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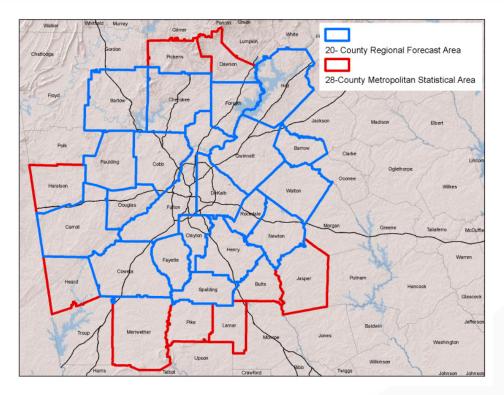
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# **Metro Atlanta Area**



#### **Population:**

 Population in "core" 10 counties nearly 4.1M

#### **Economics:**

- 05 GDP \$250B
- 15<sup>th</sup> Largest in the World

#### **Education:**

 1/3 residents hold bachelor's degree or higher

Metro Atlanta

 78% High School graduation rate 07-08

### Growth:

 Population in 20-county area expected to grow 94% by 2040, reaching 8.3M

#### **Employment:**

- Nearly 1.9 M jobs in 10county area
- \$50K average annual wage

# **Central Florida**



#### **Population:**

 Population in "core" 7 counties nearly 3.7M

#### **Economics:**

- 05 GDP \$140B
- 45<sup>th</sup> Largest in the World

#### **Education:**

- 1/4 residents hold bachelor's degree or higher
- 81% High School graduation rate 07-08

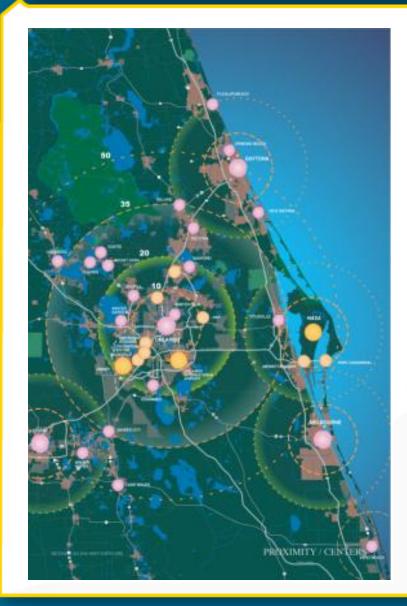
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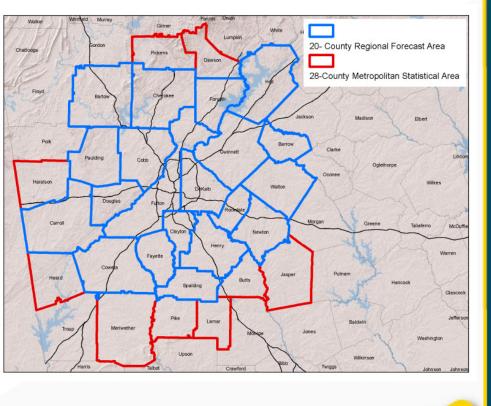
- 1.5M+ jobs in 7-county area
- \$41K average annual wage

#### Growth:

 Total population expected to grow 91% by 2050, reaching 6.7M

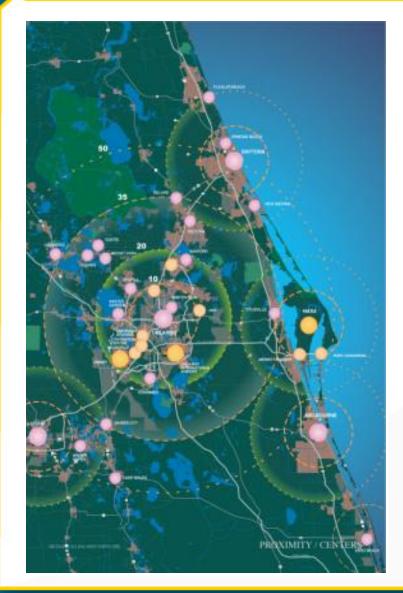
## Metro Atlanta Area vs. Central Florida







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## Background;

- Started in 1999 to encourage
  Regional Collaboration
- Phase I began as a partnership between the Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce and the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council
- Includes public, private and civic organizations

Background

# **What Was Not Working**



### Tampa/Orlando Bid





Bridge Across the St. Johns River

Light Rail Goes to Charlotte



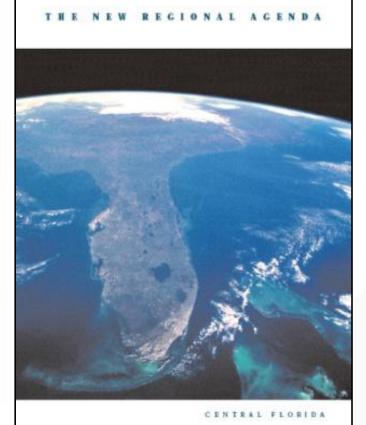
# **Key Question**

### How Can Central Florida Compete in the Global Economy and Maintain a High Standard Quality of Life?



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### Creating the Regional Agenda 1999-2003



## 3,000 Citizens and 300 Leaders said:

- Economic Leadership
- Education
- Environment
- Fragmentation
- Quality of Life
- Smart, Quality Growth

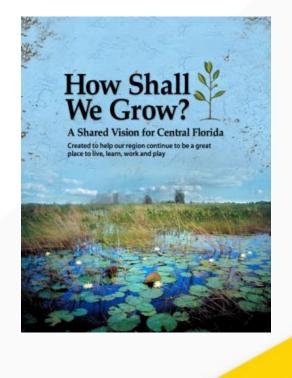
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# **Collaboration on "Steroids"**

### "How Shall We Grow?"

- Engaged nearly 20,000 citizens in a Regional Academy
- Formed Congress of Regional Leaders
- Over 70% of cities and counties have adopted local plans.





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## "How Shall We Grow?"

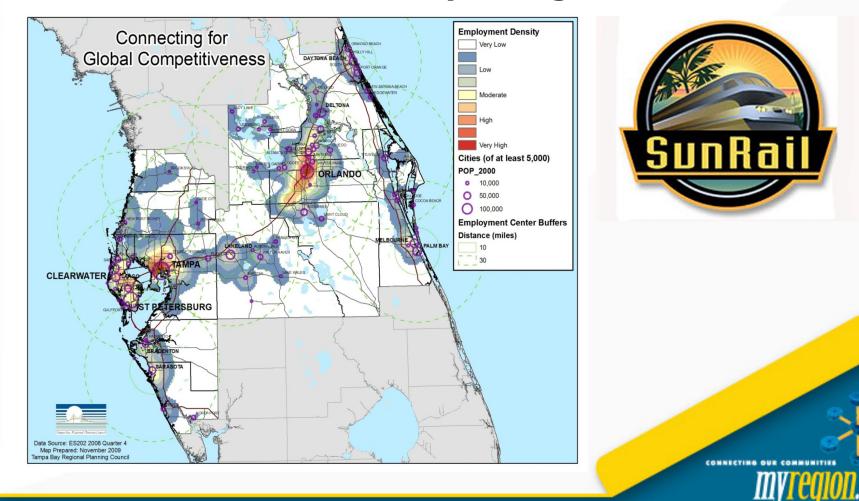
### **Central Florida Regional Growth Vision for 2050**

Trend

Vision

# **Other Regional Collaborations**

### **Connecting for Global Competitiveness:** Florida's Super Region



## **Other Regional Collaborations**



### Medical School



"Open For Business"



### Medical City

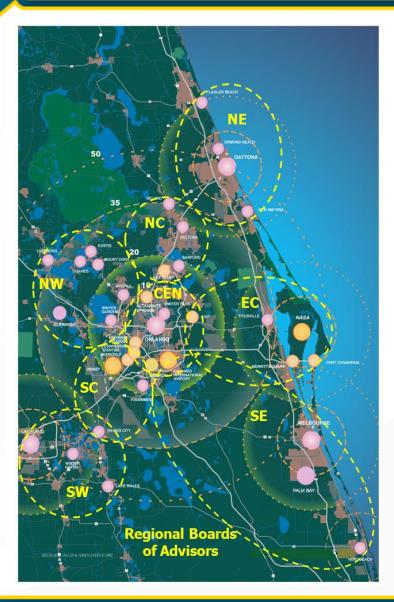


# **Evolution of** *myregion.org*

Mission: Connecting Our Communities by building regional solutions



# **Structuring for Leadership Success**



#### **From: Focus on County Boundaries**

#### **To: Focus on Economic Centers**

#### **New Organizational Structure:**

- 8 Regional Boards of Advisors
- RBA Members selected from each multi-county/jurisdictional economic center
- De-centralized Organization
- Each RBA aligned with a businessled organization in the economic center

# **Why These Economic Centers?**



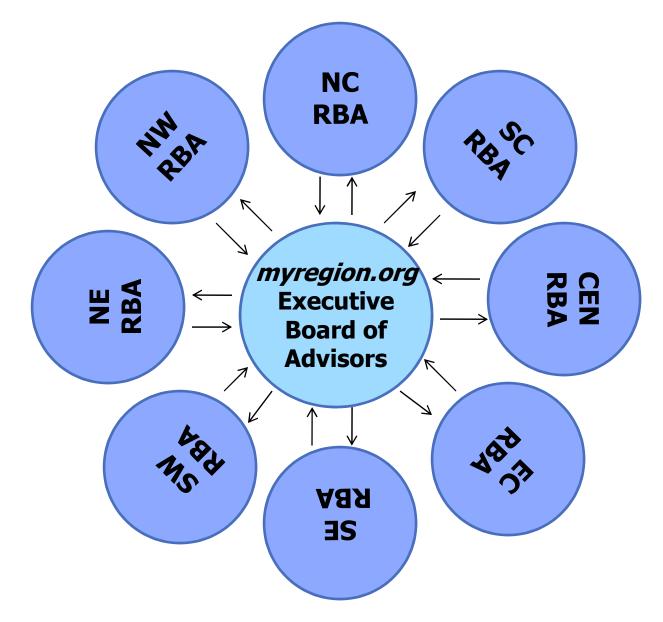
- Link population and job centers
- Connect areas that have economic similarities
- Move beyond traditional thinking based on city or county boundaries



**Multi-Dimensional Cities** (Over 10,000 in population)

**Multi-Dimensional Cities** Economic Centers and/or Economic Centers

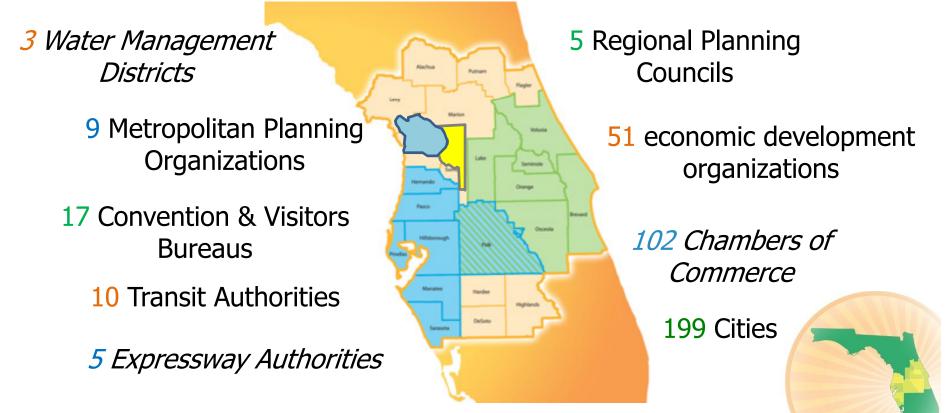
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# Tampa Bay-Central Florida Super Region Connecting for Global Competitiveness

## Our Challenge and Our Opportunity.....

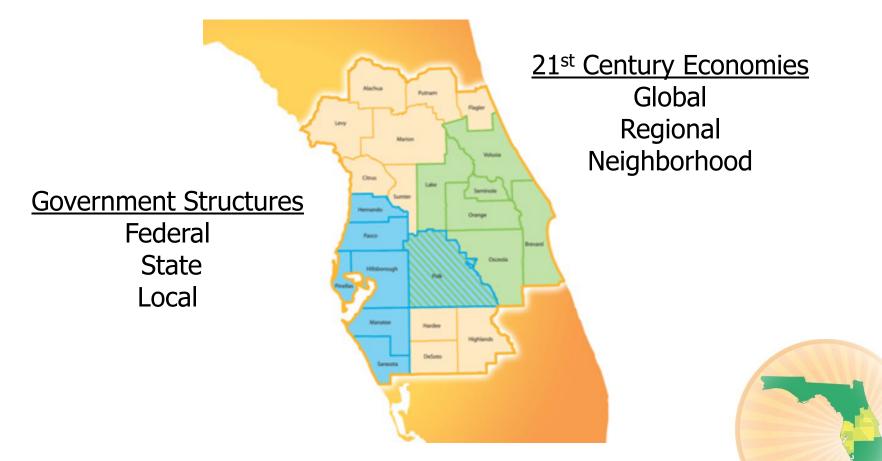
15 Counties (Brevard, Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Lake, Manatee, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, Seminole, Sumter, Volusia)



Florida's Super Region: Connecting for Global Competitiveness

# Florida's Super Region Connecting for Global Competitiveness

### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Issues Require A New Civic Architecture



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# **Implications for Atlanta Leaders**

## **Civic Leadership vs Corporate Leadership**







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