

## **2018 Broward MPO Federal Legislative Priorities**

- Advocate for the passage of a federal infrastructure package, ensuring that funds are eligible for direct allocation to MPOs and with funding allocated through the FAST Act programs.
- Support policy changes that promote project streamlining, allowing for quicker and more efficient project delivery that balances the need for robust environmental review.
- Secure funding levels through the appropriations process for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) that are consistent with funding levels authorized by the FAST Act.
- Support Public-Private Partnerships (P3s) as a financing method for large scale projects and continue to investigate P3 opportunities in Broward.
- Ensure the long term sustainability of the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant program by increasing yearly allocations above the current \$500 million.
- Continue to investigate grant opportunities in the areas of Complete Streets, freight, autonomous vehicles, transit expansion, and other areas to bring additional funding to the region.
- Collaborate with partners to bring additional USDOT Transit Oriented Development (TOD) funding to Broward.

## **2018 Broward MPO State Legislative Priorities**

- Give MPOs greater flexibility by expanding Board voting membership beyond 25 members.
- Index the state imposed fuel taxes that are distributed to county and local governments to inflation. Currently, the state imposed fuel tax that goes to FDOT is indexed to inflation, but the fuel taxes that go to county and municipal governments is not.
- Regulate distracted driving as a primary offense.
- Support legislation that promotes the creation or expansion of high-speed passenger rail in Florida, and block any legislation designed to limit passenger rail options in the state.
- Restore Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) funding to 2007 levels. TRIP funding promotes regional planning and project development by providing state matching funds for improvements to regionally significant transportation facilities.
- Allow State Intermodal System (SIS) funds to be used on SIS reliever facilities.