



Florida League of Cities

2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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411 cities, towns, and
villages



100+ years old



Orlando +
Tallahassee



Mission unchanged since 1922:
LOCAL VOICES MAKING LOCAL CHOICES

League Governance



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Advocacy



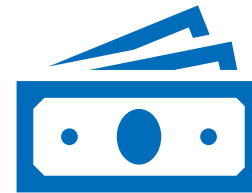
Events



Training



Resources



Services

Advocacy

- ▶ **Legislative Platform:** Positions are limited to municipal issues; must impact the majority of municipalities
- ▶ **Advocacy:** Monitoring hundreds of legislative issues each session
- ▶ **Training:** Advocacy kits, online course, bill summaries, and more
- ▶ **Grassroots:** Mobilizing residents through the Local Voices United (LVU) program

Advocacy

- ▶ **Policy Committees:** Five policy committees set the legislative agenda for the League and Florida's 411 cities
 - ▶ Development, Code Compliance, and Redevelopment
 - ▶ Finance and Taxation
 - ▶ Intergovernmental Relations, Mobility, and Emergency Management
 - ▶ Municipal Operations
 - ▶ Utilities, Natural Resources, and Public Works
- ▶ **Advocacy Committee:** Responsible for building support among the League membership and the Legislature for the legislative priorities adopted by the Florida League of Cities membership
- ▶ **Federal Action Strike Team (FAST):** Responsible for strengthening the League's federal relations with Florida's congressional delegation

Events

- ▶ **Conferences**

- ▶ Annual (August 13-15, 2026)
- ▶ Legislative (December 3-4, 2026)

- ▶ **Federal Action Strike Team Fly-in**

- ▶ Washington

- ▶ **Legislative Action Days**

- ▶ Tallahassee (March 8-10, 2027)



Training

- ▶ **Online Orientation:** A virtual course designed for newly elected officials
- ▶ **Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO):** Two-day comprehensive overview of municipal government. Three levels.
 - ▶ Next IEMO I: September 18-19, Tampa
 - ▶ Next IEMO II: October 9-10, Lake Buena Vista
- ▶ **Ethics Education:** Offered annually both in-person and virtually
- ▶ **QC Live Webinar Series:** Held on the second Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m.



Scan for Institute for Elected Municipal Officials Information + Registration

Resources

- ▶ **Newly Elected Officials Webpage:** Suggestions for what to take advantage of in your first year
- ▶ **Property Tax Toolkit:** An educational toolkit that explains how property taxes work and why they matter
- ▶ **FLCityJobs:** Jobs portal designed to support your city's recruitment efforts
- ▶ **AI Resource Hub:** Designed specifically for Florida cities, the FLC AI Hub provides municipal leaders with valuable, timely resources

Services: Grants

10,000+ Grants

- ▶ Access to the nation's largest professionally curated database of more than 10,000 grants

Dedicated Coordinator

- ▶ Euna Solutions Grant Coordinator with the sole function of assisting member cities

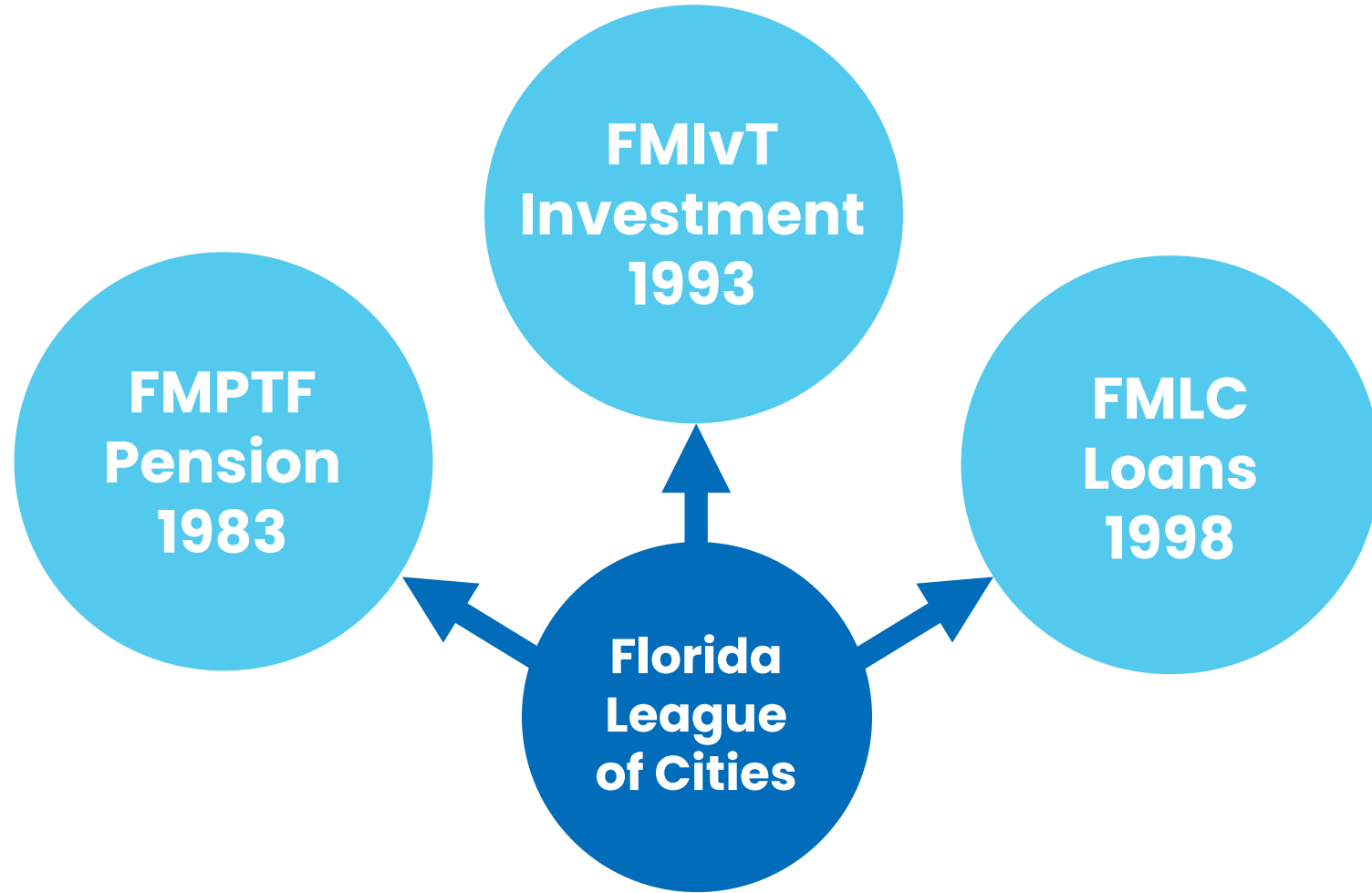
Additional Discounted Services

- ▶ Access to writing and post-award suites for discounted prices

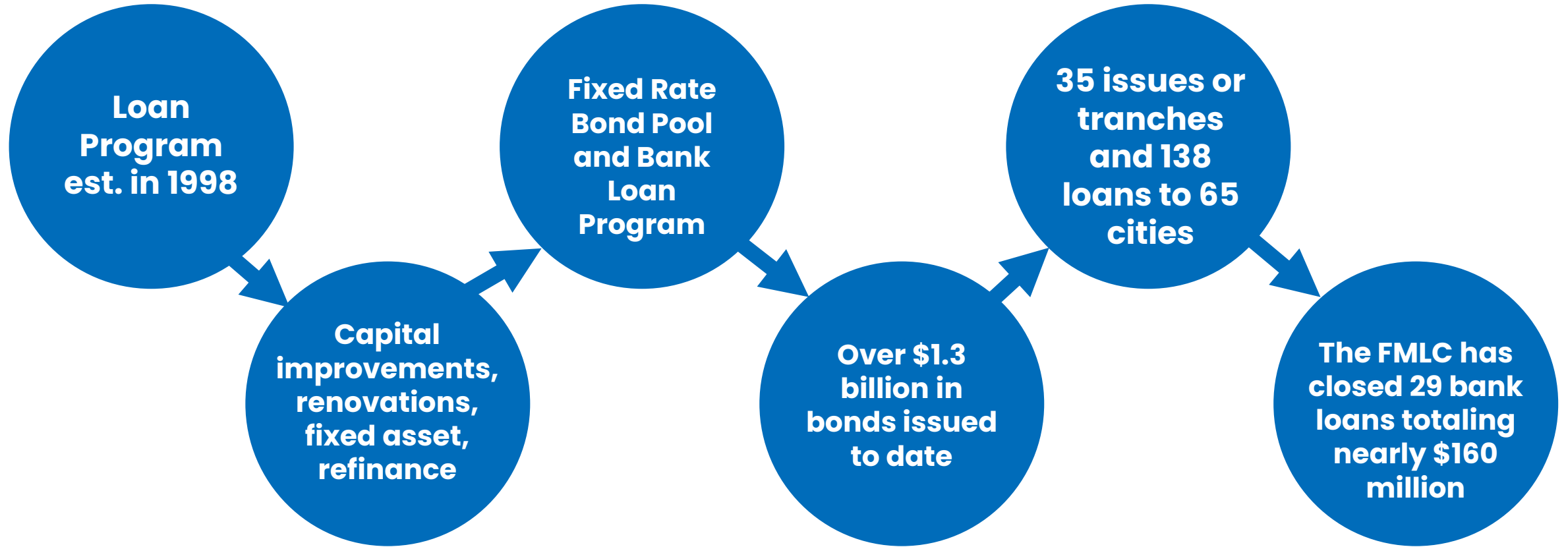
Services: Financial

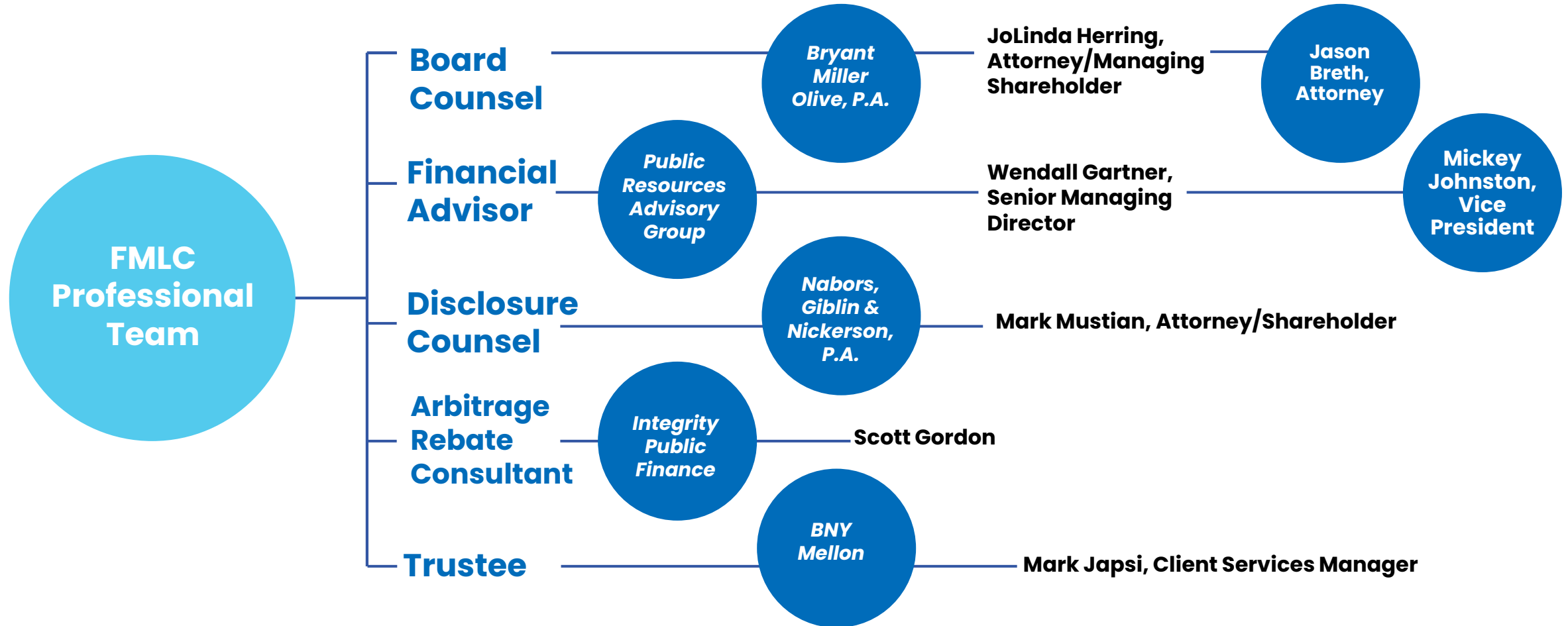
- ▶ Florida Municipal Investment Trust Fund
- ▶ Florida Municipal Pension Trust Fund
- ▶ Florida Municipal Loan Council
- ▶ OPEB Actuarial Services
- ▶ Equipment Leasing
- ▶ Delinquent Business Tax Collection
- ▶ Florida Government Finance Officers Association (FGFOA)

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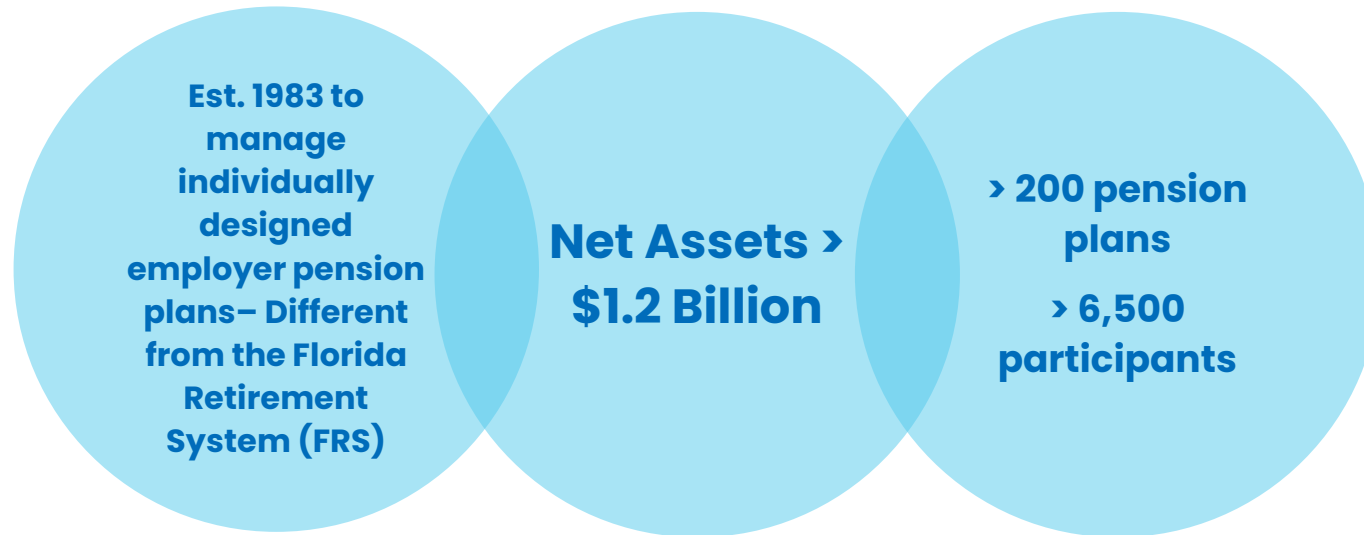


**\$1.8
Billion of
Assets**

**10
Portfolio
Options**

**54
Members**

**Operating,
Surplus,
and
Pension
Assets**



Administrative Services for:

- ▶ Defined Benefit
- ▶ Chapter 175 & 185 plans (Police and Fire)
- ▶ Defined Contribution (401)
- ▶ Deferred Compensation (457) plans
- ▶ Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB)

Services: Insurance

- ▶ **The Florida Municipal Insurance Trust offers:**
 - ▶ General Liability
 - ▶ Cyber Liability
 - ▶ Workers' Compensation
 - ▶ Property
 - ▶ Automobile
 - ▶ Health
 - ▶ Synergy Disaster Recovery

Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT)



History

- ▶ Independent legal entity
- ▶ Formed in 1977
- ▶ FLC Insurance Operation based in the Orlando Office



Governance

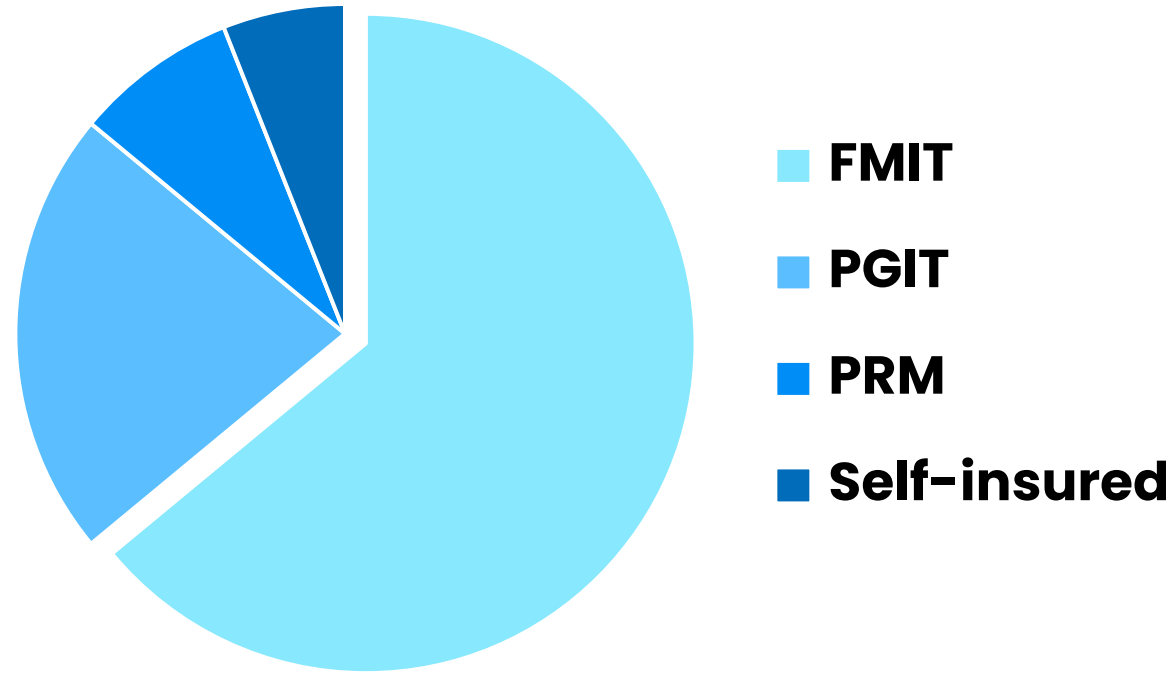
- ▶ 15-Member Board – Elected Officials
- ▶ FLC Staff
- ▶ Actuary
- ▶ Auditor
- ▶ Brokers/Consultants
- ▶ Investment Consultant



Attributes

- ▶ Over 500 members
- ▶ Largest provider to cities in Florida
- ▶ All lines of coverage

Florida Cities P&C Market Share



95%
of municipalities
are insured
through one of
three programs

Synergy Turnkey Recovery Program



*The Florida Municipal
Insurance Trust Is
There With You!*

Florida Municipal Insurance Trust

Robust Risk & Safety Management Program

- ▶ Five field consultants, one field Director, and two office staff
- ▶ In-person educational seminars and workshops
- ▶ Free online learning courses
- ▶ Tailored loss analysis and loss runs
- ▶ Safety Excellence Initiative (SEI)
- ▶ SEI Awards Grant
- ▶ Matching Safety Grant up to \$6,000
- ▶ FMIT Community Connection
- ▶ Employment Law Advisor Hotline (ELA)
- ▶ Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP)

Award-winning Special Investigations Unit (SIU)

- ▶ Recognized by the State of Florida Governor and Cabinet in 2009 for its work in the fight against insurance fraud

Investing in Technology

FMIT Health Program

- ▶ National network through UnitedHealthcare
- ▶ Pooled administrative costs, keeping medical costs stable over time
- ▶ Pooling lessens impacts of large claims
- ▶ Plan designs and supporting services built by municipalities
- ▶ Hometown Health – integrated wellbeing program **(NO COST)**



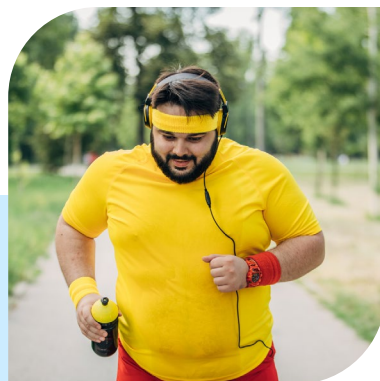
Medical Coverage

FMIT has partnered with UnitedHealthcare for 18 years.

- ▶ All medical plans utilize the Choice Plus Network with UHC and are built with the municipality in mind.
- ▶ UHC has the largest network in the nation, with options for in-network care available to all those on a municipality health plan.



Hometown Health



A free wellness program provided for eligible members to assist with accomplishing their health goals.



Access to free health coaching, wellness challenges, onsite biometric screenings, goal-setting tools, webinars, and more



All full-time employees who are the main carriers on their employer's UHC health insurance can participate



Program starts October 1, 2025, and ends September 30, 2026. Earn up to \$125 in gift card rewards for participating in a variety of health activities throughout the year!

FMIT Hometown Health Award



- ▶ Successfully renew Group Health Insurance with FMIT.
- ▶ The medical loss ratio must be 80% or lower.

Tier 1 Incentive:

Meets minimum participation thresholds in Tier 1, up to \$12,500 max.

Tier 2 Incentive:

Meets minimum participation thresholds in Tier 2, up to \$12,500 max.

Started on October 1, 2024, FMIT began matching Tier 1 and Tier 2 employee gift card incentives up to \$25,000 per member per year with no MLR minimum.

Key Takeaways



The FLC is the united voice for Florida's cities, towns, and villages. A nonpartisan organization, the League advocates on behalf of Florida's cities and supports local leaders through events, training, resources, and services.



Read our weekly newsletter, sent each Tuesday



Visit *flcities.com* for more information



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