

## 2017 Broward MPO Federal Legislative Priorities

- Increase funding for programs that are vital to the Broward MPO
  - o Advocate for the passage of a federal infrastructure package and ensure that funds are eligible for direct allocation to MPOs.
  - o Ensure the long term sustainability of the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Grant program by increasing yearly allocations above the current \$500 million.
  - Secure funding levels through the appropriations process for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) that are consistent with funding levels allocated by the FAST Act.
- Ensure that policy changes from USDOT and Congress benefit the Broward
   MPO
  - Work with companion MPOs and national partners to advocate for substantial changes in USDOT's proposed "Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform Rule."
  - Promote passage of the *Metropolitan Planning Enhancement Act*,
     sponsored by Rep. Lois Frankel, which would reward high performing
     MPOs like the Broward MPO with additional funding.
- Secure federal grants to promote high visibility Broward MPO projects
  - Collaborate with partners to bring USDOT Transit-Oriented
     Development (TOD) money to Broward.



- Apply for Fostering Advancement in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-Term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE)
   Grant for enhancements to Port Everglades.
- Monitor for grant opportunities for autonomous vehicle pilot programs to bring new autonomous vehicle technology to Broward.
- Apply for Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management
   Technologies Deployment Grants to improve safety, efficiency, and
   system performance of transportation network in the region.

## 2017 Broward MPO State Legislative Priorities

- Restore funding for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program to promote regional planning and project development.
- Establish a revolving fund to be utilized by metropolitan planning organizations to advance the use of federal funds prior to reimbursement from USDOT.