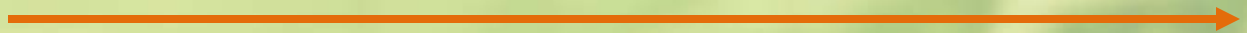




Sustainable Regional Planning



HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Transportation Planning Board
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Today's Agenda:

- **Overview & Program Goals**
- **Requirements & Activities**
- **Proposal**
- **Next Steps**

HUD Sustainable Regional Planning Grant

Purpose:

Support planning efforts to create a **Regional Plan for Sustainable Development** that integrates:

- Housing
- Land use
- Economic/workforce development
- Transportation
- Infrastructure investments



Program Goals



- Foster the development of sustainable communities with the six Livability Principles:
 - More transportation choices
 - Equitable, affordable housing
 - Economic competitiveness
 - Support for existing communities
 - Coordinated policies and leveraged investment
 - Value existing communities and neighborhoods
- Support integrated plans, strategies and management tools

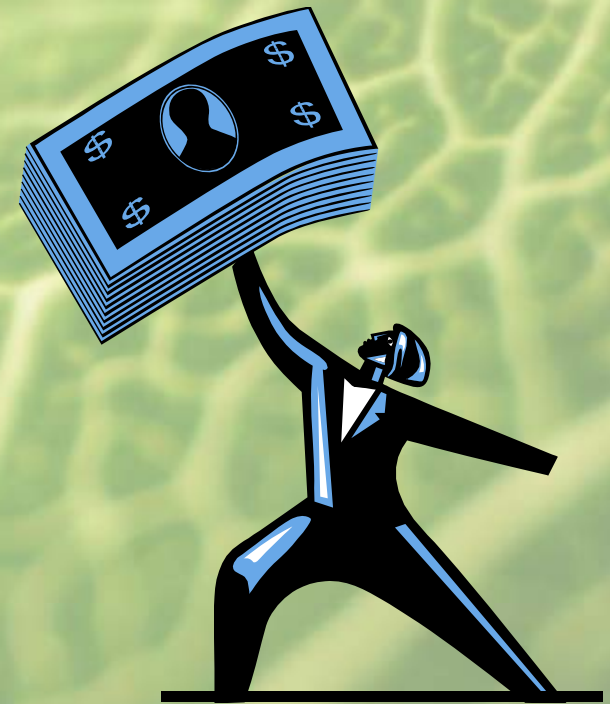
Program Goals (Continued)



- Facilitate alliances of residents and regional interest groups to maintain a long-term vision and support incremental progress
- Build greater transparency and accountability into planning and implementation
- Expedite implementation through changes to local zoning and land use laws
- Align capital improvement programs with livability principles
- Assist regions that have shown a long-term commitment to sustainability and livability

New: Preferred Sustainability Status

- Applicants will be scored by HUD, for Preferred Sustainability Status, signifying they are ready to advance sustainable regional planning
- Applicants with integrated Regional Plan will score points for future federal funding from DOT, HUD, and EPA



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Eligibility & Requirements

Eligible Applicants

Consortium must include:

- Main City
- Largest Jurisdiction
- Other Jurisdictions w/half of region's population
- MPO and Regional Agency
- Nonprofit, Foundation, University



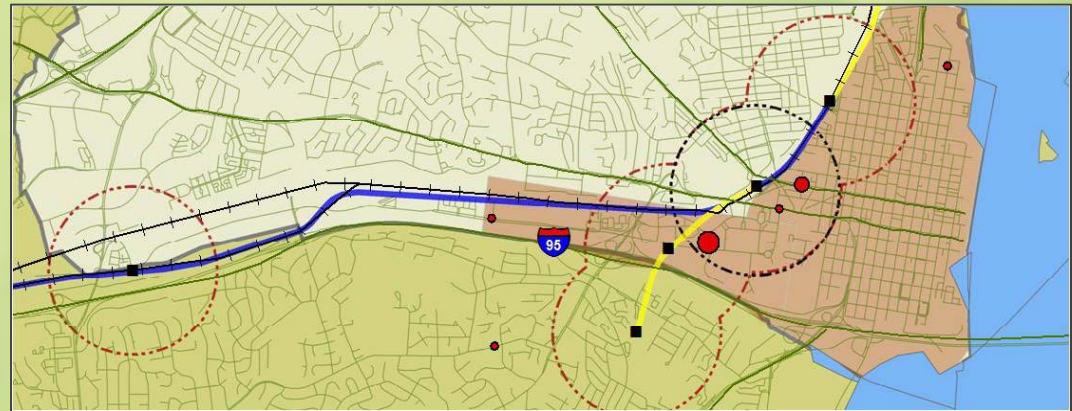
Application Requirements

- **Develop a Regional Plan for Sustainable Development**
 - **Housing Plan**
 - **Fair Housing Analysis**
 - **Transportation Planning**
 - **Water Infrastructure**
 - **Environmental Planning**
 - **Economic Development Planning**
 - **Scenario Planning**
 - **Climate Impact Assessment**

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Proposal

Regional Opportunity



- **Stay current and ahead of Federal policy**
- **Leverage local assets and future investments**
- **Build consensus for supporting new and existing investments**

Category 2



- **Builds on Region Forward**
- **Align local plans and development policies to Regional Plan**
- **Work with MPO and States to realign transportation investments supporting the plan**
- **Identify capital improvements & financing strategies**
- **Create an implementation schedule**
- **Establish formal decision-making body to oversee implementation**

Need/Problem Statement

Problem Statement: Where you live defines how you live. As a result one's community has become a life determinant by limiting or enhancing access to opportunity, affecting human health and our residents' quality of life.

Approach: Complete Communities: Sustainable Centers and Corridors

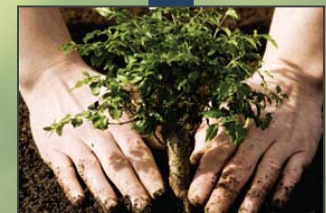
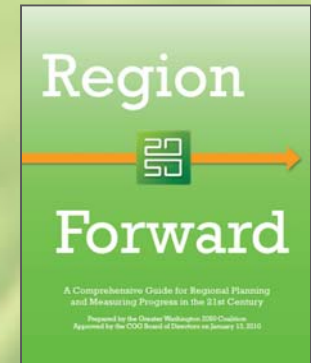


Complete Communities: Sustainable Centers & Corridors

- Update regional ***activity centers*** to develop ***sustainable centers and corridors*** that create ***complete communities***
- Enhance existing centers and identify new centers
- Address how sustainable centers and corridors relate to surrounding areas

Planning Process

- 1) Build on the Regional Vision
- 2) Assessment Phase
- 3) Scenario Visualization & Public Engagement
- 4) Finalize & Adopt Regional Sustainable Development Plan
- 5) Plan Alignment
- 6) Plan Implementation



Next Steps

- Begin formalizing consortium and partnerships
- Review Region Forward for implementation gaps
- Develop approach tied to implementing sustainable activity centers in order to address the six livability principles
- Develop work program, budget and timeline
- Identify local match and in-kind contributions

