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The South Howard Flood Relief Project will design and build a major stormwater system to reduce flooding along South Howard Avenue, West Swann Avenue, and nearby neighborhoods, including Parkland Estates and Palma Ceia Pines. The project adds 10-foot-wide sidewalks, safety upgrades such as traffic calming, improved crossings, and enhanced lighting, as well as streetscape improvements with upgraded landscaping, permeable pavers, and green infrastructure to improve water quality.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Upgraded infrastructure for water, wastewater, and stormwater
- Installation of over 6,000 feet of box culvert to create an underground stormwater “river,” along with new pipes and inlets to improve flood relief
- Improved water quality discharge to Hillsborough Bay through innovative green infrastructure technologies, contributing to a healthier bay and more resilient community
- Drainage for the expanded South Selmon Expressway (through partnering with the Tampa-Hillsborough Expressway Authority)

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

- Significantly reduce structural and street flooding
- Streetscape improvements along South Howard Avenue to enhance safety, improve walkability, and provide wider sidewalks, better lighting, and upgraded landscaping for a more inviting shopping and dining experience
- Traffic calming measures
- Reduction of pollutants entering Hillsborough Bay through water quality enhancements and green infrastructure
- Enhanced historic character of neighborhood

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