

## Cities announce the “Network of Cities: Scaling City Innovate Foundation’s Urban Transportation Initiative” at Superpublic

*City Innovate Foundation, Superpublic and its cross-sector partners announce network of cities for scaling its inaugural Mobility Solutions.*

WASHINGTON D.C, January 17, 2017— During the 2017 U.S. Conference of Mayors, City Innovate Foundation (CIF) announced the collection of cities who will participate in the upcoming phase of their program to enhance public transit. The participating cities include San Francisco, Oakland, Chattanooga, Miami-Dade County and Los Angeles.

Following Miami-Dade’s \$33 million investment to improve and upgrade their ticketing and payments systems, the county implemented CIF’s Test & Learn Collider methodology. The Test & Learn Collider allows participants to shape policy by framing problems, identifying use cases, exploring private sector solutions and using empirical data. They’re working with corporate partners including Cubic, Lyft, Mastercard, Microsoft, Siemens and Zipcar to integrate new technologies like smartphone-based ride-hailing services.

City Innovate Foundation helped launched an innovation lab called Superpublic at UN Plaza in San Francisco in 2016 and the goal was to replicate the work in this lab to other cities. “In 2017 we are now scaling our work across these cities in the US and we are excited to share best practices within our network of cities” said Kamran Saddique, Executive Director of City Innovate Foundation.

City Innovate is releasing a playbook in February with key learnings from the Mobility Collider in Miami-Dade, sharing these insights with national cities so they can craft local responses to their mobility challenges. This initiative, with City Innovate as a neutral convener, will align incentives among cities and the private sector with tangible solutions in mind.

“Siemens is proud to bring its extensive advanced transportation and connected mobility expertise to this partnership and the playbook that will help bring innovative transportation systems to life,” said Marcus Welz, CEO of Siemens Intelligent Traffic Systems in North America. “We’ve seen first-hand how making roads and vehicles smarter can reduce congestion, improve safety, lower emissions, and even cut costs and we’re thrilled that this partnership will help more cities do just that.”

Mobility in Miami-Dade County is a top priority for our Department of Transportation and Public Works,” said Alice N. Bravo, Director. “Working with City Innovate and utilizing the information gathered in their Collider program will lead to improved mobility countywide. Sharing and collecting best practices from other participating cities will allow our Department to potentially implement unique and creative solutions to

enhance the quality of life for our nearly 2.7 million residents.

“Traffic congestion plagues cities across the US, **underscoring the increasingly urgent** need for available and inexpensive public transit,” says Director of Civic Technology, Scott Mauvais, Microsoft. “The Collider convenes city leaders, community activists, technologists and transportation experts to tackle this multi-faceted challenge. Microsoft is happy to participate in this forum and **share** our ideas, technology and **support**. “

City Innovate is in the process of finalizing its portfolio of member cities, and interested partners and cities are encouraged to reach out to City Innovate with any inquiries.

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