only because, and only when, they are created by everybody."

— Jane Jacobs, The Death and Life of Great American Cities

Safety Ambassadors THANK YOU!



Safety Ambassadors

Anderson Pacouloute Jackendel Desorme **Eddy Jeanty** Zyshonn O'Neal **Marc Randall** Campbell Wadian Marc Jerome Sourveain Calixte Dieujuste **Emanuel Ernevil**

DDA Volunteers THANK YOU!



DDA Volunteers

Elayne Sloane Randee Stark Linda Purdo Mike Tegler Lucille Acocella **Steve Perea** Jill Perea Joey Vashlishan Jo Trippe Venetia Heintz Shelly Slikosar Terri Guerra

Norinne Czekanski Jeanne Romer Alex Rosenberg Karen Oerth Sandy Raizin **Donna Sayres** Kathy O'Neill Robert Cantwell Richard Millman Maureen Kennon **Denise Goldstein**

BJ SKIAT Visitor Information Center Coordinator

Bob Gibbs Global Authority on Downtown Urban Centers

Questions or Comments?

