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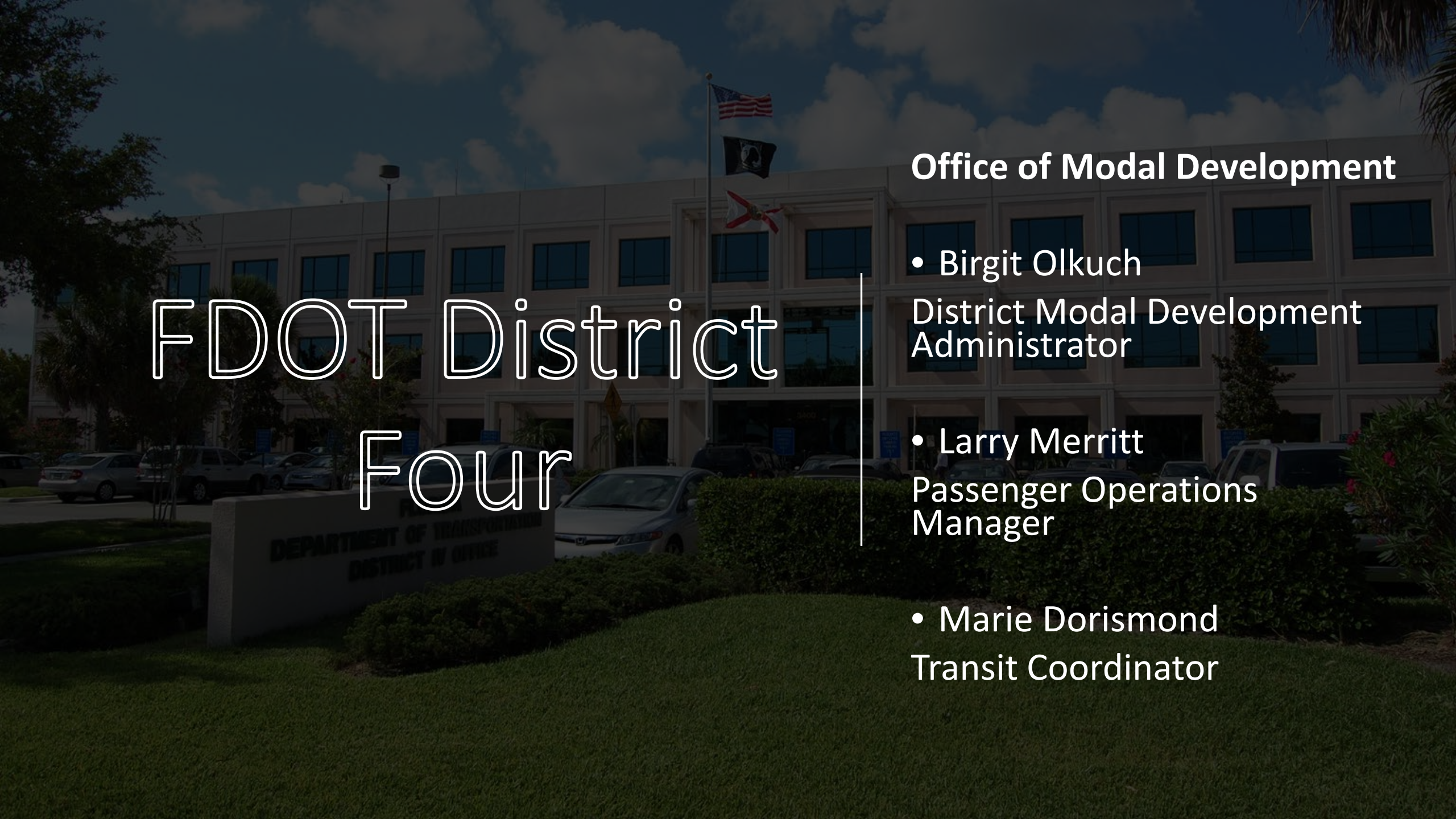


FDOT District Four

Office of Modal Development

- Birgit Olkuch
  District Modal Development Administrator
- Larry Merritt
  Passenger Operations Manager
- Marie Dorismond
  Transit Coordinator

Section 5310 Program

- The purpose of the Section 5310 Grant Program is to improve mobility for **seniors and individuals with disabilities**

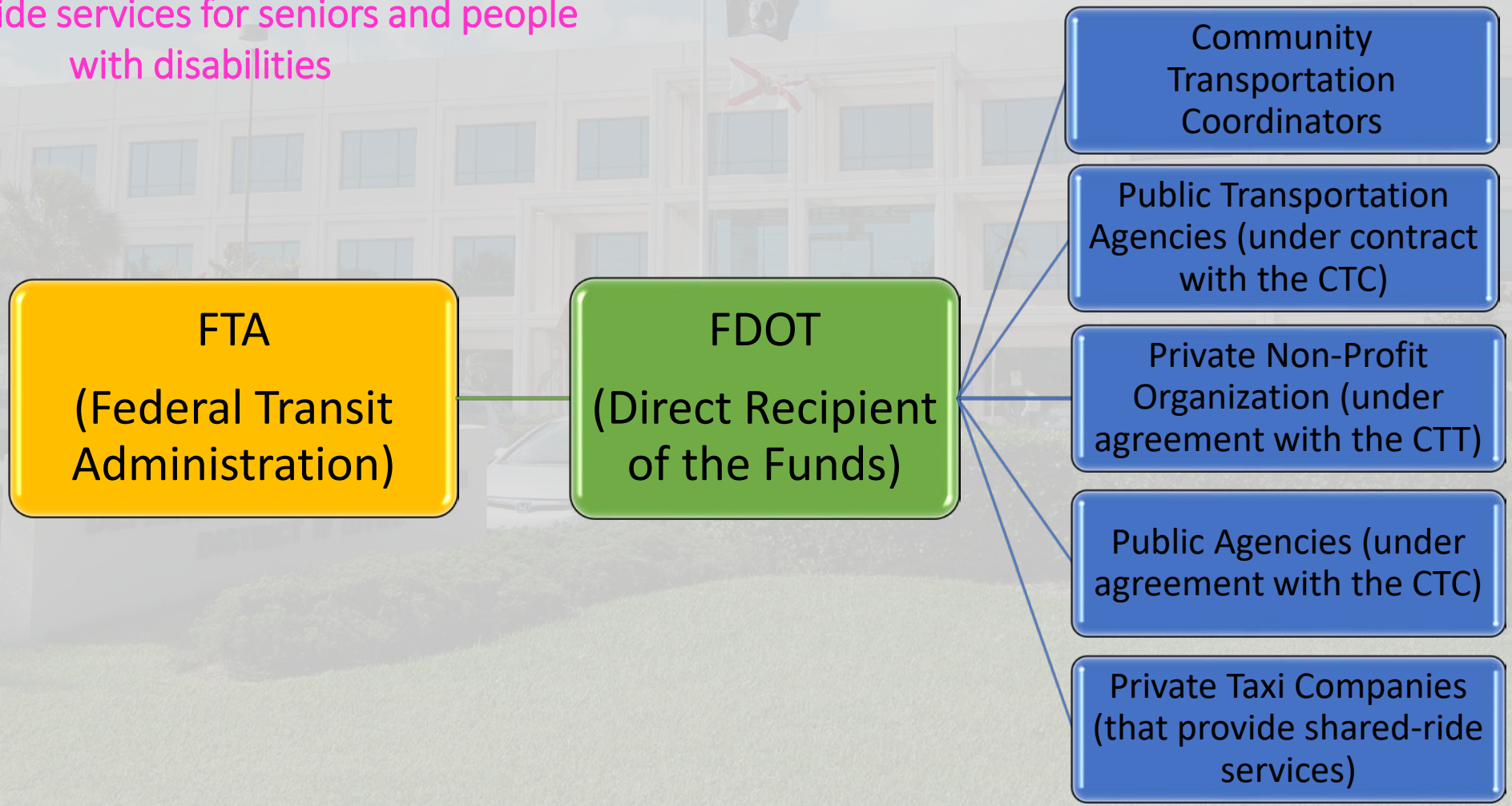
- The Section 5310 program was established in 1975 as a discretionary capital assistance program

Section 5310 Background

- Federal program designed to meet the transportation needs of seniors and people with disabilities
- Formulas grant based on target population
- FDOT is the direct recipient
- Agencies are the Sub-recipients

Recipient & Sub-Recipients

Must provide services for seniors and people with disabilities



Roles & Responsibilities

District (Direct Recipient)

- Announce, review, and evaluate applications
- Award section 5310 grant funds
- Provide technical assistance
- Ensure all agencies comply with state and federal laws

Agencies (Sub-recipients)

- Submit the application to the District
- Coordinate transit services as described in the application
- Maintain section 5310 vehicles
- Comply with safety and drug-free workplace regulations
- Comply with state and federal laws

Eligible Projects

Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of ADA

- Expansion of paratransit service beyond the ¾ mile requirement
- Expansion of current hours of operation for ADA paratransit
- Incremental cost of providing same day service
- Incremental cost of providing door-to-door service
- Acquisition of vehicles and equipment designed to accommodate mobility aids that exceed the dimensions and weight ratings for wheelchairs

Eligible Projects

Public transportation projects that improve access to fixed route service and decrease reliance on complementary paratransit

- Feeder service to commuter rail, commuter bus, intercity rail, and intercity bus stations, for which complementary paratransit service is not required under the ADA
- Building an accessible path to a bus stop including curb-cuts, sidewalks, accessible pedestrian signals or other accessible features
- Improving signage, or way-finding technology
- Implementation of other technology improvements that enhance accessibility including ITS

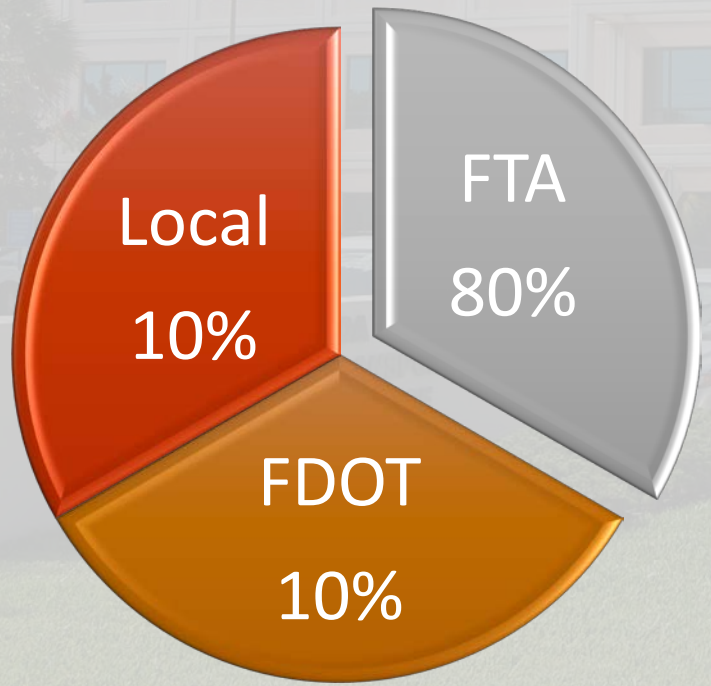
Eligible Projects

Alternatives to public transportation projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities with transportation

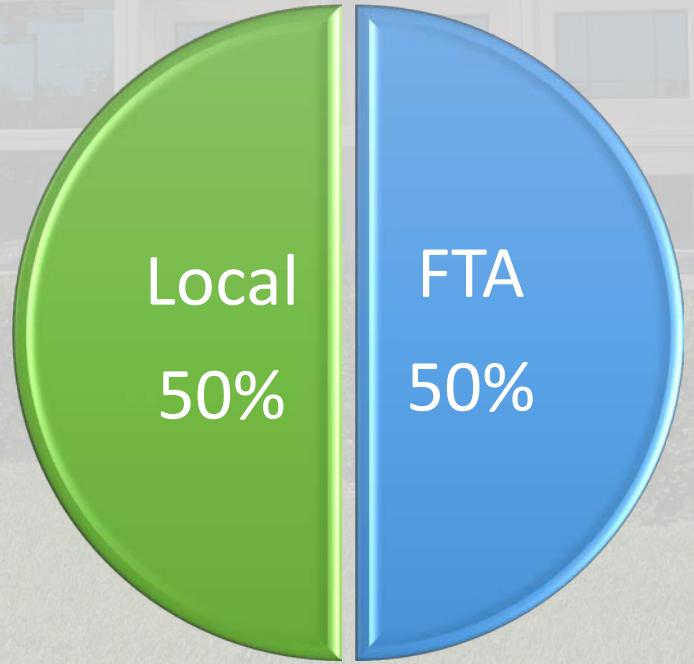
- Volunteer driver and aide programs
- Purchasing vehicles to support new accessible taxi, rides sharing and/or vanpooling programs
- Supporting the administration and expenses related to new voucher programs for transportation services offered by human service providers

Program Funding

Capital Expenses (Allocation 55%)



Operating Expenses (Allocation 45%)

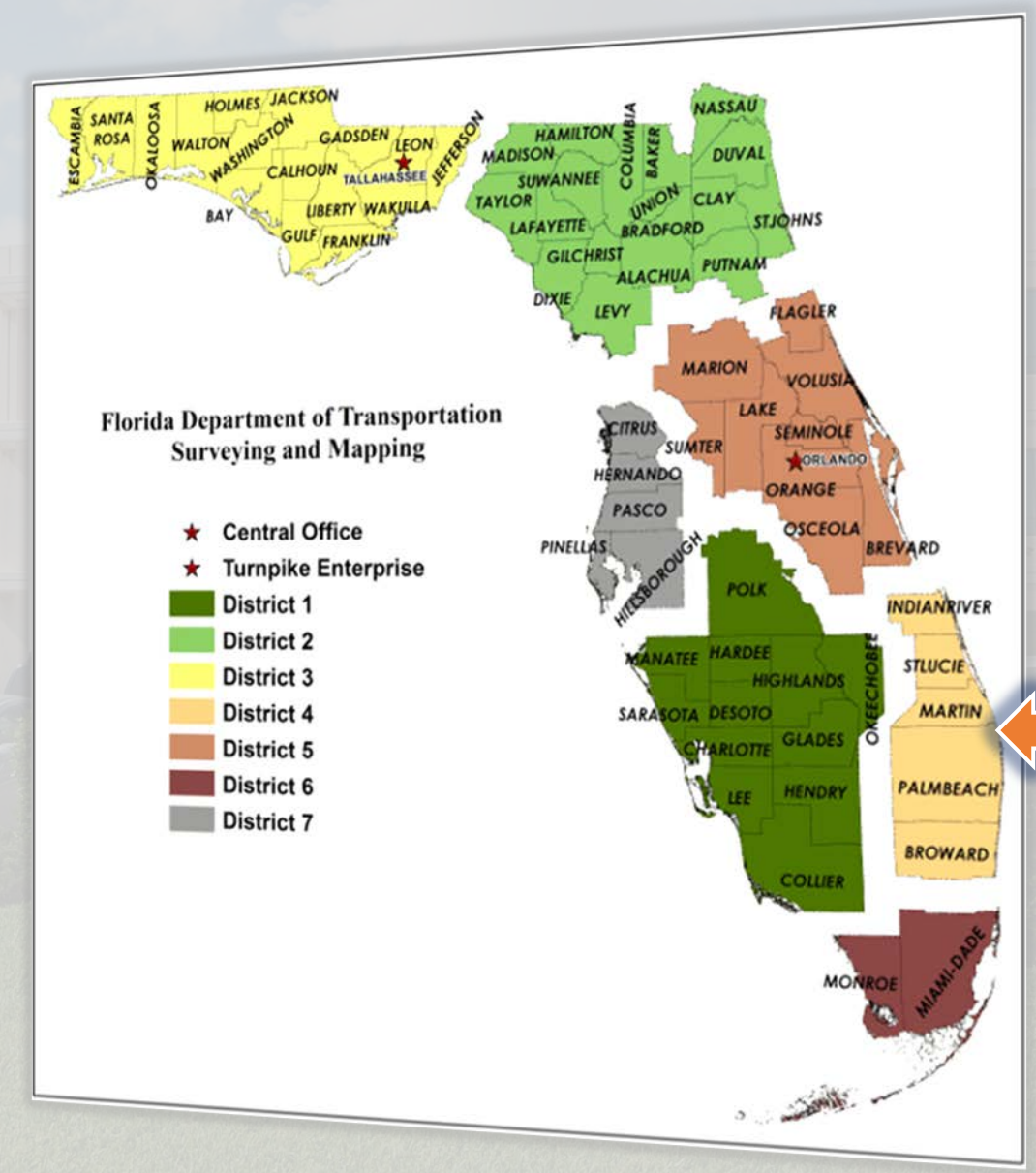


Program Timeline

Late Summer (July/August)	FDOT begins preparing required documents
Early Winter (November/ December)	Agencies attend annual workshop hosted by the District
Late Winter (January/ February)	Agencies complete the application and submit to FDOT District 4
Early Fall (October/ November)	Agencies will be notified of their award, and funds become available for use

Service Area

- Broward County
- Palm Beach County
- Martin County
- St. Lucie County
- Indian River County



District IV total allocation year 2020 $4,193,709.00

Miami UZA (Broward & Palm Beach)

- $3,335,030
- 30 Vehicles Replaced
- 21 Expansions
- Several radios and equipment

Martin County (Non-Urban/Rural)

- $100,000.00
- 3 Expansions

Port Saint Lucie

- $525,727.00
- 6 Vehicles Replaced
- 1 Extension

Indian River County

- $232,952.00
- 2 Vehicles Replaced
- 1 Expansion

FDOT Focus

- Improve Mobility
- Increase Access
- Expand Capacity
- Support the CTCs and Transit Agencies in their mission

Thank you!