

## Liaison's Report - June 2021

- 1. *TPA Staff Update:*** We are excited to welcome Melissa Murray as our new Public Relations Director and Cassidy Sparks as our new Public Relations Specialist. We look forward to their contributions as we work collaboratively to advance the TPA's mission and vision.
- 2. *Florida Bicycle Month Recap:*** May was National Bicycle Month. To celebrate it, TPA staff participated in the Love to Ride Challenge and rode a total of 724 miles, joining 1,165 participants from 71 other workplaces statewide. Throughout the month of May, the 266,236 miles rode led to 4,962 pounds of Carbon Dioxide emissions mitigated by use of bicycles as vehicles.
- 3. *Recent Transit Workshops:*** The Southeast Florida Transportation Council hosted a virtual workshop to discuss the future implementation of Commuter Rail on the FEC railway on April 30. The recording is available at [PalmBeachTPA.org/SEFTCWorkshop](https://PalmBeachTPA.org/SEFTCWorkshop). Additionally, the TPA held a workshop on May 14 to hear from transit industry leaders on how they are moving forward with enhanced transit. The recording is available at [PalmBeachTPA.org/Meetings](https://PalmBeachTPA.org/Meetings)

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4. ***Florida Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Center Webinars:*** The Florida LTAP Center will host Basic Highway Plan Reading webinars on June 1, 8, & 15 at 10AM - 1PM. To register, visit [FloridaLTAP.org/Training-Calendar/](https://FloridaLTAP.org/Training-Calendar/)
5. ***FDOT "GAP" System Training:*** FDOT is hosting a GAP Systems webinar training on June 7, 2021 at 9AM - 11:30AM for local agencies. This system will replace the Local Agency Program Information Tool (LAPIT) system. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/3hRgDNT>
6. ***Bicycle Friendly Business:*** The Bicycle Friendly Business program recognizes employers for their efforts to encourage a more welcoming atmosphere for bicycling employees, customers, and the community. The application window is open through June 10, 2021. To apply, visit [BikeLeague.org/Business](https://BikeLeague.org/Business).
7. ***Walk Friendly Communities:*** Municipalities are encouraged to apply for the Walk Friendly Communities designation through June 15, 2021. For more information, visit [WalkFriendly.org](https://WalkFriendly.org).

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8. ***June TPA Governing Board Meeting:*** The next TPA Governing Board meeting will be held on June 17, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. both in-person and virtually. To view the agenda packet and meeting details, visit [PalmBeachTPA.org/Board](https://PalmBeachTPA.org/Board).
9. ***High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) Funding:*** The next round of pedestrian and bicycle HVE funding will become available on July 1. There will be a law enforcement roundtable meeting on June 8 from 9am-11am at the PBC Sheriff's Office Training Center, 4215 Cherry Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33409. For more information, email [ped.bike.safety@iptm.org](mailto:ped.bike.safety@iptm.org).
10. ***RAISE Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity:*** The application window for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grants, formerly known as BUILD & TIGER, is open. The maximum grant award is \$25 million and the application deadline is July 12, 2021. Please see [transportation.gov/RAISEgrants](https://transportation.gov/RAISEgrants) for more details.

# Questions?