

Preparing for the Silver Tsunami

Planning and Policy Solutions for Southeast Florida's Communities



Friday, November 15, 2024 | 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

FAU Student Union Building - Grand Palm Room
1995 Dade Avenue, #1973 Boca Raton, FL 33431





AGENDA



9:00-9:25am REGISTRATION & NETWORKING

9:25-9:30

WELCOME - FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

Daniel E. Meeroff, Ph.D., Dean of Undergraduate Studies

9:30-9:40

OPENING REMARKS

The Honorable Maria G. Marino, Chair, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
The Honorable Steve Geller, Chair, South Florida Regional Planning Council

9:40-10:10

REGIONAL OUTLOOK ON AGING IN SOUTH FLORIDA AND THE TREASURE COAST

An in-depth look at the demographic shifts, and the unique challenges and opportunities facing South Florida and the Treasure Coast as the population ages.

Randy Deshazo, MA, MUP, Deputy Director, Chief of Staff & Director of Economic Development and Research, SFRPC

10:10-11:20

RESPONDING TO AN AGING POPULATION – PROGRAMS AND POLICIES

State, local, private, and non-profit responses to the economic, financial, service delivery, and other challenges of aging in our communities.

Moderator: **Max B. Rothman, JD, LL.M.**, President & CEO, Alliance for Aging, Inc. Miami Dade and Monroe Counties

Angela M. Antonelli, Research Professor and Executive Director, Georgetown University Center for Retirement Initiatives

The Honorable Jeff Kottkamp, Vice President of Florida Tax Watch, Former Lieutenant Governor of Florida

The Honorable Nan Rich, Mayor, Broward County; Former State Senator, District 34; Chair, Area Agency on Aging of Broward County

Laura Streed, Senior Associate State Director, AARP of Florida

11:20-11:30 BREAK

11:30-12:30pm HOUSING AND LAND USE PLANNING SOLUTIONS FOR AN AGING POPULATION

Exploration of aging supportive land use and zoning, development options, and the role of local government and non-traditional partners.

Moderator: **Sherry Howard**, Deputy Director, Department of Economic Sustainability, Palm Beach County

David Grachek, Director, Vibrant Together Development Corporation

Tyler Moroles, Assistant Division Director of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, Miami-Dade County

Jack Weir, President, Eastwind Development, LLC





AGENDA



12:30-12:50pm GRAB LUNCH!

12:50-1:40

LUNCH PRESENTATION: TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS FOR SENIORS

Hear from leading experts on the adaptations needed in transportation services and infrastructure to meet the needs of an aging population, including paratransit, and transit adaptations.

Karen Deigl, President/CEO, Senior Resource Association; Florida Public Transportation Association; Florida Council on Aging; Member, 2055 Florida Transportation Plan Steering Committee

Chris Stephenson, Transportation Mobility Director, Senior Resource Association

1:40-3:00

HEALTHCARE AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR AN AGING AMERICA

Discussion on housing and healthcare challenges for older adults, including accessibility, long-term care, and community support systems.

Moderator: **Charlotte Mather-Taylor**, President & CEO, Area Agency on Aging of Broward County

The Honorable Senator Gayle Harrell, Florida State Senator, District 31

Alice W. Brumley, DNP, APRN, AGPCNP-BC, Doctor of Nursing Practice, *Assistant Director, Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center*, Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, Florida Atlantic University

Jason M. Hand, Esq., Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, Florida Senior Living Association

Ileana Ferrera, Senior Vice President and Corporate Compliance Manager, United Home Care

Naushira Pandya M.D., CMD, FACP, Professor and Chair Department of Geriatrics, Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine, Nova Southeastern University

3:00-3:20

PUBLIC COMMENTS

3:20-3:30

SUMMARY OF KEY TAKEAWAYS

Thomas J. Lanahan, Executive Director, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
Isabel Cosio Carballo, MPA Executive Director, South Florida Regional Planning Council

3:30-4:00

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The Honorable Maria Marino, Chair, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
The Honorable Steve Geller, Chair, South Florida Regional Planning Council

4:00 pm

ADJOURN



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Gayle Harrell

The Honorable Gayle Harrell represents Florida Senate District 31, which includes Martin and St. Lucie counties and part of Palm Beach County. She was elected to the Florida Senate in November 2018 after serving eight terms in the Florida House of Representatives from 2000-2008 and 2010-2018. Senator Harrell has over 25 years of experience in healthcare. She worked as a Healthcare Administrator, managing the Ob-Gyn practice of Dr. James E. Harrell and was the founder of the Breast Imaging Center, a mammography center specializing in preventive care for women. Her experience in healthcare has made her a leader in setting healthcare policy for the State of Florida. Senator Harrell is Chair of the Committee on Health Policy and Vice Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services. Senator Harrell is also a member of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Military and Veterans Affairs and Space, and the Joint Committee on Public Counsel Oversight. Senator Harrell has won numerous awards for her legislative service. Among her many awards she has received the Legislator of the Year by the Florida Medical Association, the Legislative Leadership Award by Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the Legislative Award by the Florida Children's Forum, an "A" Ranking by the Florida Chamber of Commerce, the Friend of Free Enterprise Award by the Associated Builders and Contractors, the Legislative Achievement Award by Keep Florida Beautiful, and the Distinguished Legislator Award by the Florida Police Benevolent Association. She has been recognized at the national level as Legislator of the Year by Health Information Systems Society (HIMSS) and Exceptional Legislator Award by the Schizophrenia & Related Disorders Alliance of America (SARDA).

A resident of Florida's Treasure Coast for over 49 years, Senator Harrell is committed to serving our community having served on the boards of many local civic organizations such as Hibiscus Children's Center, Education Foundation of Martin County, Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee Counties, HPS – Helping People Succeed and advisory board member of the Center for Constitutional Values. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Spanish and a Master's Degree in Latin American History from the University of Florida where she received the Edith Bristol Tigert Award as an Outstanding Female Graduate and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.



Steve Geller

The Honorable Steve Geller Chair, SFRPC; Former State Senator, District 31; Broward County Commissioner, District 5 Senator Steve Geller served as Broward County Mayor during FY 2021. Elected to District 5 in 2016, he currently represents all or part of Cooper City, Southwest Ranches, Davie, Plantation, Sunrise, and unincorporated areas including part of the Seminole Reservation and all of Broadview Park. Geller serves as Chairman of the Broward County Water Advisory Board, Chair of the South Florida Regional Planning Council, on the Executive Committee of the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) and on the Broward County Cultural Council. Geller also serves as Chair of the South Florida CEDS Strategy Committee established pursuant to the SFRPC's responsibilities as U.S. EDA's Economic Development District for South Florida. Prior to his current service as a Broward County Commissioner, Geller was elected to the Florida Legislature in 1988 at the age of 29. He served in the Florida Legislature for 20 years; nine years in the House of Representatives followed by 11 years in the Florida Senate. Geller was respected by both Political Parties and chaired legislative committees under the leadership of both Democratic and Republican Presiding Officers. Geller chaired the Regulated Industries Committee in the House of Representatives, and the Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Community Affairs Committees in the Senate. Geller served two terms as Chair of the Broward County Legislative Delegation and two terms as Chair of the Hendry County Legislative Delegation. At the time of his retirement from the Florida Senate due to term limits, Senator Geller was the Minority (Democratic) Leader of the Florida Senate. Geller has also served as National President of two legislative organizations: the National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) and the National Council of Legislators from Gaming States (NCLGS).

Geller was born in the City of New York, New York in 1958. He has lived in South Florida since 1965. He attended Florida State University for college and law school, where he was a member of AEPi Fraternity. He has lived in South Broward since his graduation from Florida State University College of Law in 1982.



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Maria Marino

Elected to the Palm Beach County Commission on November 3, 2020, Maria Marino currently serves as Vice Mayor. She previously served on the Palm Beach Gardens City Council from 2016–2020, and was the City’s Mayor in 2017 & 2018. Maria is Chairman of the Solid Waste Authority, the Pal Mar Water Control District and Bioscience Land Protection Advisory Board, is Vice Chair of the Palm Beach County Transportation Planning Agency and Chairman of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. She is a board member of the Loxahatchee River Management Coordinating Council, the 16-County Coalition for Lake Okeechobee, and the Florida Association of Counties(FAC). Maria is a Policy Leader on the FAC Community and Urban Affairs Policy Committee, and is Vice Chair of the Finance and Tax Committee. She serves on the National Association of Counties Environment, Energy and Land Use steering committee. She is the past Chair of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority. She is also a 2019 Women of Excellence Award Honoree by the National Foundation of Women Legislators. Additionally, she received the 2020-21 and 2022-23 Presidential Advocacy Award from FAC. Maria is the 2023 Leadership Excellence Award winner of Leadership Palm Beach County (LPBC) and a graduate of the Class of 2010. She has served on its Board of Directors, chaired several committees, and continues to participate as a panelist and moderator for several LPBC events throughout the year. The 2017 “Woman of the Year” by the Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce, Maria is also a mentor and panelist with the Chamber’s Women in Business Mentorship Boot camp, sits on several subcommittees and is a Past Trustee Member. Maria was the Broker/Owner of Marino Realty Group and served as the Executive Director of the Jupiter Children’s Foundation for over 20 years. With a strong belief in community service and philanthropy, she has supported many initiatives targeted at enriching the lives of at-risk youth and building business relationships that benefit those in need. In this capacity, Maria has been involved with over 30 local nonprofits, is a member of the University of Connecticut’s Women and Philanthropy organization, and is a member of Impact of the Palm Beaches. Additionally, Maria serves as a Board Member with the Children’s Golf Foundation and The First Tee of the Palm Beaches, is a past board member and President of the Edna W. Runner Tutorial Center and continues to serve as an Ambassador with the Honda Classic. She also co-chaired Palm Beach County Cares, a disaster relief organization and served as a Board Member with the Forum Club of the Palm Beaches. Maria has been the guest speaker at state and national conferences, and most recently served as the Keynote Speaker for the Miami Women Leaders Conference. She also serves as the emcee for the Annual Melanoma Foundation Charity Luncheon. A native of Connecticut and a graduate of the University of Connecticut, Maria won the State Women’s Amateur Golf Championship in 1985. She came to Florida to improve her golf skills and never left the Sunshine State. As a nearly 30-year member of the Ladies Professional Golf Association, Maria has been a mentor with the LPGA, served on the organization’s National Marketing Committee, and was Southeast Section Treasurer. She was the Director of Instruction for the Joanne Carner Golf Academy and mentored many other LPGA members in that capacity. She is also a 20-year member of the Golf Writers Association of America, with works published locally and nationally. Maria is also a 2019 Honoree of the Norwalk, Connecticut Old Timers Athletic Association that recognizes hometown heroes who have distinguished themselves in sports and beyond.



Angela Antonelli

Angela M. Antonelli is a Research Professor and the Executive Director of the Center for Retirement Initiatives (CRI) at Georgetown University’s McCourt School of Public Policy. She also is a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and currently serves on the 2023 Chief Investment Officer (CIO) Advisory Board (CIO is an ISS Media Brand). As the Executive Director of the CRI, Angela works closely with policymakers, states, and stakeholders to expand the availability and improve the effectiveness of retirement savings, investment, and income solutions for defined contribution (DC) retirement plans for private sector workers. This includes providing technical assistance, best practices, data, and research. The CRI launched and hosts the State-Facilitated Retirement Savings Program Network (SRSPN) and acts as a clearinghouse and resource hub for state-facilitated retirement savings programs that administer more than \$750 million in assets with significant year-over-year growth projected as more programs are adopted and implemented. Angela is relied upon for her insights and opinions on issues appearing in the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Pensions & Investments, and many other major news outlets. Prior to joining Georgetown, Angela served in senior positions in the government, consulting, and nonprofit sectors, including as the Assistant Secretary & Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. She has a B.A., summa cum laude, from Cornell University and an MPA with honors from Princeton University.



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Alice Brumley

Dr. Alice W. Brumley, DNP, holds her board certification as an Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner. She graduated from the University of Florida (BA), the University of Miami (BSN), and Florida Atlantic University (MSN and DNP). Her doctoral training prepared her to serve the older adult population with cognitive impairment and caregiver support. She has experience providing primary care services to the adult-geriatric population and performing comprehensive cognitive evaluations for those with memory changes. She is well-versed in Medicare services and collaborates with managed care organizations. Dr. Brumley knows that achieving optimum health requires a collaborative effort between the patient and the healthcare system. She strives to educate her patients on the latest evidence-based practices in nursing and medicine while listening to them to understand their perspectives and goals. Dr. Brumley has returned to the FAU Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center as Assistant Director.



Isabel Cosio Carballo

Isabel Cosio Carballo is the Executive Director of the South Florida Regional Planning Council. During her 28-year tenure at the Council she has held positions of significant responsibility. A primary focus of her work has been the creation of collaborative, broad based partnerships with public and private sector, non-profit, philanthropic, and community leaders to identify areas of opportunity and address issues of regional concern such as transportation, affordable and workforce housing, education, access to opportunity, the environment, and economic development. She spearheaded and organized, in collaboration with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council and other regional stakeholders, the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership and its successful application to the U.S. HUD Inaugural Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program. In October 2010, Southeast Florida was named one of 45 inaugural "Sustainable Communities" securing \$4.25 million for a seven county regional planning and capacity building process. Completed in 2014, and matched by more than \$2.3 million in local contribution, the Seven50: Southeast Florida Prosperity Plan lays the groundwork for the region's future development, prosperity, and sustainability. Prior to joining the Council in 1996, Mrs. Cosio Carballo served as chief of staff and legislative assistant to now Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart, and legislative liaison for Broward County. She has a Bachelor of Arts from the McComb School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin and a Master of Public Administration from Florida International University. She currently serves as a board member of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, Broward County Climate Change Task Force, and Coordinating Council of Broward.



Karen B. Deigl

As President and CEO of Senior Resource Association since 2006, Karen is responsible for a \$16 million annual operational budget and managing 120+ employees. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Administration from Florida Atlantic University and a Master of Health Administration from the University of Florida. Karen is recognized as a leader in her field, as evidenced by her service as Chair of the Florida Public Transportation Association and Florida Council on Aging Board Treasurer, Registered Professional Guardian through the Florida Office of Public and Professional Guardians, Past President and Board Member of Florida Aging Service Providers, and Vice Chair of Florida Transit Association Finance Corporation. In addition to her leadership responsibilities at Senior Resource Association, Karen is an elected Indian River County Hospital Trustee, ensuring fiscally sound and responsible resolutions are made in order to provide healthcare and better quality of life for all Indian River County residents. She serves on the Cleveland Clinic Indian River Integrity Committee and as a Deacon at First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach. Karen is a long-standing member of the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce and chairs its Educational Foundation. Her leadership has been noted with recognition as Indian River County Civic Professional Woman of the Year and Indian River County Chamber of Commerce Director of the Year.



Randy Deshazo

Randy serves the South Florida Regional Planning Council as Deputy Director, Chief of Staff, and Director of Economic Development and Research. As Chief of Staff, Randy oversees, directs, and mentors Council staff while assisting the Executive Director in the development, funding, and implementation of the Council's work program. As Director of Economic Development and Research, Randy develops and markets new Council work products of value to the South Florida region. With over 20 years of experience in urban and regional planning, Randy has worked in local government and for regional and transportation planning organizations in Florida as well as California and Illinois. He is experienced in forecasting, freight planning and investment, and land use-transportation interactions.



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Prior to coming to the SFRPC, Randy was Chief of Staff for the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, where he directed a variety of high-profile planning activities. A proficient user of economic models such as REMI PI+ and IMPLAN, Randy has conducted award winning economic, fiscal, and cost-benefit analyses across a diverse range of issue areas: transportation investment, climate resiliency and environmental evaluation, target industry studies, public health, and land use studies. Randy is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin and has a Master of Arts degree from the University of New Orleans and a Master of Urban Planning degree from the University of Michigan.



Ileana Ferrera

Ileana Ferrera is Senior Vice President and Chief Corporate Compliance Officer at United HomeCare®, a 501 (C)(3), home and community care organization serving Broward, Miami, and Monroe Counties. For over 50 years, United HomeCare has helped thousands of older adults and disabled adults annually to live independently in the comfort of their homes with the provision of comprehensive home care services of the highest quality. For the past 16 years, Ileana Ferrera has held various positions at United HomeCare, moving up the ranks from Case Management Director and Quality and Compliance Manager to her current position as Senior Vice President and Chief Corporate Compliance Officer. Ileana Ferrera is an expert in the field of home care, elder care, and disabled adult services with vast industry experience. She started her career as a Case Manager for the State of Florida in 1982 and has held management positions in various Elder Care organizations including at the Alliance for Aging, where she served as a Contract Manager, and at CARES (Comprehensive Assessment and Review for Long Term Care) where she served as Regional Manager for Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties. Ileana Ferrera is a long-time resident of Broward County, and a graduate of the University of South Florida.



David Grachek

Rev. David Grachek is an ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA) with a Master of Divinity from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. After an 18-year career as an investment banker specializing in relationship management and working with Fortune 1000 companies, David answered a call to ministry. He has served churches in Florida, North Carolina, and Minnesota and is passionate about teaching, developing relationships, and engaging with his community. David and his wife, Stacey, reside in Port Saint Lucie, FL. David is blessed with three children and five grandchildren. In addition to ministry, David is a published author and an avid photographer, spending his free time combining photography and writing about what is right in the world.



Jason Hand

As Chief Operating Officer and General Council for Florida Senior Living Association (FSLA), Jason is responsible for managing the legislative, regulatory and policy activities of FSLA on behalf of its members. He brings an understanding of policy, politics and personalities based on 20 years of experience with the creation and implementation of state policy and high-profile projects in Florida's legislative and executive branches of government.

Most recently, Jason was an Assistant Deputy General Counsel for the Department of Environmental Protection. He also previously served in the Florida Senate as Chief Attorney and Lead Policy Analyst for the education policy committees for Senate Presidents Gaetz, Gardiner and Negron. Jason has extensive experience in agency rule-making and licensing, business operations, competitive procurements, contract negotiations, compliance reviews, and civil and administrative litigation. A fifth generation Floridian, Hand is a graduate of Mercer Law School, Florida State University and Tallahassee Community College.



Sherry Howard

As Deputy Director of the Department of Housing & Economic Development, Sherry has been involved in managing the county's efforts to promote business and affordable/workforce housing development opportunities through public-private partnerships. With 29 years in county government service, Sherry served previously as the County's Economic Development Director prior to merging with the Housing Department, the County's Legislative Coordinator, advocating legislation with Federal, State and local officials, and as Assistant Scripps Program Manager, serving as a liaison between the Board of County Commissioners, the Governor's Office, Scripps personnel and the public. Her problem-solving and cost-cutting skills, used in collaboration with county departments, have earned her two Golden Palm awards, which represents the County Administrator's highest level of recognition for employee achievement. Sherry serves on numerous Federal, State and local housing and economic development committees.

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Jeff Kottkamp

The Honorable Jeff Kottkamp serves as the Florida TaxWatch Executive Vice President and General Counsel. He is an AV Preeminent rated attorney with an undergraduate degree in Political Science from Florida State University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida. He has served on the TaxWatch Board of Trustees for the last ten years and has been active with The Governor Bob & Mary Jane Martinez Citizenship Institute as well as the TaxWatch Productivity Awards.

He served as Florida's 17th Lieutenant Governor from 2007 until 2011. As Lieutenant Governor Jeff was Chairman of the Board of Space Florida, Chairman of Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet, Chairman of the Florida Sports Foundation, and had oversight responsibility for the Governor's Office of Drug Control, the Office of Adoption and Child Protection, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, as well as the Governor's Film and Entertainment Office. On June 18, 2008 Governor Kottkamp became Acting Governor of the State of Florida pursuant to a Proclamation filed with the Secretary of State transferring power to him pursuant to Article IV Section 3(b) of the Florida Constitution.

Governor Kottkamp served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2000 to 2006. While serving in the House, Jeff was chairman of the Judiciary Appropriations Committee (2006), chairman of Government Operations Committee (2005), chairman of Judiciary Committee (2002–2004), and vice-chairman of the Rules and Calendar Council (2004–2006). He also served as Deputy Majority Whip. As a member of the Florida Legislature, Kottkamp had a reputation for fighting for lower taxes. He sponsored legislation to repeal the Intangibles Tax. He helped form the "Freedom Caucus" in the House. Caucus members opposed any efforts to raise taxes. Governor Kottkamp served as Co-Chair of the Taxpayer Protection Caucus. Jeff currently serves on the Board for the Florida Historic Capitol Foundation, is a Trustee of the Florida Supreme Court Historical Society and a member of the Economic Club of Florida.



Thomas Lanahan

Thomas J. Lanahan has been employed by the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council for the past 8 years and has completed his 6th year as Executive Director. After receiving a Bachelor of Architecture degree from the University of Notre Dame, Mr. Lanahan worked for an architecture and construction management firm for 7 years. He then worked for the City of Greenacres in Palm Beach County for 16 years, including 14 years as the Planning and Engineering Director along with 4 years as the Assistant City Manager with oversight of the Planning and Engineering, Public Works, and Building departments. Mr. Lanahan's community service includes serving on the City of Atlantis Architectural Review Committee for almost 25 years and volunteering as a railcar tour guide for events at the Pullman National Historical Park in Chicago, IL for the past 4 years.



Charlotte
Mather-Taylor

Charlotte Mather-Taylor is the Chief Executive Officer of the Area Agency on Aging of Broward County. As CEO, Mrs. Mather-Taylor oversees the nonprofit umbrella organization charged with planning, coordinating, monitoring, providing, and funding programs designed to meet the needs of Broward County senior residents. She is the Chair of the Florida Area Agency on Aging State Association, Vice Chair of the Center for Workforce Inclusion, Chair of the Florida Association of Area Agencies on Aging Technology Committee, is a member of the US Aging Technology Task Force, and the Advisor on the USAging Ring national pilot. In addition, she serves on numerous local Boards and Committees and Chairs the Broward Dementia Care and Cure Initiative Task Force focused on creating a dementia friendly community. She is the Treasurer of the Broward County Coordinating Council; Vice Chair of the Transportation for the Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board; Chair of the Broward Days Senior Services committee and is a member of the Broward County Parks Foundation Board, Alzheimer's Association Board Southeast Florida Chapter, Association of Nonprofits, Broward Alliance Entrepreneurship Council, United Way Public Policy Committee, and numerous other local community focused groups.

She previously served as the CEO for the Ann Storck Center, which operates ICFs, group homes, preschool, adult day care and other programs serving both adults and children with developmental disabilities and was the Vice President Government Relations, Community & Public Affairs for the Broward Health Hospital system. Ms. Mather-Taylor obtained her Master's degree in business administration from Nova Southeastern University and her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Florida.

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Daniel Meeroff

Daniel Meeroff is a Professor of Civil Engineering and Dean of Undergraduate Studies at Florida Atlantic University. His Ph.D. is in Civil/Environmental Engineering from the University of Miami. His specialization is Environmental Engineering, specifically solid and hazardous waste management, water quality, wastewater engineering, drinking water treatment, air quality, watershed management, public health engineering, and pollution prevention. As Dean, he also focuses on Undergraduate Research, Educational High-Impact Practices, and Student Success Initiatives at the University level. Dr. Meeroff is the founder and director of the Laboratories for Engineered Environmental Solutions (Lab.EES) (<http://labees.civil.fau.edu>).

He was awarded the FAU Teaching Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Education (2017), the FAU Distinguished Research Mentor of the Year (2015), the John J. Guarrera Engineering Educator of the Year for North America in 2014, and the FAU Distinguished Teacher of the Year in 2014 (as voted by the student body), which is the highest teaching honor at the university. He has over 26 years of experience in environmental issues with over \$12 million in funded research and 120 publications.



Tyler Moroles

Tyler Moroles has over 10 years of experience in the affordable housing sector, having worked with organizations such as the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority, Hennepin County Department of Community Development, and the Office of U.S. Congressman Danny K. Davis (IL-7). Currently, he serves as the Assistant Division Director of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program for Miami-Dade County, he has worked in the county for over 3 years in several roles. Tyler holds a Master's degree from Columbia University in the City of New York and a Bachelor's degree from DePaul University. Outside of work, he enjoys fitness and language learning, including Spanish, Portuguese, and Arabic. Tyler has a personal connection to senior issues, having spent time in nursing homes where his mother worked.



Naushira Pandya

Dr. Naushira Pandya is Professor and Chair of the Geriatrics Department at NSU, Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine, and the Project Director of the HRSA funded NSU South Florida Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP). She is board-certified in Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, and Endocrinology and Metabolism, and is a certified medical director and a geriatrics fellowship program director. Dr. Pandya has created a thriving academic, and clinical department, comprised nursing homes, Medical Director leadership, ACGME-accredited geriatrics fellowships, two Geriatrics Clinics, as well as strong inter-professional institutional and community partnerships. At a state level, she is First Vice President of the Broward County Area Agency on Aging, and past board member of the Florida Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine, and remains active in governance issues affecting the post-acute long-term setting.

Dr. Pandya is Past President of AMDA, the national Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine, and past chair of the interdisciplinary Clinical Practice Committee. She has participated and led in the development of multiple clinical guidelines and position statements, and is a recognized for her work in the area of diabetes in the elderly, as well as best practices in the long-term care continuum. On a national level, she was a panelist in the White House Conference on Aging, and in the White House Conference on Antibiotic Stewardship, and served on Physician's Advisory Committee for the National Quality Forum, and as a member of College of Surgery Coalition for Quality in Geriatric Surgery. She is a board member of the National Association for Geriatric education, and a member of the HHS Advisory Committee on Interdisciplinary and Community-Based Linkages. Dr. Pandya holds the distinction of being a Fulbright Senior Specialist Scholar.

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Nan Rich

Senator Nan Rich was first elected as Broward County Commissioner, District 1 in 2016 and re-elected, unopposed, in 2020. She was recently selected by her colleagues on the County Commission to be the Mayor of Broward County through November 2024. Her top priority has been addressing the affordable housing crisis in Broward, as well as ending homelessness through affordable housing.

Prior to her service on the County Commission, Nan Rich was elected to the State Senate in 2004 after serving two terms in the Florida House of Representatives. She was recognized as one of the most passionate and dedicated members of the Florida Legislature, and she was the first woman to be elected Senate Democratic Leader – a position she held from 2010 until she was term-limited in November 2012. Her community involvement includes years of advocacy and activism on behalf of women, children, and families. Prior to her election to the State Legislature, Nan Rich served as the National President of the National Council of Jewish Women, the first Floridian elected to that office. She was also honored to receive an appointment by President Bill Clinton to serve as a Member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Council in Washington, DC.

In addition to her work on the County Commission, Senator Rich currently serves as the President of the Area Agency on Aging of Broward County, Chair of the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition, and Chair of the Coordinating Council of Broward County. Among her long list of awards and honors, Senator Rich has been inducted into the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame, the Broward County Senior Hall of Fame, and the Miami Beach High School Hall of Fame. A long-time Florida resident, Nan attended the University of Florida.



Max Rothman

Max B. Rothman joined the Alliance for Aging, Inc. in April 2007 as President and Chief Executive Officer to provide leadership and direction for programs for older adults in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties, Florida. The Alliance administers approximately \$55,000,000 through community agencies that provide a variety of in-home and community-based services to elders. The Alliance serves as the focal point for aging issues and is home to the Aging and Disability Resource Center that provides access to services through information, referral, intake for elders and adults with disabilities, and their caregivers, as well as coordination of eligibility for the Medicaid Managed Long Term Care Program.

He has forty-seven years of experience in the field of aging. Prior to joining the Alliance, he was founder and Executive Director for 24 years of The Center on Aging, Robert Stempel School of Public Health, in the College of Health and Urban Affairs. The Center engaged in research, education and training on issues of aging. During his tenure, he also served as Acting Director of the School of Social Work, College of Urban and Public Affairs at Florida International University. From 1975 to 1983, he served as the first District Administrator of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties and was responsible for administration of nine state health and social services programs. Before joining the State of Florida, he served as Executive Director of three legal services programs for the indigent in New Jersey, Florida and Colorado.

He served as a Peace Corps volunteer from 1966 to 1968, working for the municipal government of Barcelona, Venezuela on issues of land taxation, public works, and garbage collection. He received a Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan Law School and a Master of Laws from The George Washington University Graduate School of Public Law. He earned his B.A. degree in Government and Law from Lafayette College. Rothman also completed the Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government at the Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University. He has received numerous awards including the 2012 Path Award for Health Policy and Management from the Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work at Florida International University, and the 2015 Dr. Carter Osterbind Outstanding Florida Council on Aging Member.



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Chris Stephenson

As Transportation Director, Chris Stephenson oversees everything related to the GoLine, Community Coach, Martin Community Coach and the Advantage Ride Program for Senior Resource Association (SRA). Chris loves seeing how transportation options and mobility can greatly improve the quality of life for all members of a community from children to the elderly.

A proud Texan, Chris was born and raised in the Lone Star State. Chris received his bachelor's degree in Communication and his Master's in Non-Profit Business Management from Abilene Christian University. Chris' Master's thesis was in partnership with multiple hospitals and explored the correlation between Self-differentiation levels in employees that worked in healthcare, and burnout. Chris previously worked for Sears Methodist Retirement Systems, the largest non-profit organization in Texas, where he saw first-hand the effect of dementia and aging on our nation's older adults. Chris and his family moved to Florida in the Summer of 2012 and Chris worked briefly for the Mardy Fish Foundation before starting work for SRA in the Fall of 2012.

Since joining the team at SRA, Chris had several positions in transit prior to becoming Director, including Transportation Projects Coordinator, Operations Manager, and Mobility Management Director. Chris is most proud of the awards the system has won since he has been there. These include the Safety Award of the Year by Florida's Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged, Outstanding Public Transportation System Achievement Award from the Florida Public Transportation Association, National Urban System of the Year from Community Transportation Association of America, and the Innovation Award from the Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged.



Laura Streed

Laura Streed is a Sr. Associate State Director for Advocacy and Livable Communities. She leads AARP Florida's work on livable community issues and the state's local advocacy efforts on housing and transportation. She is the state liaison for AARP's Network of Age Friendly States and Communities, which includes over 40 Florida communities and the State of Florida.

Laura has spearheaded Florida's Community Challenge Grant team since 2017, which has resulted in AARP funding 54 Florida projects. Laura holds an M.S. in Aging Studies from Florida State University and is a graduate of Leadership Florida's Connect Class VII.



Jack Weir

Mr. Weir founded Eastwind Development in 2007 and has served as President/CEO since then. Eastwind is based in Palm Beach Gardens with a second office in Orlando. The company has developed over 4,000 units in 24 multifamily projects throughout the state of Florida, including workforce, affordable, market and active adult rental residential communities. Before Eastwind, he was responsible for the financing and development of over 6,000 units in Florida and five other states. He has considerable experience in arranging debt and equity financing from multiple private capital sources, and has extensive knowledge of the housing tax credit program, tax-exempt revenue bonds, and a wide variety of public loan programs.

Since 2020, Mr. Weir has served as Chairman of the Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County, a nonprofit housing advocacy and policy advisory group for workforce and affordable housing. He was chairman of the successful campaign to persuade the voters of Palm Beach County to approve the \$200 million housing bond in November 2022, and worked closely with the County Commission and staff on the recent approval of the County-wide Housing For All Plan. He also chairs the Workforce Housing Subcommittee of the Economic Council. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School and is a member of the Florida Bar.



ABOUT US

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) is the Treasure Coast's only regional forum where elected and appointed leaders regularly come together to discuss complex regional issues; develop strategic regional responses for resolving them; and build consensus for setting and accomplishing regional goals. TCRPC is an organization created by and for local governments to provide planning and technical assistance services and assist in carrying out Florida's growth management programs. TCRPC was established in 1976 through an interlocal agreement between Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, and Palm Beach counties. Membership includes all four counties and 52 municipalities.



TCRPC Works Quickly And Efficiently In Bringing Communities Together To:

- Provide a forum and mechanism by which local governments can avoid and resolve inter-jurisdictional conflicts in a positive manner
- Allow for cost-sharing and savings between local governments and minimize the need for duplicative efforts
- Assure state & federal goals & objectives are carried out with respect for local & regional desires & conditions
- Establish a local government think tank for early identification of opportunities
- Respond to local government requests for assistance
- TCRPC operates several programs and services designed to satisfy the needs of its public and private sector customers to foster the healthy and orderly growth of the Region. These programs include:
 - Local and Regional Comprehensive Planning Assistance
 - Urban Design, Town Planning and Redevelopment Initiatives
 - Emergency Preparedness
 - Economic Development Initiatives
 - Dispute Resolution
 - Public Event Planning and Facilitation Services
 - Computer Imaging
 - Visioning and Community Preference Surveys
 - Transportation Planning
 - Natural Resource and Energy Planning
 - Affordable Housing Initiatives
 - U.S. Census Resources

Further information is available at www.tcrpc.org

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ABOUT US

The South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) is one of Florida's ten regional planning councils. Created by the region's counties by Interlocal Agreement, and by the Florida Legislature in Chapter 186, Florida Statutes, the SFRPC serves Monroe, Miami-Dade, and Broward counties, 70 municipalities and more than 4.7 million residents. The SFRPC is governed by a 19-member board of county and municipal elected officials, and gubernatorial appointees. Representatives from the South Florida Water Management District, Florida Department of Transportation Districts 4 and 6, and Florida Department of Environmental Protection serve as ex-officio members.

As a regional planning and public policy agency, a principal and unique role of the SFRPC is to identify the long-term challenges and opportunities facing South Florida, and convene public, private, non-profit, and other civic leaders in collaborative regional partnerships to develop strategies and take action to maximize opportunities and overcome challenges. The SFRPC works with its local governments, and regional, state and federal agencies to provide planning support and technical assistance in myriad planning areas.

The SFRPC's planning services include affordable housing, transportation, transit-oriented development, brownfields remediation and redevelopment, community resilience, water quality and supply, Florida's Coral Reef, alternative and clean fuels, emergency planning and response, community and military installation resilience, economic and demographic modeling, and economic development among others. As the Economic Development District for South Florida, established in 1996 by the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, the SFRPC is responsible for the development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for South Florida, and supporting business creation and expansion of employment opportunities. In its economic development role, the SFRPC operates multiple revolving loan funds which support small business development and expansion, the development of affordable single-family housing, and the remediation and redevelopment of brownfield sites.

The SFRPC and TCRPC enjoy a long-standing collaborative partnership and productive history of working together to address the challenges and opportunities facing Southeast Florida. This larger region consists of Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, and Indian River counties. Joint topics of exploration include waste management and recycling, water infrastructure, affordable housing, regional transportation, Florida's Coral Reef, Central and Southern Florida Flood Resiliency Study, and The Silver Tsunami: Planning and Policy Solutions for Southeast Florida's Communities. For more information about the SFRPC, please visit: www.sfregionalcouncil.org.

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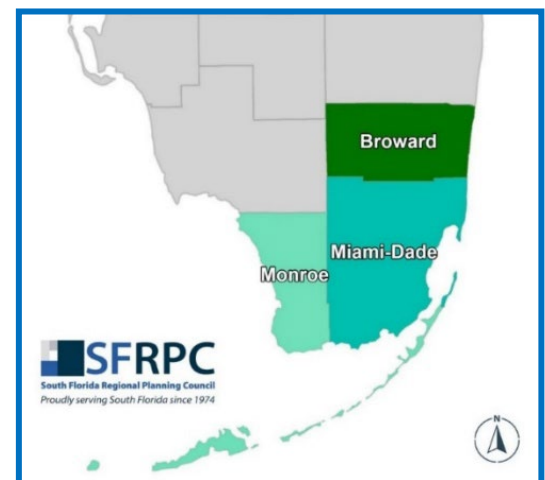
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