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Incomplete streets problematizes the Complete Streets concept by suggesting that streets should not be thought of as merely physical spaces, but as symbolic and social spaces.

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Conventional hard infrastructure can be engineered to double as social infrastructure.
Leon County looks to focus on social infrastructure

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (WCTV) - The Leon County Commission has committed to putting a bigger emphasis on social infrastructure.

Social infrastructure refers to the physical places in our community that affect the way people interact. Some examples of these places would be parks, playgrounds and libraries.

WFSU professor and sociologist Eric Klinenberg discussed the topic with the commission during its annual retreat on Monday. Klinenberg said social infrastructure really comes down to a quality of life issue.

"It affects our longevity and our health. And if we invest in places like branch libraries, playgrounds, parks, we can dramatically improve quality of life," he said. "What we now know is that social infrastructure can make the difference between life and death in a crisis."

Klinenberg said investing in social infrastructure strengthens communities, builds bonds among neighbors and can reduce crime. He also said because communities will be more tight knit, they'll fare better during natural disasters like a hurricane. That's because when residents are more familiar with each other and the community, they'll know who to check in on and where to meet for resources.
Social Infrastructure

Why is social infrastructure important?
• Increase resilience
• Reduce isolation
• Promotes democracy and civic engagement
• Contributes to economic growth
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