

## **MUNICIPAL PROGRAM**

Municipal Activity for Transit Projects

(Municipalities must spend a minimum 20% on Transit Improvements)

| Department:                   | Transit    |  |  |
|-------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Phase:                        | On-going   |  |  |
| Completion Date:              | On-going   |  |  |
| Funding Source(s):            | PTP/Surtax |  |  |
| <b>Completion Percentage:</b> | On-going   |  |  |
| Capital Budget:               | N/A        |  |  |
| <b>Commission District:</b>   | Countywide |  |  |

This is an ongoing program. There are currently 34 municipalities that are eligible to receive surtax funding with 33 participating in the program. Indian Creek is currently not participating. In 2012, the County executed Interlocal Agreements (ILA) with Miami Gardens, Cutler Bay and Doral for receiving Surtax funds. Municipalities have received approximately \$640 million in Surtax funding since PTP inception until September 2017. Funding has been expended for direct operating and capital expenses for those municipalities operating circulators, and for those municipalities not directly operating a circulator. Funding has also been expended for items that support transit in areas such as bus shelters along Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) bus routes. A number of municipalities have multi-year debt obligations to complete capital projects.

The 29 municipalities listed below, that operate a circulator service, partner with another municipality or with DTPW. The City of Miami trolley service was expanded during 2013 (after its launch in April 2012) and the Town of Cutler Bay signed an ILA with DTPW to operate a circulator in September 2013. The City of Miami Beach added a new North Beach Trolley service in 2014 and took over the operation of the South Beach circulator in 2017 that will supported by City People's Transportation Plan (PTP) funds. The City of Miami Gardens launched its PTP funded circulator in June 2015. The municipalities of Key Biscayne and South Miami started operating circulator service in 2017.

- City of Aventura
- Village of Bal Harbour
- Town of Bay Harbor Islands
- City of Coral Gables
- Town of Cutler Bay (ILA with DTPW)
- City of Doral
- City of Hialeah
- City of Hialeah Gardens (ILA with City of Hialeah)
- City of Homestead
- Village of Key Biscayne
- Town of Medley
- City of Miami
- City of Miami Beach
- City of Miami Gardens
- Town of Miami Lakes
- Miami Shores Village
- City of Miami Springs

- City of North Bay Village
- City of North Miami
- City of North Miami Beach
- City of Opa-locka
- Village of Palmetto Bay
- Village of Pinecrest
- City of South Miami
- City of Sunny Isles Beach
- Town of Surfside
- City of Sweetwater
- Village of Virginia Gardens

(ILA with the City of Miami Springs)

City of West Miami



The ridership on the municipal circulators now exceeds 10.7 million passenger trips annually overall (FY 2016-17). It should be noted that many of the municipalities operating circulator systems exceed the 20% minimum transit expenditure requirement.

The **City of Aventura** is utilizing a portion of their surtax monies to fund a circulator, the Aventura Express. Transit service consists of routes that connect retail, grocery, and medical centers with a central transfer point at the Aventura Mall. Transfers to any Miami-Dade and/or Broward County Transit route are available at the Mall. Shuttle buses conform to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. In 2006, the City procured new buses and added a fifth route. The City transported 265, 532 passengers in FY 2016-17.

In addition, the City utilized surtax funds to install bus shelters at Biscayne Boulevard and NE 210th Street and at Yacht Club Drive and has installed ADA compliant curbing to six bus shelters.

The **Village of Bal Harbour** initiated the "Bal Harbour Express" circulator bus system using PTP surtax funds. Recently, the Village expanded their circulator service to include Friday night, Saturday night and weekend service. The Village operates the service through Limousines of South Florida. The shuttle goes through Bay Harbor, Surfside, to Aventura Mall, and to Lincoln Road on Sundays.

The **Town of Bay Harbor Islands** operates a highly successful circulator. Town officials have been in discussion with Bal Harbour Village on entering into an ILA for circulator service.



The **Village of Biscayne Park** previously contracted with the City of North Miami to operate the NOMI express circulator system into Biscayne Park. Now the Village is focused on implementing proposed bus shelters.

The Trolley of the **City of Coral Gables**, first implemented on November 25, 2003, now transports over 4,000 passengers per day – a figure that represents an almost four-fold increase over initial program projections. The program not only provides a transportation alternative to residents, commuters and visitors, but it also has reduced the parking demand and

number of vehicle trips within the City's downtown business district. Coral Gables reported over 1.1 million boardings in FY 2016-17.

For this successful program, in March 2012 the City through an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Grant received a new low-floor diesel powered trolley from DTPW bringing the fleet to eight trolleys. Coral Gables has exclusive use of the \$420,000 Trolley for 10 years. It also purchased three new, diesel powered trolleys in 2012 in order to keep pace with ridership demand – at a total cost of approximately \$730,000 with its Surtax funds and a matching Federal Department of Transportation (FDOT) Grant. This brings the fleet to 11 diesel powered Trolleys. In fact, the City spends all of its surtax allocation to operate the trolley.

On September 5, 2012, the **Town of Cutler Bay** began operating their new Cutler Bay Town Circulator Bus. The circulator bus operates on a fixed route that services the residents of the area. For just 25 cents (free for Miami-Dade Transit Golden Age Passport holders) residents of the area can ride the circulator to various locations including the South Miami-Dade Cultural Center and the library, as well as connect with the South Dade Transitway. Due to the success of this service, the service was expanded in 2014 to operate six days a week. The Town of Cutler Bay shuttle carried over 52,700 riders for the last fiscal year.

The **City of Doral** Trolley was launched on February 1, 2008 and has been available to residents and visitors alike. Since then, the City has added four new trolleys, has an Interlocal Agreement in place with the County for receiving Surtax funds, and has expanded service with two additional routes which connect to Metrorail. Currently the system has three



routes serviced by five trolleys. The City plans to increase fleet to eight trolleys. Doral ridership numbers exceeded 587,000 for FY 2016-17.

The **City of Florida City** is constructing ADA compliant bus shelters citywide. In addition, the City is considering the feasibility of commencing a circulator service and of partnering with the City of Homestead for shuttle service to a future extension of the South Dade Transitway.

The **City of Hialeah** operates two routes (Marlin and Flamingo) and partners with the City of Hialeah Gardens to provide much needed service to the citizens of that area. The Hialeah Transit System (HTS) operates eight buses on two linear routes running bi-directional, providing relief from local traffic congestion, reducing parking issues, and connecting to



surrounding areas through the DTPW system. The City is the fifth largest municipality in the State of Florida and has an approximate ridership of 261,000 boardings in FY 2016-17.

In fact, boardings on the Flamingo and Dolphin routes have reached over four million since inception. In less than three years after the transit system went into operation, the buses carried their one millionth passenger. The transit system charges \$2.25 for full fare and \$60.00 for a full fare monthly pass. Reduced fare is \$1.10 for students and disabled riders and \$30.00 for a monthly reduced pass. Commuters over 65 ride free with a special Golden Passport pass provided by the County. DTPW EASY Cards and Tickets are accepted to enable the passenger to ride these HTS

Circulators without paying any additional fare.

Other efforts include replacing bus benches, adding shelters with better sun protection and meeting with DTPW to avoid service duplication and to assist the County in providing better service to area residents. The city has also considered expanding its service to nights.

In 2003, the **City of Hialeah Gardens** entered into an ILA with the City of Hialeah to provide transit service in their municipality. The Marlin route cost the City of Hialeah Gardens approximately \$206,000 annually.

The **City of Homestead** continues to fund the operation of two circulators that provide free, convenient public transportation to the community. This service creates connectivity between the east and west side of the City, increase pedestrian activity, and alleviate congestion throughout the City of Homestead. The trolley routes effectively complement existing Miami-Dade County Metrobus service in the area and substantially augment public transportation in the City of Homestead. The trolley operates from Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The City of Homestead had over 137, 000 boardings last fiscal year.

The **Village of Key Biscayne** used PTP funds to construct a bus pull-out bay along southbound Crandon Boulevard in the entry block. In addition, they redesigned the intersection at Crandon Boulevard/Harbor Drive/Ocean Lane Drive with tighter corner radii, longer dedicated turn lanes, wider ADA-compliant sidewalks and curb cuts, well-defined pedestrian crosswalks with countdown lights, bicycle lanes in both directions, and contrasting paver/concrete/asphalt resurfacing, and is performing well for pedestrians and drivers. In 2017, the Village commence its circulator service utilizing FreeBee Type service.

The **Town of Medley** is currently using surtax funds to operate a city wide circulator serving residents and visitors.



The **City of Miami** launched its first trolley routes in early 2012. A little more than a year after starting the service, the City transported over 2.6 million passengers. The Health District and Health District-Stadium routes commenced service in late March of 2012, providing Monday through Saturday service and on Sundays with ball games. The Health District route has stops at the Metrorail station, and links the many hospitals, courthouses, and specialty clinics within the area, while the Stadium loop links the Civic Center Metrorail stop to the Marlins Ballpark.



The Brickell-Biscayne line launched in late April 2012, covering the eastern limits of the City, with service ranging from SW 26 Road and Miami Avenue to the south, and the Omni to the North. This route links major residential districts to commercial hubs, and also provides service between Brickell Metrorail and Brickell Key. Service is provided seven days a week. In 2013, the Biscayne route was extended to the Design District and Midtown to the north, and the Brickell route southward to Vizcaya and Mercy Hospital.

In August 2012, the City launched the Overtown-Health District route, which links the Overtown neighborhood to the Health District. This line is currently serving on average more than 340 riders per day. The Allapattah-Overtown route was launched in November 2012. The City later launched the Coral Way Route in October 2013, which completes the system envisioned in the initial 2009 Trolley System Development Plan. This Coral Way Route runs along Coral Way from Ponce de Leon Boulevard to SW 2nd Avenue, and from West Flagler Street to PortMiami. In March 2016, the City of Miami launched three new trolley routes: the Little Havana route, the Coconut Grove route, and the Wynwood route. Today, the City of Miami Trolley System consists of 45 trolleys operating on ten routes and all fare-free: Allapattah, Biscayne, Brickell, Health District, Overtown, Stadium, Coral Way, Little Havana, Coconut Grove, and Wynwood. In 2018, the City will launch a new Flagami Route. The City of Miami experienced over 5 million boardings in FY 2016-17.

The South Beach Local (SBL) Circulator for the **City of Miami Beach** has been in operation since 2005. This local circulator each year has over 1.3 million boardings. To date the SBL/Trolley has had over 12.5 million boardings since its inception in 2005. It is a bi-directional transit circulator route providing seven-day service in South Beach. By virtue of its low headways and route selection, it provides a high level of service transit operation for the South Beach area, which is reflected in its increasing popularity and ridership by both residents and visitors alike. The service is the forerunner of a major conceptual shift in the provision of transit service within the city, whereby local circulators will interface with trunk routes, which in turn are linked to, or are a component of, routes connecting to mainland Miami-Dade County. By coordinating and combining the transit resources of the City and County, a greater level of service can be provided. Last fiscal year the City of Miami carried over 2.2 million passengers and with an additional route being implemented in late 2017, the City is estimating ridership numbers of over 5 million for the next fiscal year.

The **City of Miami Gardens** launched its People's Transportation Plan (PTP) funded Circulator in June 2015. The City is currently operating two wrapped trolleys and utilizing one spare, when necessary. The Circulator is free, service operates weekdays 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with east and west routes.

The City of Miami Gardens won the inaugural Street Smarts Award and a cash prize of \$10,000 for advancement of Complete Streets by launching the "Miami Gardens Express", the trolley service funded by the PTP. The award is presented by Neat Streets Miami and The Miami Foundation. Complete Streets is a nationwide initiative that encourages the development of walkable, sustainable communities through an integrated approach to the planning of transportation networks.

The City also perform routine monthly maintenance on all 121 bus shelters throughout the City. On-going repairs and replacements are made to bus shelters and trash receptacles, as contracted.



On March 9, 2004, the Council of the **Town of Miami Lakes** adopted a Transportation Master Plan. Since its inception the Town has instituted a number of steps to implement transit improvements and guidelines specified in the Plan to improve transportation and transit-related development. On December 5, 2005, the Town of Miami Lakes began operating a new shuttle service, which was replaced during a July 2012 soft launch by a free bus operating as a fixed-route circulator providing connections to existing Metrobus stops and Metrorail, via the Ludlam Limited Route, with a terminal point at Main Street. The Miami Lakes Mover runs one route, Monday through Friday during peak morning and evening travel periods. The Town replaced the two buses in 2013 via FDOT grant funding.

On October 17, 2006, the **Village of Miami Shores** commenced a new circulator service, the Shores Shuttle. The circulator provides service to business areas and community activity centers.

The **City of Miami Springs** utilized Surtax funds to pay for a transit study designed to study the feasibility of providing a circulator for the area. After studying the feasibility of operating a circulator, the City began operating a circulator last year. Additionally, the City contracted with the Village of Virginia Gardens to have the City circulator service the residents of Virginia Gardens. The City recently rebranded their circulator and have greatly increased their ridership numbers with additional route service.

The **City of North Bay Village** initiated a minibus system in 2004. The City is worked with the County on an Interlocal agreement to expand the service outside of North Bay Village. Future plans include Saturday shopping at Aventura Mall, and once a week, the minibus will take patrons to Publix Supermarket in Miami Shores. The minibus runs weekdays with stops every 15 to 20 minutes, and includes major points along East and West Drives on Harbor Island, the Kennedy Causeway and East and South Treasure Drives on Treasure Island. In 2014, the Village began connecting to the new Miami Beach North Beach Trolley service on Normandy Isle.

The City of North Miami uses approximately 40% of its Surtax allocation on transit related projects. The NOMI Express is



the City's fixed route transit circulator that transports workers, students and visitors throughout the City on weekdays. The service started in 2004 and ridership has increased every year, from approximately 96,000 passengers a year to over 350,000 in 2017. In 2011, the City added a new four-hour route that serves the students and residents alike during the afternoon.

In the FY 2012-13, North Miami created a new dedicated hub for the NOMI Express, located in the center of the downtown business district. The hub was funded with ARRA, as well as Surtax funds, and revised routes were initiated once the hub was built. This is a result of a surtax funded study that analyzed

routes, surveyed riders and created options for future service improvements. Surtax funds are also being combined with ARRA funds for the installation of up to 25 bus shelters at the busiest transit stops in the City.

The City of North Miami Beach original one route service has been expanded to three routes, providing valuable, six day per week access to more desired destinations. The city is also very pleased to provide new, larger, more attractive and safer vehicles for all NMB Line riders.

The "old town" style trolley vehicles feature multiple surveillance cameras for rider safety, on board Wi-Fi, as well as real time arrival updates through our "<u>NMB Transit app</u>." The app will allow you to find the closest bus stop to you for any of the new routes, get an estimated time of arrival for the trolley, and to see which stops connect with Miami-Dade Transit.

The **City of Opa-locka** launched its circulator system, a three-mile loop that connects with Tri-Rail and the County bus system, in February 2011, after support and coordination with DTPW as well as on the route's development. The service does not charge a fare and operates Monday to Friday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., over two routes as a wave-and-ride.



In 2008, the **Village of Palmetto Bay** initiated a new free circulator system servicing the Village and the surrounding area. The Village's IBUS circulator has transported over 5,000 riders on the circulator during the past year. The Village is currently operating a combination bus route identified as Route A (north of SW 152 Street and south of SW 136 Street) and Route B (north of SW 184 Street and south of SW 168 Street) between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The department continues to reconfigure Route A and B to increase ridership on an annual basis.

The department, in conjunction with Village Parks and Recreation Department, implements a fixed route to service park facilities during summer months that are better aligned with DTPW Routes, and an off-hours fixed route feeder to service Parks and Recreation's Adult Programming needs. The department expects to continue efforts to boost ridership through marketing/advertising, strategic restructuring of currents routes, and the implementation of new routes. The Village inhoused its IBUS operations with two part-time staff, thus providing for operational and scheduling flexibility, while continuing to show cost reductions as fuel cost increase.

The **Village of Pinecrest** launched its People Mover transit circulator in January 2012 as a free service operating two routes weekdays with convenient County bus connections. On March 17, 2005, the Village held a municipal workshop to hear input from the public regarding the use of PTP Surtax funds in the Village. One of the issues discussed was the consideration of utilizing surtax funds for the purchase of land to develop a park-and-ride for a circulator system. The Village has been working with DTPW to use municipal surtax to fund the purchase and construction of a park and park-and-ride site adjacent to the Village.

City of South Miami commenced transit service in 2017, the service which is funded by the surtax monies operates 5 days a week. (Tuesday through Saturday). It connects at various locations with Miami Dade Transit stops.

The City of Sunny Isles Beach operates a free shuttle-bus service composed of three routes. Seven days per week



beginning 8 a.m., it makes a loop around Sunny Isles Beach which includes stops at the Intracoastal and Aventura Mall. The City now has five buses of its own, including three 2004 buses that cost about \$87,000 each and were purchased with money from the halfpenny Surtax. The City carried over 122,000 riders las fiscal year. Furthermore, the City installed bus shelters with matching benches and trash receptacles along Collins Avenue.

The Town of Surfside is utilizing Surtax funds to fund the operation of its circulator,

providing service to the citizens of the northeast area. The town has been in discussion with both the Town of Bay Harbor Islands and Bal Harbour Village regarding partnering on a circulator system that would benefit and cover all three municipalities.

The **City of Sweetwater** partnered with Florida International University (FIU) to provide service to the residents of the area. The six (6) circulators are part of the UTMA (the entity formed by the partnership) and service both the FIU campus and the City. The circulators take passengers to locations such as: supermarkets, City Hall, an educational academy, the Dolphin Mall and recreation centers (i.e., the Mas Canosa Youth Center and the Claude and Mildred Pepper Senior Center). The circulators reported ridership of 126,487 for last year.

The **Village of Virginia Gardens** utilizes surtax monies to fund a circulator operated by the City of Miami Springs through an ILA between the cities.

The **City of West Miami** was able to pay off the capital debt on a much needed Jitney Bus for the initial startup of the

City's inner loop transport, which is providing circulator service within the City. Scheduled service is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. West Miami has two buses (one of them in reserve) with a capacity of 22 passengers and ADA compliant. The City purchased its first wheelchair accessible bus and has expanded its circulator service operations by an additional 20 stops.





## Municipal Activity for Public Works (Transportation) Projects

## (Municipalities cannot spend more than 80% on Public Works (Transportation) Improvements)

This is an ongoing project. There are currently 34 municipalities that are eligible to receive surtax funding with 33 participating in the program and shown in the table below. Indian Creek is currently not participating. In 2012, the County executed Interlocal Agreements with Miami Gardens, Cutler Bay and Doral for receiving Surtax funds. The municipalities incorporated at the time of voter approval of the PTP receive 20% of surtax revenue. This amounts to approximately \$35.0 million annually and is distributed to each city based on population. Cities must spend a minimum of 20% on transit projects and no more than 80% on public works (transportation) improvements.

| 2002-2019<br>People's Transportation Plan<br>33 Participating Municipalities |                             |                             |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| City of Aventura   | City of Miami Gardens       | Town of Golden Beach        |  |  |  |  |
| City of Coral Gables   | City of North Bay Village   | Town of Medley              |  |  |  |  |
| City of Cutler Bay   | City of North Miami         | Town of Miami Lakes         |  |  |  |  |
| City of Doral  | City of North Miami Beach   | Town of Surfside            |  |  |  |  |
| City of Florida City   | City of Opa-locka           | Village of Biscayne Park    |  |  |  |  |
| City of Hialeah  | City of South Miami         | Village of El Portal        |  |  |  |  |
| City of Hialeah Gardens  | City of Sunny Isles Beach   | Village of Key Biscayne     |  |  |  |  |
| City of Homestead  | City of Sweetwater          | Village of Miami Shores     |  |  |  |  |
| City of Miami  | City of West Miami          | Village of Palmetto Bay     |  |  |  |  |
| City of Miami Beach  | Town of Bal Harbour Village | Village of Pinecrest        |  |  |  |  |
| City of Miami Springs  | Town of Bay Harbor Islands  | Village of Virginia Gardens |  |  |  |  |

The CITT has distributed approximately \$640 million to the municipalities, from inception through September 2017, for both transit and transportation projects.

Transportation projects include a broad range of public works projects such as road widening, road resurfacing, intersection improvements, roadway drainage improvements, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant sidewalks and curbs, pedestrian signals, traffic circles and traffic calming devices.

Municipal accomplishment highlights for transportation projects and programs following adoption of the PTP are presented below.

Road improvements in the **City of Aventura** include Country Club Drive and Northeast 207 Street. Road improvements included resurfacing of Aventura Boulevard. Additionally, the City added new public works road improvement projects NE 29th Avenue and NE 187th Street and NE 34th Avenue.

The **Town of Bal Harbour Village** continues to utilize PTP funds for city wide street resurfacing, street maintenance and drainage projects.

The **Town of Bay Harbor Islands** utilized surtax funds for a roadway and drainage improvement project. The project encompassed the entire Town from West Broadview Drive to East Bay Harbor Drive. The Town is bonded 9.5 million for citywide roadway improvements from 91st Street to 103rd Street from West Broadview Drive to East Bay Harbor Drive.



The **Village of Biscayne Park** utilized surtax proceeds to finance a Comprehensive Traffic Study for the Village. Additionally, a traffic flow study was financed using surtax funds.

The **City of Coral Gables** utilized \$25,000 in PTP surtax funds to install or replace 15 trolley stop signs along Ponce de Leon Boulevard. This includes six new stops between S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Flagler to cover the new route extension for the Coral Gables Trolley. In addition, the Coral Gables Trolleys were retrofitted to include bicycle racks on the front of each trolley for passengers that need to transport their bicycles.

The **Village of El Portal** is utilizing surtax funds to resurface and improve 87th Street from Biscayne Boulevard to NE 2nd Avenue. Work included ADA compliant sidewalks and curbs, and various traffic calming devices along 87th Street.

The **City of Florida City** utilized surtax funds for resurfacing and drainage work along SW 5 Avenue from SW 7 Street to SW 344 Street, from SW 5 Street from 5 Avenue to 187 Avenue, and Davis Parkway from Krome to 6th Avenues. In addition, the City continues to use surtax funds for other city wide resurfacing projects.

The **Town of Golden Beach** utilized their portion of Surtax proceeds to initiate various projects. These include the Verona Bridge Project, the striping of newly paved roads, road resurfacing, the Brick Pavers Project at the Strand.

In the public works area, the **City of Hialeah** utilized surtax monies to fully fund or partially fund over 70 projects including the resurfacing of West 12 Avenue to 15 Avenue from 30th to 35th Street, SE 9 Court from Hialeah Drive to 5th Street, West 8th to 10th Avenue from 23rd to 29th Street, and West 6th to 8th Avenue from 68th to 74th Place. In addition, the City has utilized PTP funds for ADA sidewalks, drainage projects and general transportation projects such as traffic calming devices including traffic circles. The City is using PTP funds to pay off the approximately \$77 million in bonds utilized to construct the projects.

The **City of Hialeah Gardens** is utilized PTP funds to leverage a \$2 million loan to aggressively tackle road improvements throughout the city. The City awarded four contracts for road projects, which include paving grading, drainage, and sidewalk construction in the following project locations: NW 79 Avenue between NW 98 Street and NW 103 Street; NW 87 Court between NW 117 Street and NW 119 Street; NW 117 Street between NW 87 Court and NW 89 Avenue; and NW 89 Avenue between NW 108 Street and NW 111 Terrace. These projects have been completed and the City will once again go out and leverage Surtax funds to start other projects.

The **City of Homestead** used surtax funds for the expansion of Mowry Drive (SW 320<sup>th</sup> Street) from SW 152<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to SW 157<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The project included the widening of the roadway to match the four lane median divided corridor west of SW 157<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The infrastructure improvements incorporate the construction of the roadway, street lighting, sidewalks, drainage and landscaping. Additionally, the City continues to utilize surtax monies to fund road construction, street improvements on a citywide basis.

The State of Florida Department of Transportation Improvement Program granted the **Village of Key Biscayne** \$1 million towards the construction of improvements on Crandon Boulevard. Surtax funds were used as leverage. The State of Florida legislature approved and the Governor signed an amendment to the legislation regarding the historic designation of Crandon Boulevard to permit the improvements that were made with surtax funds and the above mentioned grant.

The Village completed construction of Phase 2 of the Crandon Boulevard Master Plan Streetscape Project along the Boulevard from the Village entrance to McIntyre Street. Additionally, public transportation-related improvements were continued along Crandon Boulevard to the entrance of Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park. The Village continues to improve Crandon Boulevard for safety and mobility, plus has greatly improved the appearance of Main Street through the use of PTP Surtax funds.



The **Town of Medley** utilized surtax funds to help fund the cost of three transportation studies. Two studies addressed the traffic congestion on NW South River Drive westerly from the Palmetto Expressway all the way to the HEFT. The information from those studies was presented via reports and verbally to the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO). Suggestions from both of these reports have already been implemented.

One major result was a new bridge crossing the Miami Canal from NW South River Drive to Okeechobee Road at NW 138th Street. This is currently in the final design phase and will be constructed by Miami-Dade County. The Town is additionally using surtax monies for the NW 121 Street Bridge repair project and the NW 116 Way Bridge road improvement project.

In a Joint Partnership Agreement (JPA) with Miami-Dade County and using Surtax funds, the **City of Miami** completed the Grand Avenue project. It encompassed drainage improvements, curb cuts, better lighting and signalization, as well as street beautification elements such as brick sidewalks, tree grates, benches and landscaping. The City's People's Transportation Plan also features completion of the Miami River Greenway Streetscape Project – Segment 2. The project entailed the reconstruction of street, including new sidewalks, new pavement road, new drainage, landscaping and street lighting based on the Greenway Master Plan. Estimated cost of the project is over \$630,000, funded in part with over a quarter million Surtax dollars.

The City completed the Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard project as well, in collaboration with Miami-Dade County. Work included: milling and resurfacing, re-striping and replacement of substandard street signs, sidewalks and pedestrian ramps for NW 62 Street from NW 37 Avenue to NW 5 Place. Furthermore, NW 62 Street from NW 12 Avenue to NW 5 Place will be enhanced by implementing elements of the streetscape portion of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard Master Plan. Estimated cost of the project is \$4.7 million. Surtax funds will pay \$300,000 of total cost.

A feasibility study for the West Avenue Bridge project, using surtax funds, was completed in October 2007 for the **City of Miami Beach**. The project provided an extension of West Avenue over the Collins Canal south of Dade Boulevard. Currently West Avenue ends at its intersection with Dade Boulevard and does not connect with the Avenue portion south of the canal. The project will improve roadway and intersection capacity, level of service and traffic operations.

Miami Beach's Dade Boulevard Bike Path project, funded by surtax funds, completed construction in 2011. The Bike Path is an east-west connector bicycle-pedestrian trail along the Boulevard from the 23rd street Bridge to the Venetian Causeway. It provides a major connection to Miami via the Venetian Way Trail, which runs from Purdy Avenue to downtown Miami on a residential causeway over Biscayne Bay and will eventually link up to Miami's Flagler Trail to the west. Furthermore, this Bike Path improves connectivity for bicyclists traveling from the South Beach Neighborhood to Middle Beach, as well as to major destinations such as City Hall, the Convention Center, the Holocaust Memorial and the Jackie Gleason Theater.

The **City of Miami Gardens** utilized surtax funds to negotiate with a consultant during spring 2013 to complete a circulator study in advance of commencing a citywide bus circulator fixed route system. The City is launched operations of its new transit circulator in June 2015. The Circulator is free, service operating weekdays 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with an East and a West route.

With its Road System Maintenance & Sidewalk Replacement program, the **Town of Miami Lakes** has provided road resurfacing and sidewalk repair as identified in the 2002 Road Assessment Report. To date the Town has completed resurfacing of Miami Lakeway South, Aberdeen Way, Glen Eagle Drive, West Troon Circle, East Troon Circle, West Preswick Place, South Preswick Place, Burnside Way, Dornoch Round, Torphin Place, Turnberry Drive, NW 148th Street, Jackaranda Lane and Bamboo Street.

The Town completed the first traffic calming element on Lake Childs Court in November 2008. Based on the positive feedback from the residents and the element's effectiveness, a second traffic calming was authorized for construction by the Town Council. Furthermore, as part of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) approved by voters in November 2002,



the County installed new bus signs along Ludlam Road (NW 67th Avenue) and along Miami Lakes Drive. The new signs coordinate with the Town's new forest green pre-fabricated bus shelters along Ludlam Road and NW 60th Avenue.

The **Village of Miami Shores** is utilized surtax allocations to make roadway improvements along 96th Street at NE 3rd, 5th, 8th and 10th Avenues, plus constructing traffic calming devices city-wide. The Village, along with the City of North Bay Village, utilized PTP Surtax Funds to purchase street sweepers for the municipality. The MadVac is a sweeper/vacuum machine with a small wheelbase and adjustable brushes. It can simultaneously clean sidewalks and gutters in one pass.

Utilizing PTP funds the **City of Miami Springs** has made necessary streetlight and repairs throughout the last several years. The following are some of the most significant projects: Citywide Streetlight repairs and improvements (\$4,610); Street Maintenance - Citywide street sweeping (\$21,109); Asphalting/Repaving (\$12,866); Striping – Citywide re-striping of public roadways (\$4,805).

The **City of North Bay Village** has utilized surtax funds to replace sidewalks on the south side of Galleon Street, to install proper ADA ramps at sidewalks along entire length of South Treasure Island Drive and to install high speed humps that help control speeding along citywide interior streets. The City also used surtax funds to partially fund the Kennedy Causeway Redevelopment Project, which consists of road improvements, ADA compliant sidewalks and curbs, pedestrian crosswalks and lighting.

The **City of North Miami** is used Surtax funds to repave many of the City's roadways. A total of over \$2.6 million has been



spent since 2006 on roadway improvements. In addition to the seven traffic circles that have been built in the Sunkist Grove neighborhood, NW 131<sup>st</sup> Street is currently undergoing a complete "makeover". From NW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to NW 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, NW 131<sup>st</sup>, Street is being widened to accommodate full bicycle lanes in each direction, with concrete swale treatments, curbing, landscaping, and drainage improvements funded by the City's enterprise funds. Surtax funds will continue to be used for traffic calming, small equipment, safety equipment, street lighting utilities, medians, ADA compliant sidewalks, traffic signage and repair of roadways.

On transportation issues the **City of North Miami Beach** has completed the resurfacing project for NE 171 Street from NE 15 Avenue to NE 19 Avenue.

Reconstruction of Hanford Blvd. (164th Street) has been completed. In addition, during this period, the City completed the Highland Village Roundabout, as well as road improvements along NE 169 Street, between NE 18 Avenue and NE 19 Avenue, and NE 18 Avenue, between NE 163 Street and South Glades Drive. Two blocks were previously built partially funded by PTP funds.

The **City of Opa-locka** has allocated Surtax funds to various citywide circuits and roadway resurfacing projects. Additionally, the City utilized Surtax funds for drainage and roadway improvements on Port Said Boulevard. The City has also pursued possibly entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Miami-Dade County for various public works projects.

In 2004, the **Village of Palmetto Bay** completed a Five-Year Transportation Master Plan that was presented to their City Commission in October 2004. The Village has completed various construction projects including traffic calming studies and construction of traffic calming improvement projects at various locations throughout the Village, since establishing its Transportation Master Plan. The Village use of PTP Surtax funds to install new street signage. The Village is updated the



Transportation Master Plan, Roadway and Sidewalk Analysis Plan and to study localized roadway traffic-calming issues with surtax funds. Traffic calming improvement projects are ongoing, all of which will include outreach efforts geared to inform residents of upcoming roadway improvements. A Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan has been established and is geared to provide local connectivity with construction of pedestrian crossings, bike lanes, and multiuse paths within the boundaries of the Village. Palmetto Bay Safe Routes to School Improvements are recommended for implementation at Howard Drive Elementary, Coral Elementary and Perrine Elementary through 2016 with the use of PTP and grant funds. New sidewalk connectivity is ongoing and is included in the long range plans of the Village.

The **Village of Pinecrest** has utilized PTP funds on various projects including transportation improvements on SW 120th Street from 73rd Avenue to SW 77th Avenue and on road drainage projects between SW 104th Street an SW 106 Street parallel to Dixie Highway (US1). The Village is currently using surtax funds for road improvement project on SW 57 Avenue (Red Road) between SW 88 Street and 111 Street.

The **City of South Miami** completed various PTP funded projects including the Manor Lane Drainage project which improved drainage at the intersection of SW 79 Street, 66 Avenue along Manor Lane to SW 72 Street; Downtown Improvements Phase 3, which included infrastructure improvement. The work encompassed SW 73 Street from SW 58 Court to U.S 1. Project elements include drainage, water main, sidewalks, paving and landscaping. The City's Sunset Drive Improvements (SW 62 Ave to U.S. 1) project has been completed. The project included improvements for traffic calming (installation of roadway brick pavers, construction of median curbs, sidewalk widening) and for pedestrian (crosswalks, ramps and bus shelters).

Surtax funded projects of the **City of Sunny Isles Beach** include the Sunny Isles Beach Boulevard Street Improvement project from the Intracoastal Waterway east to Collins Avenue; Road Repair and Re-paving from 158 Street, 159 Street, 74 Street and Atlantic Boulevard; and Citywide Street lighting. Initiated closure of median turn lanes and rerouting of traffic to "U-turn" only lanes to improve safety. Also has enhanced service level by purchasing a replacement street sweeper.

The **Town of Surfside** used Surtax funds to pay for the resurfacing of roads within the City. It has also used funds to construct and maintain right-of ways on a citywide basis, while currently utilizing surtax funds for a citywide street lighting project and for resurfacing and crosswalk improvements along Collins Avenue.



The **City of Sweetwater** is utilizing surtax funds for street resurfacing along 2nd Street from SW 112 Avenue to 114 Avenue, curb cuts along 102 Avenue from W Flagler to 1 Street and 103 Court from W. Flagler to 1 Street, and ADA compliant sidewalk construction at 113 Avenue from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Terrace.

The **Village of Virginia Gardens** has utilized Surtax allocations for the purchase of roadway maintenance equipment. Equipment has been used for right-of-way maintenance and roadway improvements along NW 68 Avenue.

The **City of West Miami** utilized PTP funds to conduct a citywide traffic study to identify key issues affecting traffic in the residential areas of the municipality. Study identified the need for 17 traffic calmers within the city boundaries. These calmers are in areas of high traffic volume. The City has also used Surtax funds to pay for citywide road improvements, drainage projects and ADA compliant sidewalks.

In total, the 34 municipalities who are eligible to receive the Charter County Transit System Surtax have done an admirable job. Together with Miami-Dade County, the municipalities have utilized the Surtax funds to improve mobility in our community.





Municipal Bus and Circulator Routes in Miami-Dade County



## Municipal Surtax Dollars and Ridership

|                              |   | FY 2018 Allocation |                        |                 |                                    |                        |                   |
|------------------------------|---|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Municipality                 | Total Surtax Dollars<br>Received<br>(thru Sept. 2017) | Total              | *80%<br>Transportation | *20%<br>Transit | **Actual<br>Transit<br>Expenditure | **Trolley<br>Ridership | Cost Per<br>Rider |
| Aventura, City of            | \$15,989,944  | \$1,502,980        | \$1,202,384            | \$300,596       | \$296,070                          | 265,532                | 1.12              |
| Bal Harbour, Village of      | 1,488,638   | 111,421            | 89,137                 | 22,284          | 109,500                            | 11,627                 | 9.42              |
| Bay Harbor Islands, Town of  | 2,664,266   | 222,682            | 178,146                | 44,536          | 45,596                             | 8,000                  | 5.70              |
| Biscayne Park, Village of    | 1,594,296   | 126,220            | 100,976                | 25,244          | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Coral Gables, City of        | 22,692,267  | 1,981,236          | 1,584,989              | 396,247         | 1,409,099                          | 1,120,774              | 1.26              |
| Cutler Bay, Town of          | 12,016,500  | 1,769,140          | 1,415,312              | 353,828         | 81,155                             | 52,787                 | 1.54              |
| Doral, City of               | 13,356,441  | 2,232,433          | 1,785,946              | 446,487         | 385,106                            | 587,045                | 0.66              |
| El Portal, Village of        | 1,193,787   | 174,873            | 139,898                | 34,975          | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Florida City, City of        | 5,134,964   | 504,443            | 403,554                | 100,889         | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Golden Beach, Town of        | 439,807   | 37,221             | 29,777                 | 7,444           | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Hialeah, City of             | 113,109,708   | 9,346,775          | 7,477,420              | 1,869,355       | 2,216,000                          | 261,902                | 8.46              |
| Hialeah Gardens, City of     | 10,462,940  | 922,372            | 737,898                | 184,474         | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Homestead, City of           | 26,326,459  | 2,788,854          | 2,231,083              | 557,771         | 106,929                            | 137,692                | 0.78              |
| Indian Creek Village         | 3,604   | -                  | -                      | -               | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Key Biscayne, Village of     | 5,820,306   | 508,734            | 406,987                | 101,747         | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Medley, Town of              | 497,256   | 33,529             | 26,823                 | 6,706           | 2,000                              | 1,078                  | 1.86              |
| Miami, City of               | 196,665,013   | 16,523,990         | 13,219,192             | 3,304,798       | 9,657,497                          | 5,087,070              | 1.90              |
| Miami Beach, City of         | 44,903,325  | 3,678,499          | 2,942,799              | 735,700         | 1,768,784                          | 2,248,578              | 0.79              |
| Miami Gardens, City of       | 31,122,341  | 4,409,954          | 3,527,963              | 881,991         | 907,157                            | 83,338                 | 10.89             |
| Miami Lakes, Town of         | 13,507,167  | 1,211,635          | 969,308                | 242,327         | 61,558                             | 22,041                 | 2.79              |
| Miami Shores Village         | 5,148,673   | 420,697            | 336,558                | 84,139          | 18,360                             | 9,879                  | 1.86              |
| Miami Springs, City of       | 6,809,788   | 565,087            | 452,070                | 113,017         | 31,815                             | 21,720                 | 1.46              |
| North Bay Village            | 3,451,372   | 328,007            | 262,406                | 65,601          | 29,328                             | 2,600                  | 11.28             |
| North Miami, City of         | 29,520,997  | 2,473,804          | 1,979,043              | 494,761         | 188,373                            | 340,359                | 0.55              |
| North Miami Beach, City of   | 20,634,072  | 1,746,039          | 1,396,831              | 349,208         | 368,018                            | 85,593                 | 4.30              |
| Opa-locka, City of           | 6,614,327   | 195,000            | 156,000                | 39,000          | -                                  | 39,858                 | -                 |
| Palmetto Bay, Village of     | 11,983,550  | 956,304            | 765,043                | 191,261         | 90,858                             | 5,276                  | 17.22             |
| Pinecrest, Village of        | 9,317,154   | 738,316            | 590,653                | 147,663         | 19,281                             | 29,875                 | 0.65              |
| South Miami, City of         | 5,861,123   | 547,720            | 438,176                | 109,544         | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| Sunny Isles Beach, City of   | 9,495,615   | 866,019            | 692,815                | 173,204         | 497,670                            | 122,158                | 4.07              |
| Surfside, Town of            | 2,772,265   | 228,739            | 182,991                | 45,748          | 113,288                            | 29,539                 | 3.84              |
| Sweetwater, City of          | 5,477,466   | 133,332            | 106,666                | 26,666          | 296,242                            | 126,487                | 2.34              |
| Virginia Gardens, Village of | 1,166,512   | 96.903             | 77.522                 | 19,381          | -                                  | -                      | -                 |
| West Miami, City of          | 2,927,676   | 241,373            | 193,098                | 48,275          | 18,407                             | 12,750                 | 1.44              |
| Grand Total:                 | \$640,169,619   | \$57,624,331       | \$46,099,465           | \$11,524,866    | \$18,718,091                       | 10,713,558             | 2.83              |

Notes: (1) Hialeah Gardens partners with Hialeah. (2) Miami Beach uses its 20% share for transit of its surtax funds to pay MDT to operate South Beach Local. (3) Virginia Gardens partners with Miami Springs. (4) Cutler Bay in Interlocal agreement with MDT to operate circulator. Excludes Indian Creek (currently not participating). (5) Indian Village has opted not to

participate in the Surtax program.

\* Municipalities must spend a minimum of 20% on transit projects and no more than 80% on public works projects (transportation) improvements.

\*\* Information provided by municipalities.