

FY24 Stage 1 (Planning and Prototyping) SMART Grant

This is only a summary; applicants should not rely on it to meet application requirements. Study the full grant opportunity announcement before applying for any federal grant.

<p>Submittal Deadline 7/12/2024</p>	<p>Period of Performance 18 months</p>	<p>Start Deadline Within 6 months of award</p>	<p>Expenditure Deadline 18 months from signed grant agreement</p>
<p>Eligible Applicants</p>	<p>A State; a political subdivision of a State; a federally recognized Tribal government; a public transit agency or authority; a public toll authority; a metropolitan planning organization; a group of two or more eligible entities applying through a single lead applicant (Group Application).</p>		
<p>Program Description</p>	<p>Grant funds are to be awarded on a competitive basis to conduct demonstration projects focused on advanced smart city or community technologies and systems to improve transportation efficiency and safety.</p>		
<p>Unique Program Items</p>	<p>None</p>		
<p>Eligible Projects</p>	<p>The SMART Grants Program funds multiple technology areas, as listed below. Projects <i>must</i> demonstrate at least one technology area and <i>may</i> demonstrate more than one technology area. USDOT will evaluate each application on its merits, and there is no expectation that applications demonstrate more than one technology area. Areas are: Coordinated Automation; Connected Vehicles; Intelligent, Sensor-Based Infrastructure; Systems Integration; Commerce Delivery and Logistics; Leveraging Use of Innovative Aviation Technology; Smart Grid; and Smart Technology Traffic Signals</p>		
<p>Eligible Costs</p>	<p>Planning; feasibility analyses; revenue forecasting; environmental review; permitting; preliminary engineering and design work; systems development or information technology work; acquisition of real property (including land and improvements to land relating to an eligible project); construction; reconstruction; rehabilitation; replacement; environmental mitigation; construction contingencies; and acquisition of equipment, including vehicles.</p>		
<p>Additional Information</p>	<p><i>Technical Merit Criteria:</i> Identification and Understanding of the Problem to be Solved; Appropriateness of Proposed Solution; and Expected Benefits. <i>Project Readiness Merit Criteria:</i> Feasibility of Work Plan; Community Engagement and Partnerships; and Leadership and Qualifications. Additional Criteria – Benefit to Disadvantaged Communities.</p>		