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***BROWARD MPO, MIAMI-DADE TPO, AND PALM BEACH TPA
COME TOGETHER TO HOST THE 5TH ANNUAL SAFE STREETS SUMMIT***

The event will focus on the implementation of Complete Streets and will highlight tools to build more livable, safer, equitable, and connected communities for all.

West Palm Beach, FL – On February 2, nearly 400 transportation professionals, elected officials, community partners and other individuals invested in better connected and safer streets will gather for the fifth annual Safe Streets Summit. The event is taking place at the Hilton West Palm Beach located at 600 Okeechobee Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. This regional conference is a collaborative effort between the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), and the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), to prioritize and support the implementation of Complete Streets throughout southeast Florida.

This annual event focuses on educating elected officials, transportation professionals, and community partners invested in building safer, more accessible transportation facilities that provide for all modes and users of the transportation system. The conference will feature nationally and internationally recognized speakers and leaders in Complete Streets to discuss the implementation of safety strategies such as Vision Zero, tactical urbanism, the role of transportation in promoting health and equity, and how to build innovative change in transportation infrastructure.

The Safe Streets Summit includes a pre-conference workshop on February 1, 2018 and a full day of conference sessions on February 2, 2018.

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Highlights include:

Thursday, February 1, 2018

- A pre-conference workshop featuring trolley, bike, and walking tours in downtown West Palm Beach that will highlight the City's Complete Streets and multimodal efforts.

Friday, February 2, 2018

- An opening session featuring Peter Kageyama, author of *Love Where You Live: Creating Emotionally Engaging Places*, will highlight how to create a set of conditions that enable people to live, work, and play in a place where they feel safe and engaged.
- Keynote Speaker Rosabeth Moss Kanter, Harvard Business School Professor and author of *MOVE: Putting America's Infrastructure Back in the Lead*, will present on the leadership needed to initiate dramatic improvement to create safe, walkable, bikeable, transit-oriented communities for the future success of cities.
- The Safe Streets Awards will honor local individual and community Complete Streets champions for each county. The first annual People's Choice Award for Best Complete Streets Project will be voted on by conference attendees and announced at the conference.

For more information, visit SafeStreetsSummit.org. Follow Safe Streets Summit on social media at #SafeStreetsSummit.

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization, and the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency are transportation policy-making boards responsible for transportation planning and funding allocations. Each works with the public, planning organizations, government agencies, elected officials, and community groups in their respective counties to develop transportation plans.

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