#### **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

### PILOT PROGRAM FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

This document announces project selections for the Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning, which supports comprehensive and site-specific planning efforts associated with new fixed guideway and core capacity improvement transit capital projects and provides guidance for TOD project implementation.

### DATE OF APPROVAL: April 18, 2024

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced the selection of projects with Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 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 april.mcleanmccoy@dot.gov. 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 August 8, 2023, FTA published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcing the availability of \$13.4 million in funding for this program. This program supports comprehensive and site-specific planning efforts associated with new fixed guideways and core capacity improvement transit capital projects. In response to the NOFO, FTA received 35 project proposals from 22 states requesting \$30.8 million in federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO. Three of the 35 projects were deemed ineligible to receive funds because they did not meet the eligibility requirements described in the NOFO. FTA is funding 20 projects, as shown in Table I, for a total of \$17.6 million.

This NOFO included priority considerations for projects that support the House America Initiative, and the Affordable Housing Incentive and are potentially eligible for Build America TIFIA/RRIF financing. Additionally, it included a commitment to incentivize applicants who met the Affordable Housing Incentive with up to a 100% federal match. The funding selection includes all eligible projects that meet the priority considerations. Additionally, it provides each applicant with a 100% federal match. 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.

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 April 2, 2024. 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 <u>Research Program Grants C.8100.1D</u>). 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 <u>FTA C.4220.1F</u>. Funds allocated in this announcement

must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2028.

# TABLE I

## FISCAL YEAR 2023 PILOT PROGRAM FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PROPOSAL SELECTIONS

FY	2023 Pilot Program for Trans	sit-Oriented Development Planning Funding S	cenario
State	Recipient Name	Project Title	Amount
AL	City of Huntsville	University-Medical TOD Planning Study	\$850,000
AZ	City of Phoenix	Transit-Oriented Communities Affordable Housing and Mixed-Use Development Implementation Project	\$1,200,000
СО	Regional Transportation District (RTD)	Equitable TOD Implementation Plan for the Federal BRT Corridor	\$2,000,000
FL	Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)	Northwest Jacksonville TOD Pilot Study	\$1,500,000
FL	Miami-Dade Department of Transportation & Public Works (DTPW)	Equitable Development and Mobility Master Plan for the Little Haiti Commuter Rail Station for the Northeast Corridor	\$1,250,000
GA	Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA)	Campbellton BRT Corridor Improving Lives Through Enhancing Economic and Community Development along the Campbellton Community Investment Corridor	\$750,000
IN	Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation	Station Area Plan for IndyGos Eastside Mobility Hub	\$300,000

MD	Maryland Department of Transportation/Maryland Transit Administration	West Baltimore Station: A TOD Opportunity	\$550,000
MN	Metropolitan Council/Metro Transit	METRO Blue Line Extension Station Area Planning	\$700,000
NC	City of Greensboro	Piedmont Corridor Transit-Oriented Development Plan- City of Greensboro	\$500,000
NE	Transit Authority of the City of Omaha	North 19th Streetcar Extension TOD Implementation	\$300,000
NY	Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Planning for Bailey Avenue Bus Rapid Transit	\$960,000
ОН	Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority	GCRTA Lorain Corridor TOD Plan	\$700,000
ОН	Central Ohio Transit Authority	TOD Learning, Visioning, Engaging, and Capacity Building for the LinkUS West Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit Corridor	\$1,200,000
SC	Berkeley Charleston Dorchester Council of Governments (BCDCOG)	Lowcountry Rapid Transit (LCRT) TOD Study - Phase 3: Strategic Housing Blueprint, Charleston/North Charleston, SC	\$1,200,000
TX	Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Building Complete Communities: Affordable Housing and Transit Integration at Crestview Station and Ryan Drive Development	\$1,500,000
TX	City of McAllen	Metro McAllen North-South BRT Corridor TOD Master Plan	\$500,000

UT	Utah Transit Authority (UTA)	FrontRunner Corridor Transit Oriented Development Market, Housing, and Economic Impact Analysis	\$360,000
VA	City of Alexandria	Duke Street Corridor Plan	\$550,000
VA	Old Dominion Transit Management Co	Pulse Corridor Plan for TOD with N/S Line Expansion- Chamberlayne Corridor	\$750,000
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