

Funding Our Future: Federal Grants from A to Z

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Welcome and Overview

• Bryan Caletka & Paul Calvaresi, Broward MPO



MPO Adopted Projects and Inclusion of Local Projects for Discretionary Grants

• Peter Gies, Systems Planning Manager



Project Selection and Application

• Transystems

Holland & Knight

Promoting Your Grant Application

• Holland & Knight

Wrap Up and Discussion

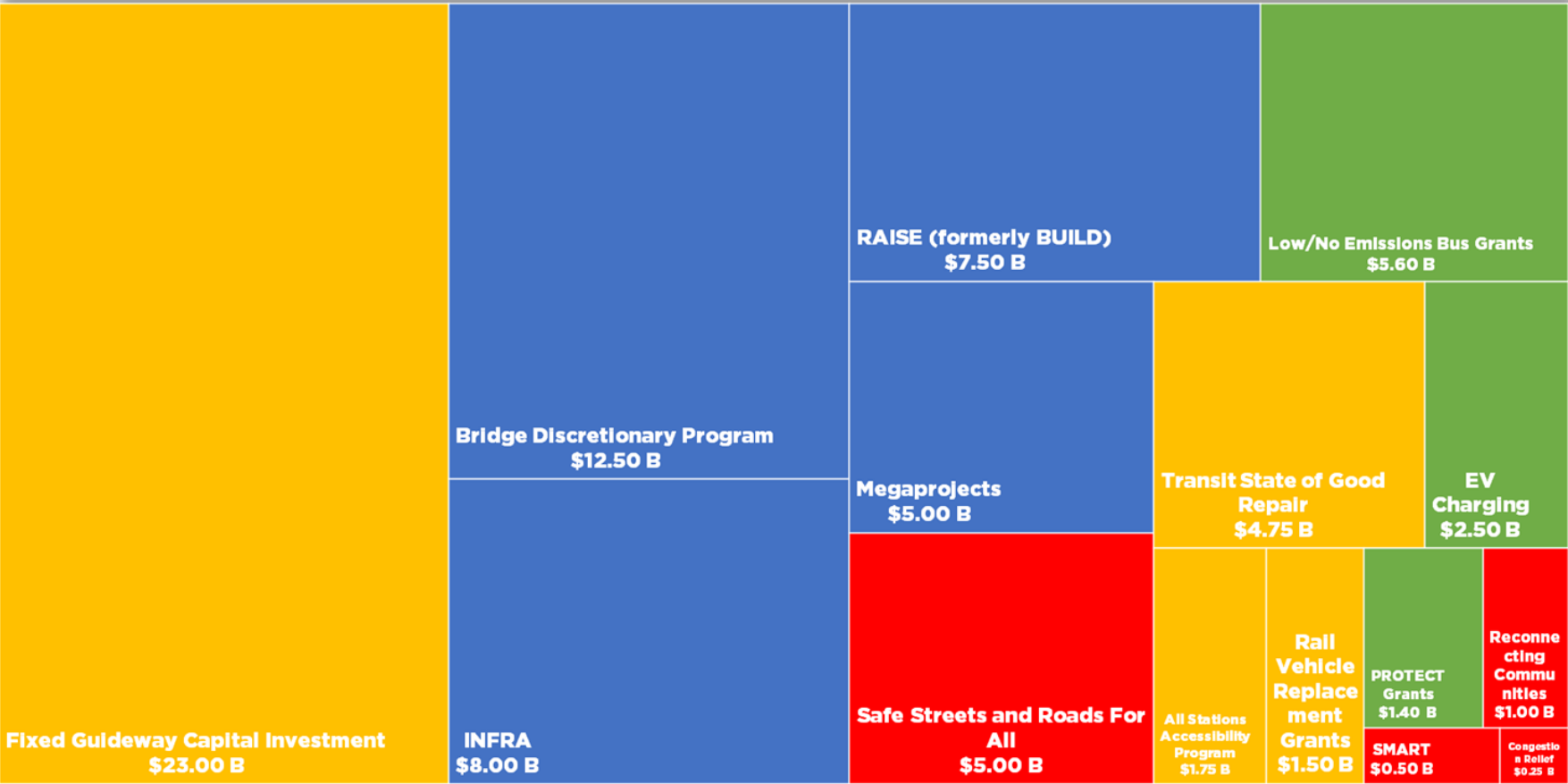
Overview

Paul Calvaresi, Intergovernmental Manager

What's Available?

- Federal Grants
 - RAISE (formerly BUILD), INFRA, CRISI, and more
- MPO Competitive Programs
 - Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Program (CSLIP)
 - Planning and Technical Assistance Program (PTAP)
- Though today's focus is Federal grants, much of the same data is used for CSLIP/PTAP application processes.

Grant Programs by funding amount (billions \$) Invest in Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA) 2021



- Transit
- Largescale Infrastructure
- Safety and Mobility
- Climate and Resiliency

Goals First Planning

- MPO encourages our member governments to first consider their municipality's long-term goals when considering grant applications.



Aligning Projects with Grant Program Criteria



- Does it align with the criteria of the grant?
- Do the public benefits exceed the costs?
- Is there strong support (public and private)?
- Are there adequate matching funds (Federal and non-federal)?
- Is there time and resources to apply?

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Necessary Documentation:

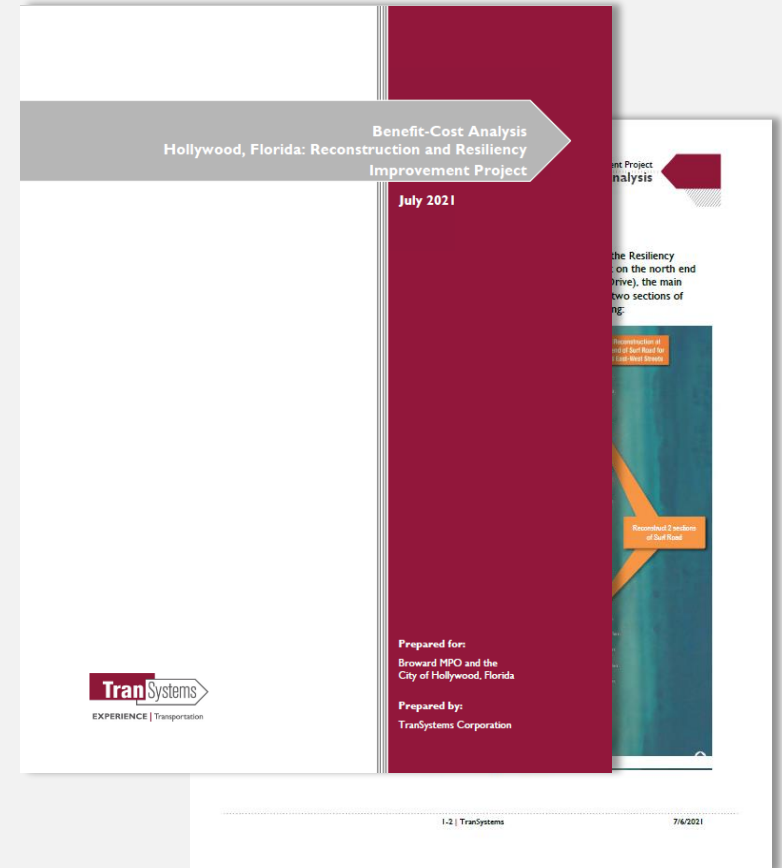
- Environmental risk approvals
- A project schedule
- Quantifiable benefits
- Support from variety of local and regional stakeholders



If awarded, does your team have the capacity to manage and execute the delivery of a Federally funded project?

Components of a Grant Application

- Narrative: Can you tell a good story about this project?
- Data: Can you back that story up?
- Benefit/Cost Analysis
 - Quantifying the benefits this project will bring, in dollars
 - Compare them to the cost of the project
 - What is a “good ratio”?



Time to Apply...

- Give your team time before the deadline to submit your application-- things go wrong!
- Gather all required documents
- Many Federal trainings available
- *More on the application process from Transystems later.*



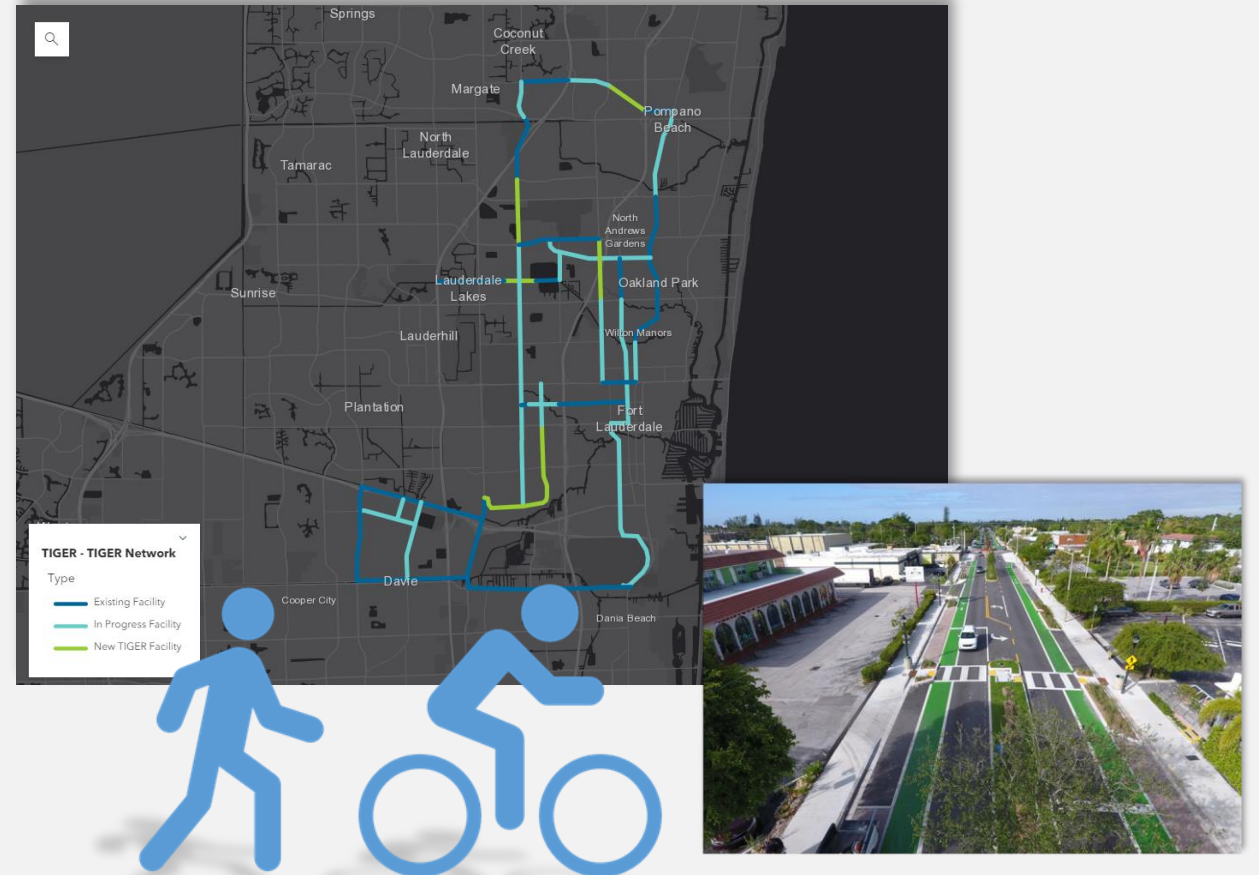
Time to Apply...

Promoting your application

- Engage Broward Congressional Delegation and US Senators
 - Brief your representatives, get them excited about the project
- Educate congressional staff and let them promote project in DC
- Engage USDOT and FDOT staff
- Secure Federal level letters of support
- Social media campaign coordinated with stakeholders
- *More on promotion from Holland & Knight later.*

The Broward MPO's Roles

- Develop long range planning documents
 - Federally approved
 - Locally vetted
 - Cost estimates
- Facilitation
 - State, county, & local agencies
- Avoiding Conflict



Partner Agencies' Responsibilities

- Staff resources
- Provide and gather data
 - Socioeconomic Data
 - Project costs
 - ROI backup
- Outreach to residents and constituents
- Letters of support



Questions?

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Member Governments Capabilities Survey

Look for a survey in your inbox later today

Open Discussion Period

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