

# TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

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## Virginia Project Recommendations for FY 2019-2020

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# Overview

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- TA Set Aside
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# TA Set Aside

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- *PURPOSE:* A federal formula program that provides funding to projects considered “alternatives” to traditional highway construction
- *FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION*
  - MAP-21 (2012) – Established as the “Transportation Alternatives Program”
  - FAST Act (2015) - Renamed “Transportation Alternatives Set Aside”
- *TPB ROLE:* Large MPOs are sub-allocated funds and given the responsibility for selecting projects for those funds.



# TLC Program

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- In our region, the TA Set Aside Program is a component of the TPB's TLC Program
- The TLC Program also includes:
  - Technical assistance projects
  - TLC PeerX (Peer Exchange Network)
- These programs promote regional goals and priorities, including:
  - Multimodal transportation options (RTPP Goal 1)
  - Regional activity centers (RTPP Goal 2)



# Virginia: FY 2019-2020 Schedule

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- Nov 15 Application deadline
- Nov-Jan VDOT scores applications and forwards them to CTB District Member and MPOs
- March 6 CTB District Member selects projects
- April 3 TPB Selection Panel selects projects
- April 18 TPB approval
- April 18 CTB final approval



# TPB Selection Process

- Selection Panel included TPB staff, District Office of Planning, Prince George's County DPW&T, and Maryland State Highway Administration
- Panel members individually scored projects



- Based on scores, panel members rank projects “High/Medium/Low”
- At the selection panel meeting on April 3, panel used rankings to help evaluate and jointly prioritize projects for funding



# Regional Policies Criteria

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- Expanding Multimodal Transportation Options for Non-Drivers
- Supporting Regional Activity Centers
- Access to High-Capacity Transit
- Increased Access in Equity Emphasis Areas
- Safe Routes to School
- Increased Access for People with Disabilities



# FY 2019 Project Recommendations

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- TPB received **\$16,425,802** in funding requests for 22 projects in Northern Virginia.
- TPB's STP Set Aside sub-allocation is **\$5,440,710**
- **Eleven projects were** recommended for funding
  - Seven projects are in or close to regional Activity Centers
  - Four projects (or component) are within  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile of transit
  - Four projects (or component) are in Equity Emphasis Areas
  - One project is for "Safe Routes to School"





# FY 2019 Project Recommendations

Project	Jurisdiction/Agency	Recommendation
W&OD Trail - Mode Separation	Falls Church (Northern Virginia Regional Parks Authority)	\$274,250
Vienna Metro Bike Connection Improvement	Fairfax County	\$800,000
Rosslyn–Ballston ADA Improvements	Arlington County	\$392,000
PY-Four Mile Run Trail Connection	Arlington County	\$241,000
Judicial Trail Connection	City of Fairfax	\$174,800
Sudley Road Sidewalk	Prince William County	\$148,000
Fair Lakes Boulevard Walkway	Fairfax County	\$480,000
Mill Street Crosswalks	Prince William County	\$147,280
Gemini Way Pedestrian Improvements	Prince William County	\$880,000
Colchester Road Sidewalk	Prince William County	\$1,527,484
Gaver Mill Trail—Shared-Use Path Project	Town of Hillsboro	\$375,896
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,440,710</b>



# Next Steps

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- The TPB is scheduled to approve projects on April 18, 2018.
- TPB staff will forward information regarding the approved projects to VDOT for inclusion in the Commonwealth's Six Year Improvement Program for Transportation.
- The CTB will also consider whether to award funding, using the statewide TA Set Aside funds, to the remaining Northern Virginia applications.
- Once all selections are finalized, VDOT staff will work with applicants to administer funding.



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