



NEEDS ASSESSMENT

In the late 1980s, with the county's population growing and moving westward, local officials foresaw the need to create transportation connectivity. At the same time, the area's vital aviation industry forecast the need to decongest roadways in and around Miami International Airport (MIA), the county's foremost economic generator. Local officials asked the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to marshal forces to **link the community's disparate transportation services** and to find a way to **relieve MIA of the burdensome traffic** that was clogging its access roadways and terminal ramps.

PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

In 1995, FDOT's **Major Investment Study (MIS)**/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the MIC was approved by the Federal Highway Administration, and in 1998 a **Record of Decision** by the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) was granted giving location and design concept approval.

FDOT continues to lead the design and construction of the MIC Program in **partnership** with USDOT, Miami-Dade County and its aviation and transit departments, the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority and the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority. A consultant management group assists FDOT in the planning, design and implementation of the program. Highway and access roads have been completed. The Rental Car Center opened for business on July 13, 2010, and the MIA Mover became operational on September 9, 2011. Currently, the Miami Central Station is under construction and scheduled to be completed in 2014.

PROJECT OVERVIEW



The \$2 billion MIC Program includes the **Rental Car Center, Miami Central Station, MIA Mover, access roads** and major **highway improvements**, all to be completed by early 2014.

FDOT is pursuing private and/or public sector **Joint Development** projects to enhance the MIC's economic viability. Miami-Dade Transit began operating its **Metrorail Orange Line** and Metrobus service to MIA via the Miami Central Station on July 28, 2012.

The MIC will become the county's main transportation hub and will link MIA with South Florida's business and tourist destinations. The Miami Central Station will enable safe and efficient transfers between rail systems, buses, taxis, automobiles and bicycles. Traffic at the airport's terminals has been reduced by 15 percent as a result of all rental car companies previously found at MIA and several located off-airport shifting operations to the Rental Car Center. An additional 15 percent of the vehicular traffic was removed

when the MIA Mover became operational.

FINANCE

USDOT has designated the MIC Program as a **Major Project** under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (**TIFIA**) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (**TEA21**). This has enabled the MIC Program to receive two loans, one for \$269 million and another for \$270



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million. The Department has repaid its initial \$15 million drawdown of the \$269 million loan and used that source to fund a portion of the Rental Car Center.

Funding for the MIC Program has been advanced through the TIFIA loans and an internal State Transportation Trust Fund (STTF) loan. Other major funding includes various state and local sources and private sector fees and charges. The MIA Mover was funded primarily by Miami-Dade County as its contribution to the program as specified in various agreements with the state and federal government. FDOT contributed over \$100 million toward the MIA Mover's guideway, foundations and station located at the MIC. They also contributed \$101 million toward Metrorail's new MIA station at the Miami Central Station. Joint Development will be privately funded by developers who lease MIC properties that have been set aside for that purpose.

PROJECT STATUS

- **Rental Car Center, FM# 249937-3** – Tunnels and pile caps were completed in February 2007.
- **Rental Car Center, FM# 249937-5** – The superstructure was completed in September 2008. Tenant build-out began in November 2009. The Rental Car Center became operational on July 13, 2010. The final Certificate of Occupancy was received on March 8, 2011, and the facility was conveyed to the Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) on November 15, 2011.
- **Miami Central Station, FM# 406800-2** – Turner Construction received LOA/NTP on May 18, 2011. Construction began on June 3, 2011 and the official groundbreaking followed on September 27, 2011. It is anticipated to open in early 2014.
- **Le Jeune Road Improvements, FM# 250234-2, 250234-4 & 408834-1** – Construction was completed in May 2008.
- **MIC Terminal Access Roadways, FM# 249937-4, FM#249937-2, FM# 249937-6, FM# 249937-7** – Various segments were completed in 2008 with the remaining portions completed in October 2009.
- **MIC-MIA Interchange, FM#408834-1** – This project was completed in May 2008.
- **MIA Mover Station at MIC, FM# 406800-6** – Construction of the superstructure began in February 2008 and substantial completion was achieved in January 2011. The station was turned over to the Miami-Dade Aviation Department for final buildout, which was completed in September 2011.
- **MIA Mover Connector, MDAD-DBOM** – Design development began in September 2008, and groundbreaking for this project took place March 2, 2009. It became operational on September 9, 2011.
- **Le Jeune Road Landscaping, FM#415240-1**– This was completed in November 2009.



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