# FEDERAL GRANT NOTIFICATION NEWSLETTER

# April 2, 2024

TRANSPORTATION DEPART

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#### New and Notable!

- On March 28, DOT <u>announced</u> that it has published the <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</u> for approximately \$5.1 billion in funding for projects of regional or national significance for three major discretionary grant programs. The application process for the <u>Mega</u>, <u>INFRA</u> and <u>Rural</u> programs has been streamlined into the single <u>Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Program (MPDG)</u>. In the first two years of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, DOT has provided nearly \$8 billion in grants to communities through the MPDG program to help rebuild the nation's infrastructure, create good-paying jobs, increase manufacturing capacity and innovation, and create a clean-energy economy to combat climate change and ensure our communities are resilient. Eligible applicants and eligible project types vary by program. For details on prior year MPDG awards, see <u>2023-2024 Mega Awards</u>, <u>2023-2024 INFRA Awards</u>, and <u>2023-2024 Rural Surface Transportation Grant Awards</u>. Applications are due on May 6, 2024, on grants.gov.
- FHWA's Office of Office of Freight Management and Operations published a NOFO on Grants.gov for the new <u>Strategic Innovation for Revenue Collection (SIRC)</u> program. Up to \$15 million per fiscal year from FY 2022 through FY 2024 is available, totaling up to \$45 million (\$30 million for FY 2022-2023 and \$15 million for FY 2024). The application deadline for the program is May 27, 2024. The SIRC Program will provide discretionary grant opportunities to eligible entities, which include a State or a group of States, a local government, or a group of local governments; a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) or a group of MPOs and multi-jurisdictional groups. The purpose of the program is to test the feasibility of a road usage fee and other user-based alternative revenue mechanisms to help maintain the long-term solvency of the Highway Trust Fund. The primary goal of the program is to fund pilot projects that develop feasibility research, tests, evaluations, or deployment of a road usage fee and other user-based alternative revenue mechanisms. If you have any questions on the SIRC Program, please contact program manager, Carlos McCloud at carlos.mccloud@dot.gov.

#### Popular USDOT Navigator Grant Application Resources!

- <u>Understanding Non-Federal Match Requirements</u>
- Grant Application Checklist for a Strong Transportation Workforce and Labor Plan
- Checklist for a Strong Climate Change Mitigation, Adaptation and Resilience Grant Application
- Federal Tools to Determine Disadvantaged Community Status
- What Is a Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA)?
- Use of DOT Funds for Public Involvement

This Federal Grant Notification Newsletter provides the latest information on federal grants available, deadlines, and news that will assist ITD and local agencies of transportation. For more detailed information on each of these grants, please see the attached summary sheet.

#### FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- America the Beautiful Challenge 2024 RFP CLOSES April 4, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Safe Streets and roads for All (Planning and Demonstration Grant) Funding Opportunity CLOSES April 4, 2024 (5:00pm EDT), & May 16, 2024 (5:00pm EDT), & August 29, 2024 (5:00pm EDT)
- The Rural eConnectivity Program CLOSES April 22, 2024 (11:59am EDT)
- FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Buses and Bus Facilities Program CLOSES April 25, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Low or No Emissions Program CLOSES April 25, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Port Infrastructure Development Program -- CLOSES April 30, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- INFRA Grant Program CLOSES May 6, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- MEGA Grant Program CLOSES May 6, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program CLOSES May 6, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Innovative Finance and asset Concessions Grant CLOSES May 10, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Safe Streets and Roads for All (Implementation Grant) Funding Opportunity CLOSES May 16, 2024 (5:00pm EDT)
- Strategic Innovation for Revenue Collection (SIRC) Program CLOSES May 27, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- FY23- 24 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant Program CLOSES May 28, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)
- Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program CLOSES June 17, 2024 (11:59am EDT)
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 2026 Bridge Investment Program, Large Bridge Project Grants CLOSES August 1, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	America the Beautiful Challenge (ATBC) 2024 Request for Proposals
Grant Agency:	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, DOI, DOD, USFS, and NRCS
Opportunity Number:	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	2/15/2024
Application Close Date:	Pre-Proposal - 4/4/2024 (11:59 pm EDT) Full Proposal – 7/16/2024 (11:59 pm (EDT)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	<ol> <li>To conserve, connect and restore the lands, waters, and wildlife upon which we all depend, across the following themes:</li> <li>Conserving and restoring rivers, coasts, wetlands and watersheds</li> <li>Conserving and restoring forests, grasslands and important ecosystems that serve as carbon sinks</li> <li>Connecting and reconnecting wildlife corridors, large landscapes, watersheds, and seascapes</li> <li>Improving ecosystem and community resilience to flooding, drought, and other climate-related threats</li> <li>Expanding access to the outdoors, particularly in underserved communities</li> </ol>		
Grant Website:	America's Ecosystem Restoration Initiative: America the Beautiful Challenge 2024 Request for Proposals   NFWF		
Grant Notice of Funding			
Opportunity (NOFO):			
Press Release:	America's Ecosystem Restoration Initiative: America the Beautiful Challenge 2024 Request for Proposals   NFWF		
Webinars:	Registration (gotowebinar.com)		

#### **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$119,000,000	
	Minimum Request:		
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:		
	Maximum Per		
	State:		
Funding Method:	Depends on which type of grant (there are 5 types of grants for which to apply)		
Match Rate:	Depends on which type of grant (there are 5 types of grants for which to apply)		
Anticipated # Awards:			

Eligibility Informatio	<ul> <li>State government agencies, territories of the United States, and Indian Tribes<sup>3</sup> are eligible to apply for all five grant categories.</li> <li>Non-profit 501(c) organizations, local governments, municipal governments, and educational institutions are eligible to apply for grants in categories (3) Sentinel Landscape Grants, (4) National Forest Grants and (5) Private Forests, Rangelands and Farmlands Grants.</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Projects funded through the ATBC will advance the principles underlying the America the Beautiful Initiative, as described in the Conserving and Restoring America the Beautiful Report:         <ol> <li>Pursue a collaborative and inclusive approach to conservation</li> <li>Conserve America's lands and waters for the benefit of all people</li> <li>Support locally led and locally designed conservation efforts</li> <li>Honor Tribal sovereignty and support the priorities of Tribal Nations</li> <li>Pursue conservation and restoration approaches that create jobs and support healthy communities</li> <li>Honor private property rights and support the voluntary stewardship efforts of private landowners and fishers</li> <li>Use science as a guide</li> <li>Build on existing tools and strategies with an emphasis on flexibility and adaptive approaches</li> </ol></li></ul> <li>Benefit At-Risk Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Species. Conserve and restore habitat to improve ecosystem function and biological diversity, as identified by conservation plans, IK, or emerging information for priority fish, wildlife, and/or plant resources, such as threatened and endangered species, and species of greatest conservation need (including game species).</li> <li>Expand Habitat Connectivity. Conserve and restore priority habitat and stopover areas along key migratory routes; conserve, restore or improve fish passage; conserve or restore lands and/or waters that are critical to habitat connectivity; or expand and enhance wildlife corridors that contribute to larger-scale conservation efforts (e.g., removing and right-sizing culverts, rehabilitating areas damaged by fire, removing encroaching trees from grassland and sagebrush ecosystems, restoring and reconnecting wetlands and floodplains, or treating exotic/invasive vegetation to improve habitat value)</li> <li>Provide a Range of Ecosystem Servic</li>

- Expand Public and Community Access to Nature. Create, improve, or expand opportunities for public access and recreation—especially for underserved communities that lack access to the outdoors—in a manner consistent with the ecological needs of fish and wildlife habitat. Projects should enable high-quality recreational experiences (e.g., biking, birding, boating, fishing, hiking, outdoor education, cultural activities, hunting and wildlife viewing), and should be predominantly nature-based in application. Hard infrastructure, such as, parking lots and visitor center amenities, are not eligible under this funding opportunity.
- Engage Local Communities. Incorporate outreach to communities, particularly underserved communities, foster community engagement, and pursue collaboration with farmers, ranchers, Tribal Nations, states or other land managers to produce measurable conservation benefits. When possible, projects should be developed through community input and/or co-design processes and incorporate IK. Projects should engage community-level partners (e.g., municipalities, NGOs, community organizations), as appropriate, to help design, implement, and maintain projects to secure maximum benefits for communities, maintenance, and sustainability post-grant award.
- Support Tribally Led Conservation and Restoration Priorities. Prioritize projects that uplift Tribal and Indigenous-led efforts to improve fish and wildlife habitat (e.g., Tribal co-stewardship of federal or other lands, restoration of Tribal homelands, access to and/or restoration of sacred sites, restoration and enhancement of subsistence practices, and elevation of IK).
- **Contribute to Local or Tribal Economies**. Prioritize projects that, as a co-benefit, directly contribute to local economies and underserved communities (e.g., expand tourism or recreational economies, promote regenerative agriculture, and contribute to working lands and/or community or Tribal forestry). Applicants are encouraged to estimate the economic benefits that are expected because of the project (e.g., number of jobs sustained or created).
- **Contribute to Workforce Development**. Develop the next generation of conservation professionals, including through support for national service, youth, and conservation corps engaged in conservation and climate-related work. Projects that develop the restoration workforce, especially with AmeriCorps and 21st Century Conservation Service Corps programs, are encouraged.
- Advance Sentinel Landscape Partnership Priorities. Prioritize projects that accelerate the goals and initiatives across sentinel landscapes. Applicants are encouraged to engage with the Sentinel Landscapes Coordinators to learn how projects can help support resilience, habitat conservation, and land management practices around military installations and ranges.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Safe Streets and Roads for All Funding Opportunity	
Grant Agency:	DOT Federal Highway Administration	
Opportunity Number:	DOT-SS4A-FY24-01	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	2/21/2024
	Planning and Demonstration Grant applicants have three deadlines: •Thursday,
	April 4, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT)•Thursday, May 16, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT)•Thursday,
Application Close Date:	August 29, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT)
	Implementation Grant applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM (EDT) on
	Thursday, May 16, 2024.

## **Description:**

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Grant Purpose:	The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grants. Funds for the fiscal year (FY) 2024 SS4A grant program are to be awarded on a competitive basis to support planning and demonstration activities, as well as projects and strategies to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets involving all roadway users, including pedestrians; bicyclists; public transportation, personal conveyance, and micromobility users; motorists; and commercial vehicle operators. Applicants must submit their applications via Valid Eval at https://usg.valideval.com/teams/usdot_ss4a_2024_implementation/signup for Implementation Grant applicants, and https://usg.valideval.com/teams/usdot_ss4a_2024_planning_demo/signup for Planning and Demonstration Grants. Do not submit your applications through Grants.Gov.
	Planning and Demonstration Grant applicants have three deadlines:
	•Thursday, April 4, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT) •Thursday, May 16, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT) •Thursday, August 29, 2024, 5:00 PM (EDT)
	<b>Implementation Grant</b> applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM (EDT) on Thursday, May 16, 2024. Late applications will not be accepted unless there is a technical issue directly caused by the online submission proposal system Valid Eval.
Grant Website:	Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program   US Department of Transportation
Grant Notice of	FY24 SS4A Notice of Funding Opportunity   US Department of Transportation
Funding Opportunity (NOFO):	
Press Release:	Press Releases   US Department of Transportation
Webinars:	Webinar Series: Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants   US Department of Transportation

## **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount: I otal Available: \$1,256,687,000	Available Amount: Total Availabl	e: \$1,256,687,000
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	Minimum Request:	\$ 100,000
	Maximum Request:	\$ 25,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	
Match Rate:	80/20	
Anticipated # Awards:	500	

## **Eligibility Information:**

	The following groups of applicants are eligible for the SS4A grant program:			
Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>A political subdivision of a State or territory, a unit of government created under the authority of State law (ie., cities, towns, counties, special districts, certain transit agencies, and similar units of local government).</li> <li>A federally recognized Tribal government.</li> <li>Metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs).</li> <li>A multijurisdictional group of entities from the ones described above (select one lead applicant from group).</li> </ul>			
	The Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant program is focused on improving roadway safety for all users by reducing and eliminating serious-injury and fatal crashes through the development, refinement, and subsequent implementation of comprehensive safety action plans (referred to as "Action Plans").			
	The program provides funding to develop tools to help strengthen a community's approach to roadway safety and save lives.			
	Projects and activities that do not have a connection to roadway safety are not eligible for SS4A funding.			
	<u>Planning and Demonstration Grants</u> For a Planning and Demonstration Grant, eligible activities include the following:			
Eligible Projects:	<ol> <li>Developing, updating, or completing an Action Plan.</li> <li>Conducting supplemental safety planning to complete or enhance an Action Plan.</li> <li>Carrying out demonstration activities to inform Action Plan development or updates.</li> </ol>			
	Implementation Grants			
	Implementation Grants Implementation Grant activities must include implementing roadway safety strategies and projects identified in an eligible, complete Action Plan.			
	Projects and strategies must be infrastructural, behavioral, and/or operational activities identified in an Action Plan and must be directly related to addressing the safety problem(s) identified in the Action Plan.			
	Implementation Grants may also include funding requests for supplemental planning and demonstration activities that inform an Action Plan (Activity A). In addition, Implementation Grants may fund project-level planning, design, and development connected to the implementation of projects and strategies (Activity B).			
	If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact			

ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Rural eConnectivity (ReConnect) Program	
Grant Agency:	Rural Utilities Service, USDA	
Opportunity Number:	RUS-REC-2024-1.	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	02/21/2024
	Beginning on March 22, 2024, applications can be submitted through the RUS on- line application portal until 11:59 a.m. Eastern on April 22, 2024.
Application Close Date:	Applications must be submitted through the RUS on-line application system available on the program web site at https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/.

## **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The ReConnect program provides loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. In facilitating the expansion of broadband services and infrastructure, the program will fuel long-term rural economic development and opportunities in rural America.
Grant Website:	ReConnect Loan and Grant Program   USDA
Grant Notice of Funding	Federal Register :: Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Rural eConnectivity Program for
Opportunity (NOFO):	Fiscal Year 2024
Press Release:	
Webinars:	https://www.usda.gov/reconnect/forms-and-resources

## **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$ 25,000,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 100,000
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:	
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Varies based on key f	unding requirements
Match Rate:		
Anticipated # Awards:		

## **Eligibility Information:**

	Independent school districts
	State governments
	County governments
Eligible Recipients:	City or township governments
	Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
	Private institutions of higher education

<ul> <li>Award funds may be used to pay for the following costs:         <ol> <li>To fund the construction or improvement of facilities required to provide fixed terrestrial broadband service.</li> <li>Eligible facilities include buildings, land, and fixed wireless service. If other services will be provided over these facilities, then award funds may also be used to acquire the additional equipment. For example, awards funds may be used to purchase equipment that is required to comply with the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act 47 U.S.C \$1001 et seq (CALEA).</li> </ol> </li> <li>To fund reasonable pre-application expensess. Funding for pre-application expenses may not exceed five percent of the award. Pre-application expenses may the included in the first request for advance of award funds and will be funded with either grant or loan funds. If the funding category applied for has a grant component, then grant funds will be used for this purpose. If pre-application expenses are not included in the first request for advance of award funds, they will become an ineligible purpose. Costs associated with satisfying the environmental review requirements are eligible for reimbursement under this category. Up to 3% three percent of the total award can be used to cover costs associated with satisfying the environmental review requirements. The environmental review costs count as part of the overall 5% percent allowable for pre-application expenses. If an application is repose to this notice, such as engineering design, market survey, and subscriber projections. Note, however, that RUS, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to accept or reject expense associated with round four. Otherwise, preapplication expenses may only be reimbursed if they are incurred after the publication date of the Notice of Funding Opportunity published February 21, 2024 and are properly documented. Additional details concerning pre-application expenses may only be reimbursed if the</li></ul>		Small businesses Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification) Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments) For profit organizations other than small businesses Special district governments Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
	Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Award funds may be used to pay for the following costs:</li> <li><b>1.</b> To fund the construction or improvement of facilities required to provide fixed terrestrial broadband service.</li> <li>Eligible facilities include buildings, land, and fixed wireless service. If other services will be provided over these facilities, then award funds may also be used to acquire the additional equipment. For example, awards funds may be used to purchase equipment that is required to comply with the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act, 47 U.S.C §1001 et seq (CALEA).</li> <li><b>2.</b> To fund reasonable pre-application expenses.</li> <li>Funding for pre-application expenses may not exceed five percent of the award. Pre-application expenses must be included in the first request for advance of award funds and will be funded with either grant or loan funds. If the funding category applied for has a grant component, then grant funds will be used for this purpose. If pre-application expenses are not included in the first request for advance of award funds, they will become an ineligible purpose. Costs associated with satisfying the environmental review requirements are eligible for reimbursement under this category. Up to 3% three percent of the total award can be used to cover costs associated with satisfying the environmental review costs count as part of the overall 5% percent allowable for pre-application expenses. If an applicant applied for funding in ReConnect Round Four, preapplication, reserves the right to accept or reject expenses associated with round four. Otherwise, preapplied to make other averous, not subscriber projections. Note, however, that RUS, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to accept or reject expenses associated with round four. Otherwise, preapplication expenses may only be reimbursed if they are incurred after the publication date of the Notice of Funding Opportunity publibiled February 21, 2024 and are properly documented. Additional details concerning pre-application expenses</li></ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Buses and Bus Facilities Program	
Grant Agency:	DOT/Federal Transit Administration	
Opportunity Number:	FTA-2024-004-TPM-BUS	

#### **Important Dates:**

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Posted Date:	02/08/2024
Application Close Date:	04/25/2024 (11:59 pm ET)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the availability of approximately \$394 million in competitive grants under the Buses and Bus Facilities Program to assist in the financing of buses and bus facilities capital projects, including replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing or leasing buses or related equipment, and rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing or leasing bus-related facilities.
Grant Website:	Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program   FTA (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding	Low or No Emission and Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Programs FY2024
Opportunity (NOFO):	Notice of Funding Opportunity   FTA (dot.gov)
Press Release:	Biden-Harris Administration Announces Availability of \$1.5 Billion in Federal Funding to
	Modernize Bus Fleets and Deploy Clean Transit Buses Across America   FTA (dot.gov)
Webinars:	Webinar Registration - Zoom (zoomgov.com)

#### **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$ 309,045,823
	Minimum Request:	\$ 0
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:	\$ 39,004,582
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	
Match Rate:		
Anticipated # Awards:	50	

#### **Eligibility Information:**

	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
	County governments
	City or township governments
	Others (see list below for clarification)
Eligible Rec	nts: State governments
	Eligible applicants for the Buses and Bus Facilities Program include designated recipients
	that allocate funds to fixed route bus operators, States (including territories and
	Washington D.C.) or local governmental entities that operate fixed route bus service, and

	Indian tribes. Eligible subrecipients include all otherwise eligible applicants and also private nonprofit organizations engaged in public transportation. Except for projects proposed by Indian tribes, all proposals for projects in rural (non-urbanized) areas must be submitted by a State, either individually or as a part of a statewide application.
Eligible Projects:	Capital projects to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses, vans, and related equipment, and to construct bus-related facilities, including technological changes or innovations to modify low or no emission vehicles or facilities. Additionally, 0.5% of a request may be for workforce development training, and an additional 0.5% may be for training at the National Transit Institute. Applicants for zero-emission vehicles must also spend 5% of their award on workforce development and training as outlined in their Zero-Emission Transition Plan, unless the applicant certifies that their financial need is less.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	FY 2024 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Low or No Emissions Program
Grant Agency:	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
Opportunity Number:	FTA-2024-003-TPM-LWNO

#### **Important Dates:**

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Posted Date:	02/08/2024
Application Close Date:	04/25/2024 (11:59 pm ET)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	billion in competitive grants under the Low or No Emission Grant Program (Low-No
	Program) for the purchase or lease of zero-emission and low-emission transit buses,
	including acquisition, construction, and leasing of required supporting facilities.
Grant Website:	Low or No Emission Grant Program - 5339(c)   FTA (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding	Low or No Emission and Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Programs FY2024
Opportunity (NOFO):	Notice of Funding Opportunity   FTA (dot.gov)
Press Release:	Biden-Harris Administration Announces Availability of \$1.5 Billion in Federal Funding to
	Modernize Bus Fleets and Deploy Clean Transit Buses Across America   FTA (dot.gov)
Webinars:	Webinar Registration - Zoom (zoomgov.com)

## **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$1,103,963,762
	Minimum Request:	\$0
	Maximum Request:	\$0
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	
Match Rate:		
Anticipated # Awards:	50	

## **Eligibility Information:**

	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
	County governments
	City or township governments
	Others (see list below for clarification)
Eligible Recipients:	State governments
	Eligible applicants for the Buses and Bus Facilities Program include designated recipients
	that allocate funds to fixed route bus operators, States (including territories and
	Washington D.C.) or local governmental entities that operate fixed route bus service, and
	Indian tribes. Eligible subrecipients include all otherwise eligible applicants and also private

	nonprofit organizations engaged in public transportation. Except for projects proposed by Indian tribes, all proposals for projects in rural (non-urbanized) areas must be submitted by a State, either individually or as a part of a statewide application.
Eligible Projects:	The purpose of the Low-No Program is to support the transition of the nation's transit fleet to the lowest polluting and most energy efficient transit vehicles. The Low-No Program provides funding to state and local governmental authorities for the purchase or lease of zero-emission and low-emission transit buses, including acquisition, construction, and leasing of required supporting facilities.
	Additionally, 0.5% of a request may be for workforce development training, and an additional 0.5% may be for training at the National Transit Institute.
	Applicants for zero-emission vehicles must also spend 5% of their award on workforce development and training as outlined in their Zero-Emission Transition Plan, unless the applicant certifies that their financial need is less.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Port Infrastructure Development Program	
Grant Agency:	DOT Maritime Administration	
Opportunity Number:	MA-PID-24-001	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	12-27-23 (MARAD will update information on or before February 16, 2024)
Application Close Date:	4-30-24 (11:59pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	Announces the availability of \$450,000,000 for FY 2024 Port Infrastructure Development Program grants. Additional details will be published on or before February 16 2024, with complete program requirements and application information.
Grant Website:	
Grant Notice of Funding	GrantSolutions
Opportunity (NOFO):	
Press Release:	
Webinars:	

## **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 450,000,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 1,000,000
	Maximum Request:	\$ 165,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	
Match Rate:	80/20 (unless certain conditions are met – rural area or small port)	
Anticipated # Awards:	40	

## **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>Special district governments</li> <li>County governments</li> <li>State governments</li> <li>City or township governments</li> <li>Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)</li> <li>Other: States, political subdivision of a State or local government, public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States, special purpose district with a transportation function, Indian Tribe, multistate or multijurisdictional group of entities described above, or a lead entity described above jointly with a private entity or group of private entities.</li> </ul>
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Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Eligible projects for shall be located either within the boundary of a port, or outside the boundary of a port and directly related to port operations or to an intermodal connection to a port. Grants may be made for capital projects that will be used to improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of: <ol> <li>the loading and unloading of goods at the port, such as for marine terminal equipment;</li> <li>the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port, such as for highway or rail infrastructure, intermodal facilities, freight intelligent transportation systems, and digital infrastructure systems;</li> <li>operational improvements, including projects to improve port resilience; or</li> <li>environmental and emissions mitigation measures; including projects for— <ol> <li>a) port electrification or electrification master planning;</li> <li>b) harbor craft or equipment replacements or retrofits;</li> <li>d) provision of idling reduction infrastructure;</li> <li>(e) purchase of cargo handling equipment and related infrastructure;</li> <li>(ff) worker training to support electrification technology;</li> <li>(gg) installation of port bunkering facilities from ocean-going vessels for fuels;</li> <li>(hh) electric vehicle charging or hydrogen refueling infrastructure for drayage and medium or heavy duty trucks and locomotives that service the port and related grid upgrades; or</li> <li>(ii) other related port activities, including charging infrastructure, electric rubber-tired gantry cranes, and anti-idling technologies.</li> </ol></li></ol></li></ul>
	2024.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	INFRA Grants
Grant Agency:	Department of Transportation – Office of the Under Secretary for Policy
Opportunity Number:	NSMFHP – 25-26-INFRA

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date: 3/25/2024	
Application Close Date:	5/6/2024 (11:59 pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) program is an existing competitive program that will see a more than 50 percent increase in this year's funding due to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. These grants advance the Administration's priorities of rebuilding America's infrastructure and creating jobs by funding highway, multimodal freight and rail projects that position America to win the 21st century. Projects will improve safety, generate economic benefits, reduce congestion, enhance resiliency, and hold the greatest promise to eliminate supply chain bottlenecks and improve critical freight movements.
Grant Website:	The INFRA Grant Program   US Department of Transportation
Grant Notice of Funding	Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant - Notice of Funding Opportunity   US Department
Opportunity (NOFO):	of Transportation
Press Release:	MPDG Program   US Department of Transportation
Webinars:	MPDG - Webinars   US Department of Transportation

#### **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$ 2,700,000,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 5,000,000
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:	\$ 2,270,520,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Matching	
Match Rate:	80 - 20	
Anticipated # Awards:	30	

#### **Eligibility Information:**

	Eligible Recipients include:
Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>a State or group of States;</li> <li>a metropolitan planning organization that serves an Urbanized Area (as defined by the Bureau of the Census) with a population of more than 200,000 individuals;</li> <li>a unit of local government or group of local governments;</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>a political subdivision of a State or local government;</li> <li>a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority;</li> <li>a Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States;</li> <li>a tribal government or a consortium of tribal governments;</li> <li>a multistate corridor organization; or</li> <li>a multistate or multijurisdictional group of eligible entities listed above.</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Eligible Projects can include:</li> <li>A highway freight project on the National Highway Freight Network</li> <li>A highway or bridge project on the National Highway System</li> <li>A freight intermodal, freight rail, or freight project within the boundaries of a public or private freight rail, water (including ports), or intermodal facility and that is a surface transportation infrastructure project necessary to facilitate direct intermodal interchange, transfer, or access into or out of the facility</li> <li>A highway-railway grade crossing or grade separation project</li> <li>A wildlife crossing project</li> <li>A surface transportation project within the boundaries or functionally connected to an international border crossing that improves a facility owned by Fed/State/local government and increases throughput efficiency</li> <li>A project for a marine highway corridor that is functionally connected to the NHFN and is likely to reduce road mobile source emissions</li> <li>A highway, bridge, or freight project on the National Multimodal Freight Network</li> </ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Mega Grants
Grant Agency:	Department of Transportation – Office of the Under Secretary for Policy
Opportunity Number:	NIPA-23-24-MEGA

#### **Important Dates:**

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Posted Date:	3/25/2024
Application Close Date:	5/6/2024 (11:59 pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

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the same application under the other MPDG Grants.gov opportunities.	prog the	grams for which it is not opted-out or ineligible. It is not necessary to submit multiple of

Grant Notice of Funding	Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant - Notice of Funding Opportunity   US Department	
Opportunity (NOFO):	of Transportation	
Press Release: MPDG Program   US Department of Transportation		
Webinars: MPDG - Webinars   US Department of Transportation		

## **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$ 1,700,000,000
	Minimum Request:	\$0
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:	\$ 1,000,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Matching	
Match Rate:	80 - 20	
Anticipated # Awards:		

# **Eligibility Information:**

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	Eligible Recipients include:
Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>a State or a group of States;</li> <li>a metropolitan planning organization;</li> <li>a unit of local government;</li> <li>a political subdivision of a State;</li> <li>a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority;</li> <li>a Tribal government or a consortium of Tribal governments;</li> <li>a partnership between Amtrak and 1 or more entities described in (1) through (6); and,</li> <li>a group of entities described in any of (1) through (7).</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Eligible Projects can include:</li> <li>A highway or bridge project on the National Multimodal Freight Network</li> <li>A highway or bridge project on the National Highway Freight Network</li> <li>A highway or bridge project on the National Highway System</li> <li>A freight intermodal (including public ports) or freight rail project that provides public benefit</li> <li>A railway highway grade separation or elimination project</li> <li>An intercity passenger rail project</li> <li>A public transportation project that is eligible under assistance under Chapter 53 of title 49 and is a part of any of the project types described above</li> </ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program
Grant Agency:	Department of Transportation – Office of the Under Secretary for Policy
Opportunity Number:	RSTGP-25-26-RURAL

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	3/25/2024
Application Close Date:	5/6/2024 (11:59 pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

	The Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program (RURAL) was created in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and will support projects to improve and expand the surface transportation infrastructure in rural areas to increase connectivity, improve the safety and reliability of the movement of people and freight, and generate regional economic growth and improve quality of life. Eligible projects for Rural grants include highway, bridge, and tunnel projects that help improve freight, safety, and provide or increase access to an agricultural, commercial, energy, or transportation facilities that support the economy of a rural area. The Department is combining three major discretionary grant programs and two fiscal
	years of funding into one Multimodal Projects Discretionary Grant (MPDG) opportunity to reduce the burden for state and local applicants and increase the pipeline of "shovel-worthy" projects that are now possible because of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.
Grant Purpose:	The Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program (Rural) program was created in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to fund will support projects to improve and expand the surface transportation infrastructure in rural areas to increase connectivity, improve the safety and reliability of the movement of people and freight, and generate regional economic growth and improve quality of life. It is a highly competitive program. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides approximately \$1.7 billion for Rural over 5 years, of which approximately \$780 million will be made available through this NOFO. At least 90% of rural funding must be awarded in amounts of \$25 million or more. If you are seeking less than \$25 million, you are competing for only about \$78 million nationwide this round.
	Applications will be evaluated on six outcome criteria, economic analysis, project readiness, and statutory requirements. The six outcome criteria are: (1) safety; (2) state of good repair; (3) economic impacts, freight movement, and job creation; (4) climate change, resilience, and the environment; (5) equity, multimodal options, and quality of life; and (6) innovation areas: technology, project delivery, and financing.
	Applicants that wish to submit the same application to be considered for more than one grant program under the MPDG combined NOFO only need to submit their application through one Grants.gov opportunity number and that application will be considered for all

	programs for which it is not opted-out or ineligible. It is not necessary to submit multiple of the same application under the other MPDG Grants.gov opportunities.	
Grant Website	The Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program   US Department of Transportation	
	Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant - Notice of Funding Opportunity   US Department	
Opportunity (NOFO):		
	MPDG Program   US Department of Transportation	
Webinars:	MPDG - Webinars   US Department of Transportation	

## **Grant Allocation:**

	Total Available:	\$ 780,000,000
	Minimum Request:	\$0
Available Amount:	Maximum Request:	\$ 780,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Matching	
Match Rate:	80 - 20	
Anticipated # Awards:		

## **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>Eligible Recipients include:</li> <li>a State;</li> <li>a regional transportation planning organization;</li> <li>a unit of local government;</li> <li>a tribal government or a consortium of tribal governments; or</li> <li>a multijurisdictional group of entities above.</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Eligible Projects can include:</li> <li>A highway, bridge, or tunnel project eligible under National Highway Performance Program</li> <li>A highway, bridge, or tunnel project eligible under Surface Transportation Block Grant</li> <li>A highway, bridge, or tunnel project eligible under Tribal Transportation Program</li> <li>A highway freight project eligible under National Highway Freight Program</li> <li>A highway safety improvement project, including a project to improve a high risk rural road as defined by the Highway Safety Improvement Program</li> <li>A project on a publicly-owned highway or bridge that provides or increases access to an agricultural, commercial, energy, or intermodal facility that supports the economy of a rural area</li> <li>A project to develop, establish, or maintain an integrated mobility management system, a transportation demand management system, or on-demand mobility services</li> </ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Innovative Finance and Asset Concessions Grant Program
Grant Agency:	DOT - Office of the Undersecretary for Policy
Opportunity Number:	DOT-IFACGP-FY2223-01

#### **Important Dates:**

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Posted Date:	March 8, 2024
Application Close Date:	May 10, 2024 (11:59pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

	The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for the Innovative Finance and Asset Concession Grant Program (IFACGP or the Program). Up to \$57.72 million will be awarded on a competitive basis to assist eligible public entities in facilitating and evaluating public- private partnerships and exploring opportunities for innovative financing and delivery for eligible transportation infrastructure projects, including highway, transit, passenger rail, certain freight facilities, certain port projects, rural infrastructure projects, airports, and transit-oriented development projects. This notice will award funding from Fiscal Years 2022, 2023, and 2024.
Grant Purpose:	The objective of the Program is to facilitate and evaluate public-private partnerships in which the private sector partner could assume a greater role in project planning, development, financing, construction, maintenance, and operation, including by assisting eligible entities in entering into Asset Concessions. A significant focus of the IFACGP is to identify Existing Assets that have the potential to provide additional public benefits through asset concessions. Under the Program, Eligible Entities can procure Advisors, hire employees into a public agency, or both, to administer Proposed Activities.
Grant Fulpose.	The Department seeks to fund projects that advance the Departmental priorities of safety, equity, climate and sustainability, and workforce development, job quality, and wealth creation as described in the USDOT Strategic Plan, Research, Development and Technology Strategic Plan, and in executive orders. More specifically, the Department seeks to fund projects under the IFACGP that reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector; incorporate evidence-based climate resilience measures and features; avoid adverse environmental impacts to air or water quality, wetlands, and endangered species; and address the disproportionate negative environmental impacts of transportation on disadvantaged communities, consistent with Executive Order 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad (86 FR 7619).
	Two types of grants will be available: <u>Technical Assistance Grants</u> will be awarded to build organizational capacity to develop, review, or enter into asset concessions to advance TIFIA-eligible projects. <u>Expert Services Grants</u> will be awarded for project development of identified assets, including hiring professional services to explore opportunities for leverage. Applicants can seek either type of grant but must choose one for this round of funding.

Grant Website:	
Grant Notice of	Innovative Finance and Asset Concession Grant Program   Build America (transportation.gov)
Funding Opportunity	
(NOFO):	
Press Release:	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ANNOUNCES \$57 MILLION AVAILABLE FOR
Press Release.	INNOVATIVE FINANCE AND ASSET CONCESSION GRANTS   US Department of Transportation
	Technical Assistance Grants Webinar (March 21, 2024):
	https://usdot.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_bo6xO9jHScOfJWzzeTubLQ#/registration
Webinars:	Expert Services Grants Webinar (March 21, 2024):
	https://usdot.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_7CdGzb-VS6um-9UfH8od-w#/registration

## **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 57,720,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 0
	Maximum Request:	\$ 2,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:		
Match Rate:	None	
Anticipated # Awards:	45	

#### **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients:	Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) State governments Special district governments County governments City or township governments
Eligible Projects:	Eligible applicants for this Program are public entities that own, control, or maintain assets that could be developed into enhanced assets. Eligible assets are those activities that would reasonably be deemed eligible to receive a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan through the Bureau.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Strategic Innovation for Revenue Collection (SIRC) Program	
Grant Agency:	DOT- Federal Highway Administration	
Opportunity Number:	693JJ324NF00014	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	03-27-2024	
Application Close Date:	: 05-27-2024 (11:59pm EDT)	

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	he Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Pub. L. No. 117-58), § 13001, authorized the Secretary of Transportation to establish the Strategic Innovation for Revenue Collection (SIRC) Program. The purpose of the SIRC Program is to provide grants to eligible entities to test the feasibility of a road usage fee and other user-based alternative revenue mechanisms to help maintain the long-term solvency of the Highway Trust Fund through pilot projects at the State, local, and regional level. The BIL provides that \$15 million annually from Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2026 will be authorized from the Highway Research and Development Program, subject to obligation limitation. The Federal share of the cost of a SIRC project may not exceed 80 percent of the
	total project cost, or 70 percent of the total project cost if the recipient has received at least one prior SIRC grant.
Grant Website:	User-Based Alternative Revenue Mechanism Programs - FHWA Office of Operations (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding	
Opportunity (NOFO):	
Press Release:	
Webinars:	

## **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 3,000,000
	Minimum Request:	
	Maximum Request:	
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Cost reimbursement grant with cost-sharing	
Match Rate:	None	
Anticipated # Awards:	No less than 5	

## **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients: State Government

	Group of State governments Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Group of MPOs Local Government Group of Local Governments
Eligible Projects:	Provides funds to test the feasibility of a road usage fee and other user-based alternative revenue mechanisms to help maintain the long-term solvency of the Highway Trust Fund.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	FY23-FY24 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program	
Grant Agency:	DOT – Federal Railroad Administration	
Opportunity Number:	FR-CRS-24-001	

#### **Important Dates:**

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Posted Date:	4/02/2024
Application Close Date:	5/28/2024 (11:59 pm EDT)

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The purpose of the CRISI Program is to invest in a wide range of projects within the United States to improve railroad safety, efficiency, and reliability; mitigate congestion at both intercity passenger rail and freight rail chokepoints to support more efficient travel and goods movement; enhance multi-modal connections; and lead to new or substantially improved Intercity Passenger Rail Transportation corridors. This program invests in railroad infrastructure projects that improve safety, support economic vitality (including through opportunities for small businesses), create good-paying jobs with the free and fair choice to join a union, increase capacity and supply chain resilience, apply innovative technology, and explicitly address climate change, gender equity and racial equity. In addition to the funding made available for the CRISI Program, this NOFO includes funds for eligible projects under the Magnetic Levitation Technology Deployment Program (Maglev Grants Program) and solicits applications for eligible project costs for the deployment of magnetic levitation transportation projects
Grant Website:	Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program   FRA (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding	Federal Register :: Notice of Funding Opportunity for the FY 2023-FY 2024 Consolidated
Opportunity (NOFO):	Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program
Press Release:	
Webinars:	FRA Rail Program Delivery Webinar Series: Grants & Loans   FRA (dot.gov)

#### **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 2,385,440,210
	Minimum Request:	
	Maximum Request:	
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Yes	
Match Rate:		
Anticipated # Awards:	150	

## **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>State;</li> <li>Group of States;</li> <li>Interstate Compact;</li> <li>Public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States;</li> <li>Political subdivision of a State;</li> <li>Amtrak or another rail carrier that provides intercity rail passenger transportation;</li> <li>Class II railroad or Class III railroad or a holding company of a Class II or Class III railroad, or an association representing a Class II or III railroad;</li> <li>A federally recognized Indian Tribe;</li> <li>Any rail carrier or rail equipment manufacturer in partnership with at least one of the entities described in (1) through (5);</li> <li>Transportation Research Board together with any entity with which it contracts in the development of rail-related research, including cooperative research programs;</li> <li>University transportation center engaged in rail-related research; or</li> <li>Non-profit labor organization representing a class or craft of employees of rail carriers or rail carrier contractors.</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>Eligible Projects: Projects eligible for funding under this grant program include, but are not limited to:</li> <li>Deployment of railroad safety technology;</li> <li>Capital projects, as defined in section 49 U.S.C. § 24401(2) for intercity passenger rail service, except that a project under this NOFO is not required to be in a state rail plan;</li> <li>Capital projects that: <ul> <li>address congestion challenges affecting rail service,</li> <li>reduce congestion and facilitate ridership growth along heavily traveled rail corridors, and/or</li> <li>improve short-line or regional railroad infrastructure;</li> </ul> </li> <li>Highway-rail grade crossing improvement projects;</li> <li>Rail line relocation and improvement projects;</li> <li>Regional rail and corridor service development plans and environmental analyses;</li> <li>Any project necessary to enhance multimodal connections or facilitate service integration between rail service and other modes;</li> <li>The development and implementation of a safety program or institute;</li> <li>The development and implementation of measures to prevent trespassing;</li> <li>Any research that the Secretary considers necessary to advance any particular aspect of rail related capital, operations, or safety improvements;</li> <li>Workforce development and training activities, coordinated to the extent practicable with the existing local training programs supported by the Department of Transportation, the Department of Labor, and the Department of Education;</li> <li>Research, development, and testing to advance and facilitate innovative rail projects;</li> <li>Preparation of emergency plans for communities where hazardous materials are transported by rail;</li> <li>Rehabilitating, remanufacturing, procuring or overhauling locomotives for emissions reduction; and</li> <li>Deployment of Magnetic Levitation Transportation Projects.</li> </ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program	
Grant Agency:	DOT Federal Highways Administration	
Opportunity Number:	693JJ324NF00012	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	03/19/2024	
Application Close Date:	06/17/2024 (11:59pm EDT)	

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) projects will help improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of active transportation networks and communities; improve connectivity between active transportation modes and public transportation; enhance the resiliency of on- and off-road active transportation infrastructure and help protect the environment; and improve quality of life in disadvantaged communities through the delivery of connected active transportation networks and expanded mobility opportunities. The ATIIP grants will allow communities to identify, prioritize, and implement improvements to the largest barriers to safe, accessible, and equitable pedestrian and bicycle network connectivity through the development of infrastructure that will provide substantial additional opportunities for walking and bicycling. Eligible organizations will be able to create plans or implement active transportation networks that connect destinations within or between communities, metropolitan regions, or States. The ATIIP also provides an opportunity for eligible organizations to enhance their overall transportation network by integrating active transportation facilities with transit services, where available, to improve access to public transportation.
Grant Website:	ATIIP - Bicycle and Pedestrian Program - Environment - FHWA (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO):	
Press Release:	Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$45 Million in Available Funds to Improve Bicyclist and Pedestrian Connectivity and Safety   FHWA (dot.gov)
Webinars:	https://usdot.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_x_CzDD4pTSeWXu5BZUIURw#/registration

#### **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 44,550,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 100,000
	Maximum Request:	\$ 15,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	

Match Rate:	80/20 (except for Disadvantaged Communities)	
Anticipated # Awards:		

#### **Eligibility Information:**

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	Eligible applicants include:
Eligible Recipients:	<ul> <li>a local or regional governmental organization, including a metropolitan planning organization or regional planning organization or council;</li> <li>a multicounty special district;</li> <li>a State;</li> <li>a multistate group of governments; or</li> <li>an Indian tribe (BIL \$sect; 11529(I)(5)).</li> </ul>
Eligible Projects:	<ul> <li>What factors will be considered when reviewing ATIIP grant applications?</li> <li>Whether the project is likely to provide substantial additional opportunities for walking and bicycling, including effective plans to create an active transportation network connecting destinations within or between communities, including schools, workplaces, residences, businesses, recreation areas, and other community areas, or an active transportation spine connecting two or more communities, metropolitan regions, or States; and to integrate active transportation facilities with transit services, where available, to improve access to public transportation.</li> <li>Whether the applicant demonstrates broad community support through the use of public input in the development of transportation plans and the commitment of community leaders to the success and timely implementation of the project.</li> <li>Whether the applicant provides evidence of commitment to traffic safety, regulations, financial incentives, or community design policies that facilitate significant increases in walking and bicycling.</li> <li>The extent to which the applicant demonstrates commitment of State, local, or eligible Federal matching funds, or land, or other in-kind contributions</li> <li>The extent to which the applicant demonstrates that the grant will address existing disparities in bicyclist and pedestrian fatality rates based on race or income level or provide access to jobs and services for low-income communities and disadvantaged communities.</li> <li>Whether the applicant demostrates how investment in active transportation will advance safety for pedestrians and cyclists, accessibility to jobs and key destinations, economic competitiveness, environmental protection, and quality of life. (BIL \$sect; 11529(c))</li> </ul>

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information:



#### **General:**

Grant Title:	FY23-26 Bridge Investment Program, Large Bridge Project Grants	
Grant Agency:	DOT-FHWA	
Opportunity Number:	693JJ323NF00019	

#### **Important Dates:**

Posted Date:	09/27/2023	
Application Close Date:	08/01/2024	11:59 pm EST, for FY25 Funds

#### **Description:**

Grant Purpose:	The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition. It also expands applicant eligibilities to create opportunity for all levels of government to be direct recipients of program funds.
	Large Bridge Project funds will be awarded on a competitive basis for bridge replacement, rehabilitation, preservation, and protection projects with total eligible costs of greater than \$100 million that: (1) improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges; and (2) improve the condition of bridges in the United States by reducing (a) the number of bridges, and total person miles traveled over bridges, that are in poor condition or that are in fair condition and at risk of falling into poor condition within the next 3 years, or (b) the number of bridges, and total person miles traveled over bridges traveled over bridges, that do not meet current geometric design standards or cannot meet the load and traffic requirements typical of the regional transportation network.
	In addition, a Large Bridge Project that receives a BIP award of not less than \$100 million is eligible for a multiyear grant, in which DOT can award available funds to a project over the course of several years in accordance with an agreement and in alignment with its schedule. Applications submitted under one funding opportunity may receive funding under a different funding category than identified in the application based on FHWA's review of the project schedule and total project cost, see Section A.1.b
Grant Website:	BIP - Funding Programs - Management and Preservation - Bridges & Structures - Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)
Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO):	The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for Large Bridge Project grants (a project with total eligible costs greater than \$100 million) for awards under the Bridge Investment Program (BIP). This notice establishes a "rolling application" process for Large Bridge Project applications by providing the schedule, requirements, and selection process for such projects for the remaining available amounts of BIP funding provided by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law" or BIL) for FY 2023 through FY 2026, which total up to \$9.62 billion (see section B.1 for details for funds available for each fiscal year). The FHWA will solicit applications for the other two BIP project categories in a subsequent NOFO: (1) Planning and (2) Bridge Project (a project with total eligible costs not greater than \$100 million).
	Bridge Investment Program - Large Bridge NOFO FY 2023 - 2026 (dot.gov)

Press Release:

Webinars:

#### **Grant Allocation:**

Available Amount:	Total Available:	\$ 9,620,100,000
	Minimum Request:	\$ 50,000,000
	Maximum Request:	\$ 3,000,000,000
	Maximum Per	
	State:	
Funding Method:	Match	
Match Rate:	Grants may not exceed 50% of total eligible project costs	
Anticipated # Awards:	50	

#### **Eligibility Information:**

Eligible Recipients:	<ol> <li>A State or a group of States;</li> <li>A metropolitan planning organization that serves an urbanized area (as designated by the Bureau of the Census) with a population over 200,000;</li> <li>A unit of local government or a group of local governments;</li> <li>A political subdivision of a State or local government;</li> <li>A special purpose district or a public authority with a transportation function;</li> <li>An FLMA;</li> <li>A Tribal government or a consortium of Tribal governments; and</li> <li>A multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities as described above in 1 – 7.</li> </ol>
Eligible Projects:	Large Bridge Project grants are available for bridge replacement, rehabilitation, preservation, and protection projects with total eligible costs of greater than \$100 million. Projects to replace, rehabilitate, preserve, or protect bridges in the NBI are eligible. This includes projects which bundle two or more bridges into a single project and projects to replace or rehabilitate bridge-sized culverts for the purpose of improving flood control and improved habitat connectivity. To be eligible for BIP funding, a project which includes more than one bridge is required to be executed as one project or a single bundled bridge project under one procurement and included in the application STIP/TIP as a single project. As such, each project will have one project agreement and will be executed under one Federal-Aid project in FHWA's Fiscal Management Information System or under one procurement request under FHWA's DELPHI System.

If you anticipate applying for this grant, please contact ITD's Grant Administrator for more information: