

# THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST

## Helping to Secure Miami-Dade's Transportation Future

The Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) was created in 2002 to ensure proper expenditure of the half-percent transportation surtax that funds the projects in the People's Transportation Plan (PTP).

CITT members are unpaid volunteers and consist of a cross section of the Miami-Dade community representing diverse backgrounds and walks of life, including a retired pastor, a military officer, a high school teacher, and former elected officials. They are screened by an independent nominating committee made up of representatives of community organizations and governmental agencies. CITT members are nominated by the County Mayor, each member of the Board of County Commissioners, and the Miami-Dade League of Cities for a total of fifteen seats.

The CITT works closely with the Board of County Commissioners to review contracts and approve funding for PTP projects and recommend needed amendments to the PTP. The CITT has three standing committees:

Project and Financial Review, Compliance and Oversight and Community Outreach.

CITT actions have resulted in significant improvements to the public transportation system, among them is expanding the Metrobus fleet, completion of numerous road resurfacing and widening projects, providing the local funding for the MIC/Earlington Heights Metrorail extension and installation of school flashing signals and street name signs. These enhancements have improved safety, added capacity to the public transportation system and generated new jobs in the community.

The CITT manages the municipal component of the PTP, which by ordinance, dedicates 20 percent of surtax proceeds to municipalities that were incorporated by November 5, 2002. To date \$138,384,858.00 has been transferred to municipalities which is being used for a variety of improvements, including circulator buses, bus shelters, road resurfacing, and drainage projects.



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