

# Making 2045 Healthy, Sustainable, and Resilient

# The Transportation Think-In

On February 7, MetroPlan Orlando hosted the Transportation Think-In, a forum for discussing the future of transportation in our region. During this event, community leaders representing non-transportation sectors spent the day learning and discussing the role of the region's transportation system in promoting health, enhancing sustainability, and building resiliency.

The event is part of a MetroPlan Orlando project, funded by the Federal Highway Administration.

# **Groups Represented**

- Health
- Education
- Housing
- Chambers of Commerce
- Community Development
- Human Services
- Non-profit organizations
- Tourism

### **Key Facts**

- Our region is expected to add 1.2 million people by 2045.
- Since 2010, the metro area's growth is due to ~40% domestic migration, ~30% international influx, and 30% births.
- Climate change and extreme weather events will bring more people here and stress our region's assets.
- The average monthly housing and transportation cost is \$2,458.

# Don't Block the Box: Transportation's Many Intersections

Keynote Speaker Karen Leone de Nie, Associate Vice President, Community and Economic Development, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, spoke about the benefits of thinking collectively and the intersections between transportation, health, employment, community and economic development.

# **Lessons Shared**

- The breakdown of silos comes from speaking the same language and working together.
- Don't assume the answer to the problem is solely found in the problem itself.
- Light up the runway for investment. Our metropolitan area compares poorly to peer cities in terms of grant capital.

## **Takeaways**

- Explore intersections between Housing, Workforce Development,
   Public Transit
- Determine policy changes needed to "not block the box"
- Identify new revenue sources and better coordinate among existing sources
- Recognize the possibility of broadening MetroPlan Orlando's role in the region

# **Next Steps**

Transportation Think-In Summary Report (March 2018)
Reports offering policy recommendations and strategies (Summer 2018)

