

Needs

- ❖ Investment in **community data and reporting**
- ❖ Planning that **bridges the gap between connectivity and the current built environment**
- ❖ Bolster **public health delivery systems**

Opportunities & Existing Resources

- ❖ **Students at Valdosta State University** generally conduct research as part of capstone projects.
- ❖ **Local nonprofits** often collect and share data and information.
- ❖ Lowndes County and the Cities have various options for outdoor recreation and activity such as **Langdale Park**, the **Azalea Trail**, **Downtown Walking Trail**, **Freedom Park Trail**, as well as many other **facility-based parks managed by Valdosta-Lowndes Parks and Recreation Authority (VLPRA)**.
- ❖ **South Georgia Medical Center** serves Lowndes County and the Cities with satellite locations in Berrien and Lanier counties.
- ❖ Community stakeholders supported the **Young Gamechangers** development of a plan that provides suggestions to improve community wellbeing – **Final Recommendations for Valdosta/Lowndes County 2024**.