## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT. Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning Project Selections AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration

**ACTION:** Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning Announcement of Project Selections and Implementation Guidance

## DATE OF APPROVAL: December 20, 2022

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced the selection of projects with Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 and prior years' appropriations for the pilot program for <u>Transit-Oriented Development</u> <u>Planning</u> and provides administrative guidance on project implementation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA regional office for information regarding applying for the funds. A list of regional offices can be found at <u>www.transit.dot.gov</u>. For program-specific information, applicants may contact April McLean-McCoy, Office of Planning and Environment at (202) 366–7429 or <u>april.mcleanmccoy@dot.gov</u>. A telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/Federal Information Relay Service).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This program is authorized in federal public transportation law (Section 20005(b) of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, with funding authorized by 49 U.S.C. § 5338(a)(2)(B), and section 30009 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act). On May 26, 2022, FTA published a <u>notice of funding opportunity (NOFO)</u> announcing the

availability of \$13.1 million in funding for this program. This program supports comprehensive and site-specific planning efforts associated with new fixed guideway and core capacity improvement transit capital projects. In response to the NOFO, FTA received 23 project proposals from 17 states requesting \$17.3 million in federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO. One of the 23 projects were deemed ineligible to receive funds because they did not meet the eligibility requirements described in the NOFO. FTA is funding 19 projects, as shown in Table I, for a total of \$13.1 million.

Two of the awards reflect the applicants scalable request, and not the original requested funding amount. These projects awards were reduced because the applicant proposals included more than one corridor in the application; therefore, in order to adhere to the NOFO requirement, these awards were scaled down.

Recipients selected for competitive funding should work with their FTA regional office to submit a grant application in FTA's Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) for the projects identified in the attached table to quickly obligate funds. Grant applications must only include eligible comprehensive or site-specific planning activities applied for in the original project application. Funds must be used consistent with the competitive proposal and for the eligible planning purposes established in the NOFO. Recipients should contact FTA's program-specific contact listed above with any questions regarding eligible activities. For all partially funded applications, FTA will need to review and concur with the reduced scope prior to submission of the grant application.

A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TrAMS application. Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than the date projects were publicly announced, on November 17th, 2022. Pre-award authority does not guarantee that project expenses incurred prior to the award of a grant will be eligible for reimbursement, as eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon all applicable requirements having been met. For more about FTA's policy on pre-award authority, please see the FTA Fiscal Year 2022 appropriation, allocations, and program and interim guidance. Post-award reporting requirements include submission of the Federal Financial Report and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMS, as appropriate (see Grant Management Requirements C.5010.1E and Program Guidance for Metropolitan Planning and State Planning and Research Program Grants C.8100.1D). Recipients must comply with all applicable federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other federal requirements in executing projects supported by the FTA grant. FTA emphasizes that all other recipients must follow all third-party procurement guidance as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) and described in FTA C.4220.1F. Funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2027.

## TABLE I

## FY 2022 PILOT PROGRAM FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PROPOSAL SELECTIONS

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FY 2022 Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning Funding Scenario				
State	Recipient Name	Project Name	Amount	
AL	Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority	Birmingham Transit Oriented Development Planning around Bus Rapid Transit Line	\$1,600,000	
AZ	City of Phoenix	South Central TOD Community Plan: Implementation	\$1,000,000	
CA	Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board	San Francisco Railyards Transit Oriented Communities Implementation Strategy	\$650,000	
СА	Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Los Angeles Union Station/Civic Center Transit District Study	\$960,000	
СА	North County Transit District	Escondido Transit Center Adjacent Land Evaluation and Opportunity Maximization (Study)	\$240,000	
CA	Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor Development Planning	\$1,000,000	
FL	Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW)	Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Master Plan for the Northeast Corridor of the SMART Program	\$840,000	
FL	City of Homestead	Homestead Florida Transit-Oriented Communities Study	\$533,000	
MA	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	Red Line TOD District Framework Study (RLDFS)	\$576,000	
MD	Maryland Department of Transportation/Maryland Transit Administration	Building an equitable transit-oriented Purple Line Corridor through comprehensive planning for affordable housing, mixed use development, and bicycle and pedestrian accessibility	\$1,497,094	

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The New Jersey Transit Corporation	Hudson-Bergen Light Rail Northern Branch Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Study	\$592,000		
Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada	Reimagine Boulder Hwy TOD Initiative: using the transformative BRT project and TOD planning to make inter-community travel more convenient, connect transportation modes, and revitalize neighborhoods	\$560,000		
Suffolk County	Route 110 Transit-Oriented Development Corridor Comprehensive Plan: Huntington Section	\$400,000		
Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority	Broadway Avenue Corridor TOD project	\$432,000		
Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon	TriMet Eastside Park & Ride TOD Transition	\$315,000		
Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority	Routes 11 & 13 End of Line Improvements Area Study	\$300,000		
Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO)	Transit Oriented Development Opportunities in the University Corridor Tidwell Transit Center	\$376,000		
Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Capturing Transit Value for Community Development: Pilot Sites for TOD Implementation with an Equity Lens	\$900,000		
Utah Transit Authority	MidValley Connector TOD Planning Murray, Taylorsville, West Valley City	\$360,000		
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