Areas of Persistent Poverty Discretionary Grant Webinar

February 07, 2023

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Background

- **Statutory Framework:**
  - Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law No: 117-103, March 15, 2022)
  - 49 U.S.C. 5307 (Urbanized), 49 U.S.C. 5310 (Enhanced Mobility), or 49 U.S.C. 5311 (Rural)
  - Authorizes FTA to award grants to Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities through a competitive process for projects
  - Establishes a minimum federal share of not less than 90%
- **Funding Available:**
  - **$20,041,870** includes $20 million (FY22) and $41,870 (FY21)
  - Funding supports planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for projects eligible under Chapter 53 of Title 49 in Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities.
- **Key Dates:**
  - NOFO published 01-09-2023
  - Applications due 03-10-2023 *(please apply early)*

Eligibility Information

- **Eligible Applicants include:**
  - Eligible entities, Recipients or Subrecipients under *49 U.S.C. 5307, 49 U.S.C. 5310, or 49 U.S.C. 5311* located in Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities.
  - Entities that are subrecipients or indirect recipients under these programs must apply through their ordinary pass-through entities or designated recipients.
  - State departments of transportation may apply on behalf of eligible applicants within their states.
  - Applicants are also encouraged to work with non-profit organizations.

Eligibility Cont'd

➢ Eligible project areas are defined as follows:

- "Area of Persistent Poverty" is defined by 49 U.S.C. 6702(a)(1) as;
  - (1) any county (or equivalent jurisdiction) in which, during the 30-year period ending on November 15, 2021, 20 percent or more of the population continually lived in poverty, as measured by the 1990 decennial census, the 2000 decennial census, and the most recent annual small area income and poverty estimate of the Bureau of the Census;
  - (2) any census tract with a poverty rate of not less than 20 percent, as measured by the 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Bureau of the Census for the period of 2014 through 2018; and
  - (3) any territory or possession of the United States.

https://usdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/75febe4d9e6345ddb2c3ab42a4aae85f

- "Historically Disadvantaged Communities" is defined by 49 U.S.C. 6702(a)(1) as;
  - (a) certain qualifying census tracts, (b) any Tribal land, or (c) any territory or possession of the United States.

Eligible Projects

- **Eligible projects are** *planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for projects eligible under Chapter 53 of title 49, U.S.C. that will assist Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities.*
  - **Eligible activities** include planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for: (see NOFO for full list)
    - Improved transit services; New transit routes;
    - Engineering for transit facilities and improvements to existing facilities;
    - Innovative technologies; Low or No emissions
  - **Ineligible activities:**
    - Capital, maintenance, or operating costs
    - Procurement of vehicles or equipment
    - Support of the operation and maintenance of system

Program Goals and Priorities

- **Assist Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities** in planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for improved transit services and projects that;

  - **Address Climate Change and Sustainability:**
    - Executive Order 13990: Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis, and
    - Executive Order 14008: Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad

  - **Address Racial Equity and Barriers to Opportunity:**
    - Advance racial equity, support underserved and environmental justice populations and communities, racial equity, and barriers to opportunity
    - Protect public health and the environment

Evaluation Criteria

- **Applications will be evaluated on the following:**

  - Demonstration of Need - quality and extent to which the proposed activities will support planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans that would result in a project eligible for funding under Chapter 53 of Title 49, U.S.C.
  - Demonstration of Benefits - the quality and extent to which they demonstrate how the proposed activities will support planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans that would result in a project eligible for funding under Chapter 53 of Title 49, United States Code.
  - Funding Commitments – documented sources of non-Federal cost-share and supporting evidence of the availability of funds for the project *(e.g., board resolution, budget document line item or other documentation of the source of non-Federal funds)*.
  - Project Implementation Strategy - the strength of the work plan, detailed budget, schedule, and process included in an application.
  - Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity – demonstration of the technical, legal, and financial capacity to undertake the project.

Additional Selection Criteria

➢ Climate Change and Sustainability

- Applications that create significant community benefits relating to the environment, and projects that address greenhouse gas emissions and climate change impacts.
- Applicants should demonstrate how they have considered climate change and environmental justice in the transportation planning process or anticipated design components with outcomes that address climate change.
- Applications should describe the specific climate change or environmental justice activities that have been incorporated, including whether a project supports a Climate Action Plan or Equitable Development Plan.
- Applicants should detail whether project planning tools like EPA's EJ Screen have been used in project planning.

https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen

Additional Selection Criteria Cont'd

- **Racial Equity and Barriers to Opportunity**

  - Applications that advance racial equity in two areas: (1) planning and policies related to racial equity and overcoming barriers to opportunity; and (2) project investments that either proactively address racial equity and barriers to opportunity, including automobile dependence as a form of barrier, or redress prior inequities and barriers to opportunity.

  - Applicants should describe transportation plans or policies related to equity and barriers to opportunity they are implementing or have implemented in relation to the proposed project.

  - Applicants should specify project investment details necessary for FTA to evaluate if the investments are being made either proactively to advance racial equity and address barriers to opportunity or redress prior inequities and barriers to opportunity.

  - Applicants should consider how the project will address the challenges faced by individuals and underserved communities in rural areas.

Grant Conditions

- Non-Federal Cost Share (Local Match) is 10 percent of Total Project Cost.
- Sources of Non-Federal Cost Share are:
  - Cash or In-kind contributions
  - Transportation Development Credits (toll revenue credits)
  - Sale of advertising/concessions
  - Revenue received under service agreement
  - Value capture etc.
- Pre-award authority guidance to be made available and described with notice of award selections.
- FTA may award less than the requested amount for each applicant.
- Planning Requirements apply - see 23 CFR 450.

Submitting an Application

- Apply through Grants.gov (FTA-2023-006-TPE) with SF 424 Mandatory/Supplemental Forms with attachments. FY23 AoPP NOFO can be downloaded at: https://www.transit.dot.gov/grant-programs/areas-persistent-poverty-program
- Cumulative 15-page limit for Application and all attachments. Applications will be evaluated on information provided in Supplemental Form. Attachments will be used as supporting information.
- Confirmation of location in “Area of Persistent Poverty” or “Historically Disadvantaged Community” Map or Screenshot. https://usdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/75febe4d9e6345ddb2c3ab42a4aae85f
- Confirmed eligibility, Legal, Technical, and Financial Capacity.
- Documentation of availability or commitment of match (10 percent).

Common Questions

1. How do I determine whether my project is in an "Area of Persistent Poverty" or "Historically Disadvantaged Community"?

FTA has provided a full list and map of all Counties in Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities at:
https://usdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/75febe4d9e6345ddb2c3ab42a4aae85f

2. Can I be an eligible applicant if my project area is in an Area of Persistent Poverty and a Historically Disadvantaged Community?

Yes. Applicants can be eligible as both an Area of Persistent Poverty and a Historically Disadvantaged Community. Applicants are encouraged to note this information in their supplemental form.

Common Questions cont.

3. **Is it required that a state or other designated recipient of FTA funding apply for an Areas of Persistent Poverty award in Grants.Gov on behalf of a subrecipient in either an urban or rural area?**

   No. Any recipient or subrecipient of Section 5307, Section 5310 or Section 5311 funding may apply directly through Grants.Gov for an Areas of Persistent Poverty award.
   However, as described above, applicants that are not direct recipients of FTA funding, or have limited experience as a direct recipient, will need to secure the commitment of a designated recipient of FTA funding, such as the State Department of Transportation, to apply on their behalf for funding through TrAMS if selected for award.

Common Questions cont.

4. **What should an applicant who is not an FTA direct funding recipient do to demonstrate they are eligible to receive an Areas of Persistent Poverty grant award?**

   Any eligible applicant and sub-recipient must provide documentation of an agreement with a current FTA direct recipient, such as the State Department of Transportation or another FTA direct recipient, to apply for funding through FTA's Transit Awards Management System (TrAMS) on their behalf if they are selected for a funding award.

5. **What is the non-federal share of the project cost (local match) funding required?**

   The local, non-federal share of the project cost is 10 percent of the total project cost.

Common Questions cont.

6. Can my transit agency propose to use "in-kind" match?

Yes. In-kind match is permissible provided the source is documented.

7. May tribal governments or rural planning organizations or economic development agencies apply for Areas of Persistent Poverty funding?

Yes, provided they coordinate with a recipient of Section 5307, 5310, or 5311 funds or with the State Department of Transportation to develop the application. If they are not a recipient or sub-recipient of Section 5307, 5310, or 5311 funds, they should obtain partnership agreements with eligible entities.

Common Questions cont.

8. Are private non-profit organizations that work in collaboration with public transportation service providers eligible to apply for funding under the Areas of Persistent Poverty program?

No. However, private non-profits are welcome to participate in the Areas of Persistent Program by entering into a partnership with a public transit provider whereby the non-profit would be a sub-recipient of the funding award.

9. What is the process for selecting a non-profit or other non-governmental partner?

FTA 3rd Party Procurement Rules apply. The applicant's process for selecting the non-profit or other non-governmental partners must satisfy the requirements for a competitive procurement under 49 U.S.C. 5325(a). Applicants may undertake a competitive selection process that satisfies the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) prior to applying for an AoPP award and name the selected entities in the application.
FTA Circular (FTA C 4220.1F)

Common Questions cont.

10. How will projects be selected for funding?

Applications will be selected for funding based on the (5) Evaluation Criteria and the Additional Selection Criteria

- Evaluation Criteria
  - Demonstrated Need
  - Demonstration of Benefits
  - Local Financial Commitment
  - Project Implementation Strategy
  - Technical Legal and Financial Capacity

- Additional Selection Criteria
  - Climate Change and Sustainability
  - Racial Equity and Barriers to Opportunity
  - Justice40 and Environmental Justice

Common Questions cont.

11. What are the Planning Requirements for the Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program?

Applicants should engage the appropriate SDOT's, RTPO's or MPO's in areas likely to be served by the funds made available under this program. Selected projects must be incorporated into the long-range plans or unified planning work programs (UPWP) upon award and prior to being eligible for pre-award authority. FTA Circular *(FTA C 8100.1D)*

12. How do I use Pre-Award Authority?

FTA will issue specific guidance to recipients regarding Pre-Award Authority at the time of selection. FTA does not provide Pre-Award Authority for competitive funds until projects are selected and even then, there are Federal requirements that must be met before costs are incurred.

Common Questions cont.

13. What is the maximum amount of funding I can apply for?

Traditionally FTA has awarded the maximum amount of $850,000, but the actual award amount may be lower, so that additional projects may be funded. FTA encourages applicants to provide a scaled project amount for which the applicant can still have a viable project.

14. Can funds be used to purchase Planning Software?

Yes. AoPP funds can be used for comprehensive transportation planning purposes. Under eligible awards-- innovative technologies are considered an eligible activity to improve transit service in an Area of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Community. *(FTA Circular C 8100.1D)*

Common Questions cont.

15. What mapping tool do I use for what information?

FTA's Mapping Tool to can be used to determine if your project area is in an Area of Persistent Poverty and Historically Disadvantaged Community.
https://usdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/75febe4d9e6345ddb2c3ab42a4aae85f

EPA's Ej Screen Mapping Tool can be used to determine your project areas Low-Income Percentile in the Environmental Justice Populations Section on the Supplemental Form.
https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen

FTA encourages applicants to utilize the provided resources however this in not required.

Key Takeaways

- ✓ Determine your eligibility as an eligible FTA Recipient or officially partner with an FTA Recipient.
- ✓ Note whether the project is in an AoPP, HDC or Both in the application.
- ✓ Do not request funding for Capital, Operating, or Maintenance.
- ✓ Fully address all (5) Evaluation Criteria and optional Additional Selection Criteria.
- ✓ Provide a scalable amount for which the project will be viable.
- ✓ Submit a map and do not wait until the last day to submit your application.
- ✓ Read the NOFO.

Contact Us

For more information about the program, visit:

https://www.transit.dot.gov/grant-programs/areas-persistent-poverty-program

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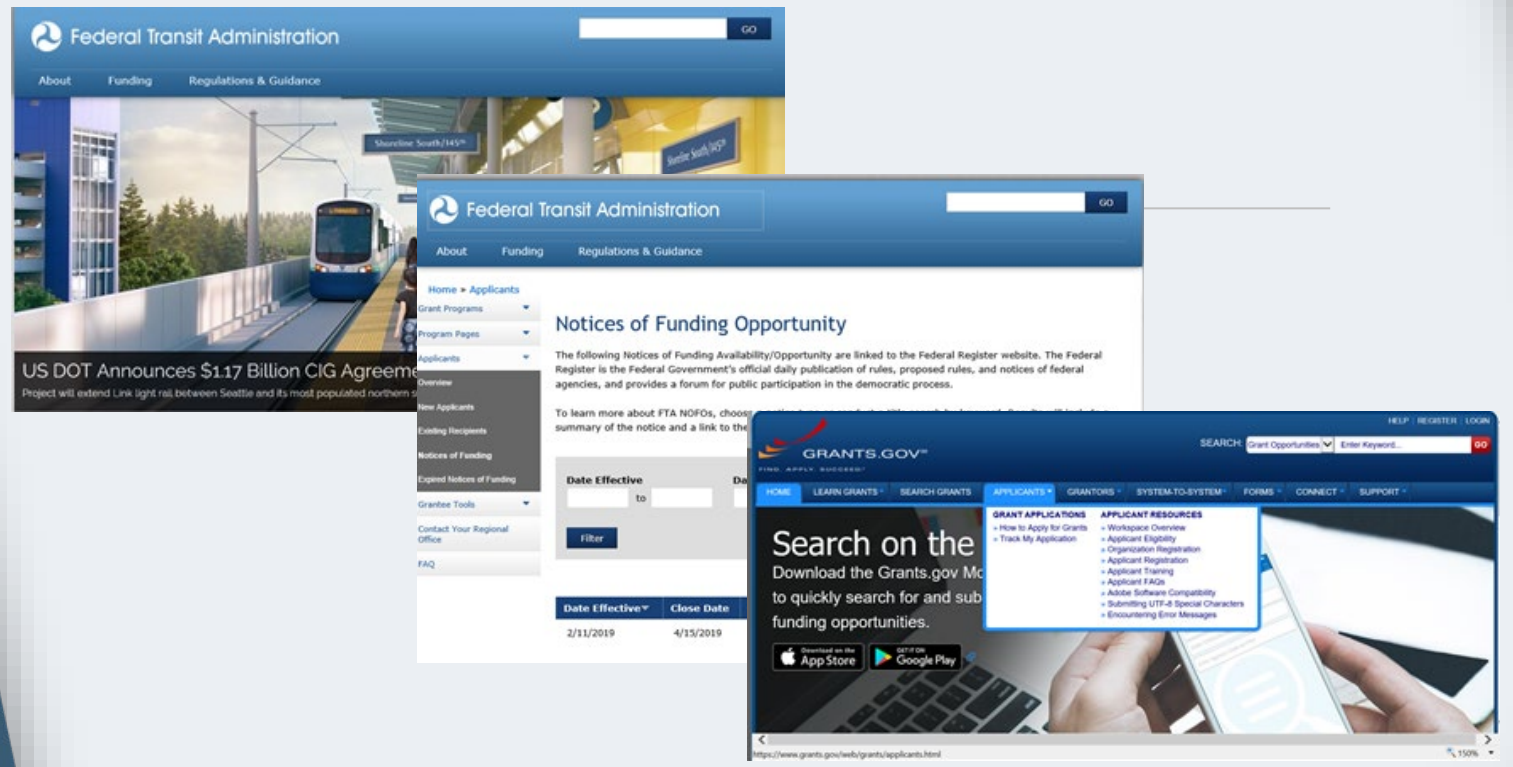
Applying for FTA Grant Opportunities in Grants.gov



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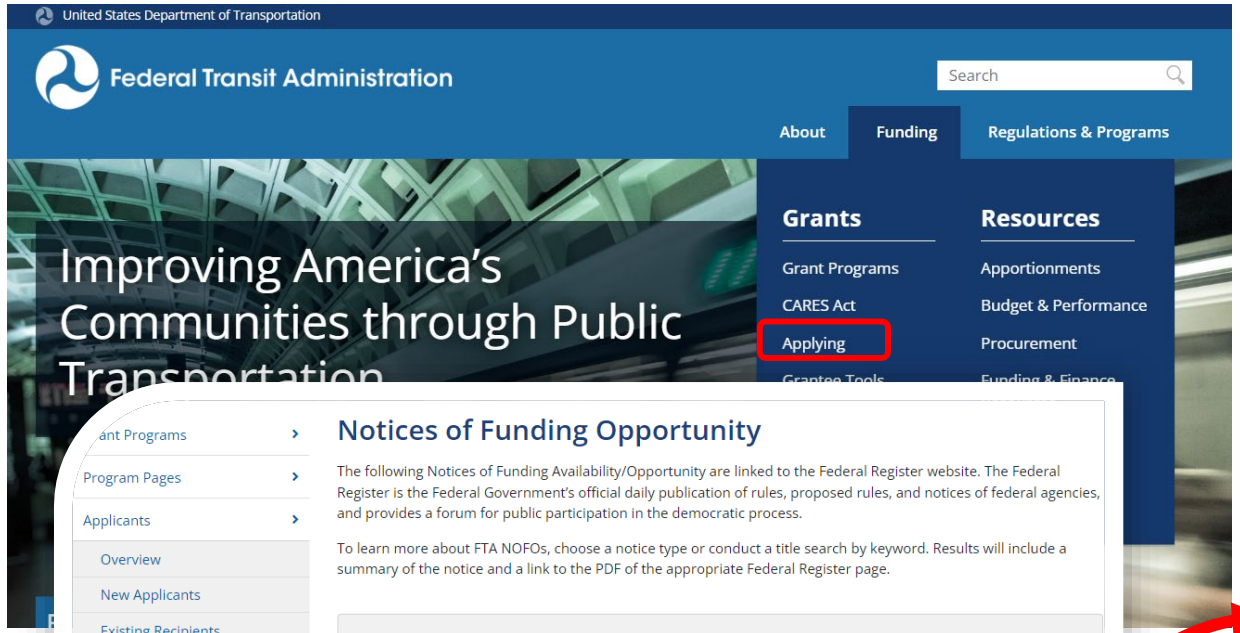

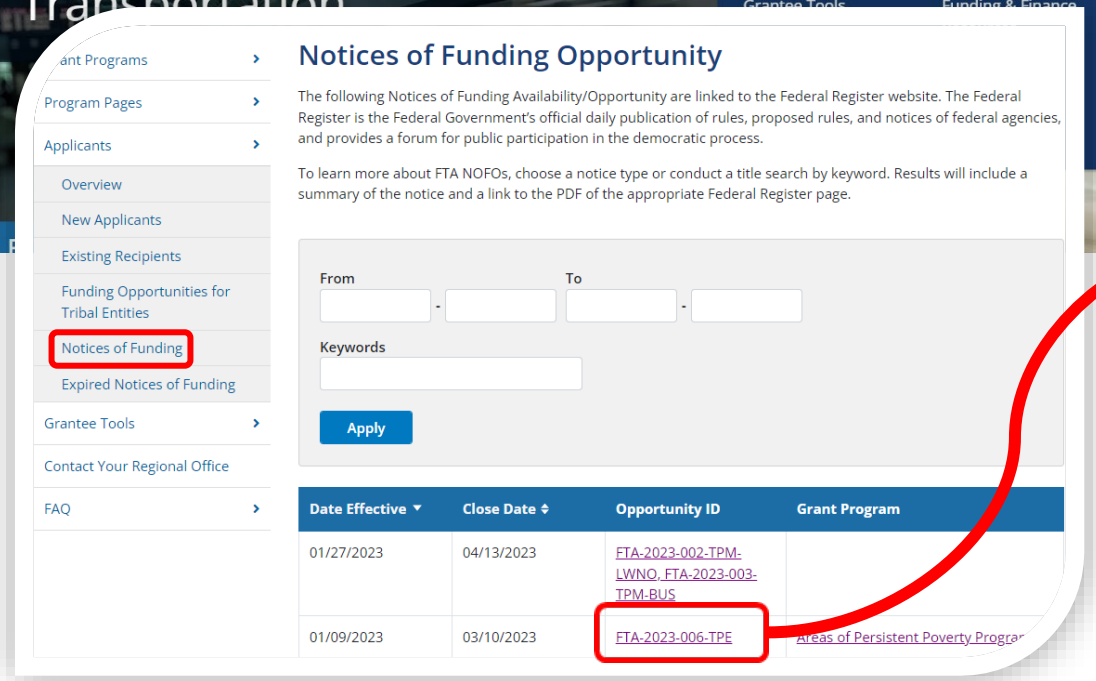

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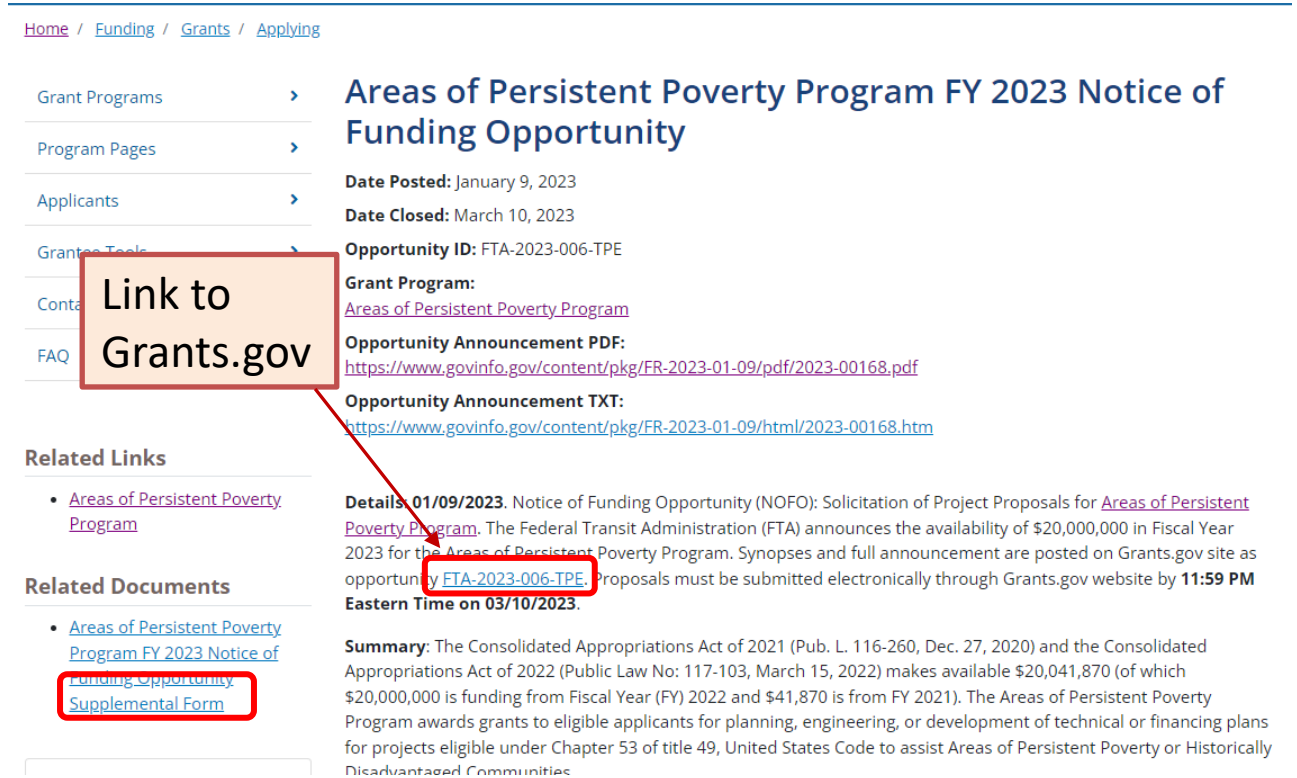
FTA Notice of Funding Opportunity

FTA NOFO Page contains:

- Summary Description
  - Application requirements
  - Eligibility
- Supplemental Form
  - Applicants should complete and attach this to their submission
- Links to Grants.gov
- Links to Program Information
- Other references and links



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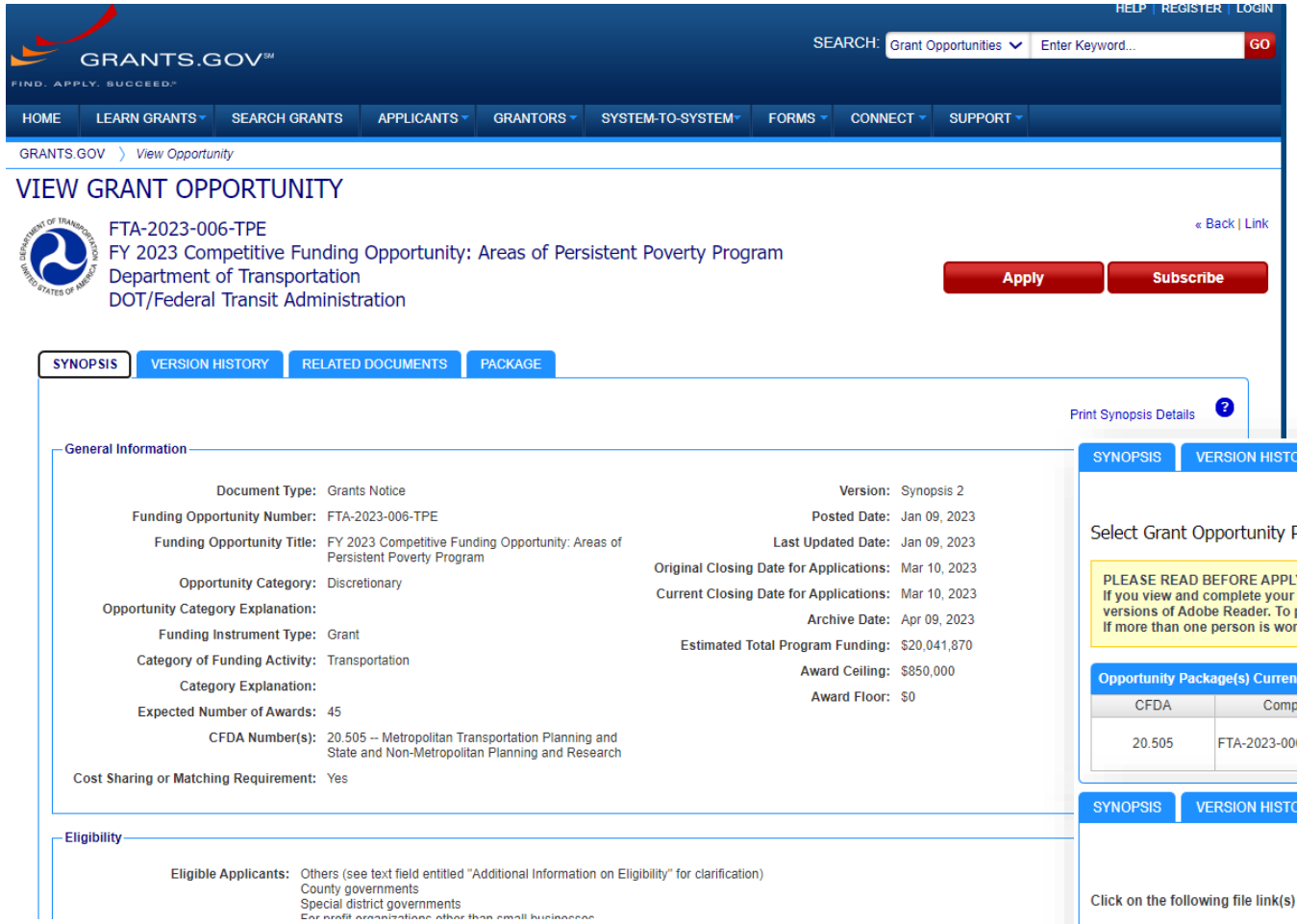
FTA NOFO provides hyperlinks to Grants.gov opportunity notice, related documents, and application package.

Download Application



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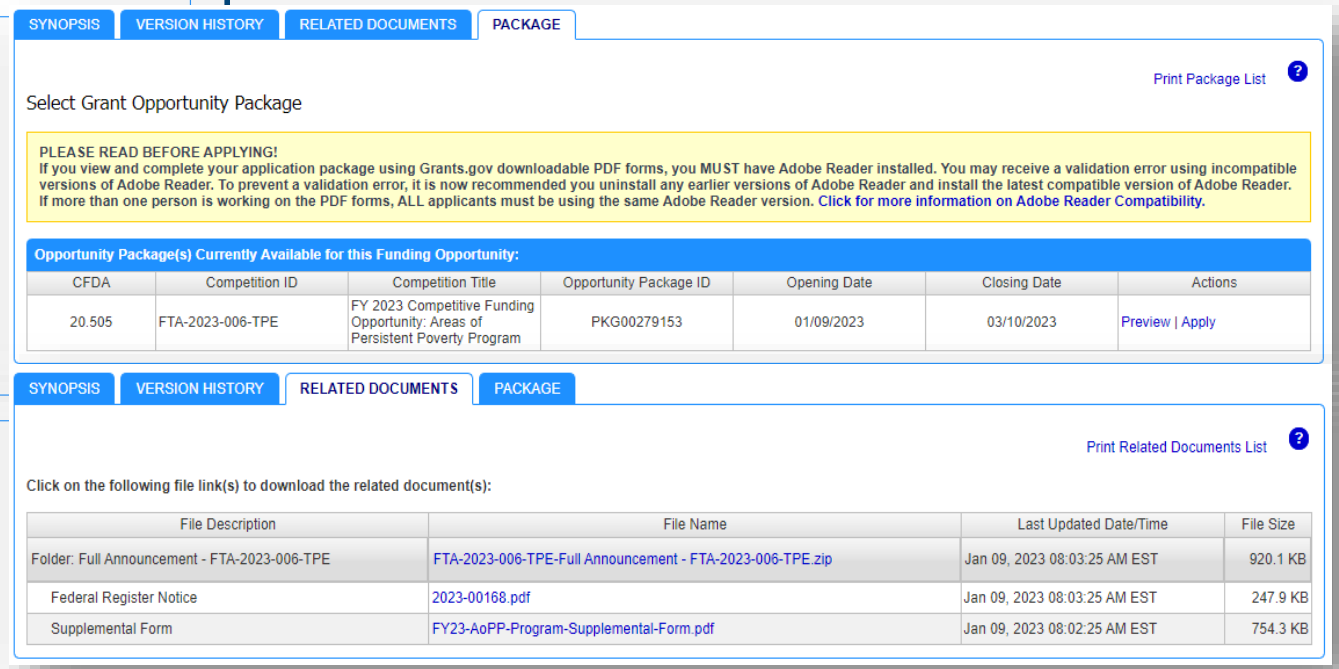

Application Package

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Print Package List

Select Grant Opportunity Package

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20.505	FTA-2023-006-TPE	FY 2023 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Areas of Persistent Poverty Program	PKG00279153	01/09/2023	03/10/2023	Preview | Apply

Preview Opportunity Package Details

Opportunity Package Details:

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Who Can Apply: Organization Applicants

PACKAGE FORMS: Download Instructions

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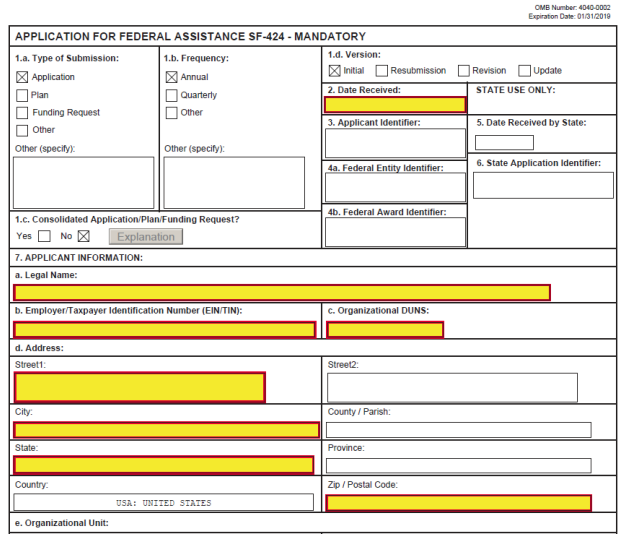

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Expiration Date: 01/31/2019

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF-424 - MANDATORY

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1.b. Frequency: ☒ Annual ☐ Quarterly ☐ Other — Other (specify):
1.c. Consolidated Application/Plan/Funding Request? Yes ☐ No ☒ Explanation
1.d. Version: ☒ Initial ☐ Resubmission ☐ Revision ☐ Update
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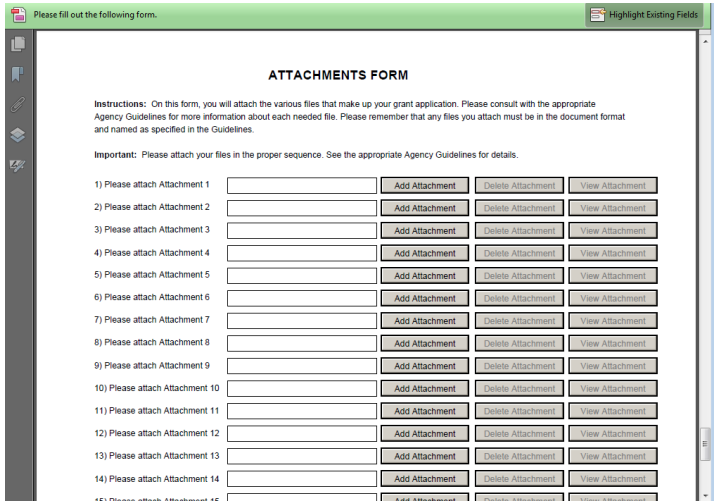

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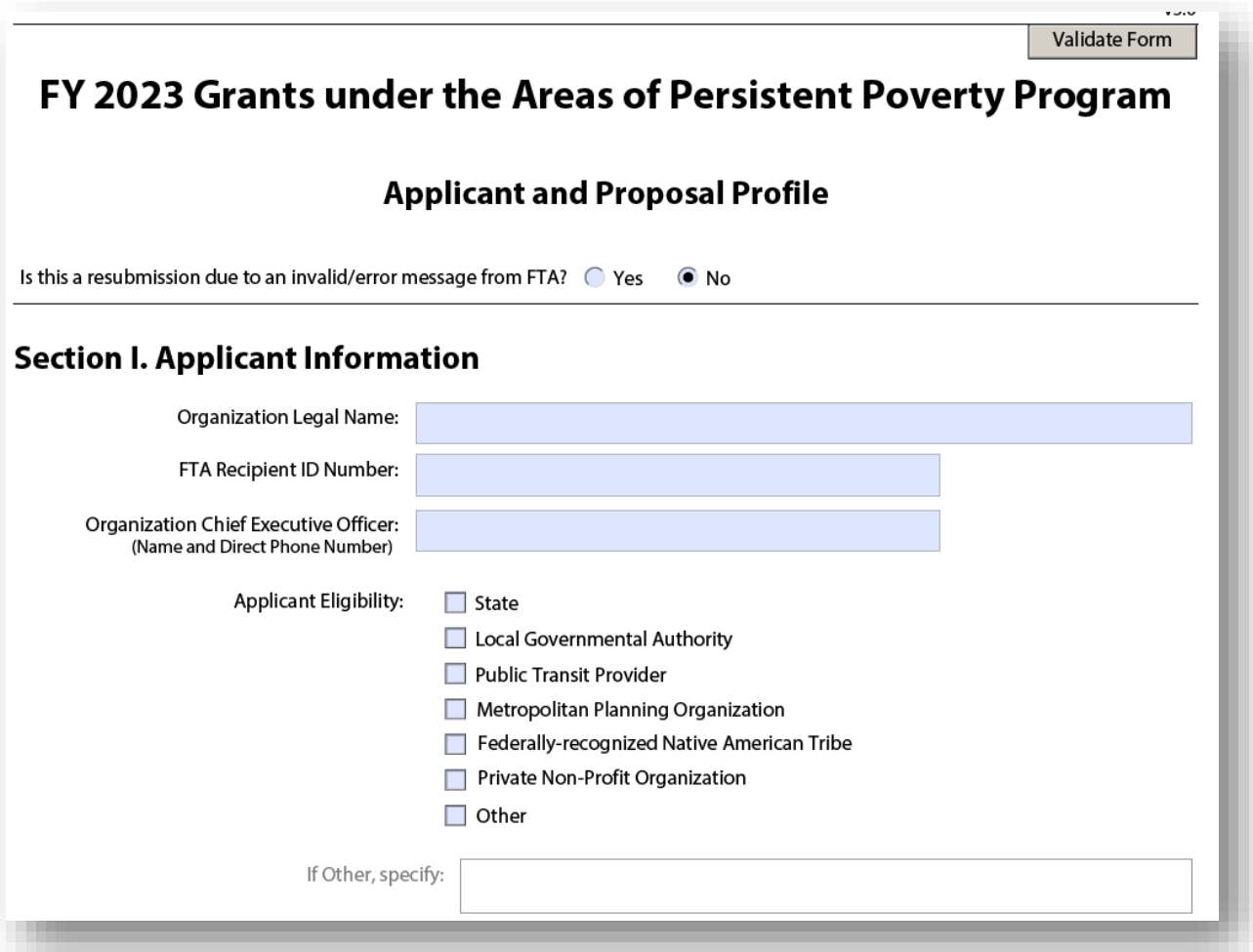
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FY 2023 Grants under the Areas of Persistent Poverty Program

Applicant and Proposal Profile

Is this a resubmission due to an invalid/error message from FTA? ○ Yes ◉ No

Section I. Applicant Information

Organization Legal Name:

FTA Recipient ID Number:

Organization Chief Executive Officer:
(Name and Direct Phone Number)

Applicant Eligibility:

- ☐ State
- ☐ Local Governmental Authority
- ☐ Public Transit Provider
- ☐ Metropolitan Planning Organization
- ☐ Federally-recognized Native American Tribe
- ☐ Private Non-Profit Organization
- ☐ Other

If Other, specify:

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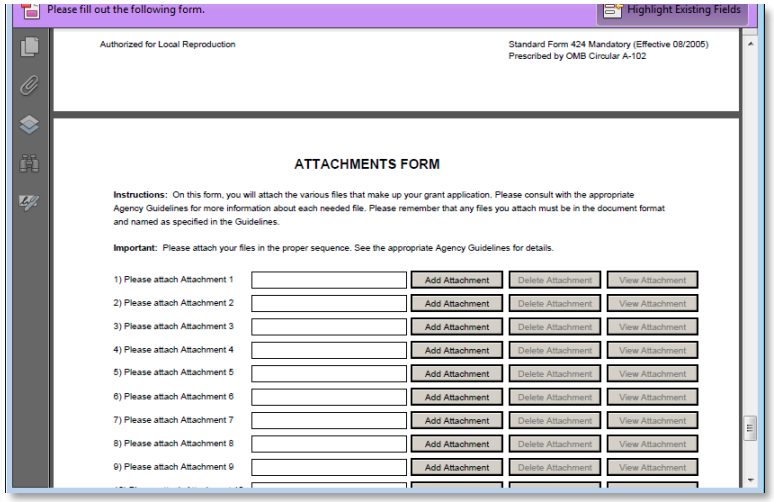
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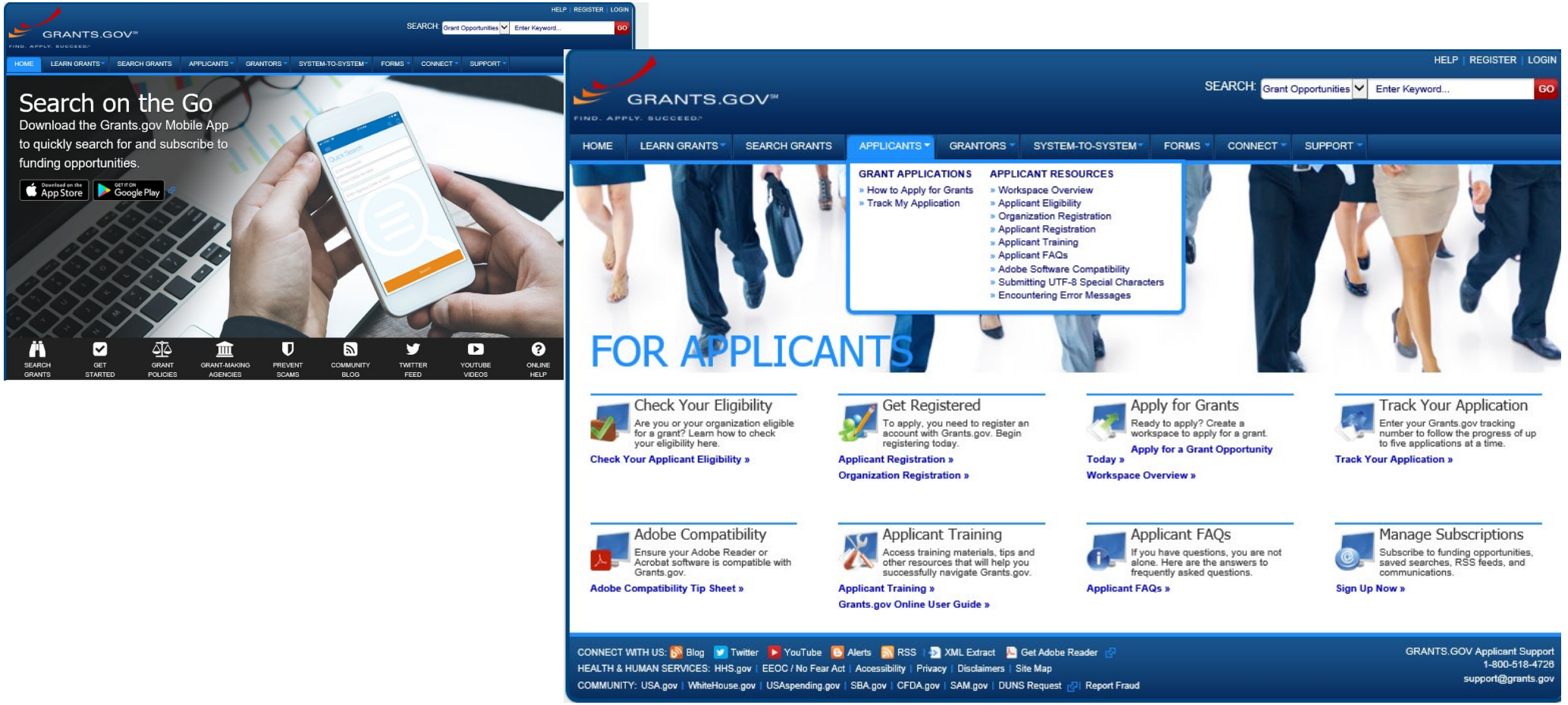

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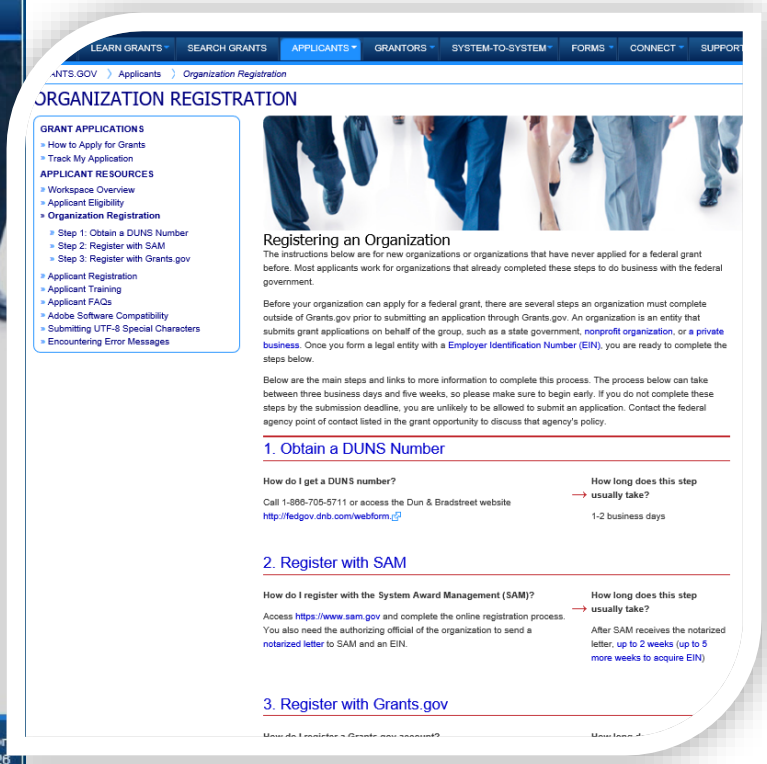

Organizations must register in Grants.gov in order to submit applications

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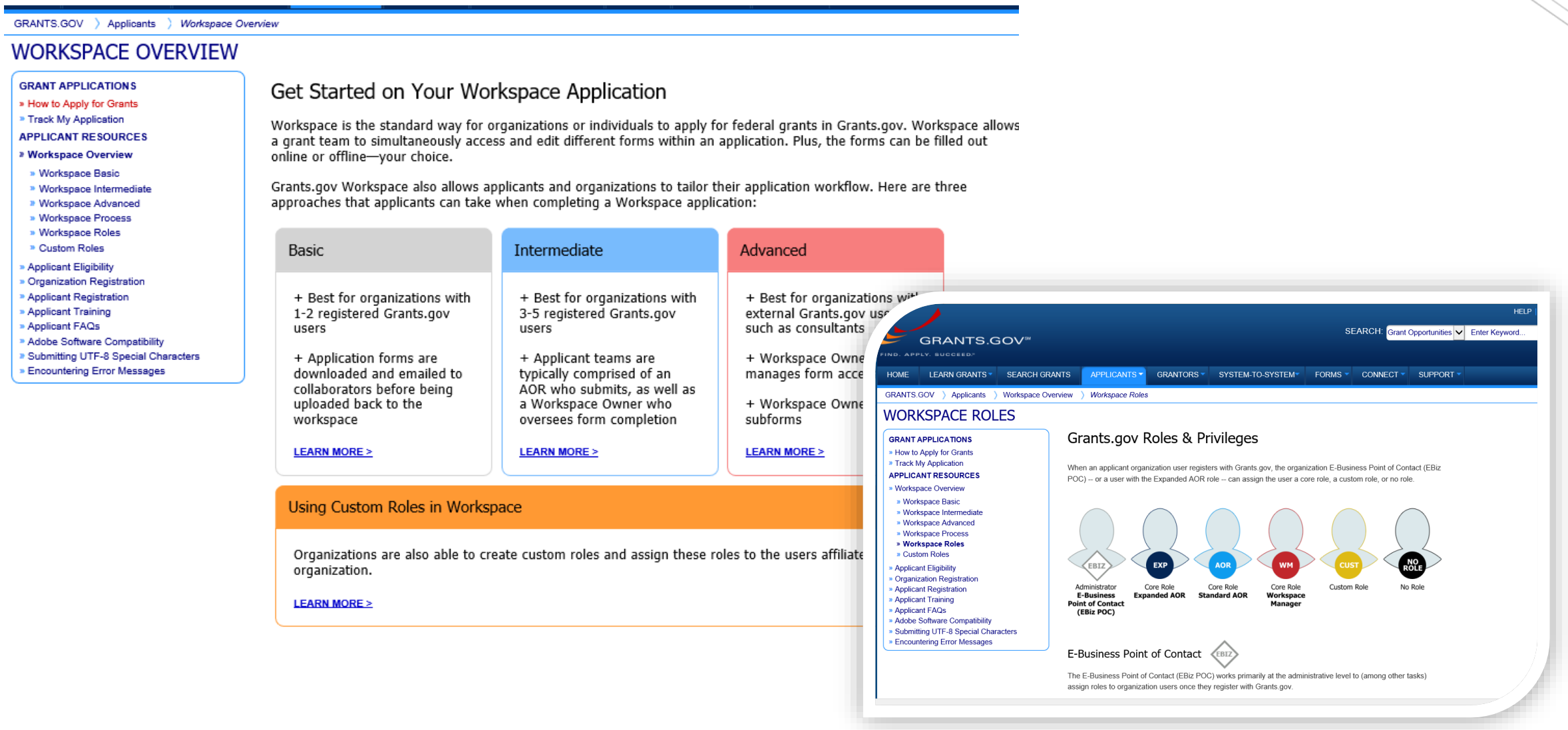

Web Addresses

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GRANTS.GOV Applicant Support
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FTA Mapping Tool

Areas of Persistent Poverty & Historically Disadvantaged Communities

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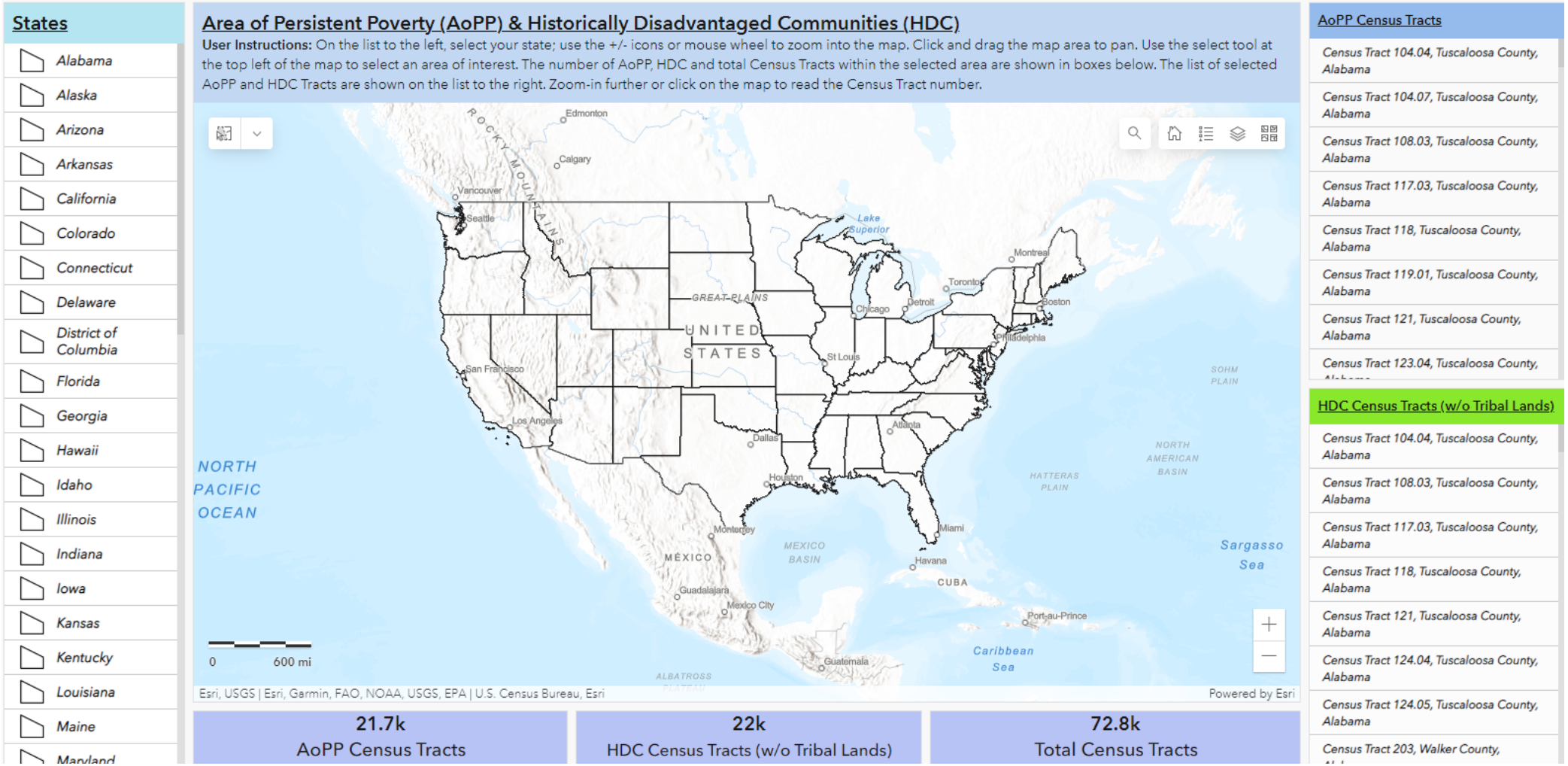

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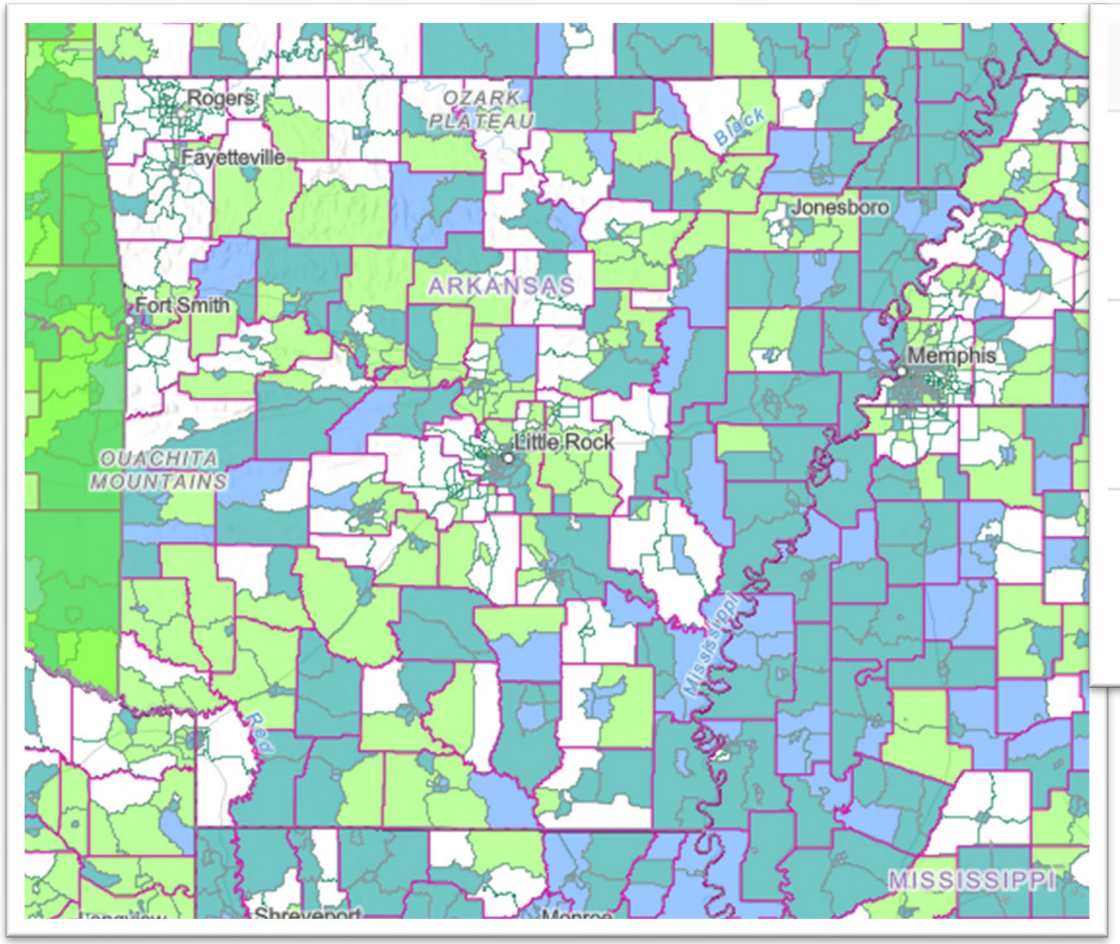
- Use the select tool at the top left of the map to select an area of interest
- The number of AoPP, HDC and total Census Tracts within the selected area are shown in boxes below
- The list of selected AoPP and HDC Tracts are shown on the list to the right
- Zoom-in further or click on the map to read the Census Tract number

Legends & Layers



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Tribal Lands

AoPP_CensusTracts

HDC_CensusTracts (w/o Tribal Lands)

Layers

- Tribal Lands
- Counties
- States
- AoPP_CensusTracts
- HDC_CensusTracts (w/o Tribal Lands)
- All_CensusTracts

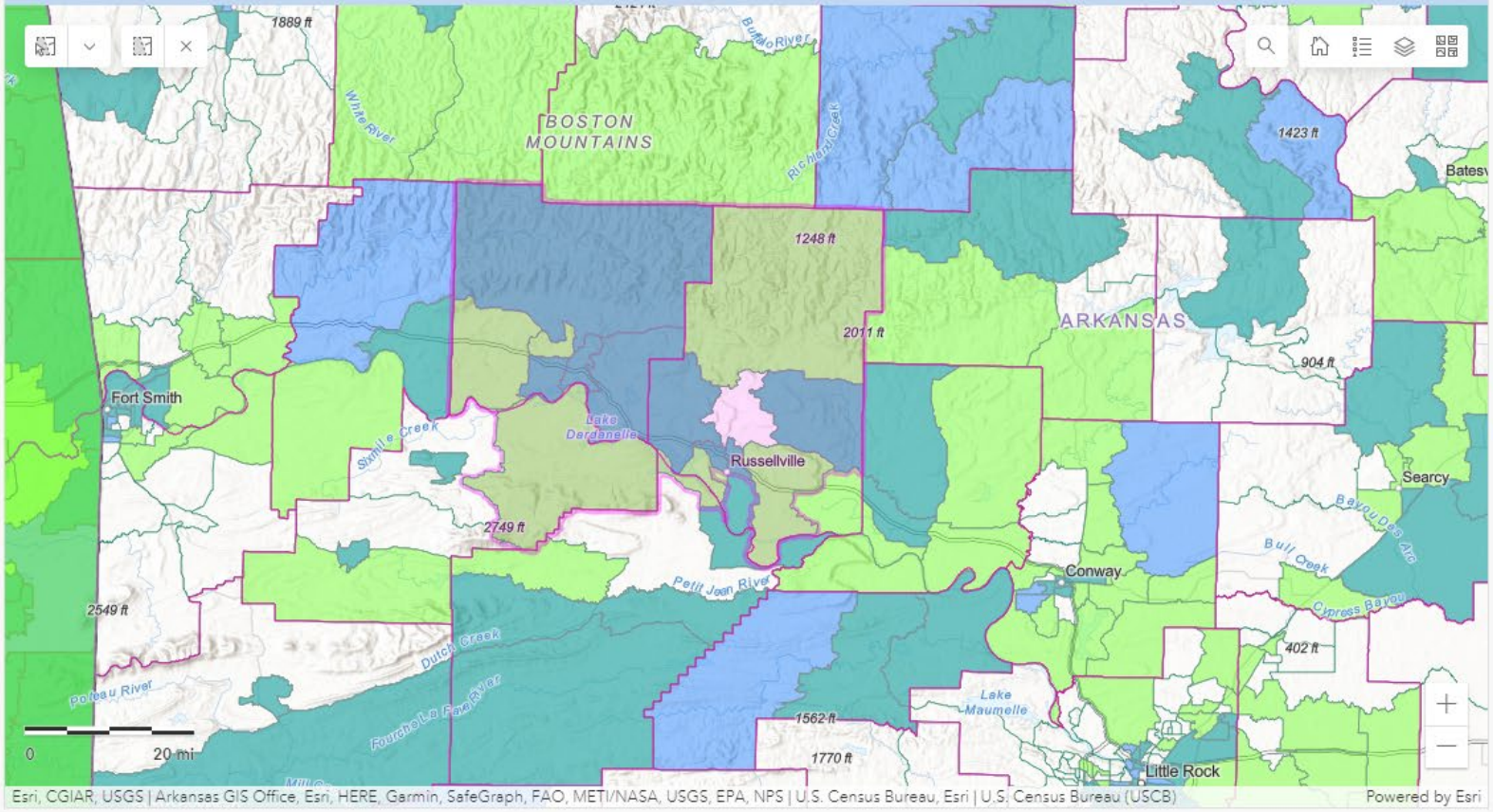
Selected AoPP & HDC Census Tracts

States

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland

Area of Persistent Poverty (AoPP) & Historically Disadvantaged Communities (HDC)

User Instructions: On the list to the left, select your state; use the +/- icons or mouse wheel to zoom into the map. Click and drag the map area to pan. Use the select tool at the top left of the map to select an area of interest. The number of AoPP, HDC and total Census Tracts within the selected area are shown in boxes below. The list of selected AoPP and HDC Tracts are shown on the list to the right. Zoom-in further or click on the map to read the Census Tract number.



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AoPP Census Tracts	HDC Census Tracts (w/o Tribal Lands)	Total Census Tracts

AoPP Census Tracts

- Census Tract 9517, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9520, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9521, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9508, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9513, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9522, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9510, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9514, Pope County, Arkansas

HDC Census Tracts (w/o Tribal Lands)

- Census Tract 9517, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9520, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9521, Johnson County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9501, Logan County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9508, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9512, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9513, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9515.01, Pope County, Arkansas
- Census Tract 9523.02, Yell County, Arkansas

Live Demo

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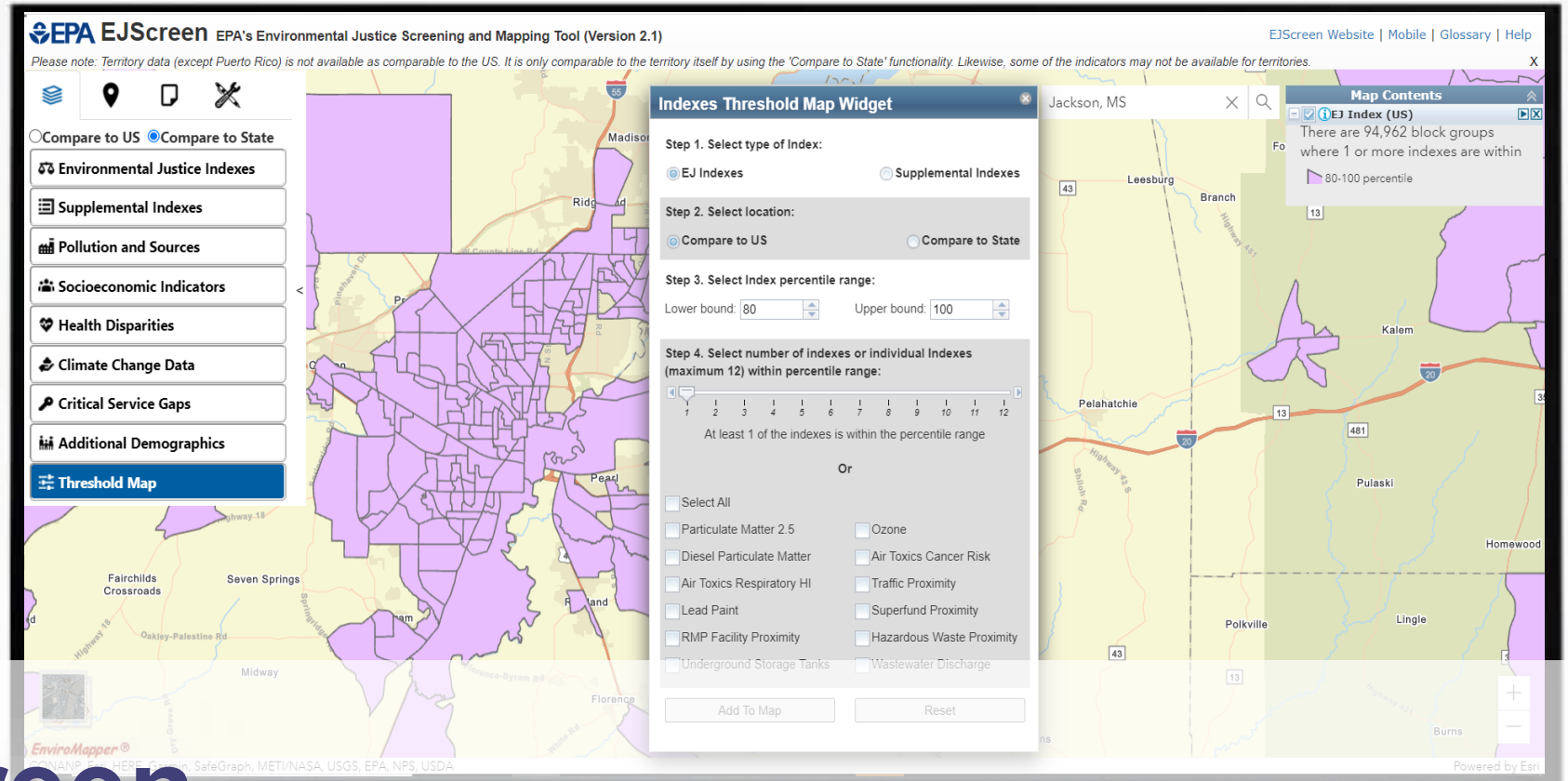


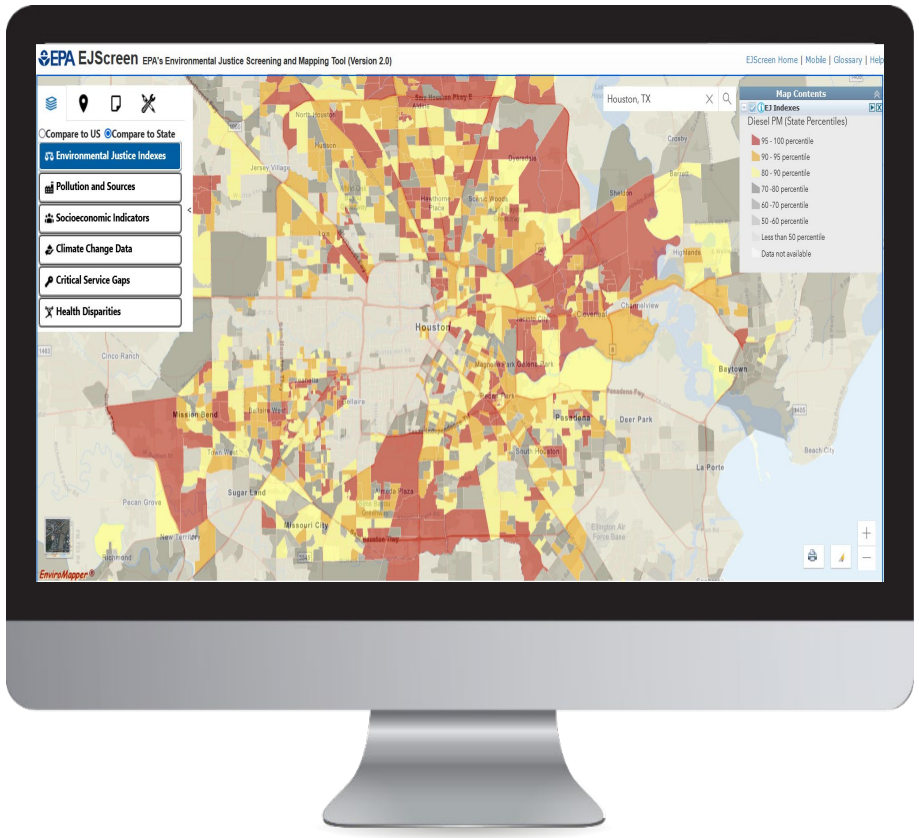
EJScreen
EPA's Environmental Justice Screening Tool

What is EJScreen?

EPA's web-based GIS tool for nationally consistent EJ screening and mapping

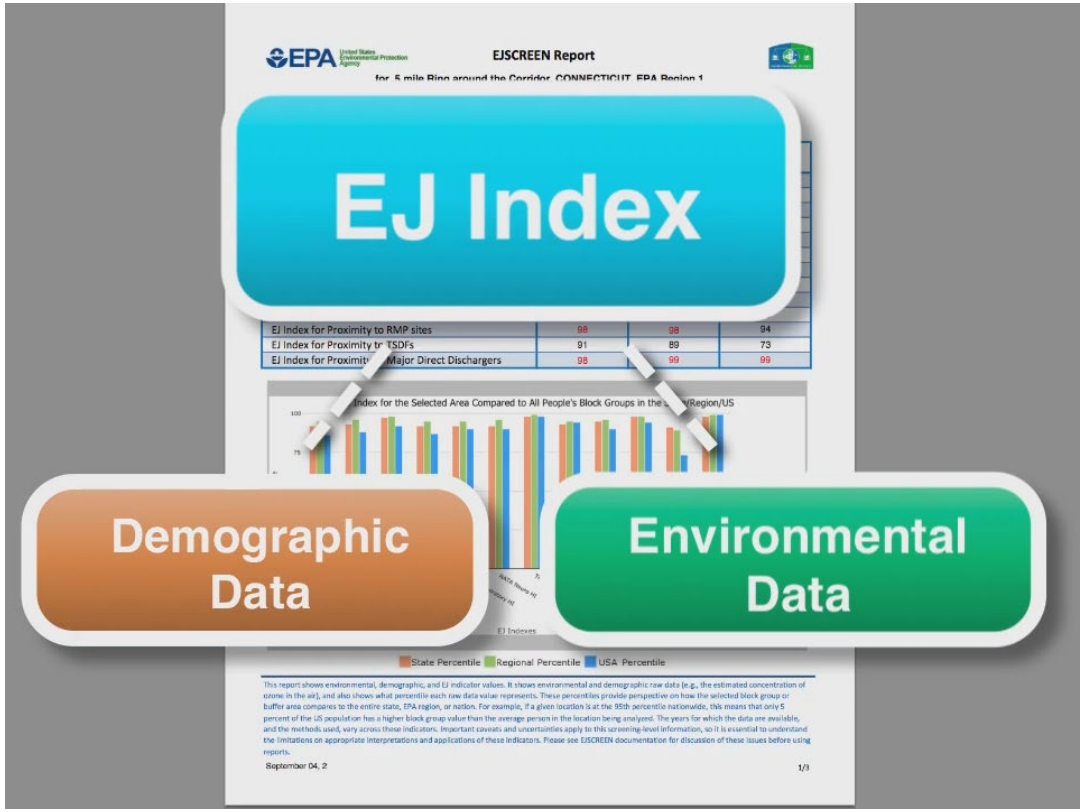
Combines environmental and socioeconomic data to highlight areas where vulnerable populations may be disproportionately impacted by pollution

Starting point for agency considerations of environmental justice



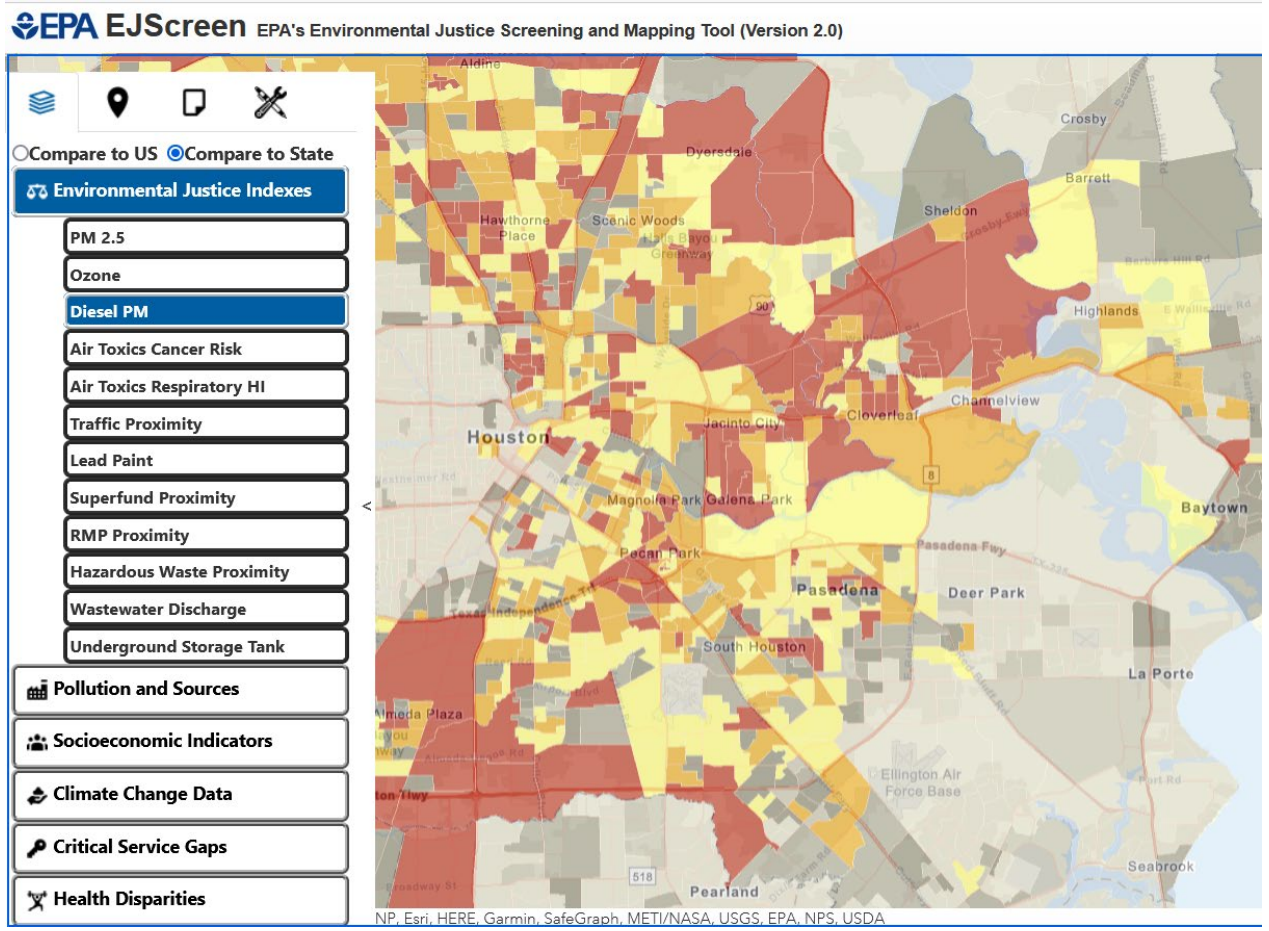
Primary EJScreen Datasets

- **EJ Indexes** (12)
- **Supplemental Indexes** (12)
- **Environmental** (12 indicators)
- **Socioeconomic** (7 indicators)
- **Health** (3 indicators)
- **Climate** (6 indicators)
- **Critical Service Gaps** (3 indicators)



EJScreen Key Features

- Annually updated environmental data
- Annually updated demographics – from most recent U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey (ACS)
- Highest resolution data available
- Ability to download data
- Accessibility / ease of use



New EJSCREEN 2.1 Features

Released 10/11/22

- New Territory Data
- Supplemental Indexes
- Revised Calculations
- Threshold Maps
- Updated Demographic and Environmental Data

UNITS OF ANALYSIS

United States

State

primary governmental divisions of the United States.

County

Largest divisions within states.

Census Tract

Collection of Census block groups, mostly between 1,200 and 8,000 people.

Block Group

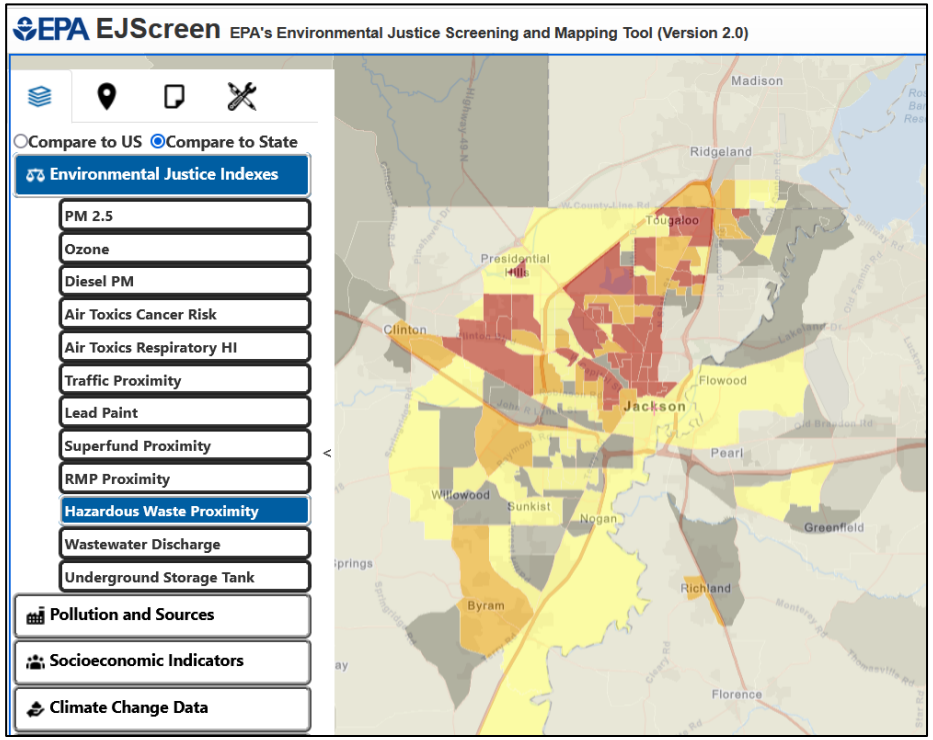
Collection of residential blocks, mostly, between 600 and 3,000 people.

Block

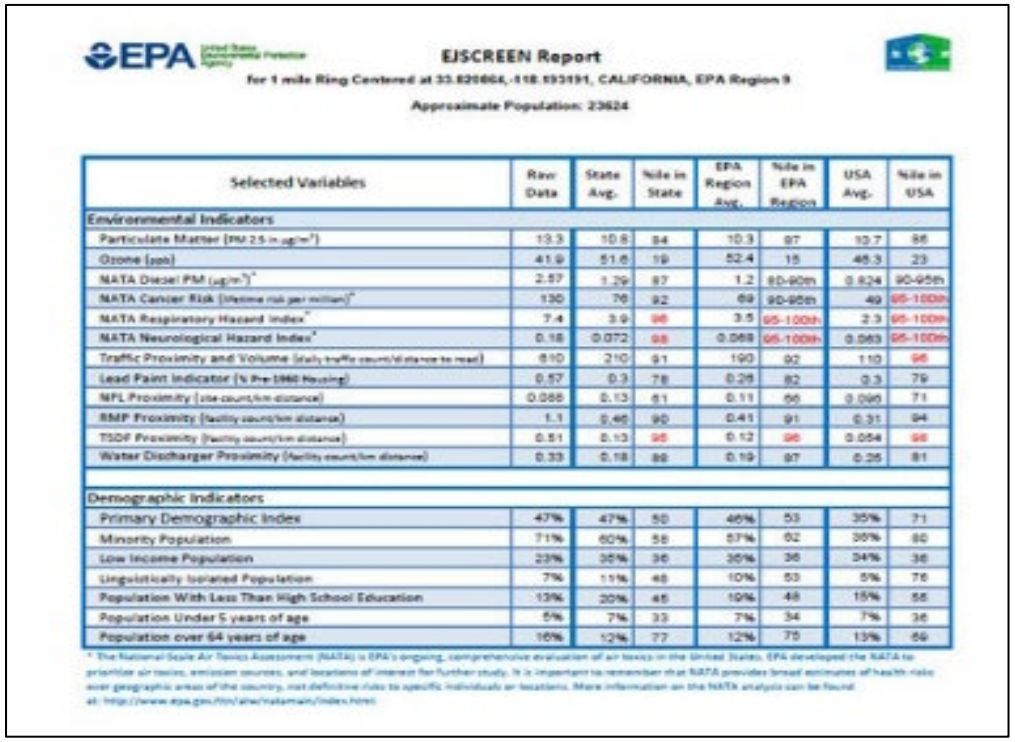
Residential block, bounded on all sides by streets.

Viewing EJScreen Data

You can view the data within reports or on maps.



A map gives you one indicator at a time, for each of the block groups within a wider area (e.g. across several miles)



EPA EJSCREEN Report

for 1 mile Ring Centered at 33.820866,-118.193191, CALIFORNIA, EPA Region 9

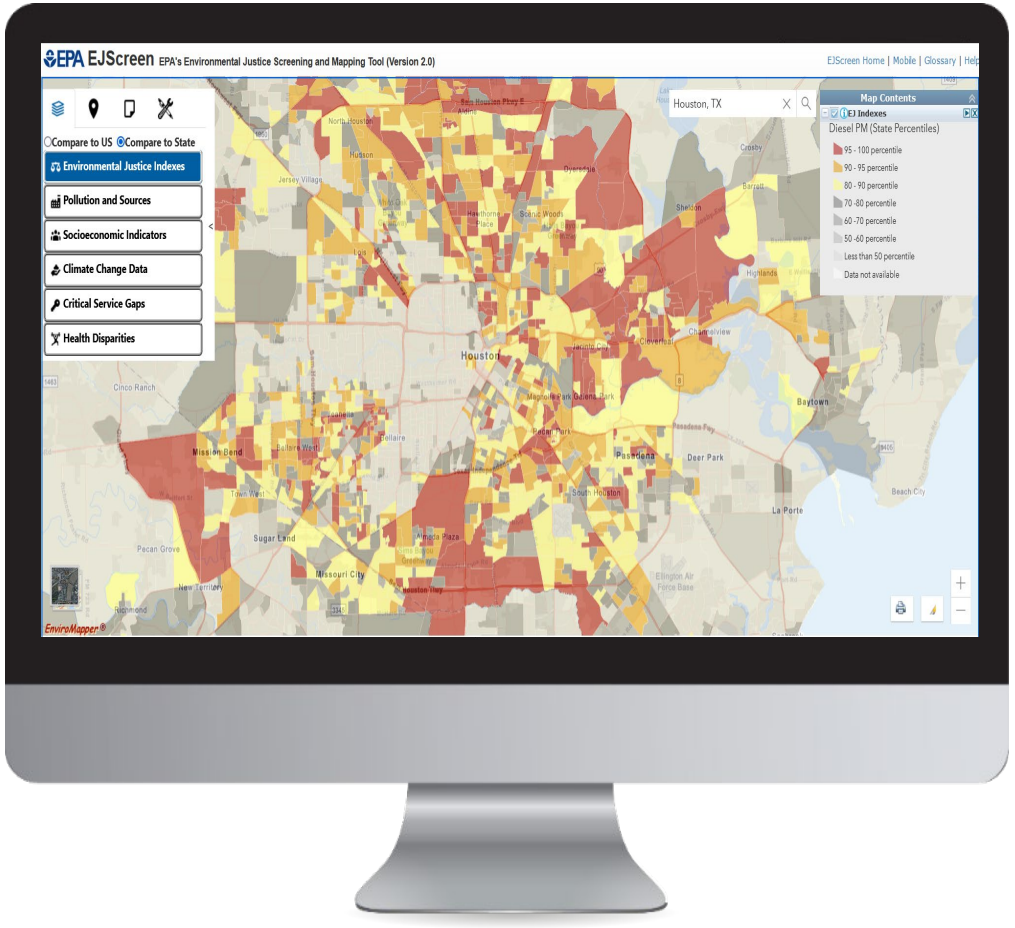
Approximate Population: 23624

Selected Variables	Raw Data	State Avg.	%ile in State	EPA Region Avg.	%ile in EPA Region	USA Avg.	%ile in USA
Environmental Indicators							
Particulate Matter (PM 2.5 in µg/m³)	13.3	10.8	84	10.3	87	10.7	86
Ozone (ppb)	41.9	51.6	19	52.4	15	46.3	23
NATA Diesel PM (µg/m³)*	2.57	1.29	97	1.2	80-90th	0.824	90-95th
NATA Cancer Risk (lifetime risk per million)*	130	76	92	69	90-95th	49	95-100th
NATA Respiratory Hazard Index*	7.4	3.9	96	3.5	95-100th	2.3	95-100th
NATA Neurological Hazard Index*	0.18	0.072	98	0.068	95-100th	0.063	95-100th
Traffic Proximity and Volume (daily traffic count/distance to road)	810	210	91	190	92	110	96
Lead Paint Indicator (% Pre-1960 Housing)	0.57	0.3	78	0.28	82	0.3	79
NPL Proximity (site count/km distance)	0.066	0.13	61	0.11	66	0.095	71
RMP Proximity (facility count/km distance)	1.1	0.46	90	0.41	91	0.31	94
TSDF Proximity (facility count/km distance)	0.51	0.13	95	0.12	96	0.054	98
Water Discharger Proximity (facility count/km distance)	0.33	0.18	88	0.19	87	0.25	81
Demographic Indicators							
Primary Demographic Index	47%	47%	50	46%	53	35%	71
Minority Population	71%	60%	58	57%	62	39%	80
Low Income Population	23%	35%	36	35%	36	34%	36
Linguistically Isolated Population	7%	11%	48	10%	53	5%	76
Population With Less Than High School Education	13%	20%	45	10%	48	15%	55
Population Under 5 years of age	5%	7%	33	7%	34	7%	36
Population over 64 years of age	16%	12%	77	12%	75	13%	69

* The National-Scale Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) is EPA's ongoing, comprehensive evaluation of air toxics in the United States. EPA developed the NATA to prioritize air toxics, emission sources, and locations of interest for further study. It is important to remember that NATA provides broad estimates of health risks over geographic areas of the country, not definitive risks to specific individuals or locations. More information on the NATA analysis can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/nata/index.html

A standard report gives you all the indicators at once for a single specified location

LIVE DEMO



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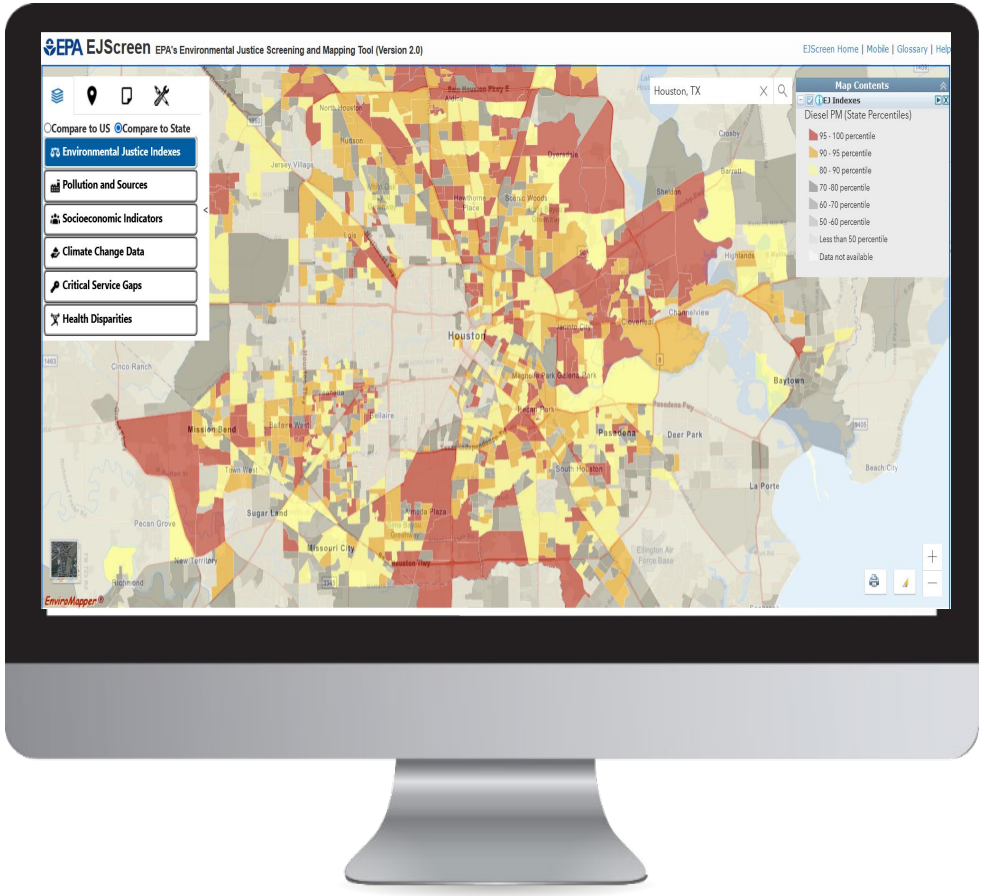
EJScreen Resources

[EJScreen website]

[Trainings and Office Hours]

- **Recordings of EJScreen 2.1 Trainings**
- **Public Office Hours**
  - Feb. 15th at 12 p.m. E.T.



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