

### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Transportation Safety Subcommittee

FROM: Jon Schermann, TPB Systems Performance Analysis Manager

SUBJECT: Regional Roadway Safety Program: Update

**DATE**: April 13, 2021

The FY 2021 application period for the Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) Regional Roadway Safety Program (Program) closed on March 22, 2021. This memo provides an update on the status of the Program including the number of applications received, the collective amount of funding requested, next steps for staff and the board, and an update to the timeline.

#### **APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

As shown in the table below, eleven applications were received by the March 22 deadline. These applications represent a total of \$700,000 in requests for \$250,000 in Program funding.

	Number of	Funding
Subregion	Applications Received	Requested
Suburban Maryland	4	\$450,000
Northern Virginia	7	\$250,000
Total	11	\$700,000

#### **SELECTION PANEL**

The Selection Panel is currently in the process of reviewing and evaluating the applications. In early May 2021 the Selection Panel will meet to discuss the applications and come to a consensus about the projects they will recommend for board approval. The TPB will take action on the recommended projects in June.

The Selection Panel consists of the following members (in alphabetical order):

- Usman Ali, Safety & Operations Transportation Specialist, FHWA DC Division
- Tim Kerns, Director, Maryland Highway Safety Office
- Azadeh Norouzi, Transportation Engineer, DDOT
- Stephen Read, Highway Safety Planning Manager, VDOT
- Jon Schermann, Systems Performance Analysis Manager, COG/TPB

#### **CONSULTANT SUPPORT**

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) seeking qualified consultants to conduct/implement the projects (i.e., provide technical assistance) has been published with an end date of May 14, 2021. The intent is to prequalify a set of consultant firms to do the work coming out of the Program. Once projects are approved by the TPB the preapproved consultants would submit proposals. The winning firm, who would already be under a master contract, would be authorized to execute the project as a task order.

# **FY 2021 (PILOT) TIMELINE UPDATE**

• Solicit applications: January 19, 2021 through March 22, 2021

• Optional abstracts due: February 12, 2021

• Selection panel recommendations: May 2021

TPB approves projects: June 2021Consultant selection: July 2021Contract award: August 2021

Project completion: May 2022

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## **FY 2022 TIMELINE UPDATE**

• Solicit applications: July or August 2021

• Selection panel recommendations: September 2021

TPB approves projects: October 2021
Consultant selection: November 2021
Contract award: December 2021

• Project completion: September 2022