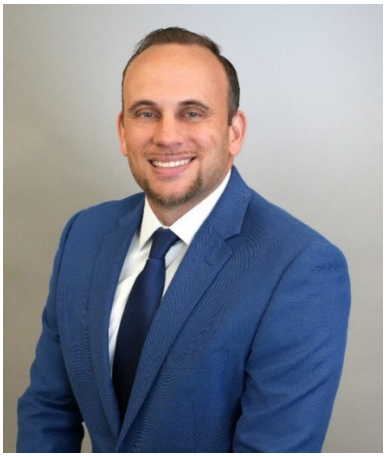


Nick Ciancio, MPA, MPH
Resilience Division Director - Department of Solid Waste Management

Nick Ciancio is the Resilience Division Director for the Department of Solid Waste Management in Miami-Dade County. As Resilience Division Director, Nick is charged with incorporating resiliency and sustainability measures into departmental operations. Nick helped oversee the County's development of its Zero Waste Master Plan, which provides a pathway for Miami-Dade County to become a 'Zero Waste' County. Nick also oversees recycling and waste diversion operations for the Department.



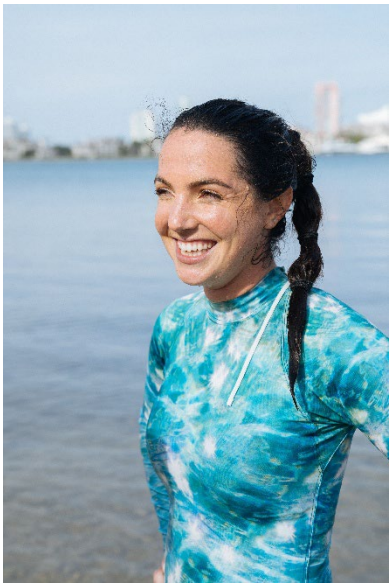
Matt Anderson
Assistant Director of Mobility and Sustainability-Chief Resilience Officer | City of Coral Gables

Matt Anderson serves as the Assistant Director of Mobility and Sustainability- Chief Resilience Officer for the City of Coral Gables, where he has dedicated more than 11 years to advancing the City’s environmental and transportation initiatives. In this role, Matt oversees the implementation of the City’s Sustainability Management Plan and leads efforts to reduce energy and water use, minimize waste and fuel consumption, and lower greenhouse gas

emissions. He works collaboratively across City departments and with residents and the business community to shape policies and programs that strengthen resiliency and sustainability.

Matt also leads the City's climate mitigation and adaptation strategies, water quality initiatives, and multimodal transportation programs. He manages key mobility services including the Coral Gables Trolley—serving over one million passengers annually—along with Freebee and micromobility programs. As Co-Executive Director of Keep Coral Gables Beautiful, Matt promotes community engagement to reduce litter, improve recycling, and keep our city beautiful.

A South Florida native, Matt earned his bachelor's degree in environmental studies from Florida International University. He is a LEED Accredited Professional (O+M) and an ENVISION Sustainability Professional**.**



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Zero-Waste Institutional Change Director

Maddie is the Zero-Waste Institutional Change Director of Debris Free Oceans, a Miami-based nonprofit that empowers local communities to go zero waste so that all can have access to a healthy environment and clean oceans. She currently leads their Zero Waste Miami coalition, coordinating a group of 165+ cross-sector stakeholders working together to co-create and implement a zero-waste initiative in Miami-Dade County. Maddie also developed and teaches a Tropical Coastal Restoration course at the University of Miami (UM), where graduate students

participate in lectures and fieldwork focused on dune, mangrove, seagrass, sponge, oyster, and coral restoration. She earned both her Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in Marine Biology from UM, researching coral reef restoration resiliency. Maddie is an AAUS scientific diver, PADI Divemaster, Florida Sea Grant advisory committee member, and FWC-authorized sea turtle monitoring volunteer.



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She is the author of *The Bioarchaeology of Socio-Sexual Lives: Queering Common Sense about Sex, Gender, and Sexuality* (2017), *Theorizing Bioarchaeology* (2021), and *Becoming Object: The Sociopolitics of the Samuel George Morton Cranial Collection* (2024). Edited volumes include *Feminist Anthropology: Past, Present, and Future* (2006) and *The Routledge Handbook of Feminist Anthropology* (2025). In addition to her scholarly publications, Geller also writes for lay audiences; her essays have appeared in *Slate*, *Miami Herald*, *The Conversation*, and *The New York Times*.

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