REGIONAL TRANSIT UPWP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

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Presentation Outline

- Technical Assistance Program Overview
- Past Regional Transit Technical Assistance Projects
- FY 2021 Budget
- FY 2021 Proposed Projects



Technical Assistance Program Overview

 Assists state and local governments as well as transit operating agencies with projects that advance metropolitan planning, including regional goals, priorities, and aspirations. Two criteria are required for consideration:



- Project concepts that meet these requirements are evaluated and recommended for inclusion by the State Technical Working Group.
- TPB staff usually support TPB Technical assistance projects; occasionally consultants are hired to support tasks if special expertise or additional capacity is needed.



Overview: 3 General Project Categories

1. Assisting state and local agencies in pre-planning analyses

- Montgomery County, working with the Maryland State Highway Administration, requested support in analyzing feasibility of BRT
- Virginia Beltway travel time studies

2. Internal data gathering

- I-95/I-395 HOV counts
- Non-motorized counts in the District of Columbia

3. Studies that can help inform larger regional interests

- Commuter Bus Parking Study
- Regional Bus Service Provision Study



Past Regional Transit Technical Assistance Projects

Fiscal Year	Project
2013	2012 Metrorail Passenger Survey - Geocode and Tabulated Survey Results
2014	Assessment of Impact of Local Transit Corridor Development on Metrorail & Metrobus
2016	Study on Medicaid transportation services are provided in this multi- state region and opportunities for coordination with Metro Access
2016	Transit specific model improvements identified in the strategic plan for models / mode choice
2018	Regional Bus Service Provision Study
2019	TIGER Grant Performance Monitoring Addendum
2019-20	Big Data Evaluation



FY 2021 Regional Transit Technical Assistance Program

Task	Budget	
Program Development, Data	\$5,000	
Requests, & Misc.		
TLC Technical Assistance	\$177,226	_
		Two
Other Tasks to be Defined (\$191,630	
		proposed
Program Total	\$373,856	
		concepts



Proposal: Commit to Transit Within Reach

Fund planning and design projects to improve walk-bike access to existing or nearfuture high-capacity transit stations. Focus on the TPB-approved list of Transit Access Focus Areas.

<u>Aligns with</u>: Visualize 2045 Aspirational initiative to Improve Walk and Bike Access to Transit.

Cost: A five-year commitment of \$100,000 to \$150,000 per year

Potential to use this as seed funding that may leverage jurisdictional funds



Proposal: Develop Regional High-Capacity Transit Graphic/Map

Develop a graphic map to display the region's high capacity transit system as an integrated network. The project will focus on quality graphic design of an easily legible/understood schematic map. The map will be distributed by TPB members and stakeholders to post to the public.

Aligns with: Visualize 2045 Aspirational initiatives to Move More People on Metrorail and Expand Bus Rapid Transit and Transitways

Cost: TBD.

~\$40,000 available in FY 2021 after commitment to Transit Within Reach



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