



AGENDA ITEM # VI.D

DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: STAFF
SUBJECT: COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Attached are brief descriptions of some ongoing programs and activities of the Council.

Information only.

SEPTEMBER 2022

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA CLEAN CITIES COALITION

For more information, please contact Alisha Lopez, Clean Cities Director at alopez@sfrpc.com.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE EXPLORE SUNDAY FUN DAY

The Coalition is hosting an event with Miami-Dade County for National Drive Electric Week! The EV Explore Sunday Fun Day event will take place on Sunday, September 25th from 10 am – 2 pm at Tropical Park. If you would like to attend or display a vehicle, please [register by clicking here](#).

2022 ALICEANN WOHLBRUCK NADO IMPACT AWARDS

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) recently announced the winners of the 2022 Aliceann Wohlbruck NADO Impact Awards. The Impact Awards program honors NADO members for their creative approaches to advancing regional economic development and improved quality of life. These projects have made significant impacts on their regions and demonstrate the diversity of services and program delivery provided by regional development organizations across the country. ***The Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition (SEFCCC) is proud to be a recipient of this award and thanks NADO for their recognition of the Council's Clean Cities Program.***

NOMINATION TO THE FEDERAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE WORKING GROUP

SFRPC staff member Alisha Lopez has been nominated to serve on the Federal Electric Vehicle (EV) Working Group by Miami-Dade County Mayor Levine Cava. Ms. Lopez currently serves as the Director of Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition. The Coalition, founded 25 years ago, is comprised of a broad coalition of private industry, utility providers, state agencies, and local government partners. This work requires her collaboration with federal, state, and local agencies to build partnerships that advance alternative fuel policies including electric vehicle technology, infrastructure planning, and market transformation throughout the region of Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach Counties.



REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL HELPS SMALL BUSINESSES STAY AFLOAT AND PROSPER IN SOUTH FLORIDA

For more information, please contact Jeff Tart, Senior Loan Officer at jtart@sfrpc.com.

The SFRPC has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration as a “Success Story” due to the Council’s great work with the CARES ACT Revolving Loan Fund: [READ MORE](#).

We continue to have funding available to help small businesses in the South Florida region. **HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!** Interested participants simply fill out our survey and tell us how we can be of assistance to them or someone they know. For additional information, please visit: [SFRPC | CARES Act RLF](#).



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE INVESTS \$1.8 MILLION IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS TO SUPPORT CONSTRUCTION TRADES WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS IN MIAMI, FLORIDA

For more information, please contact Eralda Agolli, Program Manager - Economic Development and Disaster Recovery at eaqolli@sfrpc.com.

On July 20, 2022, the U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina M. Raimondo announced that the Department’s Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a \$1.8 million grant to Miami Dade College, Miami, Florida, to fund the renovation of an existing campus building to house the new Construction Trade Institute. This grant is funded by the American Rescue Plan. This EDA investment will support the construction of a facility that will bolster Miami Dade

College's capacity to train and prepare students for good-paying jobs in construction and related fields. This investment will be matched with more than \$450,000 in local funds and is expected to support the training of 120 students a year, according to grantee estimates.

This project was made possible by the regional planning efforts led by the South Florida Regional Planning Council. EDA funds the South Florida Regional Planning Council to bring together the public and private sectors to create an economic development roadmap to strengthen the regional economy, support private capital investment, and create jobs. [Click here](#) for more information.

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE: AVAILABLE TRAINING

For more information, please contact Jason McMahon, LEPC Coordinator at jmcmahon@sfrpc.com.

TACTICAL PIPELINE RESPONSE TRAINING IS NOW AVAILABLE!

First responders receive updated information and create relationships with your local pipeline operators and gas distribution companies. For more information, please [click here](#).

SPREAD THE WORD AMONG YOUR MUNICIPALITIES' FIRST RESPONDERS!

2022 FLORIDA EMERGENCY RESPONSE EXERCISE

TACTICAL PIPELINE RESPONSE TRAINING
NEW DISCUSSION BASED SCENARIO EXERCISES
First responders receive updated information and create relationships with your local pipeline operators and gas distribution companies.

1 Steps for Registration:

- Please visit http://pipeline-awareness.com/mredtra_schedule
- Select the meeting you wish to register for
- Once completed you will receive a confirmation email
- For questions or additional information, contact us at (844) 682-7788 or visit our website at <http://pipeline-awareness.com>

2 At the program you will receive:

- Up to date pipeline materials with contact information
- Communication with your local pipeline operators
- Free meal and new pipeline safety training

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Visit Training Center. A self-paced online training available 24/7 for the entire team!
Go to trainingcenter.pclsm.com
Use code: 2022CORE

IN PERSON LIAISON
Lunch Meetings
11:30 am - 12:00 pm Registration / Lunch
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Program
For questions or additional information, contact us at (844) 682-7788 or visit our website at <http://pipeline-awareness.com>

PROGRAM

- Know the Operators - Know their Products
- In-Person Operator Information
- Virtual Incident Scenarios
- On-Scene Chemistry/Operational Basics
- Valuable Networking and Interaction
- Safe Digging Practices (811)

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CONNECTIONS OPERATIONAL RESPONSE EXERCISES

Paradigm

SFRPC TO BE RECOGNIZED AT FLORIDA'S 40TH ANNUAL MEDWEEK

For more information, please contact Jeff Tart, Senior Loan Officer at jtart@sfrpc.com.

SFRPC RLF board member Marie Gill announced that the Council will receive a special recognition at Florida's 40th Annual MEDWeek Business Matchmaker Conference & Awards Gala for its support of small businesses through its

FLORIDA'S 40TH ANNUAL MEDWEEK
Business Matchmaker Conference & Awards Gala

SAVE THESE DATES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
The next Decade of Business Growth

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 - 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
40th Annual MEDWeek Legacy Awards Gala

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Airport & Convention Center
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Revolving Loan Programs. This Conference and Awards Gala is scheduled for October 21st and 22nd in Miami.

The U.S. Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) is the only federal agency solely dedicated to the growth and global competitiveness of minority business enterprises. MEDWeek is a forum for minority entrepreneurs, business owners, and stakeholders to engage with the community and learn about current industry trends, key resources, and tools to grow and improve their business.

Please [click here](#) for more details and information.

WE ARE HIRING!

For more information, please contact sfadmin@sfrpc.com.

The SFRPC currently has two career opportunities available. We can use your assistance in promoting the vacancies through your municipal or County newsletter or website. Please [click here](#) to see the available positions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & RESEARCH MANAGER

This is a mid- to high-level position requiring advanced professional work in a wide range of business and economic development tasks. The ideal candidate will possess an understanding of activities related to community development, economic development, and economic diversification and resiliency, with the ability to conduct research and analyze data working independently.

REGIONAL PLANNER / MOBILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

This is a mid-level position requiring advanced professional work in a wide range of planning activities with a focus on resilience planning, transportation / mobility, comprehensive planning, community engagement, modeling, and mapping. The preferred candidate will have experience in scenario-based planning to inform long-range mobility and vulnerability analyses and adaptation strategies relevant to urban planning and infrastructure design. This position will also play a lead role in the development of state and federal funding proposals support resilience



investments. The position requires excellent communication skills, both oral and writing, experience with PowerPoint, and strong presentation skills. Candidates should be highly motivated and creative, enjoy working as a team, and have superior organizational skills. Responsibilities include contract management, project tracking and reporting, participation in technical work groups, and collaboration with agency partners. The ideal candidate will have an interest in mobility, resilience, and economic development.