ENSURING A STRONG FISCAL FUTURE FOR MIAMI-DADE

YOUR 2024-25 COUNTY BUDGET



Our budget for the coming year is fiscally responsible, accountable and future-ready. It builds on the tax cuts of the past two years – which brought the millage to a historic low, totaling over \$43 million in savings for residents – while gearing up for the largest transformation in our county's history, as five constitutional offices officially separate from our government. Our budget also helps us maintain excellent bond ratings that reflect responsible stewardship of our resources.

All the while, we're continuing to make key investments in our community's priorities:



HOUSING

- This fiscal year we will continue implementing the historic HOMES housing affordability plan
- Accelerating construction of needed development; over 3,000 affordable housing units have been already built with County funding and 8,700 more units are in the pipeline, advancing the overall goal of adding 32,000 units countywide
- Providing relief and resources for renters and homeowners through the Office of Housing Advocacy



INFRASTRUCTURE

- Investing more than \$9 billion at our Miami International Airport for maintenance and capital improvements
- Providing plug-in Shore Power at PortMiami and building two new terminals
- Funding more than \$500 million in capital projects for our water and wastewater system



TRANSIT & MOBILITY

- Advancing Vision Zero improvements for traffic, bicycle and pedestrian safety
- Improving our Better Bus Network: updating our stations, adding bus stops and benches, and funding MetroConnect and MetroLink services to connect riders with more options
- Continuing our SMART Program by advancing the North and Northeast corridors, and completing the South Dade Transit Way which will be the longest electric bus rapid transit system in the world



PUBLIC SAFETY

- Curbing gun violence by funding prevention and intervention through the Peace & Prosperity Plan
- Upgrading critical crime fighting technology
- Investing in MDPD's air support unit and MDFR's life-saving community programs

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ENVIRONMENT & RESILIENCE

- Continuing to build our ClimateReady Tech Hub that received over \$22 million in combined federal funds and private investments to accelerate climate technologies
- Addressing extreme heat, increasing the tree canopy and protecting our most vulnerable residents
- Protecting Biscayne Bay, reducing pollution and flood risk, and converting homes from septic to sewer
- Reducing carbon emissions through more solar installations and fleet electrification, creating savings for our residents and a cleaner local economy



ECONOMY & SMALL BUSINESS

- Expanding economic development programs like Strive 305, already serving about 15,000 small businesses
- Providing loans to hundreds of small businesses through the RISE Fund initiative
- Awarding Future Ready Scholarships to high school graduates seeking to complete degrees at Miami Dade College



FAMILIES & OLDER ADULTS

- Implementing the new Zero Drownings Miami-Dade program to provide year-round, free swim lessons to children 4-5 years old
- Providing utility assistance, career development, after school programs, and self-sufficiency services at our No Wrong Door Community Resource Centers
- Assisting families through the Eviction Diversion Program which has supported more than 1,500 residents facing evictions



ANIMAL WELFARE

- Increasing funding for spay/neuter programs
- Helping people keep their pets through assistance with food and veterinary care
- Adding more resources to take care of pets in our shelters

