2016
Federal Legislative Priorities for Seminole County, Florida
PRIORITIES

During the 2016 Legislative Session, Seminole County legislative priorities shall be:

Transportation

Support the TIGER grant application or other federal funding for the expansion of SunRail Phase II North, which has an anticipated project cost of $69,000,000. Additionally, support the 5.5 mile extension of SunRail from the mainline system to the Intermodal Terminal Facility at the Orlando International Airport with an estimated capital cost of $200,000,000.

Reducing Homelessness

Support and encourage the development of legislation that would expand the ability of local governments to serve target populations and provide flexible dedicated federal funding sources for homelessness/affordable housing programs.

Fiscal Sustainability

Support funding of federal grant programs for public safety, emergency management, and affordable housing and guard against legislation that imposes unfunded mandates or any bill that preempt local government authority.

Water Resource Legislation

Protect and provide local governments with opportunity, authority and funding to address local and regional needs without increased federal regulatory oversight. Ensure that any revisions to the Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule language provide clarification thereby eliminating the inappropriate application of WOTUS on manmade systems as it would divert limited resources and funding away from truly impaired (natural) waterbodies to infrastructure that was never intended to attain water quality standards.