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The Broward MPO
was one of only 40
TIGER grant applications
out of 585 to receive
funding from the U.S.
Department of
Transportation (USDOT).
That's only 7% of
applications! The
Broward MPO is
thrilled to be a
part of this
elite percentage!

For more information about our TIGER grant, please visit:

http://browardmpo.org/index. php/current-projects-studies/ tiger-grant-2016

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# **SUCCESS!** BROWARD MPO AWARDED \$11.4 MILLION TIGER GRANT

On July 29, the Broward MPO received news that it had been selected for a 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). The MPO is thrilled to announce that it will receive \$11,443,371 in grant funding for its Complete Streets Initiative, through the USDOT's TIGER Program. Making the award of this grant even more impressive is the fact that the Broward MPO was one of only 40 applications selected from 585 received that were sent from all 50 states. The MPO was the only organization within the state of Florida to receive funds.

In a joint press release issued with other South Florida lawmakers, Congresswoman Lois Frankel stated, "This is huge for Broward County residents and visitors. This transformative grant comes as a cooperative effort among local officials, planners, members of Congress, and President Obama's transportation team. Bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists alike will have safer passages that will come with new bike lanes [and] wider sidewalks."

The TIGER grant will help fund \$19.1 million in bicycle and pedestrian improvements across Broward, providing more spacious bike lanes, multi-use paths, ADA-compliant sidewalks, landscape enhancements, and improved lighting for both vehicles and pedestrians. The successful TIGER application is a partnership between the MPO, Broward County, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and the cities of Fort Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Lauderdale Lakes, and Pompano Beach.





MESSAGE FROM CHAIR

SR7

SW 10TH STREET

**EDUCATION AND OUTREACH** 



RICHARD BLATTNER CHAIR, BROWARD MPC DISTRICT 4

# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Benjamin Franklin once said, "Energy and persistence conquer all things." He was right. On our second try, we landed the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, which will pay for more than \$11.4 million in improvements toward our Complete Streets program. The TIGER grant is highly competitive and the application process daunting; however, thanks to the persistence and hard work of the MPO staff and our Congressional Delegation, we were the only agency to receive funding in the State of Florida. The TIGER grant was a partnership between the MPO, the Florida Department of Transportation, Broward County, and the cities of Fort Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Lauderdale Lakes, and Pompano

Beach. The awarding of this grant is great news for businesses, commuters and residents who travel throughout Broward County every day. This grant reflects our Board's commitment to provide everyone in our region with safe, multi-modal access to additional transportation options. We encourage you to learn more about the TIGER grant by visiting www.browardmpo.org/index.php/current-projects-studies/tiger-grant-2016.

## **STATE ROAD 7 (SR7) STUDY COMPLETED**



The SR7 Multimodal Improvements Corridor Study has been completed. As part of the project, the MPO study team met with over a dozen neighborhood and business groups to gather input on issues affecting the corridor. The resulting findings identified both short and long term improvements to promote mobility and safety for all modes of travel along the SR7 corridor. Study recommendations include enhanced pedestrian amenities such as countdown pedestrian signals and high emphasis crosswalk markings, transit improvements, including additional shelters, bus stop relocations, bus "queue jumps," and lighting enhancements to improve visibility for all users of SR7. Results can be found on the project website at: www.improvesr7.org.





#### **SW 10TH STREET - MOVING FORWARD TO PD&E**

At its July 14, 2016 Board meeting, the Broward MPO Board, with the support of the local communities, initiated the process to find a solution to link the transportation network through SW 10th Street. Since November 2015, the Community Oversight and Advisory Team (COAT) has been meeting to build consensus on how to relieve congestion, improve access, and better the quality of life for everyone who lives along and travels through the SW 10th Street Corridor.

At the July Board Meeting, the MPO Board voted to adopt the COAT's recommendation to move forward with a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study that can "improve safety of 10th Street and provide an efficient traffic solution between Sawgrass/Turnpike and I-95 while maintaining quality of life."

The project will now move to the Florida Department of Transportation, who will provide more detailed recommendations through the PD&E process. For more information about the SW 10th Street Corridor, please visit: www.sw10thstreetvision.org.

### **Transportation Improvement Program:** Over \$5 Billion in funds approved by Board



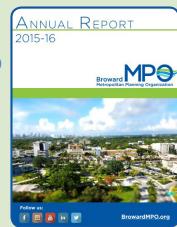
On July 14, 2016, the Broward MPO passed the 2016-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Composed of a variety of funding sources, the TIP will utilize over \$5 billion in order to complete a wide range of transportation projects, including roadways, bike and pedestrian projects, transit improvements and seaport and airport projects. The TIP is a document that summarizes nearly every project to be planned, designed, or built in Broward County in the next five years. To learn more about the TIP, please visit: http://www.browardmpo. org/images/WhatWeDo/TIP/FY 2017 Final TIP Web 07192016.pdf.

#### **EDUCATION AND OUTREACH**

#### ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

#### 2015-16 report offers an overview of key developments of the MPO

Now in its second edition, the latest annual report highlights the Broward MPO's key projects and efforts of the past year, structured around its Strategic Business Plan. The report provides a snapshot of the organization's primary initiatives with supporting illustrations, charts and maps, as well as a five-year funding forecast. Learn how the MPO continues to move people, create jobs and strengthen communities! Download the report in PDF format, or access an interactive version online. Please visit: http://online.fliphtml5.com/oyvf/brqd/#p=1.



#### **TRAC Training Comes to Broward MPO**



Building on last year's efforts, on June 28th and 29th, the Broward MPO once again hosted teachers for Transportation and Civil Engineering (TRAC) Training at the MPO office. The TRAC program is designed for integration into the teaching of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). The Broward MPO has worked with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to bring this program to Florida.

This is an important initiative for the MPO. Across the country, it is becoming increasingly difficult to attract young men and women, especially young people of diverse ethnic backgrounds, to the world of transportation planning and engineering. Many organizations refer to the aging population as the "Silver Tsunami." This is an opportunity for the MPO to help.

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