



2019 Federal Legislative Priorities

- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** legislation that promotes and funds housing opportunities for homeless veterans, affordable housing and workforce housing.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** legislation that promotes and funds the strengthening of the mental health system, including suicide prevention, to help Americans receive the care and treatment they need.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** legislation and funding for the opioid crisis, school safety and homelessness.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** legislation that funds municipal infrastructure projects including expanding access to high speed broadband, transportation, water and utilities.
- The City of North Port **OPPOSES** any proposal to limit the value of the tax exemption for municipal bonds.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** funding for grants and other programs available to municipalities, including health care services.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** funding for the widening of River Road and Price Boulevard.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** protection of clean water and water quality.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** funding for the I-75/Yorkshire Interchange.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** evaluating true accessibility to healthcare for veterans.
- The City of North Port **SUPPORTS** changing the classification of medical marijuana to be a legal substance.



City of North Port's 2019 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

North Port Facts:

Largest city in population and landmass in
Sarasota County

North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota Metropolitan
Statistical Area

104.1-square-miles with a portion of U.S. 41 and
Interstate 75

More than 70,000 residents, median age 44,
and more than 12,000 children

More than 80 miles of freshwater canals, from
which it draws its drinking water during certain
parts of the year

Home to the Myakka State Forest; North Port is
the only city in the state with an entire state
forest within its boundaries

More than 800 miles of local roads

Two high schools, three middle schools, six
elementary schools

North Port City Commission

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