

**East-West Corridor Rapid Transit Phase 1 Project**  
**Miami, Florida**  
**Small Starts Project Development**  
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The Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) proposes to implement a 13.5-mile bus rapid transit (BRT) service along State Road (SR) 836/Dolphin Expressway, US 41/SR 90/Tamiami Trail/SW 8th Street, and SR 825/NW/SW 137th Avenue. The project is planned to include three stations with level boarding, offboard fare collection, safety and security systems, real-time arrival information, protection from weather, and two park-and-ride facilities along SR-836 at NW 97th and NW 87th Avenues. The project's capital cost estimate is \$281 million. The sponsor anticipates seeking \$92.7 million in Small Starts funds.

The sponsor indicates that purpose of the project is to provide frequent and reliable transit service along the project corridor. Currently, the corridor is congested with automobile traffic that is projected to increase in the future, with few options for expansion. In addition, the corridor lacks connectivity at the western end of the project and to regional transit options in general. The project is expected to increase connectivity between major activity centers, promote access to multimodal transportation and support economic development.

DTPW selected the locally preferred alternative in October 2020. DTPW anticipates completing the environmental review process by February 2022 and adopting the locally preferred alternative into the fiscally constrained long-range plan by April 2022. The sponsor anticipates receiving a Small Starts construction grant in late 2022, with revenue service commencing in 2025.