

FREIGHT COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT BROWARD MPO FREIGHT EFFORTS

The Broward MPO has established a [Freight Transportation Advisory Committee \(FTAC\)](#) to deal with the growing movement of freight in Southeast Florida and in Broward County. The FTAC is comprised of members that are directly involved in the movement and distribution of freight and goods, and includes representatives from the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway, the Port



Everglades Association, Florida 595 Truck Stop, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and more. The MPO established the FTAC to provide a forum where members in the freight community can provide input into the freight planning process, network with industry leaders, and gain insight into the MPO decision process. The FTAC meets quarterly on the third Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m. For more information about the FTAC, please contact Paul Flavien, Broward MPO Freight Coordinator at flavienp@browardmpo.org or (954) 876-0045.



Commissioner Richard Blattner
Chair, Broward MPO
City of Hollywood

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

January was a busy month for the Broward MPO. First came the second Annual MPO Board Member Strategic Planning Retreat. The purpose was to test how effective our 2016 Strategic Business Plan was and to learn and grow in creating a new plan for 2017. Throughout 2016, MPO Board members met with staff to develop strategic plans that would help us accomplish our challenging objectives. This was done successfully.

It had become apparent that to take on new challenges, it would be necessary to examine our organizational structure, and this was done with the help of an exceptional business organization strategist. We had several meetings with him, and that plan will be rolled out in the next 60 days.

Also in January, the MPO hosted the [Fourth Annual Safe Streets Summit](#), held this year at the Sunrise Civic Center in Sunrise. This year's Safe Streets Summit brought together over 250 transportation planners, elected officials, and community advocates to discuss ways to make Broward's streets safer and more accessible for all users of the road. This was the first year the event was held as a partnership between the Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach MPOs, and highlights the ways that the three South Florida MPOs are working together to take steps to implement Complete Streets in our communities. There is no one-size-fits all approach; each community is unique and solutions have to be tailored to those situations. The 2018 Safe Streets Summit will be held in Palm Beach County.

Within the next 60 days, the MPO should be moving into its new office space, providing for additional meeting rooms and a larger Board Room to accommodate a growing organization. The building is the same, but we are moving to the sixth floor. We are hoping our July Board Meeting will be in that space.

LETS GO BIKING! 2017

In celebration of March is Florida Bike Month, the 2017 Let's Go Biking! event will be held on Sunday, March 19th at 9:00 a.m. at Community Park in Pompano Beach. Join us for an adult and children's bike ride, bicycle safety activities, bike related giveaways, music, free food, and more. This is the first Let's Go Biking! event that will feature an on-street ride, which will go on NE 14th Avenue and down Riverside Drive to the Pompano Beach Fire Station. The event is a partnership between the Broward MPO and the City of Pompano Beach. For more information on Let's Go Biking! 2017, and for a detailed map of the ride, please visit: browardmpo.org/index.php/let-s-go-biking



LET'S GO BIKING! 

Sunday, March 19
9:00 a.m.

The 4th Annual Broward MPO Let's Go Biking! event will be held at Pompano Community Park. The event will feature a leisurely bike ride, bicycle safety activities, giveaways, music, free food, and more!

   

1900 NE 10th Street, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

For more information visit BrowardMPO.org or call (954) 876-0053



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The Broward MPO is turning 40! All throughout 2017 we will be celebrating 40 years of Broward MPO projects. Use #MPOBig40 to join the conversation on social media, and visit BrowardMPO.org throughout the year for more information.

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MPO Helps High School Students ‘Think Like a Planner’ with Innovative Workshops

The MPO is committed to mentoring the future generation and raising awareness about the importance of transportation. As part of its commitment to outreach and education, the Broward MPO has hosted several [“Think Like a Planner”](#) workshops with



students from Deerfield Beach High School to teach planning principals and have students learn more about careers in transportation, engineering, and related fields. At the workshops, students come to the Broward MPO office and walk the area nearby, which encompasses the Cypress Creek Mobility Hub. Students brainstorm ways to make the area safer and more accessible for all modes of transportation, especially those who walk, bike, and take transit. After coming up with ideas, the students present their findings to a panel made up of Broward MPO Board Members and local transportation professionals. These innovative and dynamic sessions expose the Broward MPO’s mission to a new group of community members. More workshops are planned with students from South Broward and Piper High Schools in the coming months.

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Meeting Calendar

	March 2	April 6	May 4	June 1
MPO Executive Committee Meets 1st Thursday at 9:30 a.m.				
MPO Board Meeting Meets 2nd Thursday at 9:30 a.m.	March 9	April 13	May 11	June 8
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meets 4th Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.	March 22	April 26	May 24	June 26
Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meets 4th Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.	March 22	April 26	May 24	June 26
Local Coordinating Board (LCB) Meets 4th Monday at 2:00 p.m.	No March Meeting	April 17	May 15	No June Meeting
Freight Transportation Advisory Committee (FTAC) Meets 3rd Thursday at 2:00 p.m.	No March Meeting	April 20 <i>(location TBD)</i>	No May Meeting	No June Meeting

***Please check the Broward MPO website calendar for the most up to date meeting calendar**

All meetings are held in the Broward MPO Board Room, Suite 850, in the Trade Centre South building. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Christopher Ryan at (954) 876-0036 or ryanc@browardmpo.org. If hearing impaired, telephone 1 (800) 273-7545 (TDD). For more information on upcoming meetings, complaints, questions or concerns about civil rights or nondiscrimination; or for special requests under the ADA, please contact: **Christopher Ryan, Public Information Officer/Title VI Coordinator at (954) 876-0036 or ryanc@browardmpo.org**