

## Sustainable Regional Planning

## **HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant**

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## Today's Agenda:

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- Requirements & Rating Factors
- Funding Categories
- > Proposal
- Next Steps

### **HUD Sustainable Regional Planning Grant**

#### **Purpose:**

Support planning efforts to create a

**Regional Plan for Sustainable** 

**Development** that integrates:

- > Housing
- > Land use
- Economic/workforce development
- > Transportation
- > Infrastructure investments



## **Program Goals**



- Foster the development of sustainable communities with the six Livability Principles:
  - More transportation choices
  - Equitable, affordable housing
  - Economic competitiveness
  - Support for existing communities
  - Coordinated policies and leveraged investment
  - Value existing communities and neighborhoods
- Support integrated plans, strategies and management tools

# Program Goals (Continued)



- Facilitate alliances of residents and regional interest groups to maintain a long-term vision and support incremental progress
- Build greater transparency and accountability into planning and implementation
- Expedite implementation through changes to local zoning and land use laws
- Align capital improvement programs with livability principles
- Assist regions that have shown a long-term commitment to sustainability and livability

### Regional Plan for Sustainable Development Elements:

- Indentify infrastructure priorities for the region including affordable housing, transportation, water, energy, and open space
- Clearly defined, single, integrated plan for region that addresses 20 year future and 3 to 5 year benchmarks
- Performance goals and measures consistent with the livability principles
- Show consistency with HUD, EPA, and DOT programs

# Additional Benefits: Preferred Sustainability Status

- Applicants will be scored by HUD, for Preferred Sustainability Status, signifying they are ready to advance sustainable regional planning
- Applicants with integrated Regional Plan will score points for future federal funding from DOT, HUD, and EPA





## **Eligible Applicants**

#### **Consortium must include:**

- Main City
- Largest Jurisdiction
- Other Jurisdictions w/half of region's population
- MPO and Regional Agency
- Nonprofit, Foundation,
   University



## **Consortium Requirements**

- Cooperative Agreements with Lead Applicant and Partners (MOUs)
- Timetables indicating responsibilities of partners and completion dates
- Agreements with PHAs for partnership in Housing Plan



## **Application Requirements**

- Develop a Regional Plan for Sustainable Development (required)
  - Housing Plan
  - Fair Housing Analysis
  - Transportation Planning
  - Water Infrastructure
  - Environmental Planning
  - Economic Development Planning
  - Scenario Planning
  - Climate Impact Assessment

## **Funding Categories**



**Category 1** 

Regional plans for sustainable development



**Category 2** 

Fine Tune Regional Vision or Plan & Execution Plans



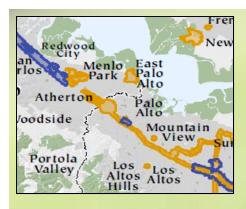
#### **Category 2**

- > Builds on Region Forward
- Consider changes to local zoning, land use, financing, development policies to align Regional Plan
- ➤ Work with MPOs and State to realign transportation investments supporting the plan
- > Identify capital improvements
- > Create an implementation schedule
- Establish formal decision-making body to oversee implementation

## **Need/Problem Statement**

**Problem Statement**: Where you live defines how you live. As a result one's community has become a life determinant by limiting or enhancing access to opportunity, affecting human health and our residents' quality of life.

<u>Approach</u>: Complete Communities: Sustainable Centers and Corridors

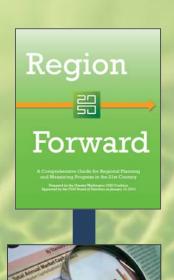


## Complete Communities: Sustainable Centers & Corridors

- Updating and further planning of the regional activity centers to develop sustainable centers and corridors that create complete communities
- Enhance existing centers and identify new centers

## **Planning Process**

- 1) Build on the Regional Vision
- 2) Assessment Phase
- 3) Scenario Planning and Public Engagement
- 4) Finalize & Adopt Regional Sustainable Development Plan
- 5) Plan Alignment
- 6) Plan Implementation







## **Next Steps**

- Begin formalizing consortium and partnerships
- Review Region Forward for implementation gaps
- Develop approach tied to implementing sustainable activity centers in order to address the six livability principles and region divided
- Develop work program, budget and timeline
- Identify local match and in-kind contributions



