



TRANSPORTATION/LAND-USE CONNECTIONS PROGRAM

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TLC Program Background

The TLC Program was designed to support key strategies in the TPB's Regional Mobility and Accessibility Scenario Study and promote implementation of TPB Vision goals:

- Promote development efforts that bring housing and jobs in closer proximity
- Focus mixed-use development around transit stations
- Foster better inter-jurisdictional coordination of transportation and land use planning





Program Components

The TLC Program began in November 2006 with two components:

Regional Clearinghouse

- Web-based source of information about local and national transportation and land-use coordination

Technical Assistance Program

- Focused consultant assistance available to local jurisdictions working on innovative, coordinated plans and projects integrating transportation and land-use



Regional Clearinghouse

The TLC Clearinghouse is an information resource for government agencies, community groups, and individuals

- National/Regional Strategies and Resources
 - Best practices for enhancing transportation and land-use from across the country, including region-wide examples
- Regional Peer Exchange Network
 - Share work from past TLC technical assistance projects

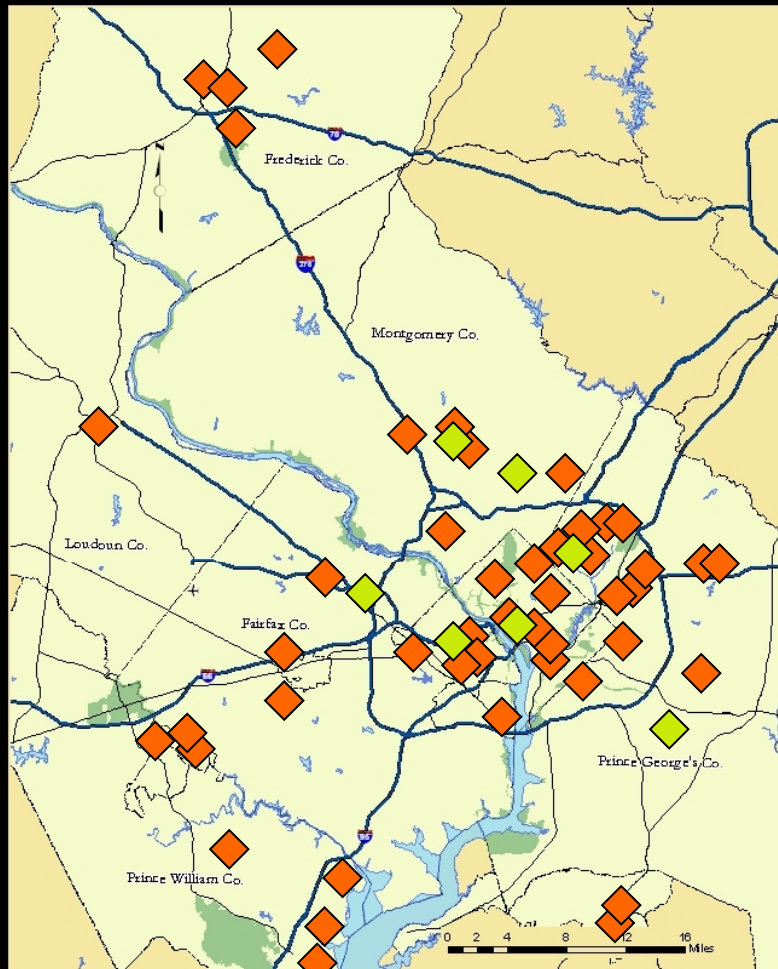
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TLC Technical Assistance Summary

56 Technical Assistance Projects funded at \$1,700,000:

- 8 in the District
- 28 in Maryland
- 18 in Virginia
- 2 Regional



Projects address common challenges:

- Bike/Ped Issues
- Complete Streets
- Enhancements to Transit Access
- Freight



Past TLC Project Strengths

Key components of previously funded projects:

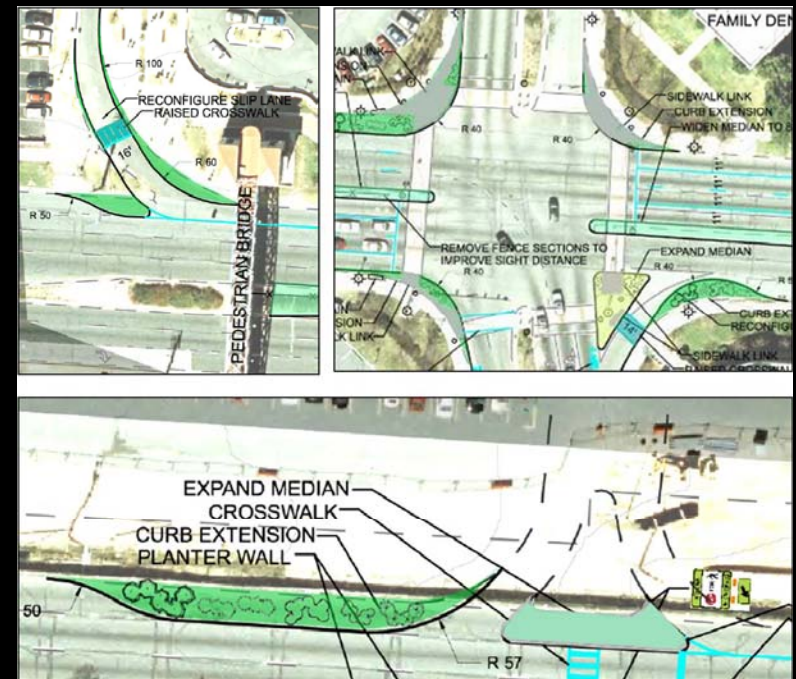
- Time Investment: Key jurisdiction staff are available and committed to participating in the project.
- Integrated Project: Collaboration within the jurisdiction from various departments, collaboration with outside partner agencies, and connection to other jurisdiction efforts.
- Simplicity/Clarity: Project has a clear scope of work, budget, and anticipated deliverables. The project scope is well-articulated and defines the purpose of the project, including how the product will be used by the jurisdiction.



Prince George's Plaza – Complete Streets

The consultant identified \$1.9 million in improvements:

- Accommodations needed for bicyclists and pedestrians
- Gaps in the existing pedestrian bicycle network
- Potential retrofit opportunities
- Upgrades to an area built for the automobile, but experiencing increased bicycle and pedestrian use with the construction of new dense, mixed use development





City of Falls Church – Corridor Planning

The TLC study focused on South Washington Street

- The consultant recommended short- and long-term improvements to Washington Street.
- These recommendations include potential new traffic signal locations, intersection realignments, and other forms of traffic calming.
- As a result of recommendations from the TLC project, the City will be able to incorporate pedestrian improvements into a federal earmark for an intermodal plaza located within the TLC study area.



Charles County – Waldorf Vision and Goals

The TLC study focused on transforming Waldorf

- The goal of the study was to create a vision for a vibrant urban center in Waldorf:
 - Mixed-use, higher-density, walkable downtown
 - Supportive of a regional transit hub
 - Attractive multimodal streets and parks and open spaces
- The Waldorf Urban Transportation Improvement Plan:
 - Created an implementation plan for transportation infrastructure
 - Developed a priority & phasing plan for improvements
 - Developed costs estimates for improvements
 - Determined public investments vs. privately funded improvements
 - Investigated funding mechanisms for improvements



District of Columbia – NoMa Streetscaping

The NoMa BID (with DDOT) used TLC funding to develop a streetscaping plan for the Florida/New York Avenue intersection and along 1st Street, NE

- The BID leveraged the TLC study to receive an additional \$300,000 in grant funding for TE and public art
- The BID worked with DDOT, Capital Bikeshare, developers, and tenants to create a streetscape that is friendly to multimodal movement, innovative in low-impact development techniques, and full of public art



FY 2013 Project Solicitation

- March 6, 2012 - Release call for projects
- March 23, 2012 - Host Application Workshop
- March 29, 2012 - Optional Abstracts due: 4:00 p.m.
- April 17, 2012 – Abstract feedback provided
- **May 16, 2012 - Project applications due: 4:00 p.m.**
- June 2012 - Convene TLC selection panel to recommend projects for funding
- July 18, 2012 - Anticipated TPB approval of projects



FY 2013 Available Funding

- Applicants may apply for \$20,000 - \$60,000 in technical assistance.
- The TPB will provide \$220,000 for TLC technical assistance projects.
 - Up to \$80,000 will be available for a design pilot project
 - The remaining \$140,000 will be used for planning projects
- The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) is expected to commit \$160,000 in funding for projects in Maryland.
 - MDOT has expressed interest in funding projects that focus on Transit-Oriented Development, an ongoing goal within the state.



Questions?

For more information, visit the TLC website:

www.mwcog.org/tlc

Application information is available under the “Application Information” and “Frequently Asked Questions” sub-pages.

Contact TPB Staff for project-related questions and to review application ideas:

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