## **TramLinkBR**

## Baton Rouge, Louisiana Small Starts Project Development Information Prepared January 2018

The City of Baton Rouge-Parish of East Baton Rouge (City-Parish) proposes to construct the TramLinkBR streetcar. The project corridor extends for 3 miles in a north-south direction along Nicholson Drive connecting the Louisiana State Capitol complex with downtown Baton Rouge, the Old South Baton Rouge neighborhood, and the campus of Louisiana State University. The project is planned to include 11 stations with level boarding, and features like real-time arrival information and bicycle racks. The City-Parish currently estimates the capital cost for TramLinkBR to be \$170 million, and expects to request \$84 million of Small Starts funding.

A locally preferred alternative was selected in March 2016. The project entered Small Starts Project Development in July 2016. The City-Parish completed the environmental review process with receipt of a Finding of No Significant Impact from FTA in July 2016. In October 2016, the project was adopted into the fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan. The City-Parish anticipates receipt of a Small Starts Grant Agreement in 2018, and the start of revenue service in 2021.