## TLC FY 2012 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 Process:**

To apply, simply fill out the 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 (1-2 pages) 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; A short description of how the applicant has collaborated with other agencies in developing the application.

Optional Abstract Process for FY 2012: Applicants will have the option to submit an abstract of their project proposals midway through the of their project proposals midway through the project solicitation. The purpose is to allow the TPB staff to review an application concept and provide feedback before the applicant submits their final application. Feedback will include suggestions from staff on ideas for how to strengthen the project concept and create a more compelling application submission.

## **FY 2012 Project Solicitation and Approval Process**

March 1, 2011 - Release call for projects

March 18 2011 - Host Application Workshop at COG at 2:00 p.m.

March 31, 2011 - Abstracts due: 4:00 p.m.

April 15, 2011 - Feedback on abstracts provided to applicants

May 18, 2011 - Project applications due: 4:00 p.m.

June 2011 - Convene TLC selection panel to recommend projects

July 20, 2011 - TPB approval of projects

## Funding levels for FY 2012 TLC Technical Assistance:

The TPB will provide \$220,000 for TLC technical assistance projects. These projects should reflect regional and topical diversity.

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) is expected to commit \$130,000—\$150,000 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: www.mwcog.org/tlc. Application information is available under the "Application Information" and "Frequently Asked Questions" sub-pages.

Contact Sarah Crawford of TPB Staff for project-related questions and to review application ideas: scrawford@mwcog.org or (202) 962-3237.