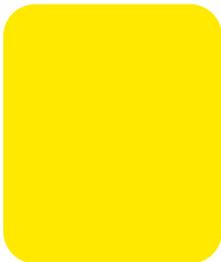
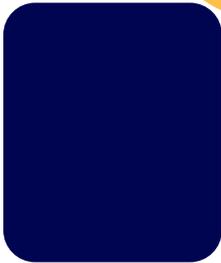
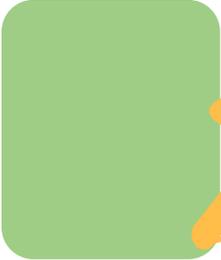
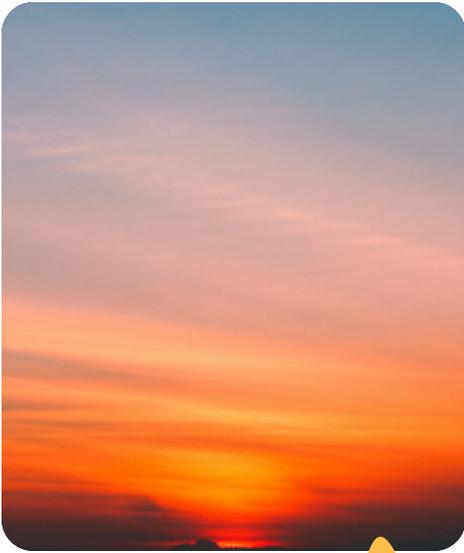
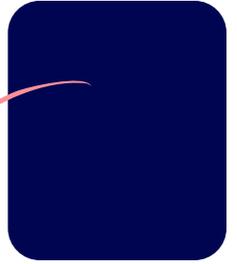
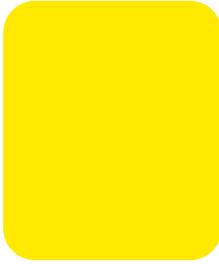




SAFELY MOVING US FORWARD





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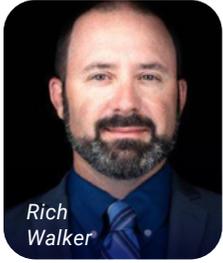
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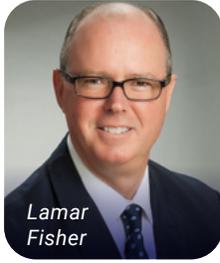
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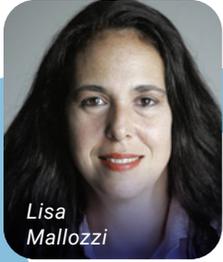
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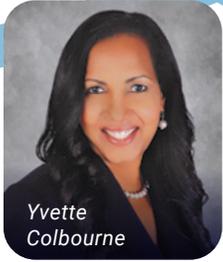
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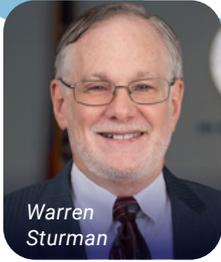
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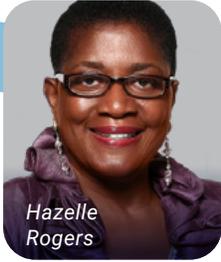
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THE FUTURE OF OUR COMMUNITY IS BRIGHT!



As the Broward MPO Board Chair, I am proud to share the accomplishments of the MPO in this year's Annual Report. The MPO Board remains focused on the mission to collaboratively plan, prioritize, and fund the delivery of diverse transportation options. As an organization, the MPO is committed to innovation, and leading the way as a top-performing MPO in the state of Florida and the nation. Our collaboration and cooperation are second to none, and our track record is proof of that.

The MPO team is hard at work updating the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, known as "Route 2050." This plan will guide the use of Federal, State, and other funding sources to create a transportation network that safely moves people and goods, stimulates job growth, and fosters resilient communities. My colleagues' commitment to Vision Zero is clear as safety is woven into the fabric of all future projects.

As my last year serving as the Board Chair, I look back on my tenure with pride. Our Board members are dedicated and eager to build a more resilient and safer Broward. The future of our community is bright.

Frank Ortis
Chair

SAFER STREETS FOR ALL!

This is the first year where I can say we have returned to normal. During lockdown, our sidewalks and bike lanes were used more than ever before. Now, we are on the other end and the public is continuing to ride and walk around our neighborhoods. Unfortunately, our region has returned to being one of the most dangerous places in the nation for bike and pedestrian injuries and fatalities.

As Executive Director of the Broward MPO, I am reaffirming the Board's commitment to Vision Zero—reducing road fatalities to zero. I am pleased to share our latest Annual Report highlighting the MPO's achievements for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

In the last year, the MPO championed safety projects that make our roadway system safer for all our neighbors. The MPO team hosted the 10th Annual Safe Streets Summit, which brings together policymakers and implementers to educate both groups on road safety with over 400 guests in attendance. As part of the weekend, we hosted the State of the Region Annual Awards where 45 elected officials and 11 Mayors and Vice Mayors from Broward County celebrated our success.

Continuing our focus on safety improvements, the MPO was awarded \$5 million through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant—investing in life-saving infrastructure. This successful grant application was only made possible by the support of local partners, like Broward County. As one of the single largest award recipients in the country, our region will be able to implement safety improvements throughout all of Broward.

I proudly reflect on this last year and appreciate the Board's continued leadership and direction. This year we have continued the successes that make our organization great and have paved new ground by focusing on our strengths and forging new partnerships. We thank you for your continued support and encourage you to stay actively engaged with the MPO.

Gregory Stuart
Executive Director



A YEAR OF EXCITEMENT



Five years ago, in 2018, the MPO Board committed to Vision Zero—actively working towards zero road fatalities. Adopting the Vision Zero Policy was an ambitious and bold first step to building a safe transportation network for all users. Since then, the MPO Board has directed investments in safer streets by funding crosswalks, sidewalks, lighting, and creating safer networks to move through.

In the past year, the Broward MPO advanced targeted safety projects and pursued critical grant funding

opportunities to increase investments and decrease road fatalities. One major safety project completed this year was the 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant; an investment of over \$20 million in safety, mobility, and connectivity improvements in five Broward cities. The MPO Board has been very successful in winning over \$30 million in Federal grant funds to support safety improvements in the community. This annual report provides an overview of the MPO's additional groundbreaking planning efforts and noteworthy accomplishments for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

AWARD-WINNING EXCELLENCE

The Broward MPO strives for greatness in all aspects of its work. In the past year, the MPO team was recognized with numerous awards—a testament to the innovative and community-driven efforts of the MPO.



The Communicator Awards

The Broward MPO was honored with five national awards for community outreach work by the Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts Communicator Awards: Two Gold Awards of Excellence and three Silver Awards of Distinction.



NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF REGIONS
January 22–25, 2023

Broward MPO Executive Director honored with the President's Award at the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Conference for lifetime achievement.



Smart Growth PARTNERSHIP

The Complete Streets Initiative: Community Assets Award for Tactical Urbanism project in the City of Deerfield

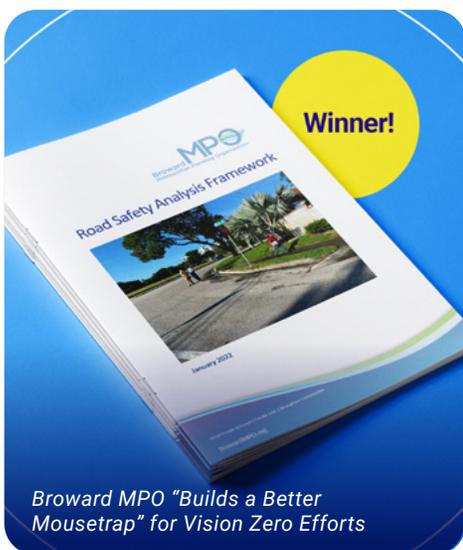


WINNER
MPOAC

Broward MPO Wins Award for Board Engagement



BEST
Workplaces for CommutersSM
2023

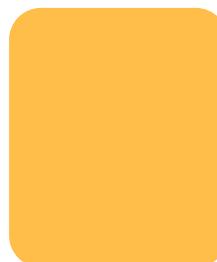


Winner!

Broward MPO "Builds a Better Mousetrap" for Vision Zero Efforts



NARC
2023 PRESIDENT'S AWARD
GREGORY STUART




NARC
Building Regional Communities
National Association of Regional Councils
2023 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Presents
BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING
Vision 2100 Project received the 2023 NARC Achievement Award.

RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY LEADERS

STATE OF THE REGION
ANNUAL AWARDS



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2ND



496
TOTAL
ATTENDANCE



45
ELECTED OFFICIALS
ATTENDED



11
MAYORS &
VICE MAYORS



CREATING A SAFER FUTURE WITH THE SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT



The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant Program and appropriated funds to the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) for \$5 billion over a five-year time span. The Broward MPO, in partnership with Broward County, applied for and was awarded a \$5 million SS4A Cycle 1 Grant for a Safety Action Plan in 2022. This award was made possible by leveraging a local match of \$1.25 million from Broward County. The Safety Action Plan is a joint commitment between the Broward MPO and Broward County to develop a variety of implementation strategies that aim to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries in the region and prioritize investments in underserved communities.

The Broward MPO embraced a collaborative and partner-driven strategy to develop the SS4A grant application. The MPO's executive management team engaged with Broward County early in the application process to secure the required local match. The executive management team assembled a core group of staff with diverse expertise, including grant proposal writing, safety, and mobility, to lead the development of the application. This core group engaged with Broward County technical staff to identify key safety issues and facilitated a transparent conversation throughout the process. The Broward MPO's successful application was prepared by utilizing in-house resources without consultant assistance, detailed a multi-faceted approach to improving safety, determined clear objectives and innovative methods to identify safety

issues, and created a collaborative roadmap to tackle shared safety challenges with Broward County and other key local partners.

We celebrated the grant award on February 16, 2023, at a press conference in Coral Springs attended by Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Congressman Jared Moskowitz, Coral Springs Mayor Scott Brook, and Broward MPO Board members Vice Mayor Lamar Fisher and Commissioner Joshua Simmons. This award will enable us to implement a thorough safety plan for the whole county, potentially making us eligible for millions of dollars for development that would address safety concerns. Seeing what we can accomplish when we join forces to benefit communities across Broward is inspiring!

The SS4A Grant will identify low-cost, high-impact projects that move the needle toward Vision Zero. We will accomplish this vision through the MPO's Core Products, which govern our short-, mid-, and long-term planning efforts, and guide public outreach and education initiatives.



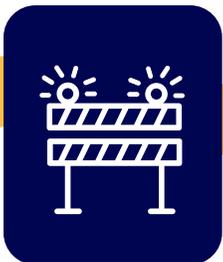
ROUTE TO 2050 (MTP)

ROUTE TO 2050

This year, we kicked things off with Route to 2050, an update to our Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). As part of this plan, we will explore how to accommodate electric vehicles, ensure our transportation system can withstand changes in our weather patterns, and improve access to your destinations by providing more options for getting you there. **Get involved with Route to 2050 and use your voice to help shape transportation projects!**

WHAT MAKES ROUTE TO 2050 DIFFERENT?

Following the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Planning Emphasis Areas, the Broward MPO has developed its own emphasis areas that will help drive the MTP development process. They are:



Safety

- MTP Network safety screen
- Support MTP safety program
- Incorporate FHWA safe system approach



Resiliency

- Establish resiliency network
- Identify key locations of future impact
- Support resiliency program



Technology

- Automated, connected, electric shared vehicles
- Smart city infrastructure
- Countywide master plan



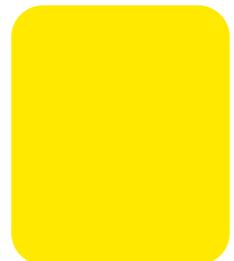
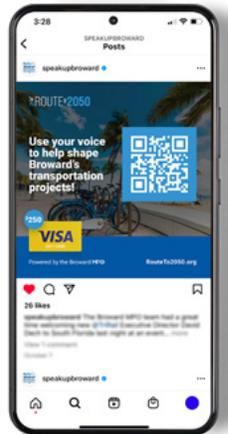
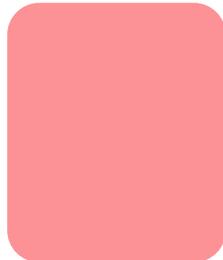
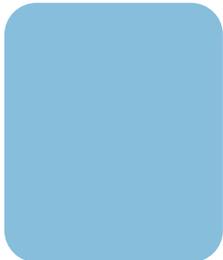
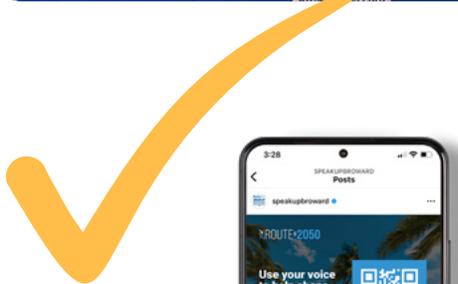
Housing

- Housing coordination plan
- Evaluating land use changes along transit corridors
- Coordination with partners on land use

ROUTE TO 2050 (MTP) PUBLIC OUTREACH

The four goals pertaining to the public participation and outreach process for the Route to 2050 MTP are inspired by the MPO's Public Participation Plan:

- Early and Consistent Involvement
- Opportunity
- Information and Communication
- Range of Techniques



To read the full Public Participation Plan, go to: BrowardMPO.org/core-products/public-participation-plan-ppp

ROUTE TO 2050 (MTP) PHASE I UPDATE



24
LANE ADDITIONS &
RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



13
COMPLETED
OUTREACH
PRESENTATIONS

Join us for an eTownhall event on Thursday, May 18th at 6:00PM

**SMARTER STREETS,
BETTER BROWARD**

WITH GUEST
SPEAKERS:
Beam Furr
Scott Brunner
Candace Gomez-Cluck
Johnathan Overton

An illustration of various smart city technologies including a smartphone, a laptop, a server tower, and a data storage unit, all connected by lines representing data flow.

ROUTE 2050

1,100
E-TOWNHALL
TOTAL
PARTICIPANTS



202
TOTAL
PROJECTS FROM
LOCAL AGENCIES^e

^e Excludes projects submitted by FDOT & Broward County

50
BRIDGE PROJECTS

(CLICK HERE TO
LEARN MORE

(RouteTo2050.org)

21
SAFETY &
BIKE LANE/SIDEWALK PROJECTS

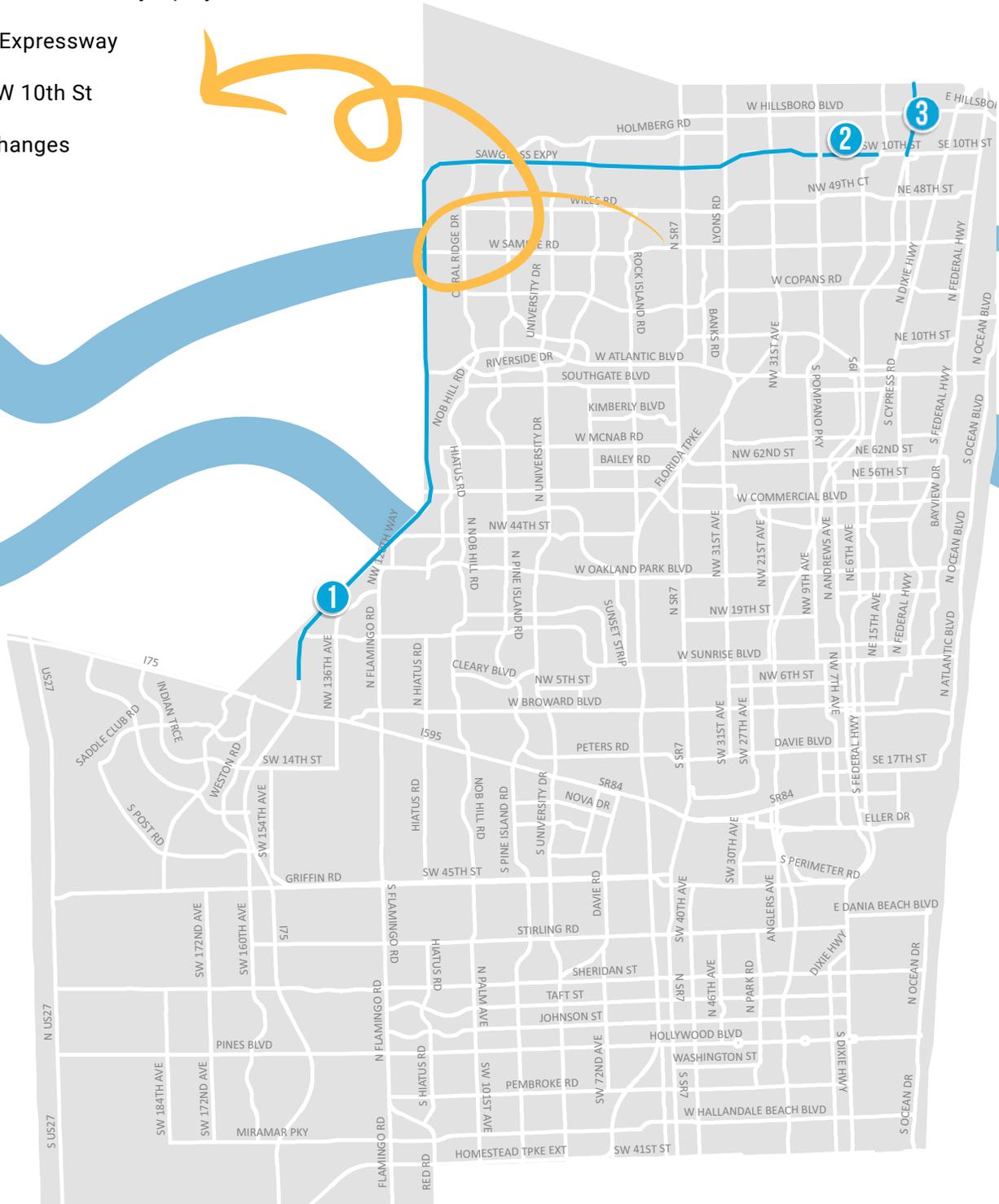


TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a comprehensive list of Federal, State, and locally funded transportation projects expected to be built over the next five years. This MPO core product is a snapshot of your tax dollars at work. The Broward MPO updates the TIP annually, and the MPO Board approves it in July every year. The Fiscal Year 2023-2027 TIP programmed 432 projects with a funding commitment of about \$5.3 billion.

Below are some of our major projects:

- 1 Sawgrass Expressway
- 2 SR-869/ SW 10th St
- 3 I-95 Interchanges

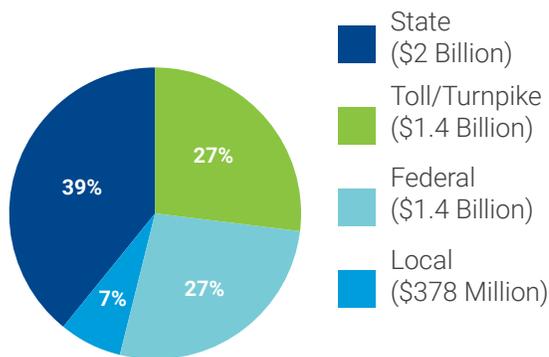


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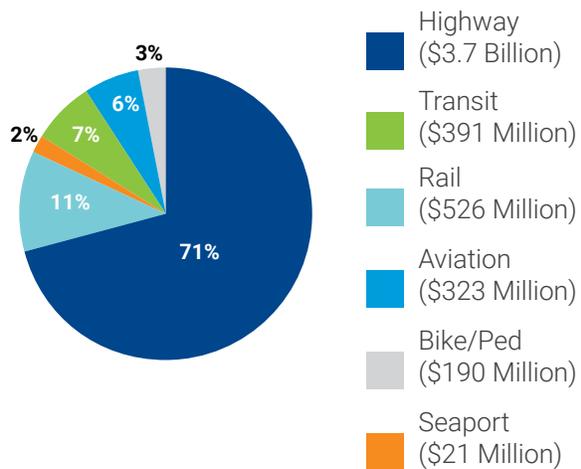
MAJOR PROJECTS - DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2023-2027 TIP

PROJECT	LIMITS	TYPE OF WORK	COST (MILLION)	FISCAL YEAR (FY)
1 Sawgrass Expressway	From NW 8th St to Powerline Road	Widen and reconstruct	\$760	FY 2023- FY 2027
2 SR-869/ SW 10th St	From Turnpike/ Sawgrass Expwy to W of I-95	Add Lanes	\$234	FY 2023
3 I-95 Interchanges	From S of SW 10th St. to N. of Hillsboro Blvd.	Improve Interchanges	\$706	FY 2023- FY 2027

FUNDING SUMMARY BY SOURCE



FUNDING SUMMARY BY TRANSPORTATION MODE



As one of the largest MPOs in the state and nation, our annual TIP includes hundreds of projects. This makes funding individual projects within a given municipality a challenge.

To help municipal partners review and monitor projects in the TIP falling in their jurisdiction, the Broward MPO has extracted a list of projects for each municipality from the current TIP. These Municipal TIP Reports include projects that fall within a municipal boundary but exclude countywide and statewide projects.

The current Municipal TIP Reports are available at browardmpo.org/core-products/transportation-improvement-program-tip

OVERALL FUNDING FOR BROWARD MPO FUNDING PROGRAMS

CSLIP	\$72 Million - 37 Projects	Roadway	\$993 Million - 26 Projects
CSMP	\$97 Million - 20 Projects	Systems Management/Safety	\$76 Million - 14 Projects
Mobility Hubs	\$15 Million - 3 Projects	Transit	\$5 Million - 1 Project

Total **\$1.3 Billion** **101 Projects**

COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE

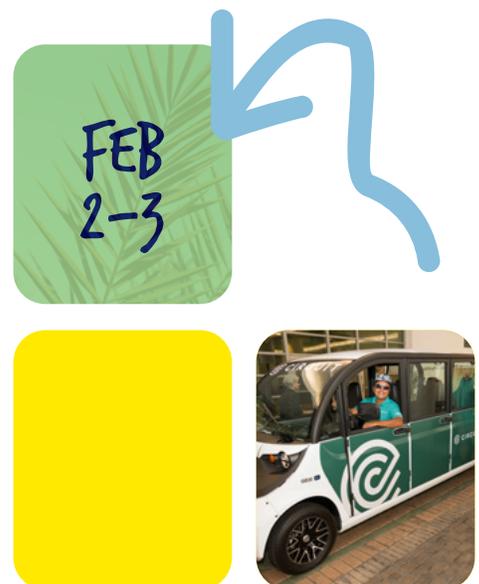
The Broward MPO continues to play a pivotal role in creating safer streets for all road users in the Broward region. Through our efforts and important partnerships with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Broward County, and local municipalities, a safe and efficient transportation network that promotes safety, health and economic vitality is becoming a reality. This past year, all five projects identified in our 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant were completed. This collaborative effort included substantial funding contributions from Broward County and the municipalities of Fort Lauderdale, Lauderdale Lakes, Oakland Park, and Pompano Beach. Additionally, the Complete Streets Initiative received the Community Assets Award from Smart Growth Partnerships for the Tactical Urbanism project along NE 3rd Avenue in the City of Deerfield.

TEN YEARS OF THE SAFE STREETS SUMMIT

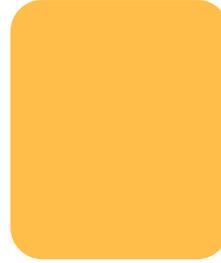
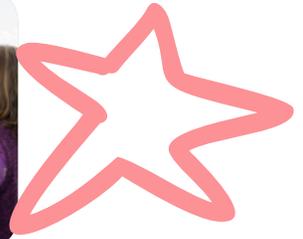
This year marked the 10th annual Safe Streets Summit, an event that brings together national speakers, public officials, technical staff, and community partners to elevate our efforts to create safe and equitable transportation facilities for all modes of transportation. The 2023 event was held February 2-3 at the Diplomat Beach Resort in Hollywood with over 400 people in attendance. The two-day event explored the theme of “Back to the Streets” and attendees participated in engaging activities and sessions covering various important topics. There was something for everyone, from mobile tours, training sessions, and in-depth workshops to panels that dove into people-centered planning for complete streets. A variety of inspiring speakers encouraged the audience to embrace change for the better, reclaim streets for people, and improve safety, health, economic development, and mobility for all. Charles (“Chuck”) Marohn, Founder and President of Strong Towns, and Andrew Wishnia, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Climate Policy at the USDOT, were the keynote speakers. The mobile workshops were held throughout Broward County highlighting local efforts and projects being implemented by our local governments and the Broward MPO.

The City of Miramar’s Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne received the Complete Streets Champion Award for her support of various multimodal projects and her participation in community engagement events to promote safety, health, equity, livability, and economic vitality. South Florida Commuter Services were commended for their efforts to reduce the use of single occupancy vehicles and promoting alternative modes of transportation that lessen the negative impacts on our transportation system and received the Complete Streets Community Award.

A heartfelt thank you to our Platinum Sponsors, TYLin, WSP, South Florida Commuter Services, and EXP, along with many others, for their support of this event!



COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE



COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE

MOBILITY PROGRAM

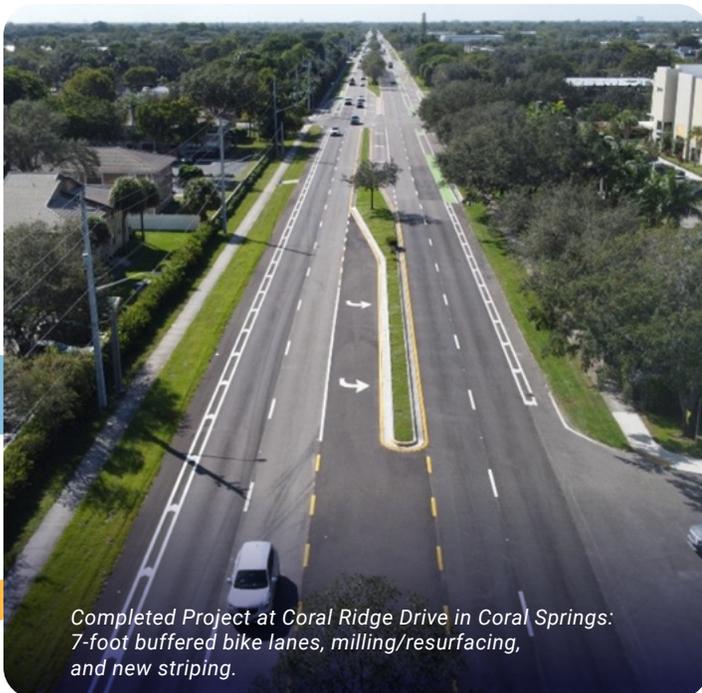
It was another stellar year for the Broward MPO's Mobility Program, the implementation arm of the Complete Streets Initiative. The Broward MPO's investment to improve safety in the region continues to grow and it is now close to \$400 million. Whether you drive, walk, bike, or take transit, facilities are being constructed to provide safe and comfortable multimodal access to many destinations in Broward. This past year, five major projects with a combined cost of \$23 million were completed. These projects added approximately 14 miles of multimodal facilities to our regional network, including bike lanes, sidewalks, and multi-use paths. An additional \$213 million is currently being invested to support 21 projects in different phases of implementation. Once these projects are completed, over 105 multimodal facility miles will be added to the Broward active transportation network.



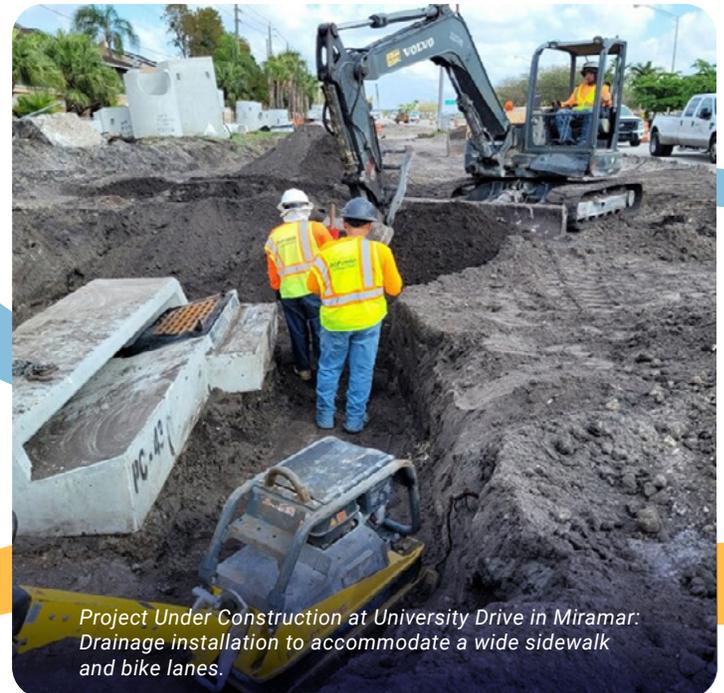
NW 196th Avenue in Miramar/Pembroke Pines: 7-foot buffered bike lanes, milling/resurfacing, and new striping.



University Drive in Plantation (under construction): Rendering of a shared use path with onstreet buffered bike lanes and milling/resurfacing.



Completed Project at Coral Ridge Drive in Coral Springs: 7-foot buffered bike lanes, milling/resurfacing, and new striping.



Project Under Construction at University Drive in Miramar: Drainage installation to accommodate a wide sidewalk and bike lanes.

COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE

2016 TIGER GRANT

This year saw the completion of the five projects identified in the 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant. A total of \$21.4 million, including more than \$10 million from our local partners, was invested to improve safety, mobility, and connectivity along five distinct corridors located in the cities of Fort Lauderdale (SW 27th Avenue/Riverland Road), Lauderdale Lakes (Lauderdale Lakes Greenway), Oakland Park (Powerline Road), and Pompano Beach (Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard). Multimodal improvements along these corridors included buffered bike lanes, sidewalk improvements, lighting, landscaping, multi-use paths, and ADA improvements. Our municipal partners and Broward County government provided the required local match, which was supplemented by funds contributed by the Broward MPO and FDOT—demonstrating the value of collaborative community partners. Now that construction is complete, the Broward MPO will continue to monitor the projects for a three-year period as required by FHWA.

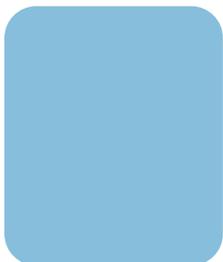



54%
TIGER GRANT


7%
MPO FUNDS




36%
LOCAL MATCH




3%
FDOT FUNDS

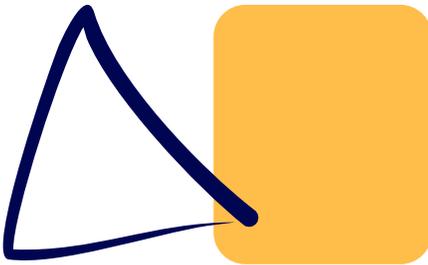
COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE

COMPLETE STREETS AND OTHER LOCALIZED INITIATIVES PROGRAM (CSLIP)

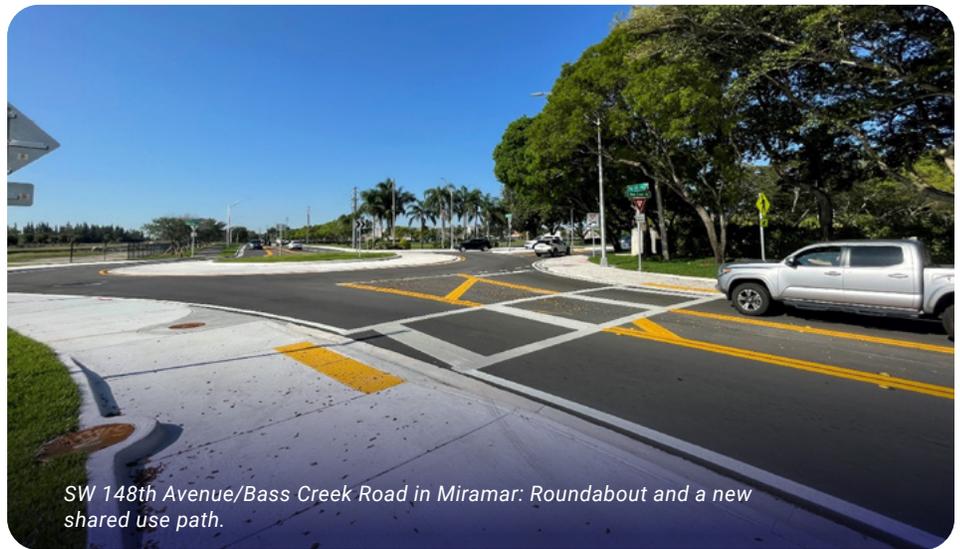
The MPO continues to implement CSLIP in close coordination with our State and local governments. CSLIP expedites the implementation of much needed local mobility projects. Bicycle and pedestrian facilities, crosswalk improvements, Mobility Hubs, greenways, and traffic light synchronizations are just a few examples of mobility projects targeted for funding. The Broward MPO's discretionary funding (SU) and Transportation Alternative (TA) funding have been rolled into CSLIP. State funding is also available for projects located on State-owned facilities. Local governments, transit service providers, educational institutions and others can apply for funding for candidate projects.

The CSLIP application is accessible on an annual basis, can be filled out online, and requires minimal effort by the applicant to complete. The prioritization of projects is based on objective evaluation criteria and equitable geographical distribution. MPO staff, in partnership with FDOT staff, conduct annual training sessions to demonstrate how to complete a program application and submit it for funding consideration. Three projects in Cycle 6 from three different agencies were funded for a total of \$6.9 million in project costs. This year, a total of 15 applications from 11 different agencies were submitted for CSLIP Cycle 7.

We are excited to announce that this past year, nine CSLIP projects (approximately \$30 million) were constructed! These projects added approximately 21 miles of multimodal facilities to our regional network including bike lanes, sidewalks, and multi-use paths. An additional \$88 million is currently being invested in 40 projects across Broward County at different phases of implementation. Once these projects are completed, over 50 multimodal facility miles will be added to the active transportation network.



Miramar Parkway from 172nd Avenue to 184th Avenue: New 7-foot buffered bike lane.



SW 148th Avenue/Bass Creek Road in Miramar: Roundabout and a new shared use path.



SW 64th Avenue in Miramar: Construction of widened sidewalks on both sides of the road.

PLANNING SAFER STREETS WITH CITY PARTNERS



CITY OF
WILTON MANORS
MULTIMODAL
MASTER
TRANSPORTATION
PLAN



THE CITY OF WILTON MANORS
TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN

JOIN US to learn more and share your thoughts about proposed improvements to sidewalks, bike paths, and roadways in your community.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Held at Hegen Park Community Center

STAY INFORMED

Learn more about the Transportation Master Plan, sign up for updates, and leave a comment.

Visit: BrowardMPO.org/plans/city-of-wilton-manors

Afternoon Meeting
Thursday, April 13, 2023
at 1:30pm

Evening Meeting
Monday, April 24, 2023
at 5:30pm

For more information on Community Meetings or other planned events please Contact (954) 390-2103 or PLAN@wiltonmanors.com



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MORE

BrowardMPO.org/plans/city-of-wilton-manors



ELEVATING ENGAGEMENT

This year saw many outreach events held across the county in conjunction with an active and growing social media presence. In addition, the MPO updated its Public Participation Plan as required by federal law every four years and was adopted by the MPO Board in February 2023. The plan provides guidelines for achieving optimum public participation with assessment tools to evaluate the effectiveness of the program. Exemplary public participation begins early in the planning process and continues throughout each of the planning stages, helping to avoid, minimize, and mitigate project impacts while providing the best solutions. The previous update and adoption of this plan was in February 2019.



To read the full Public Participation Plan, go to: BrowardMPO.org/core-products/public-participation-plan-ppp

ELEVATING ENGAGEMENT

DOWNTOWN FTL
MOBILITY HUB CELEBRATION



JUL
13TH



The community came together at Tru by Hilton in Fort Lauderdale to celebrate the opening of the new Downtown Fort Lauderdale Mobility Hub. The newly installed mobility hub serves as an access point for commuters.



ELEVATING ENGAGEMENT

LYONS ROAD MOBILITY
PROJECT CELEBRATION



AUG
26TH



More than 100 guests celebrated the completion of the Lyons Road Mobility Project in Coconut Creek and recognized the contributions of Congressman Ted Deutch.



ELEVATING ENGAGEMENT

In response to the growing number of incidents along the Florida East Coast Railway, the Broward MPO created the “Don’t Risk It” campaign to promote public safety and avoid collisions between trains and vehicles or pedestrians while maintaining the quiet zone. Five cities along the rail corridor (Deerfield Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, Hallandale Beach, and Pompano Beach) each invested \$25,000 to install signage that encourages rail safety and support a multi-media advertising strategy to educate drivers and pedestrians about the potential danger posed by rail crossings.



STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Community collaboration powers the Broward MPO. Through meaningful local partnerships and planning efforts, the MPO team is building a safer transportation network for the future. Here are some of the MPO's local engagement initiatives.



MPO participates in the History Fort Lauderdale Pride Month Event.



MPO team attends a Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit event at the Museum of Discovery & Science.



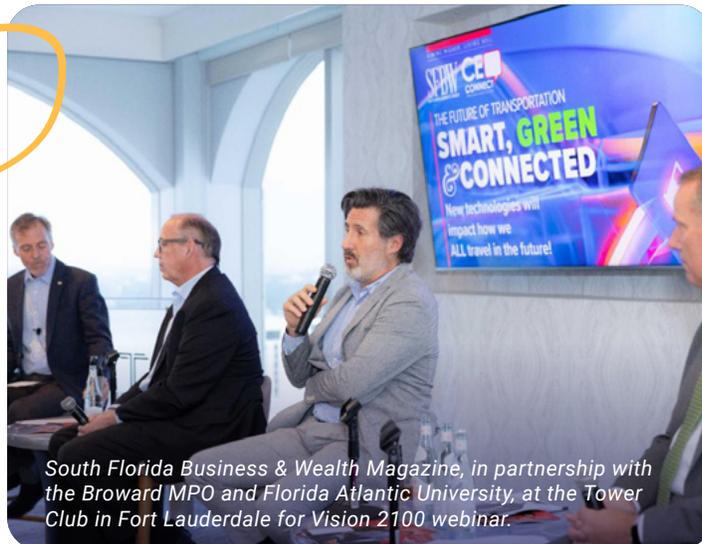
RAISE Grant Funding Celebration at the Brightline Station.



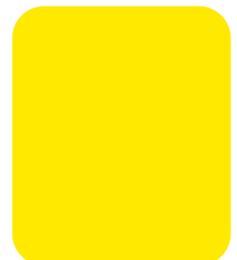
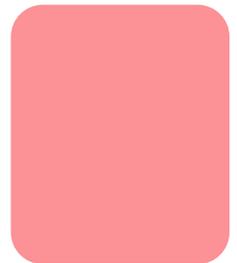
The MPO's Executive Director emphasizes the role of transportation as an economic driver at the Broward Transportation Summit.100



Think Like a Planner Event with students from the Renaissance Middle School in Miramar.



South Florida Business & Wealth Magazine, in partnership with the Broward MPO and Florida Atlantic University, at the Tower Club in Fort Lauderdale for Vision 2100 webinar.



DEMONSTRATING NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Broward MPO serves as a national thought leader for transportation planning. Our team participates in conferences and speaking engagements across the country to share best practices and lessons learned with professional colleagues and decision-makers.



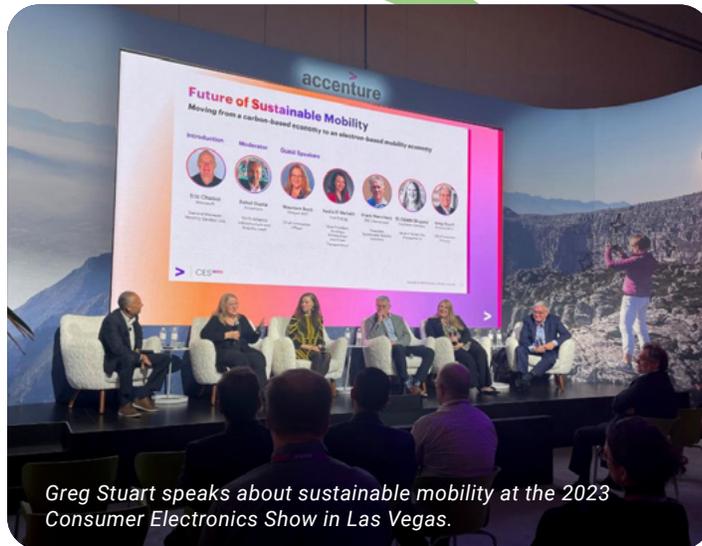
Broward MPO team lead two Mobile Workshops at the Rail-Volution Conference.



The MPO team presents at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C.



Broward MPO staff presents at the 2022 APA Florida Conference.



Greg Stuart speaks about sustainable mobility at the 2023 Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.



MPO team shares transportation best practices at the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations Conference.



The MPO team attended the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Leadership Trip to California, which brought together 100+ local leaders.

CONTINUING INNOVATIVE BEST PRACTICES

LET'S TALK TRANSPORTATION PODCAST

The Broward MPO is always exploring innovative ways to engage the community about transportation topics. The "Let's Talk Transportation Podcast" hosted by the MPO's Executive Director, Greg Stuart, explores the ins and outs of transportation in Broward County and South Florida—why it matters, how it works, and the challenges and opportunities related to achieving great transportation. Each episode features guests from Broward and beyond who share their knowledge, experience, and passion for moving people and goods, creating jobs, and strengthening communities.

LET'S TALK TRANSPORTATION

A Broward MPO Podcast, with special guests:

			
Vice Mayor, City of Hollywood: Caryl Shuham	Co-Chair, Broward Workshop: Randall Vitale	President & CEO, DDA FTL: Jenni Morejon	Asst. City Manager, Coconut Creek: Sheila Rose
			
Sr. Vice President, TY Lin: Joe Yesbeck, P.E.	Community Leaders Beverly & Levoyd Williams	Executive Director, History FTL: Patricia Zeller	Former Commissioner, City of Hollywood: Dick Blattner

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STATE OF THE SYSTEM REPORT

The State of the System Report was developed to provide the MPO with a data-driven “snapshot” that can aid us in our planning efforts and those of our regional planning partners. The report includes the most recent and available data on transportation, population and land use for Broward County and its diverse multimodal transportation system including roadways, transit, rail, air, sea, and non-motorized.

The report is updated annually and serves as a yearly look into the MPO’s progress in achieving federally mandated performance measures. Having this data available and ready each year helps to improve the MPO’s ability “to plan, prioritize, and fund the delivery of diverse transportation options,” as specified in our Strategic Business Plan’s Mission Statement.

The MPO also produces a Performance Measures Dashboard. The Dashboard helps the MPO share complex data related to federal performance measures with stakeholders and the public in an easily understandable, visually pleasing and interactive manner.



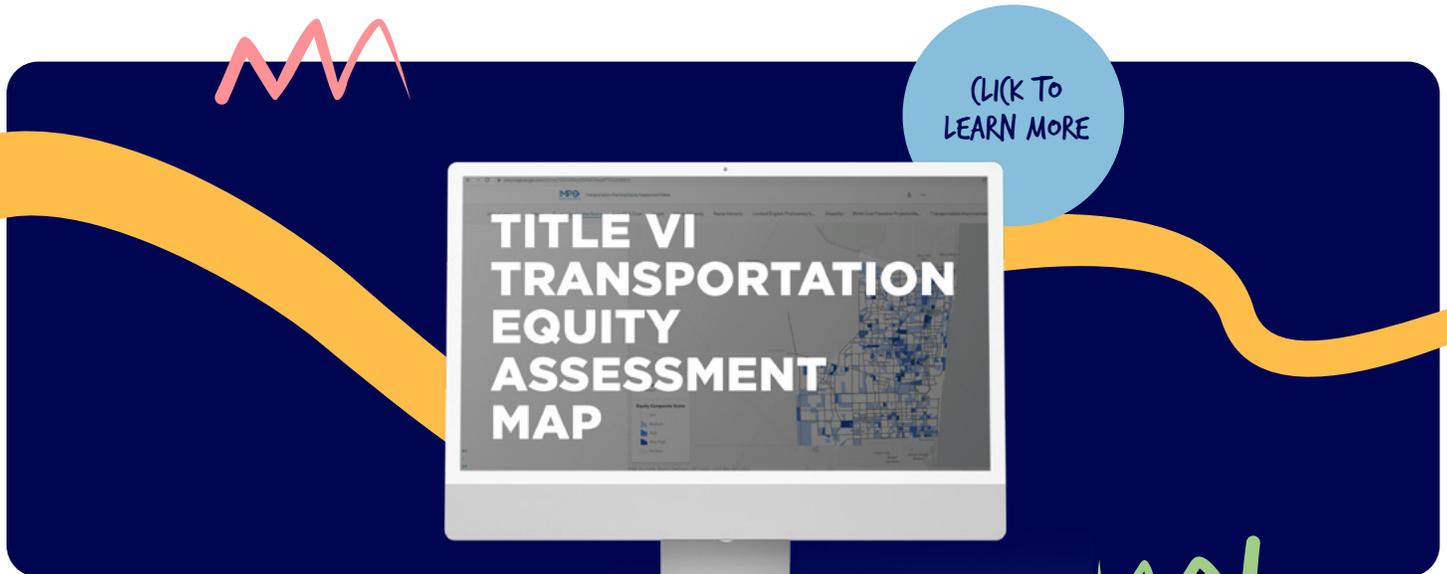
To read the full State of the System Report, go to: BrowardMPO.org/regional-freight

CONTINUING INNOVATIVE BEST PRACTICES

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING EQUITY ASSESSMENT

The Broward MPO's Transportation Planning Equity Assessment was developed in 2018 to more consistently and comprehensively evaluate its plans and programs in conjunction with Federal Environmental Justice and Title VI regulations. The Assessment has been showcased at many state and national conferences and the MPO has incorporated the Assessment into most of its plans and programs including the Transportation Improvement Program, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the evaluation criteria for the Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Program, the update to the Complete Streets Master Plan, and the MPO's public outreach efforts.

Over the past year, the Broward MPO utilized the latest 2020 American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates published by the U.S. Census to update its Transportation Planning Equity Assessment using the methodology previously developed. This included calculating a new average score for each of the indicators included in the Assessment and computing an overall composite score for each census block group in the County. The results show that 167 out of the 1,063 block groups in Broward are categorized as high or very high in terms of their equity composite score, with central Broward and portions of the northern, western, and southeastern parts of the County remaining the most affected. The Broward MPO published the updated Transportation Planning Equity Assessment as a StoryMap, which is a tool that makes the information more user-friendly and engaging. Staff presented this material to the MPO's boards and committees to share this resource with our member governments and other partners.



To view an interactive version of the Transportation Planning Equity Areas map, go to:
Storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/7b81b04ead3b4d5c9aae8735e3b48434

Looking to the future, the MPO will continue to keep abreast of developments related to the Equity Assessment such as the new [Equitable Transportation Community Explorer](#), a tool developed by the USDOT as part of the Justice40 Initiative. The MPO will also remain actively engaged in discussions with USDOT and other partners to evolve efforts like the Equity Assessment and expand its use in the planning process.

To view the new Equitable Transportation Community Explorer, go to:
experience.arcgis.com/experience/0920984aa80a4362b8778d779b090723/page/Homepage/

PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

BROWARD MPO HOSTS FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION WORKSHOP

On February 7, 2023, the Broward MPO hosted an in-person Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Safety Workshop with the goal of exploring ways in which Florida's agencies could implement a Safe System approach to improve roadway safety. Through interactive dialogue, attendees brainstormed potential policies and regulations, discovered recent safety-related initiatives within the region, and got an introduction to the MPO's refreshed safety program. Partners from FDOT and Broward County were in attendance, as well as staff from the Miami-Dade TPO and the Palm Beach TPA.

The FHWA Safety Workshop team also reviewed and recommended improvements to the Broward MPO's new safety process in which the MPO funds, plans, and implements safety projects throughout Broward County. An RSA is a standardized way of creating a safety plan with a multi-disciplinary team. The Broward MPO has already completed one Roadway Safety Audit (RSA) using the new process with another currently in progress. An additional RSA will start in mid-2023.

All these efforts are in support of the Broward MPO taking the lead in Vision Zero, a major policy initiative to eliminate traffic fatalities on our roadways. Our organization continuously works with both state and local partners to achieve safer roadways by developing and implementing safety projects and setting policies. We look forward to more collaboration in 2023 when the Broward MPO will begin the Safe Streets and Roads for All Action Plan, as well as many other exciting safety efforts.



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CLEARY BOULEVARD ROADWAY SAFETY AUDIT

A Roadway Safety Audit (RSA) is a standardized way of creating a safety plan with a multi-disciplinary team. An RSA was completed for Cleary Boulevard in mid-2023 and as part of this process, crash data was collected and analyzed to determine high-crash areas, and field visits were conducted to review on-the-ground conditions. Key recommendations included multimodal safety upgrades which can be implemented in a short time frame. The Cleary Boulevard RSA is designed to complement the Plantation Multimodal Transportation Plan, a long-range transportation strategy to make major streets in the City of Plantation safer and more accessible for all people using all modes.

The Cleary Boulevard RSA is a result of the Broward MPO's new safety program. In partnership with FDOT and Broward County, the MPO developed a safety program whereby safety projects will be identified, planned, and implemented through the MPO's existing project delivery process. High-crash areas are first identified in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), in which two RSAs are developed each year. Project development and engineering then take place for concepts in the RSAs, and safety projects are delivered by municipalities, FDOT, Broward County, or the Metro Transportation Engineering & Construction Cooperative (MTECC).

Later in 2023, an additional RSA will be conducted for Oakland Park Boulevard, which was also identified as a high crash area in the MTP.



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PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

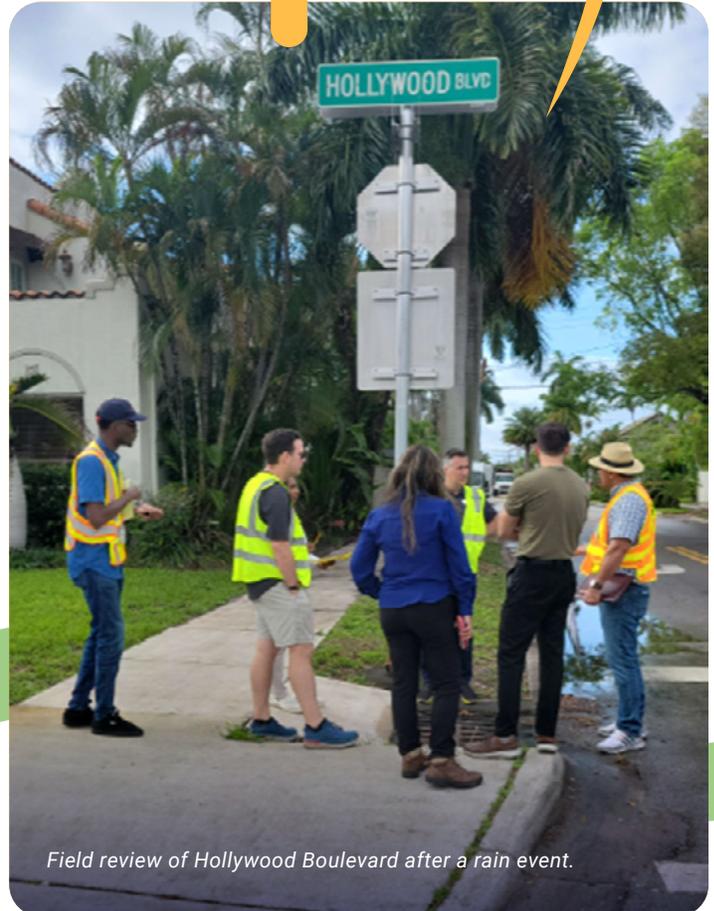
Project development plays a critical role in ensuring the success of locally preferred multimodal transportation projects. The Broward MPO developed a conceptual/pre-design project development process to engage stakeholders and the community to identify transportation needs, values, and preferences for projects identified in the Multimodal Priorities List. By working together, the Broward MPO, facility owners, and communities can reach a consensus on a design for the project that was identified in the Multimodal Priorities List as either a Complete Streets Master Plan, Resiliency, or Safety project along a corridor. This fiscal year, the MPO focused on two Complete Streets Master Plan projects along Pembroke Road and Miramar Parkway and one Resiliency project along Hollywood Boulevard.

Elements of project development include:

- Community and stakeholder engagement
- Developing a specific locally supported design
- Visual renderings of improvements and planning-level cost estimates
- Achieve durable community and agency support for the project



Field review to assess existing multi-modal facilities on Pembroke Road.

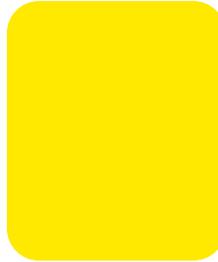


Field review of Hollywood Boulevard after a rain event.

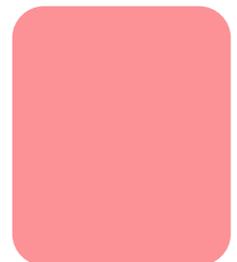
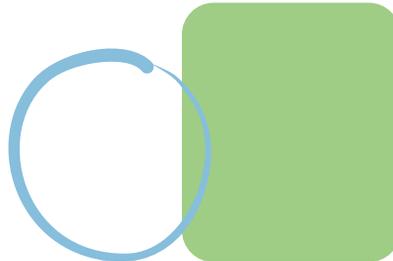
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RAIL CROSSING ELIMINATION PROGRAM

The Broward MPO, along with our partners at Broward County, Cities of Hallandale Beach, Hollywood, Dania Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Pompano Beach, and Deerfield Beach were selected to receive a \$15.4 million through the Railroad Crossing Elimination Program. These funds will support safety upgrades at 21 grade crossings, along Florida's East Coast Rail Corridor. The funding will help support the construction of 33 new exit gates and seven raised medians at crossings where at least 27 collisions have occurred over the last five years.



Jennifer Mitchell, Deputy Administrator of the Federal Rail Administration, visited from Washington DC to announce the MPO's federal grant award.



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BROWARD MPO TAKES DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ANDREW WISHNIA ON RESILIENCY TOUR

We had the honor of hosting a resiliency tour with Andrew Wishnia, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Climate Policy in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy at USDOT. The South Florida Water Management District joined the tour and showcased how Broward County is working to provide long-term strategies and solutions for regional resiliency. This includes enhanced building codes and local policy initiatives, sea level rise mapping, and local governments taking a leadership role in providing sea level rise resilience to coastal properties. These steps ensure Broward County is well-positioned to take advantage of both the economic and environmental benefits that resiliency projects provide.

Thank you to Chief Resiliency Officer Dr. Carolina Maran and supervisors Corrie Boyd and Felipe Alvarez for making this tour such a great educational experience for everyone.



PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

RESILIENCE PLANNING FOR BROWARD COUNTY

The Broward MPO is more committed than ever to addressing the challenges our region faces with a changing climate and recognizes the urgent need to mitigate impacts on our transportation infrastructure. We are determined to develop projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase the use of sustainable transportation modes such as biking, walking, and transit, and build resilience to climate impacts into our processes. The MPO is also working with communities to identify vulnerabilities and develop adaptation strategies that will help protect at-risk transportation infrastructure from climate change implications. Through our work, we demonstrate a strong commitment to building sustainable and resilient transportation systems that will help mitigate the effects of climate change and improve the quality of life for everyone in our region.

AN INNOVATIVE TRANSPORTATION RESILIENCY FRAMEWORK

Adopted for application by the MPO Board in February 2023, the MPO's Transportation Resiliency Framework elevates and advances climate preparedness into project planning, design, and construction. Prior work completed by the MPO identified the corridors in Broward County most vulnerable to sea level rise and storm surge. Of those, the top eight were included in the MPO's 2045 MTP cost feasible plan. Hollywood Boulevard was selected as the prototype for the framework's application due to its rank in prior vulnerability assessments.

Immediately after adoption by the MPO Board, staff began coordination with the City of Hollywood, FDOT, and Broward County to move this project forward. The project kickoff meeting and field audit were held in April 2023. During the field audit, the team walked the corridor and surrounding neighborhood, learning about past challenges and strategies, as well as engaging with residents who wanted to voice their concerns. Data collection and Framework (see graphic) Steps 1-3 of the Resiliency Framework were completed in preparation of the public outreach kickoff. The project team will host the first of three public meetings this summer to gather feedback from residents before developing strategies to tackle the challenges that lie ahead.



PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

CARBON REDUCTION STRATEGY

Recognizing that transportation is one of the largest sources of greenhouse gas emissions, the MPO is actively working to reduce levels of carbon emissions from transit. We are making significant efforts to reduce these emissions by promoting sustainable transportation modes such as walking, cycling, and public transit. We also promote and encourage the use of electric vehicles and buses. Additionally, we continue to work to implement transportation strategies to reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips and increase the use of carpooling and telecommuting. Through these initiatives, we are leading the way in reducing carbon emissions from transportation and promoting sustainable mobility options for our community.

We also understand the importance of partnerships to create positive change. Through the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact, we are working with our regional partners in Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties on the Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant, developing a regional carbon reduction strategy. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act requires the State of Florida to develop a Carbon Reduction Strategy in consultation with the MPO by November 2023.



BUILDING MOMENTUM FOR 2024

Thank you for joining us to reflect on the MPO's notable achievements over the past year. Our accomplishments were made possible through tireless dedication, strategic collaboration, and meaningful community partnerships. As we look forward to the year ahead, we are energized by the exciting projects in our pipeline and eager to meet the unique challenges of tomorrow.

We are continuing our investments in safety through the construction of roadways, sidewalks, and bike lanes that protect all users. Looking to the future, the "Route to 2050" Metropolitan Transportation Plan update will be a significant milestone for this upcoming year that prioritizes future transportation investments. Our commitment to improving safety along Broward's railroads will continue next year with public education initiatives. Awarded funding from the Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program will upgrade a third of our railroad crossings. The MPO Board and staff will strive to move us safely forward with the initiation of new planning studies to examine climate change as well as what the future holds for electric vehicles.

Please stay connected with us and help engage the community as public input activities ramp up in 2024.



OUR MISSION

To collaboratively plan, prioritize, and fund the delivery of diverse transportation options.

OUR VISION

Our work will have measurable positive impact by ensuring transportation projects are well selected, funded, and delivered.

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