# Statewide Transit Innovation Grant

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MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

#### **Statewide Transit Innovation Grant**

- State-funded reimbursable grant program
- Maryland local governments and locally operated transit providers may apply
- Approximately \$2 million available for FY19-20 awards
- All projects must be completed and invoiced within 3 years of award
- Application window: early May through June 26, 2019

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In order to be eligible for program funding, projects must:

- Comply with federal and state regulations
- Have a local match of at least 20% of project cost
  - Matching funds must account for at least 20% of the total project cost
  - At least half of the match (or 10% of the total) must be a direct contribution from the Project Sponsor, either cash match or in-kind match.
- Demonstrate improvement in transit mobility
- Be consistent with local, regional, and state transportation plans
- Be consistent with comprehensive land use plans

## **Eligible Projects**

The program supports the planning, design, and construction of projects such as:

- Corridor assessments
- Corridor studies Feasibility studies Comprehensive routing studies
- Dedicated bus lanes or HOV lanes
- Bus rapid transit
- Bus and rail stations
- Transit signal prioritization and queue jumps
- Vehicle purchases or upgrades to facilitate all-door boarding or off-board fare payment

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The program supports the planning, design, and construction of projects such as:

- Comprehensive sign and bus stop upgrade programs
- First-mile, last-mile connections through transit (not bike or pedestrian connections)
- Connected and autonomous vehicles
- Safety improvements associated with a larger improvement to transit service
- Mobility hubs and commuter parking
  - …Innovative projects we haven't yet listed here!

#### What You Need to Apply

- FY 20 Application Form
  - Available at mta.maryland.gov/grants
  - Will be posted in early May
- Cost estimate prepared by qualified engineer or experienced professional
- 3-year completion timeline and work plan
- For construction projects: project ownership, maintenance, and management commitment
- For construction projects: secured ROW and documentation, if acquired



#### Statewide Transit Innovation Grant Webpage and Contact Information

mta.maryland.gov/grants



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