

Liaison's Report - March 3, 2021

- 1. *TPA Staff Update:*** We are excited to welcome Robin Pribramsky as the TPA Executive Secretary and Alaura Farr as the TPA Procurement & Grants Coordinator. We look forward to their contributions as we work collaboratively to advance the TPA's mission and vision.
- 2. *Florida Bicycle Month:*** March is Florida Bicycle Month! The TPA encourages local governments and partner agencies to host events to promote bicycling and bicycle safety as well as participate in the TPA's Florida Bicycle Month events. For details, visit WalkBikePalmBeach.org.
- 3. *Strategic Highway Safety Program:*** FDOT is requesting public comments for their Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The draft SHSP is posted and available for public comments through March 10, 2021. For more information, visit FDOT.gov/Safety.
- 4. *March TPA Governing Board Meeting:*** The next TPA Governing Board meeting will be held on March 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. both in-person and virtually. To view the agenda packet and meeting details, visit PalmBeachTPA.org/Board.
- 5. *Complete Streets Act of 2021:*** Senator Edward Markey (MA) and Congressman Steve Cohen (TN-09) have re-introduced the Complete Streets Act of 2019, a bill that promotes safer and more accessible street design across the United States. For more information, visit SmartGrowthAmerica.org/The-Complete-Streets-Act-Is-Back

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6. 2021 Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) Grant: The 2021 INFRA discretionary grant program funds transportation projects of national and regional significance with a focus on climate change and environmental justice. The deadline to apply is March 19, 2021. For more information, visit Transportation.gov/BuildAmerica/Financing.

7. 2021 AARP Community Challenge Grant: The AARP Community Challenge Grant provides small grants to fund "quick-action" projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages. The deadline to apply is April 14, 2021. For more information, visit AARP.org/CommunityChallenge.

8. High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) Funding: FDOT offers local enforcement agencies funding contracts for HVE to improve pedestrians and bicycle safety. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, visit AlertTodayFlorida.com/HVE.

9. TPA Funding Programs Applications: Five (5) existing Local Initiatives (LI) projects requesting \$13M and five (5) new LI project applications requesting \$17.25M in federal funds, and six (6) Transportation Alternatives (TA) applications requesting \$5.31 in federal funds were submitted. The total funds available are roughly \$20M for LI and \$3.1M for TA. In addition, six (6) State Road Modification (SRM) project requests have been compiled. Project proposals submitted are included on the following page. The final draft project lists will be included in the FY 23-27 List of Priority Projects presented for adoption in July.

Questions?