# TLC FY 2014 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT SOLICITATION

The Technical Assistance component of the Transportation Planning Board's Transportation/Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program provides focused consultant assistance to local jurisdictions working on creative plans and projects that integrate transportation and land use planning.

Application materials are available on the TLC website: www.mwcog.org/tlc.

# **Application Process**

To apply, complete the appropriate application form and attach:

- 1) A letter of endorsement from the jurisdiction's chief elected official or chief administrative officer.
- 2) A completed Project Overview form.
- 3) A brief description of the project: The scope and location of the project; the specific services requested; how the project will benefit the applicant's community and the National Capital Region; how your jurisdiction will address recommendations that may arise from the project; and a short description of how the applicant has collaborated with other agencies in developing the application.

### **30 Percent Design Project**

Due to the quality of the work completed thus far on the FY 2013 Frederick East Street Rails with Trails 30 Percent Design Pilot Project, the TPB will plan to fund one 30 percent design project in FY 2014. Up to \$80,000 will be available to provide consultant assistance for one project that will fund 30 percent design work for a previously completed planning study. The planning study may be a previously funded TLC study or a planning study completed by a jurisdiction. Applicants are asked to demonstrate local and community support for the design work, as well as local commitment to carrying the project forward to construction.

# **FY 2014 Project Solicitation and Approval Process**

March 8, 2013 - Release call for projects

March 15, 2013 - Application Workshop via webinar or at COG (1:00 p.m.)

March 29, 2013 - Optional Abstracts due: 4:00 p.m.

April 18, 2013 - Feedback on abstracts provided to applicants

May 15, 2013 - Project applications due: 4:00 p.m.

June 2013 - Convene TLC selection panel to recommend projects

July 17, 2013 - TPB approval of FY 2014 projects

#### Funding levels for FY 2014 TLC Technical Assistance:

The TPB will provide **\$220,000** for TLC technical assistance projects (with up to \$80,000 available for one 30 percent design project). Planning projects should reflect regional and topical diversity.

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.

For more information and application materials, visit the TLC website: <a href="www.mwcog.org/tlc">www.mwcog.org/tlc</a>. 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: tlc@mwcog.org.