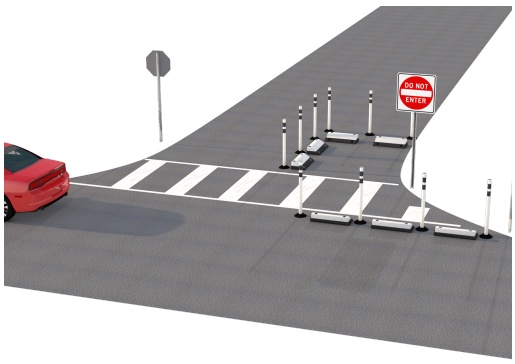
Traffic calming in our neighborhood: Doing even more

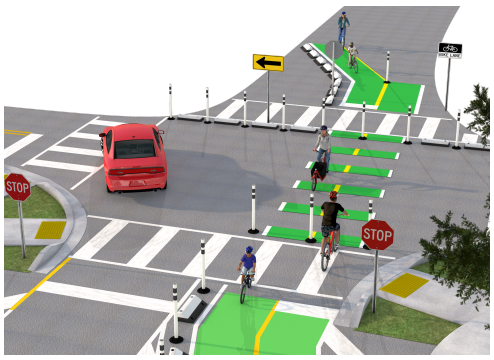
The City of Miami plans to install new traffic calming on our streets to slow and reduce some of the cut-through traffic in our neighborhood. All of us have said we want this.

But this is just a beginning.

Earlier this year, a coalition of neighbors proposed a month-long test project to install two traffic diverters, similar to those shown below, on the south end of Matilda Street and Gifford Lane, plus a protected bike lane at Coconut Grove Elementary. Although Gifford and Matilda would still be open to traffic, cars entering from Oak would be discouraged by the diverters.



Gifford and Oak



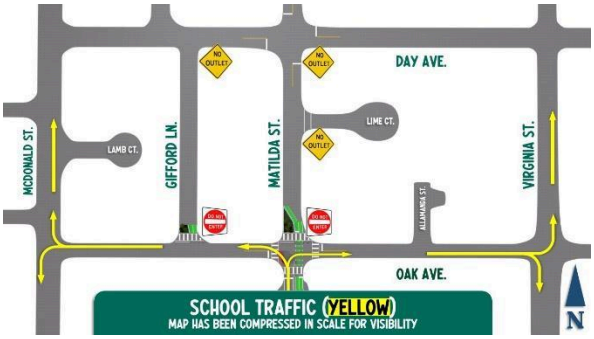
Matilda and Oak

The final design of the diverters has yet to be determined; the examples above are conceptual.

This plan would encourage traffic from the school or the Ziggurat to go *around* the core of our neighborhood, not through it.

Residents will, of course, still be able to drive in from Day Ave.

Over 80% of your neighbors supported the installation of a one-month pilot test during a Center Grove Neighbors community meeting on May 16 this year.



We hope you'll consider adding your support. This is an opportunity to try something that could help to keep our community safe and free of unwanted traffic with minimal risk. It has the potential to expand throughout Center Grove to include other streets.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your Gifford Lane neighbor and president of Bike Coconut Grove, Hank Sanchez-Resnik, at ***nocut@bikecoconutgrove.org****.*

As of October 2026, this project is supported by your fellow neighbors and others, as follows: Romain and Laetitia Bonnaud, Chris and Carolyn Groobey, Carlos and Julianne Munoz, Joseph Vergara and Joseline Rodriguez (Matilda St.); Chris and Petra Christie, Trina Collins, Ben and Marissa Glatzer, Jimmy and Tiffany Glover, Megan and Robert Hesketh, Eamon McLaughlin and Liz Nicolli,

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