

Social Media Guidance

We encourage you to share your experience online and follow our official Twitter handle @flcounties using the event hashtag #FACFlyIn.

Find pre-made tweets below, as well as the social media handles of speakers.

Customizable Tweets

[YOUR COUNTY] is in Washington, D.C. @flcounties Federal Fly In meeting with members of Congress, ensuring that [YOUR COUNTY] and Florida's needs are being heard and represented in federal policies. #LocalRules #FACinAction

[YOUR COUNTY] is in Washington, D.C. @flcounties Federal Fly In advocating for county transportation and infrastructure measures/increased support in the recovery process after a major disaster #FACFlyIn #FACinAction (pick one issue)

Key Handles & Hashtags

@flcounties

#FACFlyIn

#FACinAction

#LocalRules

#CountiesMatter

#Counties

Promote the FAC Federal Priorities

Emergency Management

FEMA has deobligated more than \$1.5 billion in PREVIOUSLY APPROVED project funds from Florida, placing the financial burden back on #counties! How can counties prepare for future disasters when they can't rely on FEMA's support? #CountiesMatter #FACinAction

Instead of focusing on how to rebuild the community, the bureaucracy at FEMA is trending toward a rigid accounting process, requiring #counties to provide burdensome documentation for recovery projects. #FACFlyIn

Under current law, FEMA can deobligate a project 3 years after the conclusion of a disaster declaration even though the project could have been completed years prior. It would make more sense if there was a limit based on when the project was completed. #FACinAction

#Counties must wait to appeal FEMA's determination AFTER the project has already been deobligated. FEMA should be prohibited from immediately deobligating funds until the county has exhausted its appeal rights. #LocalRules #FACinAction #FACFlyIn

While some investment is directed at pre-disaster mitigation, a majority is tied to disaster declarations and structures that were impacted by a storm. There needs to be more funds appropriated to pre-storm initiatives to prevent more severe damages. #FACFlyIn

After Hurricane Matthew and Irma, Florida's communities need the disaster supplemental funds approved by Congress under the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 more than ever. #CountiesMatter

Hurricane Irma was one of the costliest floods in Florida history. Flood damages alone have resulted in more than 17,000 flood insurance claims totaling over \$887 million dollars. #FACFlyIn

Infrastructure Needs

#Counties own 46 percent of all public roads and 38 percent of the nation's bridge inventory. #LocalRules #FACFlyIn

In Florida, #counties own and maintain more than 70,400 miles of roads. #FACFlyIn

A report by CUTR, estimates that, over the next twenty years, our Metropolitan Planning Areas will face a \$126 billion shortfall for transportation needs. To maintain this system, 86% of the transportation budget will be spent on maintenance instead of capital improvements.

On average, Florida #counties spent \$227.26 per capita on transportation needs in 2016. #FACFlyIn

Without the tax-exemption, #counties would pay more to raise capital, a cost that would ultimately be borne by the taxpayers. By preserving the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds, counties can afford the financing of long-range investments in the infrastructure and facilities. #FACFlyIn

Congress must pass a 2018 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) bill. WRDA legislation authorizes critical water projects and is crucial for addressing the nation's water infrastructure needs. #CountiesMatter #FACFlyIn