# **WHAT** funding programs are available to local governments?

FDOT administers a variety of state and federal funding programs designed to support local transportation projects. From road resurfacing to sidewalk construction, funds are available to help communities achieve their transportation goals. More detailed information about these funding programs can be found in the full Local Government Resource Guide. Additionally, local governments are encouraged to coordinate with their FDOT District to learn more about program eligibility and application processes.



## **HOW** is FDOT organized?

FDOT is a decentralized agency made up of a Central Office, seven Districts, and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. The agency is led by a Secretary appointed by the Governor, with each District overseen by a District Secretary and the Turnpike Enterprise managed by an Executive Director.

Local governments are encouraged to reach out to their local FDOT District office at any time. Contact information for District staff can be found in the full Local Government Resource Guide.



For additional support, please contact your local District Community Planning Coordinator. Contact information can be found in the full Local Government Resource Guide, which can be accessed by scanning the QR code to the right or by visiting:

https://bit.ly/FDOTLGRG









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## **WHAT** is the FDOT Local Government Resource Guide?

The Local Government Resource Guide details essential information to help local governments effectively collaborate with FDOT. The guide provides:

- Guidance on how to partner with FDOT.
- + An overview of Florida's transportation planning, programming, and project delivery processes.
- + Information on state and federal funding sources.
- Contact information for key FDOT District staff.

To access the full Local Government Resource Guide, use the link or QR code found on the back page of this brochure.

#### **WHY** does collaboration matter?

Creating safe and efficient transportation systems is only possible through strong partnerships. By working together, FDOT and local governments can align land use with infrastructure investment, support economic growth, protect natural resources, and enhance quality of life across the state. When we work together, we build smarter, more connected communities.

## **HOW** are projects identified?

Transportation projects in Florida are identified through collaboration between FDOT and local governments. In urban areas, FDOT coordinates with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) who represent local communities. In rural areas, non-MPO areas, local officials work directly with their FDOT District office. Local governments play a key role in identifying and advancing transportation needs that support long-term community goals.

To ensure local transportation priorities are considered in state and regional planning efforts, local governments should:



#### **Document transportation needs**

in comprehensive plans and capital improvement plans.



**Coordinate early and often** with FDOT to align local and state planning efforts.



Engage with FDOT District Community Planning Coordinators for technical assistance and guidance.



**Regularly update plans** to reflect current needs and priorities.

By taking these steps, local governments can help ensure their projects are positioned for support, funding, and successful implementation.

### **COMMUNITY** Engagement

Every community is unique, and FDOT is committed to working with local partners to deliver transportation solutions that reflect each community's character, vision, and needs. Community voices are essential to every stage of the planning and project development process.

### **HOW** are projects implemented?

Once a project is identified and programmed for funding, it moves through FDOT's project development process, which typically includes planning, design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction. While timelines vary based on project complexity, implementation can be expedited when local partners contribute to or fully fund a specific phase. FDOT District staff are available to assist with questions at each stage of project delivery.

#### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



