



# Transportation/Land-Use Connections Program

TPB Regional Bus Subcommittee

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## TLC Program Background

The TLC Program was designed to support key strategies in the TPB's Regional Mobility and Accessibility Scenario Study and promote implementation of TPB Vision goals:

- Promote development efforts that bring housing and jobs in closer proximity
- Focus mixed-use development around transit stations
- Foster better inter-jurisdictional coordination of transportation and land use planning



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## Program Components

The TLC Program began in November 2006 with two components:

**Regional Clearinghouse**

- Web-based source of information about local and national transportation and land-use coordination

**Technical Assistance Program**

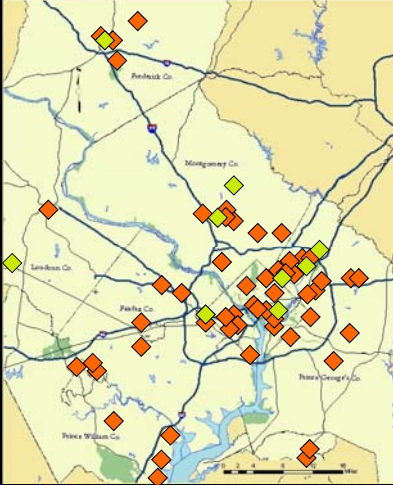
- Focused consultant assistance available to local jurisdictions working on innovative, coordinated plans and projects integrating transportation and land-use

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## TLC Technical Assistance Summary

65 Technical Assistance Projects funded at \$2,080,000:

- 9 in the District
- 34 in Maryland
- 20 in Virginia
- 2 Regional



Projects address common challenges:

- Bike/Ped Issues
- Complete Streets
- Enhancements to Transit Access
- Freight



## Past TLC Project Strengths

Key components of previously funded projects:

- Time Investment: Key jurisdiction/agency staff are available and committed to participating in the project.
- Integrated Project: Collaboration within the jurisdiction from various departments, collaboration with outside partner agencies, and connection to other jurisdiction efforts.
- Simplicity/Clarity: Project has a clear scope of work, budget, and anticipated deliverables. The project scope is well-articulated and defines the purpose of the project, including how the product will be used by the jurisdiction.

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## FY 2014 Project Solicitation

*(Tentative Schedule)*

- March 8, 2013 - Release call for projects
- March 29, 2013 - Optional Abstracts due: 4:00 p.m.
- April 18, 2013 – Abstract feedback provided
- **May 15, 2013 - Project applications due: 4:00 p.m.**
- June 2013 - Convene TLC selection panel to recommend projects for funding
- July 17, 2013 - Anticipated TPB approval of projects

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## FY 2014 Available Funding

- Applicants may apply for \$20,000 - \$60,000 in technical assistance for planning projects.
- Applicants may apply for up to \$80,000 in technical assistance for design projects.
- The TPB is expected to provide \$220,000 for TLC technical assistance projects.
  - Up to \$80,000 will be available for a 30 percent design project.
  - The remaining \$140,000 will be used for planning projects.
- In FY 2013, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) committed \$160,000 in funding for planning projects in Maryland.

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## Transportation, Community, and System Preservation (TCSP) Grant

The TPB received a grant in FY 2012 under FHWA's TCSP Grant Program: *High-Impact Complete Streets Access Improvements for Rail Station Areas in the Washington Region*.

The goal of the project is to develop a list of bicycle and pedestrian capital projects that would improve non-auto access to stations, taking advantage of existing rail infrastructure.



## Transportation Alternatives Program

- TAP is a new formula program under MAP-21.
- It provides funding to projects considered “alternatives to traditional highway construction.”
  - Eligible uses include ped/bike facilities, safe routes for non-drivers, environmental mitigation, and others.
- Large MPOs like the TPB will play a new role in project selection for the portion of program funds suballocated to large urbanized areas.
  - For all three states combined, the suballocated portion of program funds for our region is expected to be around \$4-5 million annually.



## Questions?

For more information, visit the TLC website:

[www.mwcog.org/tlc](http://www.mwcog.org/tlc)

Application information will be available under the “Application Information” and “Frequently Asked Questions” sub-pages.

Contact TPB Staff for project-related questions and to review application ideas:

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