





FY 2023 MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

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TA Set Aside Background

 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"
- IIJA (2021) Increased funding
- TPB ROLE: Large MPOs are sub-allocated funds and given the responsibility for selecting projects for those funds



TPB TAP Selection Process

- Selection panel included staff from DDOT, VDOT, and the TPB. Staff from MDOT served as technical a resource.
- Panel members individually scored projects.



 The selection panel used the average scores as a basis for discussion. However, the final recommendations were based on consensus.

Maryland FY 2022 Schedule

April 15 - May 16 Application period

June 30 TPB Selection Panel makes

recommendations for the TPB's MPO

suballocation

July 20 TPB approval of project using MPO

suballocation

August-September MDOT will make selections with statewide

funds



Maryland Project Recommendations

• Combined Funding Request: \$7,248,053

• Funds Available to TPB: \$5,169,450

• Recommended for Funding: \$5,169,450



Maryland Applications

FY 2023 TA Set-Aside Applications in Maryland from the National Capital Region

Application Title	Locality	Type of Request	TA Request	TA Request (w/10% mgmt cost)
Downtown Connectivity Study	City of Frederick	Feasibility	436,000	479,600
Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Railroad Trail (F&PL Trail)	Frederick County	Construction	4,800,000	5,280,000
New Design Road Side Path, Phase 2	Frederick County	Design	480,000	528,000
Traffic Calming Feasibility Study - Catoctin Furnace Historic District	Frederick County	Feasibility	113,957	125,353
West 7th Street Bicycle Lane Design	City of Frederick	Design	305,982	336,580
Twinbrook SRTS & Transit Access Feasibility Study	City of Rockville	Feasibility	312,000	343,200
Riverdale ES Pedestrian Way SRTS	Town of Riverdale Park	Design	21,200	23,320
	TOTAL		6,589,139	7,248,053



Maryland Project Recommendation

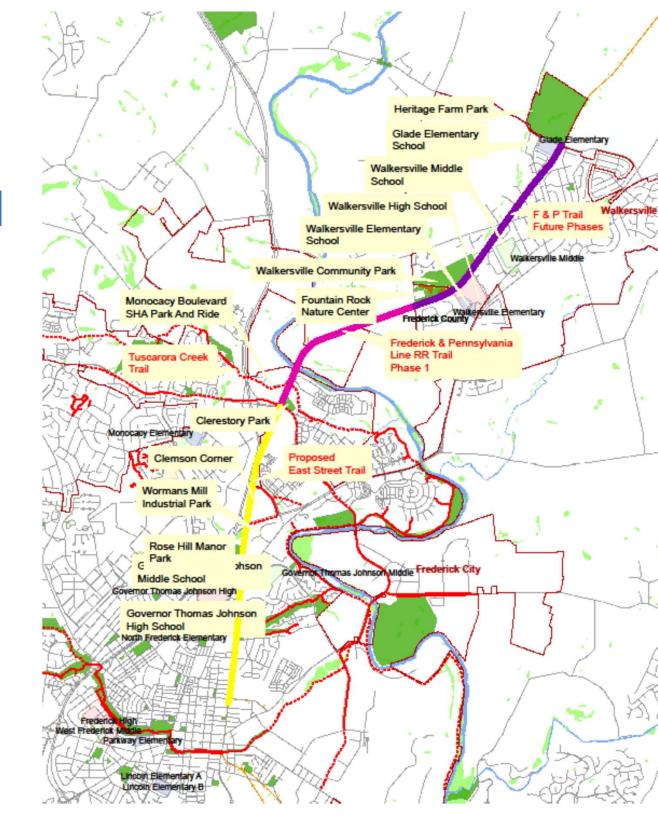
Application Title	Locality	Type of Request	TA Request	TA Request (w/10% mgmt cost)
Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Railroad Trail (F&PL Trail)	Frederick County	Construction	4,800,000	5,280,000



Frederick & Pennsylvania Line Rail Trail

- Construct 1.8-mile trail
- Portion of the National Capital Trail Network
- Highest-priority trail project for the county
- Connections:
 - East Street Trail in Frederick
 - SHA Park & Ride





F&PL: Rails with Trails





Recommendation

- Adopt Resolution R1-2023 to:
 - Provide \$5.28 million in federal TA Set-Aside funds to the Frederick and Pennsylvania Line Rail Trail in Frederick County
 - Encourage MDOT, using the statewide TA Set-Aside allocation, to fund:
 - Twinbrook SRTS & Transit Access Feasibility Study
 City of Rockville
 - West 7th Street Protected Bicycle Lane 100% Design City of Frederick
 - Traffic Calming Feasibility Study Catoctin Furnace Historic District
 Frederick County
 - Downtown Connectivity Study
 City of Frederick



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