

MAKE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING MORE FLEXIBLE



The Florida League of Cities calls on the Florida Legislature to drive Florida forward to a safer future by helping cities fund transportation infrastructure.

THE KEY POINTS

- 01** The growth in population, visitors and the economy means **our highways are congested**. This public safety issue means **slower 911 response times** and **sluggish evacuations**. We would do better if we stopped wasting money on gas in idling cars and spent it on roads instead.
- 02** Our **road system is in disrepair**. When we improve access to highways and cut travel delays and transportation costs, the economy benefits, as do all the people who live and work here. **We must prioritize safety by preparing for technology changes** that are already beginning in transportation.
- 03** Only a handful of states – including Florida – have failed to increase gas taxes to fund infrastructure. If we wait to fund our roads, **the costs of supplies and labor will only go up**, while **the quality of our roads goes down**. It's like a sick person waiting too long to see a doctor.
- 04** Federal, state and county governments have multiple ways to pay for transportation demands, but cities are limited. To prosper, Florida cities need greater funding flexibility. **Let us fund local solutions with local dollars.**

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