

Community News Update

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Dear Downtown Residents,

We mentioned in our **News Update** last week that DSCA is dedicating itself and its communications network to gathering the best sources of information, challenging the best minds and bringing your questions directly to the City's top leaders.

In the next few days DSCA will again be speaking with <u>Mayor Jen Ahearn-Koch</u> and the video recording of that conversation will be sent to members as soon as it is available.

In the meantime, we are pleased and proud to recognize some of the successes that have flowed from the efforts of Sarasota's citizen-volunteers. Sarasota is a better place because of their labors.



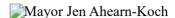
Salute to Downtown Green Space Pioneers

In recognition of <u>National Arbor Day</u>, and the 50th Anniversary of <u>Earth Day</u>, DSCA celebrates the work of so many City of Sarasota residents who worked tirelessly to create the City of Sarasota <u>Downtown Green Space Policies</u> (2011).

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<u>Second Heart Homes, Inc.</u> just announced the addition of a new house to their mental health housing program! This will have a major impact by getting 6 individuals with severe mental illness off the street and into the lives they deserve.

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You can view Mayor Jennifer Ahearn-Koch's update of 4/16/20 and dialog with the DSCA leaders here:

https://youtu.be/6VID_6WL9Xc

View City of Sarasota COVID-19 Information webpage: https://www.sarasotafl.gov/i-want-to/advanced-components/covid-19-microsite

The City of Sarasota Transportation Master Plan process has developed the top 10 recommended projects based on visioning exercises and community feedback. Please share your thoughts on these projects (including some downtown) by taking a survey here.

The 2020 Census is here...

and we need your help to make it a success!

Be Counted!

The Census counts every person living in the United States.

<u>City of Sarasota uses census data</u> to plan for our future and where to allocate funding for resources and facilities.

The **Downtown Sarasota Condo Association** is composed of resident volunteers who live and work in downtown Sarasota. We are your neighbors, your friends, your link to City government. Please help us convey your questions and concerns to those in office. We also want to pass on your suggestions for weathering this shelter-in-place period in a downtown high-rise with discussions about what has worked for you ... and what has not.

With all best wishes for your continued good health,

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