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UPCOMING MEETINGS

	OCT 2012	NOV 2012	DEC 2012
Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) <i>Meets every 2nd Thur. at 9:30 a.m.</i>	11	8	13
Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) <i>Meets every 4th Mon. at 2:15 p.m.</i>	22	26	No Meeting
Community Involvement Roundtable (CIR) <i>Meets every 4th Tues. at 6 p.m.</i>	23	27	No Meeting
Broward County Coordinating Board (BCCB) <i>Meets 3rd Monday at 2 p.m. when scheduled</i>	No Meeting	19	No Meeting

* Dates changed due to holiday or conflict

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).

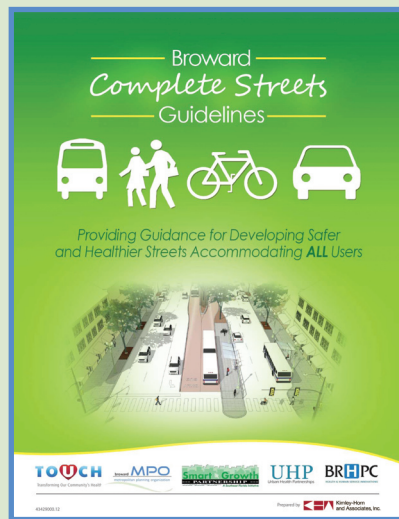
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DID YOU KNOW?

The Broward Complete Streets Guidelines are now available online! Go to:

www.browardcompletestreets.org



BROWARD MPO FOCUSES ON BIKE SAFETY

Every year in the United States, bicycle-related deaths number about 900 and emergency rooms treat almost 500,000 people for bicycle-related injuries. Florida has the nation's highest annual number of bicycle fatalities.

In an effort to encourage everyone to model safe behaviors and enhance the safety of all road users, the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), has developed a public education campaign regarding the 3-Foot Law. The campaign educates motorists about Florida Statute 316.083: Overtaking and Passing, the law states a motorist must pass a bicyclist by no less than 3 feet.

The MPO's three pronged campaign targets the general public and the motorist. For the general public, the MPO created a high visibility display that will be placed at the Sawgrass Mills Mall from September 17th to October 16th. After October 16th the display will then be stationed throughout Broward County at libraries, police stations and other venues to create



further public awareness. Along with displays are complementary handouts and posters. To better inform the motorist about the law, for one month, there will be posters on twenty-eight Broward County Transit buses. To educate the new motorist, for three months, there will be a short video



promoting the law displayed at local Department of Motor Vehicle offices. This video can also be viewed at www.browardmpo.org/projects-by-mode/bicycle-walk

Whether you are a motorist or bicyclist, everyone can play a part to decrease traffic crashes. For more information, please contact Broward MPO Bike Pedestrian Coordinator, Mark Horowitz at HorowitzM@browardmpo.org or (954) 876-0048.

KICK-OFF OF THE 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The MPO Board is moving forward with the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). At the September 20th Broward MPO meeting the Board approved the consultant contract that will start the process of updating the current 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan to the 2040 planning horizon. The LRTP sets the framework for the future and provides investment in new premium transit service, major roadway improvements, new interchanges, bicycle paths, new transit lines, pedestrian paths, new bridges, and much more. Stay up to date with the upcoming meetings for this 2040 LRTP process by visiting our website at www.browardMPO.org.

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Commissioner Richard Blattner
Chair, Broward MPO
City of Hollywood, District 4

Message From The Chair

I hope all of you had a great summer and you are ready for the busy upcoming season. It's hard to believe that we are already wrapping up the 2011/2012 fiscal year for the Broward MPO. The MPO has made great progress and I would like to take the opportunity in this message to speak about that. For the 2011/12 fiscal year, the MPO had \$737,255,662 total dollars programmed for various projects and initiatives. Out of the total dollars programmed, they are for the following categories:

- ✓ **Roadways**
- ✓ **Rail**
- ✓ **Aviation**
- ✓ **Transit**
- ✓ **Ports**
- ✓ **Transportation Disadvantaged**

The roadway category includes projects and programs related not only to roadways, but bikeways, pedestrian/sidewalks, safety and enhancement projects. This is the Complete Streets concept, which looks at projects holistically. Below is a summary of the funding that was programmed for each category in 2011/2012 and for the upcoming 2012/2013 fiscal year. These figures represent actual funds available to be spent on engineering and construction. One important project of note added to this year's budget in the amount of \$30,942,707 is The Wave Streetcar in Downtown Fort Lauderdale www.wavestreetcar.com.

Category	2011/12	2012/13	Funding Source
Roadways	\$376,773,460	\$326,373,381	Federal, Local, State, Private
Transit	\$ 74,587,635	\$ 63,905,674	Federal, Local, State
Transportation Disadvantaged	\$ 21,439,019	\$ 21,969,260	Local, State
Rail	\$ 86,525,981	\$113,090,395	Federal, Local, State
Port	\$114,512,848	\$117,855,668	Federal, Local, State
Aviation	\$ 63,416,719	\$ 7,678,250	Federal, Local, State
TOTAL	\$737,255,662	\$650,872,628	

The details for the projects and programs for each of the categories can be found in our interactive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I want to encourage all of you to visit our website at www.browardMPO.org and view all the details.

In addition, I am happy to report that the Board approved the extension of the Executive Director's contract due to Greg Stuart's excellent performance. The Board is proud to have his insight, leadership and guidance at the Broward MPO. Be sure to see the list of upcoming MPO meetings provided at the back of this newsletter and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Board meetings.

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

On July 13th Greg Stuart, Executive Director, spoke at the Gold Coast ITE Conference held at the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority. This workshop focused on the impact of the Panama Canal expansion on South Florida's transportation infrastructure and travel modes.

Practitioners. The Open House took place at USDOT's Headquarters in Washington D.C.



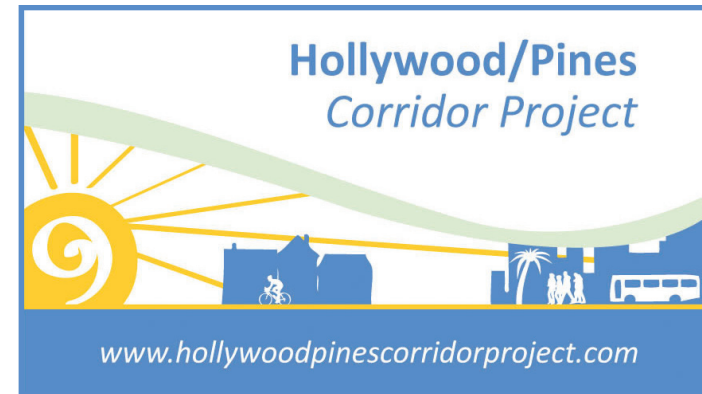
Broward MPO is one of the multiple partners in the Broward Boulevard Gateway Implementation Project and MPO staff participated in a Public Design Workshop (pictured above)

On July 17th Chris Ryan, Public Information Officer and Title VI Coordinator participated and led a discussion in a Public Engagement Open House as part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Environmental Justice Training for Transportation

that was hosted by the City of Fort Lauderdale on August 4th.

MPO Transportation Planner Priscila Clawges, is now a LEED Green Associate. She recently passed the required exam to accomplish this accreditation. The exam is designed to measure your ability to understand and support green design, construction, and operations. LEED is Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, which is an internationally recognized mark of excellence in green building technology developed by the U.S. Green Building Council.

HOLLYWOOD/PINES CORRIDOR PROJECT IS UNDERWAY



The Broward MPO is focusing its planning process to provide a livable community that is safe, enjoyable, and sustainable for all citizens and visitors, whether you walk, bike, ride, or drive. The majority of people use a car to travel from one place to another. For others, walking, bicycling, or using transit would be the preferable choice, but those options may be neither safe nor convenient. More importantly, for some people, such as seniors, children, or those without cars, transportation choices are limited, and traveling from one place to another can be a challenge.

The Hollywood/Pines Corridor Project is the MPO's first project that combines traditional Congestion Management and Livability Planning to improve safety and mobility along this corridor. The MPO, with its partner agencies

and municipalities, will work with individuals, community groups, businesses, governmental agencies, and other stakeholders throughout the Study Area. The Project is an initial step in implementing Mobility Hubs, which are points of connection for different types of transportation in Broward County. This effort will also include studies of land use and livability, including the location of multimodal (bicycle, pedestrian, and transit) infrastructure, street connectivity, land use designations, and redevelopment guidelines. The resulting implementation strategies will encourage investment that creates a transit-ready habitat, and allows the Cities of Pembroke Pines and Hollywood to grow sustainably over time. Specific outcomes of this project will be:

- Implement strategies other than road widening to reduce congestion while increasing safety for all transportation modes
- Develop complementary congestion management solutions and land use strategies
- Implement projects and policies that promote the development of Mobility Hubs
- Improve transit operations and a transit supportive land use through short and long-term strategies

For more information go to: www.hollywoodpinescorridorproject.com

MPO RECEIVES "DESIGNATED OFFICIAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE YEAR" AWARD

Debbie Byrnes, Broward MPO Transportation Disadvantaged Program Manager attended the 20th Annual Transportation Disadvantaged Best Practices & Training Workshop held in Orlando on July 31st through August 1st presented by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.

The culmination of the conference is an Awards Banquet and Ceremony. The Broward MPO was honored to receive the 2012 "Designated Official Planning Agency of the Year" Award. Debbie has been instrumental in managing the Transportation Disadvantaged Program as staff to the Local Coordinating Board and maintaining partnerships with Broward County's Community Transportation Coordinator, Medicaid Transportation Provider, Florida Department of Transportation and numerous health and human services agencies throughout Broward County. She is also Chair of South Florida Regional Transportation Authority's American Disabilities Association Advisory Committee.



Pictured here from left to right: Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantages (CTD) Chair David Darm, CTD Executive Director Steve Holmes, Transportation Disadvantaged Program Manager for the MPO Debbie Byrnes and Broward County Transit Paratransit Manager, Paul Strobis.