

MEMORANDUM

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TO:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM:

STAFF

SUBJECT:

FRCA MONTHLY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Recommendation

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LEGISLATIVE TALKING POINTS 2013

- Designated as federal Economic Development Districts to promote economic development in conjunction with local economic development organizations, provide access to federal economic development funding, and provide technical assistance to local governments, private businesses and neighborhood-based organizations with respect to the creation and expansion of infrastructure and jobs.
- Prepare 5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies, or investment plans, using the Florida
 Chamber Foundation's Six-Pillars as the organizing framework, which will help implement the State Strategic
 Plan for Economic Development and meet the Governor's job creation goals.
- Assist the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity in the development of the State Strategic Plan and develop tactics and metrics to measure progress toward implementing that plan.
- Use regional econometric modeling to provide objective economic impact analyses on policy and investment
 decisions in support of local economic development organizations, helping them create jobs and invest in local
 communities.
- Prepare grant applications for federal/state economic development infrastructure funds to support economic
 development and job creation projects at the request of local economic development organizations and local
 governments.
- Convene community leaders to develop **regional visions** that link business development, job creation, infrastructure, environment, land use, and transportation into long-term investment plans.
- Collaborate with **military bases** on a variety of activities to protect their mission and save jobs while ensuring public safety and compatible growth in their adjacent communities.
- Administer brownfield revolving loan funds and business-related revolving loan funds, undertake brownfield
 revitalization projects, and serve as the regional clearinghouse for the federal Intergovernmental Coordination
 and Review process, ensuring access to hundreds of millions of federal infrastructure, economic development,
 and job creation investment dollars on an annual basis.

METRICS

- Invested \$66 million in 60 projects in Florida to create/retain 13,700 jobs (January 2003 August 2010).
- Conducted 420 regional economic impact analyses (over the past 10 years).
- Loaned \$38.6 million through a revolving loan fund portfolio, resulting in the creation of over 1,800 jobs (over the past 10 years).
- Leveraged 11 dollars in local, federal, and private direct investment for every dollar invested by the State of Florida (FY 2010-11).
- **Reviewed 14,800 projects** through Federal Consistency Review linking infrastructure investment to local, regional, and state economic development priorities (over the past 10 years).

DIRECTORY OF REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS





REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Regional planning councils are Florida's only multipurpose regional entities that plan for and coordinate intergovernmental solutions on multijurisdictional issues, support regional economic development, and provide assistance to local governments.

Overview

- By the late 1970s, most Florida counties had entered into interlocal agreements under Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, to create regional planning councils in response to areawide circumstances and needs.
- Passage of the Florida State and Regional Planning Act of 1984 authorized the designation of comprehensive planning districts - regional planning councils - as the primary organizations to address problems of greater than local concern.
- Florida Statutes recognizes regional planning councils as "Florida's only multipurpose regional entity that is in a position to plan for and coordinate intergovernmental solutions to growthrelated problems on greater-than-local issues, provide technical assistance to local governments, and meet other needs of the communities in each region."
- Regional planning councils adopt Strategic Regional Policy Plans to address natural resources, housing, emergency management, transportation, and economic development.
- The services and programs of regional planning councils (see pages 4-5) are focused on addressing regional concerns and meet the needs of their member local governments.
- Regional planning councils each have a Board of Directors that sets its work program and budget. These governing boards range in size from 19 to 48 and are typically made up of two local elected officials and one gubernatorial appointee from each of its member counties.

- Each Board of Directors includes at least four ex-officio, non-voting members from the following entities: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Transportation, and the appropriate water management district(s).
- Funding for regional planning councils generally comes from three sources: local government membership dues and contracts, and federal and state funding.
- Regional planning councils are an extension of the local governments they serve.

Promoting Economic Development

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Statewide Impact

- Through regional planning councils, from January 2003 to August 2010, the U.S. Economic Development Administration invested \$66 million in 60 projects in Florida to create/retain 13,700 jobs and leverage \$1 billion in private capital investment.
- Over the past ten years, regional planning councils have conducted 420 regional economic impact analyses and studies, often in support of local economic development organizations, helping them compete nationally and globally for investment and skilled jobs.
- Through a revolving loan fund portfolio composed of federal and state funds, regional planning councils have loaned \$38.6 million over the past ten years, resulting in the creation of over 1,800 jobs by growing small businesses.
- For every dollar invested by the State of Florida through an appropriation for regional planning councils in Fiscal Year 2010-11, regional planning councils leveraged 11 dollars in local, federal, and private direct investment to meet regional needs.
- Over the past ten years, regional planning councils have trained more than 50,000 first responders and other emergency management personnel.
- Regional planning councils in Florida were the first in the nation to complete a Statewide Regional Evacuation Study, which won state/ national awards from the National Association of Development Organizations, National Association of Regional Councils, American Planning Association, and Florida Planning and Zoning Association.

PROGRAM MATRIX

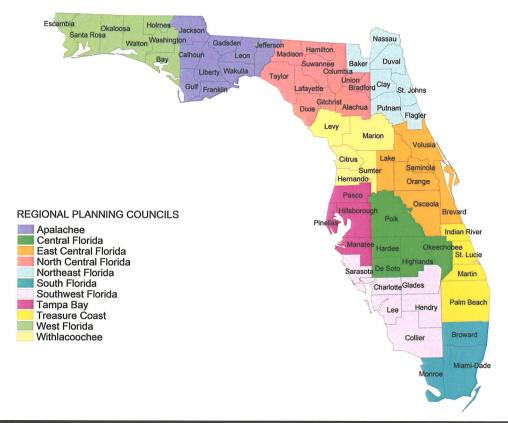
PROGRAM	ARPC	CFRPC	ECFRPC	NCFRPC	NEFRC	SFRPC	SWFRPC	TBRPC	TCRPC	WFRPC	WRPC
Regional Planning											
Broadband Planning		х					x	х			
Energy Initiatives	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Federal Clearinghouse	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Health Initiatives		х	х		х	х					
Military Base Compatibility		х	х	х	х	х		х		х	х
Power Plan Siting Review	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Strategic Regional Policy Plan	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
U.S. Housing & Urban Development Sustainable Communities Initiative		х	х			х			х		
Visioning Initiatives		х	х		х	х	х	х	х	х	
Economic Development											
Brownfields Assessments		х					х		х	х	
Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Eco/Cultural/Heritage Tourism Development	х		х	х	х			х	х		
Economic Development District	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Economic Development Organization Collaboration	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Economic Impact Analyses Modeling	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Revolving Loan Fund (Business and/or Brownfields)	х	х				х			х	х	
Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern	х	х		x	х		х			х	х
Community Development											
Affordable Housing Initiatives		х	х	х	х	х		х	х	х	
Areas of Critical State Concern	х	х	х			х	х	х			
Coastal Zone Planning	х		х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Developments of Regional Impact	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Dispute Resolution	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Downtown Redevelopment and Urban Design		x	x	x					х		х
Geographic Information Systems Mapping/Data	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Grant Writing and Administration	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	
Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Local Government Planning Services	x	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х



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PROGRAM	ARPC	CFRPC	ECFRPC	NCFRPC	NEFRC	SFRPC	SWFRPC	TBRPC	TCRPC	WFRPC	WRPC
Community Development (Continued)											
Newsletter			х		х		х	х		х	
Regional Leadership Training			х		х				х		
U.S. Census State Data Center Affiliate	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Emergency Preparedness											
Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan Support	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	x
Emergency Management Training and Exercises	х	х	х	х	х	х	x	х	х	х	х
Hazardous First Responder Training	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Hurricane Evacuation and Shelter Planning	х	х	х	x	x	х	x	х	х	х	х
Local Emergency Planning Committee	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Local Hazard Mitigation Strategies	х		х		х		х	х	х		х
Post Disaster Redevelopment Planning	х	х	х		x	х		х	х		х
Regional Domestic Security Task Force Training and Exercises	х	х	х	х	х	х		х	х	х	х
Sea Level Rise/Climate Change Studies			х		х	х	х	х	х		
Small Quantity Hazardous Waste Generator Monitoring	х	х		х	х		х		х	х	х
Statewide Regional Evacuation Study	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Transportation Planning											
Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning		х	х	х			х		х	х	
Local Government Transportation Technical Assistance		х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х		х
Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization				х						х	
Modal Planning Initiatives		х	х			х			х		
Rural Transportation Planning Services	х	х								х	
Safe Routes to School Initiatives		х	х				х				
Transportation Disadvantaged Program	х	х		х	х		х			х	х
Environmental & Natural Resource Planning											
Clean Cities Initiatives						х					
Estuary/River/Bay/Ecosystem Initiatives	х		х			х	х	х	х	х	х
Natural Resources of Regional Significance	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Springs Protection Initiatives	х	-	х								х
Wildlife Habitat Initiatives		х	х				х		х		х

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