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MIAMI-DADE TPO, BROWARD MPO, AND PALM BEACH TPA COME TOGETHER TO HOST THE 6TH ANNUAL SAFE STREETS SUMMIT

Featuring nationally-recognized leaders and speakers, this event will focus on the successful implementation of Complete Streets and innovative transportation solutions to address the region's mobility challenges

Miami, FL – From February 25-26, 2019, the anticipated highest attended Safe Streets Summit will take place for the first time in Miami-Dade County. Nearly 500 individuals, invested in better connected and safer streets will gather for the sixth annual event. This regional conference is a collaborative effort between the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), and the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), to prioritize and support the implementation of Complete Streets throughout southeast Florida. The annual event focuses on educating elected officials, transportation professionals, and community partners committed to building safer, more accessible transportation facilities that provide for all travel modes and users of the system. The main Conference Day on February 25, will be held at the InterContinental Miami Hotel, located at 100 Chopin Plaza, Miami, FL 33131. The Mobile Workshop on February 26 will include five (5) Mobile Workshop Tours starting from the Brightline MiamiCentral Station, located at 600 NW 1st Avenue, Miami, FL 33136 and, will be followed by an afternoon tour focused on building age-friendly environments. A Walking Leader Training to build walking movements in communities will be held on February 27 at the Miami-Dade InterAmerican Campus. All events require advance registration.

The 2019 Safe Streets Summit will feature nationally-recognized speakers and leaders in Complete Streets to discuss the implementation of practical and replicable strategies to address safety, health, economic development, and local transportation challenges. Sessions will focus on addressing mobility challenges for the future through innovation, building smart cities, incorporating Transit-Oriented Developments, and working collaboratively across sectors to build change.

Highlights of the 2019 Safe Streets Summit will include:

Monday, February 25, 2019- Main Conference Day

- The event will be emceed by Emiko Atherton, Director of [National Complete Streets Coalition](http://NationalCompleteStreetsCoalition.org) at Smart Growth America.

- Keynote Speaker, Anthony Foxx, 17th United States Secretary of Transportation and Chief Policy Officer at Lyft, will present on building smart cities through innovation, technology, coalition building, and anticipating challenges of the future.

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- An Opening Session featuring Darcy Kitching, Co-Owner and Collaborative Storyteller of [Walk2Connect](#), will highlight how to step out of conventional patterns in urban planning to put people first.
- The Safe Streets Awards will honor local individual and community Complete Streets champions for Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties. The People's Choice Awards for Best Complete Streets Project will be voted on by conference attendees and announced at the conference. For a complete list of the Safe Streets Awards nominees, please visit: [SafeStreetsSummit.org/2019-Safe-Streets-Awards](#).

Tuesday, February 26, 2019- Mobile Workshop Tours

- Mobile Workshop tours will take place highlighting Miami-Dade County's current and planned transportation and built environment efforts that also promote economic development, livability, and access to transportation options both locally and regionally. Tours include: City of Coral Gables Trolley Tour; City of Miami Beach Bike Tour; Downtown Miami Walking/Metromover Tour; Brightline MiamiCentral Station; and The Underline Walking Tour. All tours will begin at the Brightline MiamiCentral Station. Videos and more information on the tours can be found here: [SafeStreetsSummit.org/Mobile-Workshop](#)
- Co-hosted with Walk2Connect, AARP, and the Miami-Dade Age-Friendly Initiative, the [Safe, Connected Age-Friendly Communities walking tour](#) will highlight what makes an age-friendly city.

Wednesday, February 27, 2019- Walking Leader Training

- In partnership with Live Healthy Little Havana, Walk2Connect will offer a bilingual [Walking Leader Training](#) with the goal of building a walking movement in the region.

For more information, visit [SafeStreetsSummit.org](#) and follow #SafeStreetsSummit on social media.

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

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