

May 7, 2020

Honorable Elaine L. Chao  
U.S. Secretary of Transportation  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority's 2020  
BUILD Application**

Dear Secretary Chao:


I am writing to express the Broward MPO's support for the Fort Lauderdale DDA's BUILD grant application to help fund the design and construction of better streets that provide improvements for all users in Downtown Fort Lauderdale.

The Broward MPO is at the forefront of implementing a transportation system that addresses the congestion by encouraging people to walk, bike, drive, and take transit. Commitment 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), emphasizes the need for bicycle, pedestrian, freight, roadway and transit projects that promote economic strength and improve the quality of life. The Broward MPO supports the DDA's proposal because it leverages public and private investment, encourages economic vitality, improves safety, connectivity, and access in an environmentally sustainable way all while promoting health.

The Broward MPO looks forward to working with the DDA, the City of Fort Lauderdale, and all our stakeholder agencies to prioritize these types of improvements to ensure our region's mobility network is safe and accommodating for all.

We look forward to USDOT joining the MPO and providing funding to support this effort with major benefits.

Sincerely,



Gregory Stuart  
Executive Director

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