

MIAMI DADE COUNTY 2016 FEDERAL CRITICAL PRIORITIES

- **R-170-16:** Resolution *URGING* the United States Congress and the Florida Legislature to allocate funding to combat the spread of the Zika Virus in Miami-Dade County
- **R-168-16:** Resolution **URGING** the United States Congress to establish a fund to financially assist and support local governments, such as Miami-Dade County, in developing and implementing solutions to sea level rise and related impacts
- **R-146-16:** Resolution **URGING** the United States Congress and Florida Legislature to Fund Summer Youth Employment Programs
- R-79-16: Resolution URGING Congress to reinstate the federal assault weapons Ban; URGING the Florida Legislature to impose a state assault weapons ban; Alternatively, URGING the Florida Legislature to lift the preemption on local governments' regulation of assault weapons in Florida and allow local governments to impose an assault weapons ban
- **R-1162-15:** Resolution **URGING** the United States Congress to adopt H.R. 4045 or similar legislation to create Universal Children's Savings Accounts
- **R-1042-15:** Resolution **SUPPORTING** H.R. 3761 that would increase Social Security and military retirement benefits and tie future cost-of-living adjustments to the consumer price index for the elderly
- Homeless Assistance Grants ADVOCATE and SUPPORT renewing and expanding investments for permanent supportive housing to allow Miami-Dade to meet the national goal of ending chronic homelessness by 2017.
- Surface Transportation Block Grant Set Aside Program (STBG) SUPPORT Formerly known as the Transportation Alternatives Program, the FAST act set aside approximately \$800 million/year for bike and pedestrian projects (within this pot, retained the recreational trail program). Miami-Dade County needs STBG funds to help plan, design and construct a wide variety of active transportation corridors, bike paths and trails and streetscape improvements that generate not only healthy transportation options but also generate economic activity and growth.
- **Public Housing & Section 8 Housing** *ADVOCATE* for increased federal funding from HUD for public housing and Section 8 programs. Funding for these programs will ensure the preservation of existing housing stock and improvement of federally-funded programs that provide crucial affordable housing and rental subsidies to low-income families.
- Sea Level Rise Mitigation *SUPPORT* efforts to provide federal funding for beach sea level rise mitigation and erosion on an as-needed basis.