



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

2019 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES AND FUNDING REQUESTS

This information reflects the official position of the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding Federal issues and pending legislation that would impact the operation of local government. It also provides priorities for the pursuit of funding for various City initiatives.



Improve Water Quality and Wastewater Management

- **SUPPORT** legislation that promotes improved water quality and quantity
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** for water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure improvements and to enhance the disaster resiliency of our water and wastewater utilities
- **OPPOSE** legislation that creates ambiguous and onerous new Clean Water Act requirements



Infrastructure Enhancements

- **SUPPORT** legislation and **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** for transportation enhancements specifically focused on greenways, complete street initiatives, pedestrian safety and mass-transit
- **SUPPORT** legislation that provides noise mitigation from the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** for Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport capital projects



Support Public Safety Initiatives

- **SUPPORT** legislation that provides appropriate priority and funding for the Miami/Fort Lauderdale Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), and toward adjusting the Florida Department of Emergency Management and UASI sub-allocations to cities based on each city's risk profile assessment
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** to secure additional fire rescue equipment, training and other necessary resources to maintain and enhance capabilities
- **SUPPORT** legislation that garners additional resources toward repeat offenders and other juvenile justice issues



Strengthen Neighborhoods

- **SUPPORT** legislation that provides funding to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to maintain the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocations
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** to build on the City's comprehensive homelessness strategy
- **SUPPORT** legislation that encourages drug prevention and educational programs for opioids and secures additional resources to address opioid abuse
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** to strengthen and expand environmental education, physical activity, healthy lifestyles, and access to recreational programs and facilities for Fort Lauderdale youth while ensuring that they are protected while participating in parks and recreation programs



Address Climate Change and Disaster Resiliency

- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** to address climate change and sea level rise mitigation
- **SUPPORT** legislation that encourages energy development and conservation and the development and implementation of alternative energy sources
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** for Fort Lauderdale Beach nourishment, revitalization, and enhancement
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** for flood prevention and hazard mitigation



Promote Economic Stability and Business Development

- **SUPPORT** legislation that would assist the state of Florida in collecting taxes from internet based sales
- **SEEK FINANCIAL SUPPORT** to promote Fort Lauderdale's tourism and marine industries
- **OPPOSE** legislation that decreases any revenue allocations to local governments or creates unfunded mandates