

A photograph of a street intersection. In the foreground, a person wearing a high-visibility safety vest and dark pants stands near a stop sign. Two children are riding bicycles across the intersection. The background shows trees and a building under a clear blue sky. A semi-transparent dark blue banner is overlaid on the image, containing white text.

FY 2021 MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

Projects Recommended for TPB Funding

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Overview

- TA Set Aside
- Maryland Selection Process
- TPB Selection Process
- FY 2021 Project Recommendations
- Next Steps

TA Set Aside

- *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”
- *TPB ROLE:* Large MPOs are sub-allocated funds and given the responsibility for selecting projects for those funds



Maryland: FY 2021 Schedule

- April 15-May 29 Application period
- July 7 TPB Selection Panel selects projects
- July 22 TPB approval



TPB Selection Process

- Selection Panel included COG/TPB staff, District Department of Transportation, and Virginia Department of Transportation. Staff from Maryland State Highway Administration participated as a technical resource
- Panel members individually scored projects



- Based on scores, panel members rank projects “High/Medium/Low”
- At the selection panel meeting on July 7, panel used rankings to help evaluate and jointly prioritize projects for funding

Regional Policies Criteria

- Expanding Multimodal Transportation Options for Non-Drivers
- Supporting Regional Activity Centers
- Access to High-Capacity Transit
- Increased Access in Equity Emphasis Areas
- Safe Routes to School
- Increased Access for People with Disabilities



FY 2021 Project Recommendations

- AVAILABLE: \$2,705,928 (FY 2021 sub-allocation)
- RECOMMENDED: \$1,505,881
 - Only two eligible applications were received
- LEFT OVER: \$1,200,047



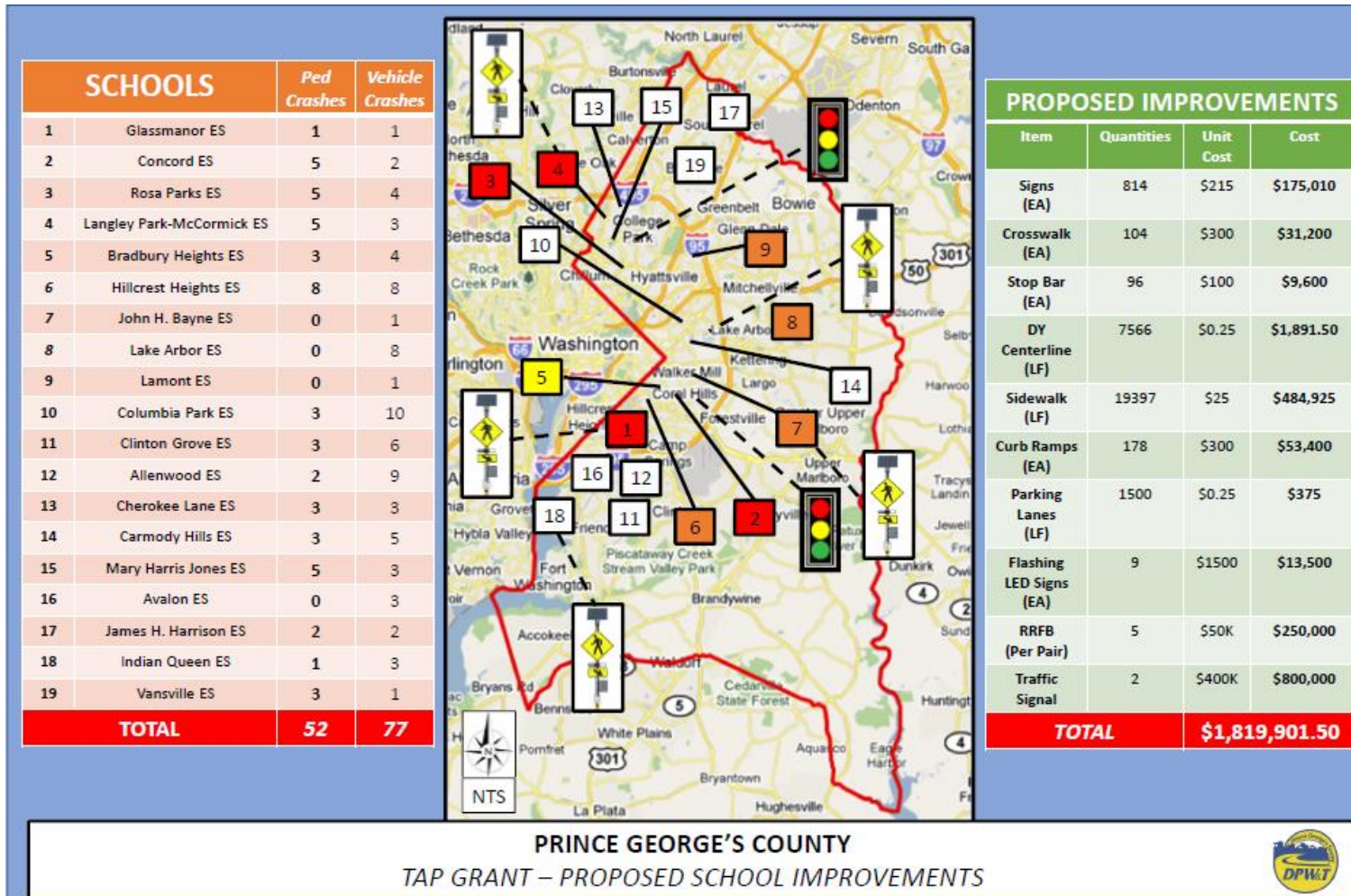
FY 2021 Project Recommendations

Project	Jurisdiction	Recommendation
Signal Modification Plus Pedestrian Safety & Access Improvement Project	Prince George's County	\$1,455,921
Safe Routes to School: Enhancing Biking and Bike Safety	Takoma Park	\$49,960
Total		\$1,505,881



Prince George's County

School Access Improvements, \$1,455,921



Takoma Park

Safe Routes to School programming, \$49,960



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Next Steps

- Review and adopt Resolution R2-2021
- MDOT will finalize grant agreements
- Projects will proceed with design, construction, implementation

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