

# Alisha Lopez

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Alisha is a native Floridian who received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from the University of Central Florida. While there, she developed valuable research, data, and policy analysis skills to quantify and analyze important policy issues, such as the impacts of weakening water restrictions, as part of her work in the University Internship Program. Alisha brings her passion for collaborative partnerships and alternative energy solutions for transportation to her work with the Coalition.

During her tenure as Director of the Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition, Alisha has increased Coalition membership by 25% and developed numerous alternative fuel educational programs for Coalition Members. Her responsibilities include the identification of funding opportunities and assisting Coalition Members in the development of funding proposals to expand alternative and renewable fuel use and infrastructure within Southeast Florida. In addition to her responsibilities as Director of the Coalition, she was recently elected to the Drive Electric Florida Board of Directors. She is the Infrastructure Committee Chair of Drive Electric Florida and is developing best practices and permitting guidelines for the state to promote the growth of electric vehicle use as one of many alternative fuel options that advance the energy, economic, and environmental security of Florida.

Notable projects include working with the region's counties to identify and submit for approval "Alternative Fuel Corridors" to the Federal Highway Administration for designation and increased infrastructure funding assistance, achieving re-designation of the Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition from the U.S. Department of Energy, and hosting a Southeast Regional Clean Cities meeting on behalf of the U.S. Department of Energy. Her immediate goals include a renewed focus on fuel technology outreach and education, provision of technical assistance and best practices, and creating cleaner air quality for the region.



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