SUCCESS! BROWARD MPO AWARDED $11.4 MILLION TIGER GRANT

On July 29, the Broward MPO received news that it had been selected for a 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). The MPO is thrilled to announce that it will receive $11,443,371 in grant funding for its Complete Streets Initiative, through the USDOT’s TIGER Program. Making the award of this grant even more impressive is the fact that the Broward MPO was one of only 40 applications selected from 585 received that were sent from all 50 states. The MPO was the only organization within the state of Florida to receive funds.

In a joint press release issued with other South Florida lawmakers, Congresswoman Lois Frankel stated, “This is huge for Broward County residents and visitors. This transformative grant comes as a cooperative effort among local officials, planners, members of Congress, and President Obama’s transportation team. Bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists alike will have safer passages that will come with new bike lanes [and] wider sidewalks.”

The TIGER grant will help fund $19.1 million in bicycle and pedestrian improvements across Broward, providing more spacious bike lanes, multi-use paths, ADA-compliant sidewalks, landscape enhancements, and improved lighting for both vehicles and pedestrians. The successful TIGER application is a partnership between the MPO, Broward County, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and the cities of Fort Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Lauderdale Lakes, and Pompano Beach.

For more information about our TIGER grant, please visit: http://browardmpo.org/index.php/current-projects-studies/tiger-grant-2016

DID YOU KNOW?
The Broward MPO was one of only 40 TIGER grant applications out of 585 to receive funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). That’s only 7% of applications! The Broward MPO is thrilled to be a part of this elite percentage!

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STATE ROAD 7 (SR7) STUDY COMPLETED

The SR7 Multimodal Improvements Corridor Study has been completed. As part of the project, the MPO study team met with over a dozen neighborhood and business groups to gather input on issues affecting the corridor. The resulting findings identified both short and long term improvements to promote mobility and safety for all modes of travel along the SR7 corridor. Study recommendations include enhanced pedestrian amenities such as countdown pedestrian signals and high emphasis crosswalk markings, transit improvements, including additional shelters, bus stop relocations, bus “queue jumps,” and lighting enhancements to improve visibility for all users of SR7. Results can be found on the project website at: www.improvesr7.org.

Transportation Improvement Program: Over $5 Billion in funds approved by Board

On July 14, 2016, the Broward MPO passed the 2016-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Composed of a variety of funding sources, the TIP will utilize over $5 billion in order to complete a wide range of transportation projects, including roadways, bike and pedestrian projects, transit improvements and seaport and airport projects. The TIP is a document that summarizes nearly every project to be planned, designed, or built in Broward County in the next five years. To learn more about the TIP, please visit: http://www.browardmpo.org/images/WhatWeDo/TIP/FY_2017_Final_TIP_Web_07192016.pdf.

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ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

2015-16 report offers an overview of key developments of the MPO

Now in its second edition, the latest annual report highlights the Broward MPO’s key projects and efforts of the past year, structured around its Strategic Business Plan. The report provides a snapshot of the organization’s primary initiatives with supporting illustrations, charts and maps, as well as a five-year funding forecast. Learn how the MPO continues to move people, create jobs and strengthen communities! Download the report in PDF format, or access an interactive version online. Please visit: http://online.fliphtml5.com/oyvf/brqd/#p=1.

TRAC Training Comes to Broward MPO

Building on last year’s efforts, on June 28th and 29th, the Broward MPO once again hosted teachers for Transportation and Civil Engineering (TRAC) Training at the MPO office. The TRAC program is designed for integration into the teaching of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). The Broward MPO has worked with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to bring this program to Florida.

This is an important initiative for the MPO. Across the country, it is becoming increasingly difficult to attract young men and women, especially young people of diverse ethnic backgrounds, to the world of transportation planning and engineering. Many organizations refer to the aging population as the “Silver Tsunami.” This is an opportunity for the MPO to help.

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