



## ***Another façade enhancement complete - Wildflower Café***

Everyone in the downtown area knows about the Wildflower Café and its homey food and friendly service; well this eatery has a new face. As you can plainly see, it is much easier to identify this brick building as the Wildflower Café and Busy Bee Catering with the signage on Eustis Street that came with the façade project. Funds came from the City of Eustis through the State of Florida Department of Community Affairs CDBG Small Cities Community Revitalization Façade Grant funded from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

On the Orange Avenue side of the building the gas line was moved to the rear of the restaurant and it greatly improved the looks of this great Café. The water table wall and signage added to the Orange Avenue side really brings more attention to this Café. So take a stroll downtown today and visit this bright and cheerful Café.

**Before**



**After**



For more information on the CDBG Commercial Revitalization Façade Program, contact Cindy Lesure at (352) 357-6576.

## ***Business Visitation Volunteers Needed***

The City of Eustis has initiated a Community Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) Program. The BRE Program is based on the fact that the majority of new jobs created will result from the expansion of existing business, as well as the importance of retaining existing businesses during these difficult economic times.

The BRE Partnership is in need of volunteers. The volunteers will be responsible for contacting specific businesses and administering a questionnaire that has been developed by the Partnership, with assistance from the University of Florida. The purpose of the interviews is to collect specific data about the opinions and needs of local businesses. Visits may take up to 2 hours, including travel. BRE training will be conducted by the University of Florida on June 15 & 16, 2009. There will be 3 training sessions of 2 hours each day: 7:30-9:30 am; 12:30-2:30 pm, and; 5:00-7:00 pm.

For more information about the BRE Program, or to volunteer your services, please contact Serita Hill, Administrative Assistant or John Schneider, Deputy City Manager for Economic Development, at (352) 483-5430.



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