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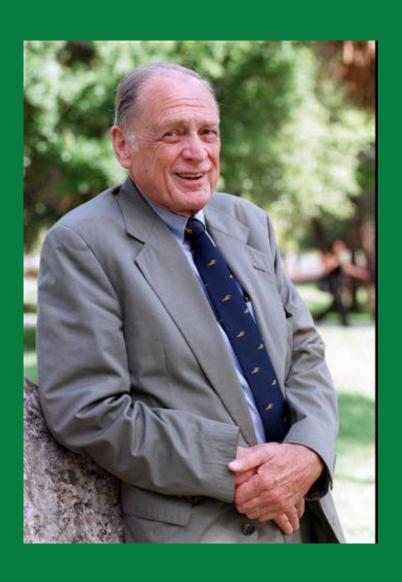
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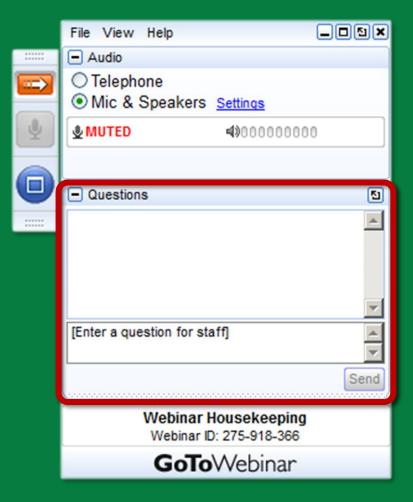




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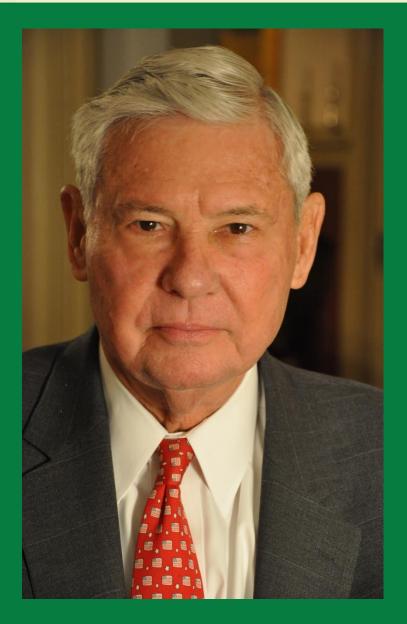
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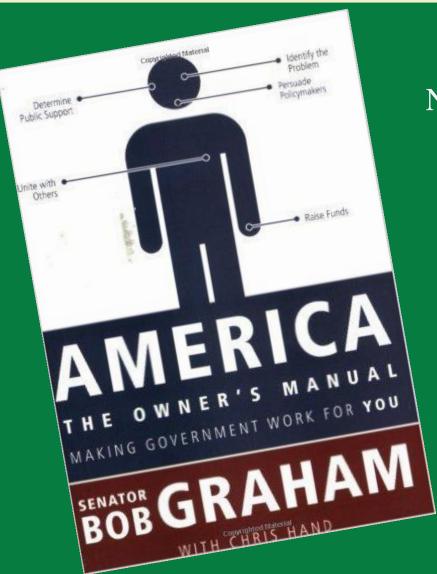
Gov. Bob Graham



- One of the most accomplished politicians in Florida history
- First state legislator, then a governor, and finally a three-term U.S. Senator
- Has had a role in nearly every major public policy issue in modern Florida's history
- Created the Bob Graham Center in Public Service to continue his legacy of leadership, and train the next generation of Sunshine State leaders
- Author of several books, including
 America: The Owner's Manual, which
 teaches the skills of civic participation



America, The Owner's Manual By Senator Bob Graham with Chris Hand



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Chris Hand



- Former speechwriter, campaign press secretary, and Senate press secretary for U.S. Senator Bob Graham
- Former Chief of Staff to Jacksonville Mayor Alvin Brown
- With Senator Graham, co-author of *America, the Owner's Manual: Making Government Work for You*, a guide to effective citizenship (new version to be published in summer 2016)
- Previously practiced law at two Jacksonville law firms – Terrell Hogan and Rogers Towers
- Graduated with honors from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University and the University of Florida's Levin College of Law, where he served as research assistant to former Governor and U.S. Representative Buddy MacKay.

Ryan Smart



- President of 1000 Friends of Florida
- Past staff coordinator of the Florida Conservation Coalition, which focuses on water policy, communications and advocacy
- Holds a Master's Degree in Public Policy from the University of Florida
- A native Floridian



Amendment 1 and Land Conservation

Ryan Smart

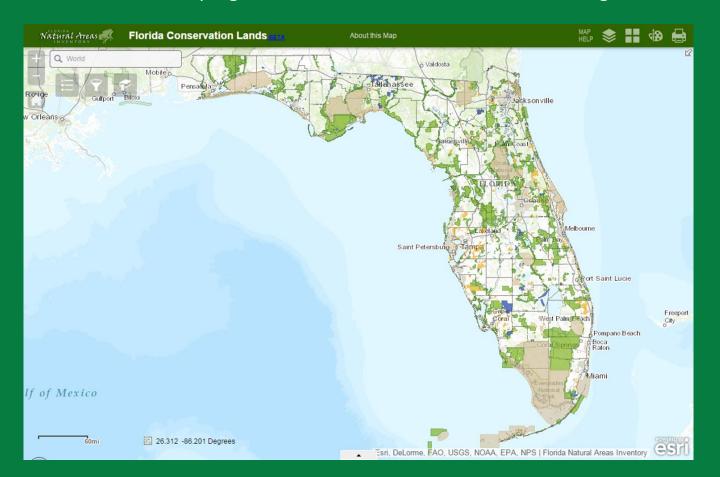


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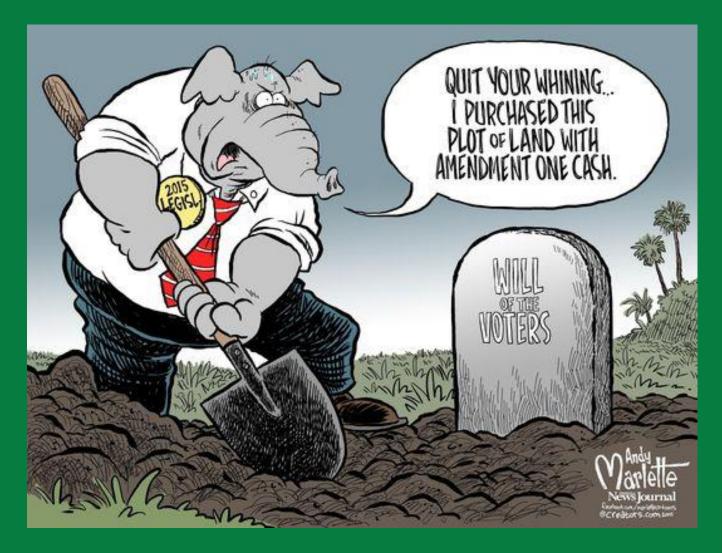
- In the fall of 2015, 1000 Friends of Florida and the Florida Conservation Coalition conducted a series of five citizen advocacy trainings throughout the state of Florida.
- Approximately 100 attendees of those events are now working directly with FCC staff to build relationships with legislators and become more effective advocates for Florida's environment.
- After the presentations we will give you information on how you can join this growing movement.



- 75% of Florida voters (4.2 million Floridians) in the 2014 elections approved the Florida Water and Land Legacy Amendment to provide a dedicated source of funding for conserving lands and protecting water resources.
- A primary purpose of the Amendment is to fund the purchase of conservation lands through the Florida Forever program which had been decimated since the great recession.









2016 Amendment 1 Appropriations

Description	2016 GAA (millions \$)
Everglades Restoration (inc. Land)	215.2
Debt Service	175.7
Salaries & Operating Expenses	187.7
Land Management/State Parks	139.6
Regulatory/Pollution Reduction	50.1
Springs Restoration	50
Conservation Easements (RFL)	35
Beach Projects	21.2
Florida Forever	15.2
Florida Communities Trust	10.4
Historic Preservation	2
Total LATF	902.9





"I think it's important that you and every other Floridian out there understand today the state and federal government owns for conservation purposes 9,400,000 acres of land for conservation in the state... there is such a thing as too much. Nine million, four hundred thousand acres for conservation purposes."

- No one buys conservation lands just to own land.
 Conservation lands are bought to achieve specific goals, including aquifer recharge and protection, wildlife habitat, protecting vital natural areas from development, public access and recreation, etc.
- Purchasing conservation lands, or the development rights to such lands, is in many cases the most efficient and equitable means of achieving these goals.
- We will only have enough land when these goals are met.





"It is irresponsible to buy land that falls into disrepair or becomes a breeding ground for harmful invasive species."

- There is no land management crisis which requires the state to stop buying conservation lands.
- Additional funds for land management are essential, particularly after the Legislature failed to adequately funds land management in recent years.
- There are sufficient funds available through the Florida Water and Land Legacy Amendment to acquire and manage conservation lands.



Floridians came together to pass the Water and Land Legacy Amendment. Now we must make our elected leaders understand the purpose of the Amendment and the importance of land conservation.

The remainder of this presentation will teach you how to become a more effective citizen advocate.



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Bob Graham/Chris Hand



Introduction: Advocacy is NOT a Spectator Sport

- America, the Owner's Manual -- July 2016
- Cold, greasy pizza at Wolfson High School
- The first workday: Carol City High School
- Citizenship not being taught or as spectator sport
- Music appreciation: Listening vs. playing

Advocacy is NOT a Spectator Sport, cont.

- State of citizen participation in U.S. democracy: challenges and opportunities
- Skills of effective citizenship:
 - ✓ Define the Problem
 - ✓ Gather the Facts
 - ✓ Decide Level of Gov't
 - **✓** Determine Public Opinion
 - ✓ Persuade the Decision-maker

Advocacy is NOT a Spectator Sport

- More skills of effective citizenship:
 - √ Keep track of the time and use the clock
 - ✓ Build coalitions
 - ✓ Engage all of the media
 - √ Raise/identify funding
 - ✓ Don't celebrate or commiserate too quickly

Today's focus: Persuading the Decision-maker

Persuading the Decision-maker

"As citizens of this democracy, you are the rulers and the ruled, the law-givers and the law-abiders—the beginning and the end."

-- Governor Adlai Stevenson

- Educate Decision Makers before They Become Decision Makers
 - √ Abide by all laws, but be proactive
 - ✓ Case in Point: St. Johns Riverkeeper
 - ✓ Example/Opportunity: Amendment 1 lands
- Define the Relationship with the Decision Maker before You Create It
 - ✓ Case in Point: Dr. Hubert Ross
- Follow the Chain of Command
 - ✓ Example: Belfast School Board

Respect Professional Staff

 Know the Decision Maker before You Advocate

√ Case in Point: John Breaux

✓ Case in Point: M.A.D.D.

Determine Who Influences the Decision
 Maker—and Influence Them

Understand Internal Politics and Dynamics
 ✓ Case in Point: Georgia Solar Power

Do Your Homework—Always Be Credible

All Politics Is Local

√ Case in Point:

Lyft in Portland

- Maximize Your Face-to-Face Opportunities with the Decision Maker
 - √ The Altmire advice: memorable and compelling
- Don't Assume that the Final Decision Maker Is the Right Target
 - √ Case in Point: Atlantic energy exploration
- Don't Let the Perfect Be the Enemy of the Good

Conclusion: In the Arena

"It is not the critic who counts: not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again, because there is no effort without error or shortcoming, but who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spends himself for a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows, in the end, the triumph of high achievement, and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who knew neither victory nor defeat."

—President Theodore Roosevelt

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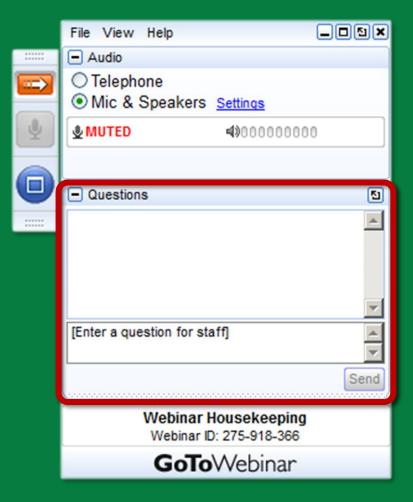
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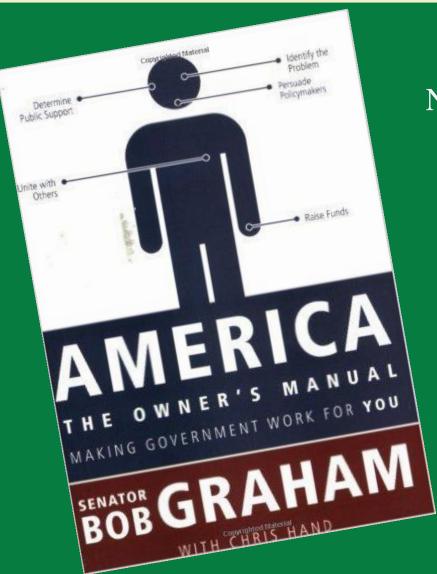
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