FY23 Thriving Communities Program

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

Program Description – The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 provided $25 million to the US Department of Transportation (DOT) for a Thriving Communities Program (TCP) to develop and implement technical assistance, planning, and capacity building to help improve and foster thriving communities through transportation improvements. Through TCP, DOT will award cooperative agreements for Capacity Builders to provide technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support that advances transformative infrastructure plans, projects, and processes primarily in communities that have disproportionate rates of pollution and poor air quality, communities experiencing disproportionate human health and environmental effects.

Opportunity Numbers – DOT-TCP-FY23-01	**Agency** – USDOT
Available Funding: $22,000,000	**Closing:** November 28, 2023 4:59 PM ET
Minimum/Maximum Award: $1,000,000 to $5,000,000	Letters of Intent from Recipient Communities are for the Thriving Communities National Program are due November 15th, 2023 4:59 PM ET
Required Cost Share: No Cost Share Required, priority given to applicants who can leverage other funding resources.	
BCA Required: No	**NOFO & Related:** https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=349818
Eligible Project Cost Restrictions: Previous Expenses	
Obligation Deadline: None Listed	
Program Types: Thriving Communities National Capacity Builder Program: Funds through cooperative agreements to provide support to 15-20 communities throughout country. **Thriving Communities Regional Pilot Program**: Funds state and local governments through cooperative agreements to provide support to communities within their jurisdiction.	**Funding:** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated $2.5 million from the FY2023 appropriations act to coordinate with DOT's TCP. HUD will provide funding to technical assistance providers and capacity builders to help jurisdictions consider housing and community development needs as part of transportation infrastructure plans.

There will be time between selection of applicants and execution of the cooperative agreement to finalize scopes of work to reflect recipient community selections. The period of performance covered by the award amount shall not exceed (36) months from the date of execution in DOT's electronic grants management system unless at DOT's discretion, the period of performance is extended before expiration.

Project Merit Criteria				
Approach to Technical Assistance and Capacity Building	Teaming Arrangement	Proven Success	Program Management and Evaluation	Soundness of Proposed Budget

Priority Considerations: Experience with Priority Geographies, Diversity of Capacity Builder Teams, Leveraging of Additional Funding Sources

TCP is a Justice40 program to ensure that disadvantaged communities can successfully identify, develop, fund, and deliver infrastructure projects informed by meaningful public involvement and generating multiple economic, climate, health, equity, and other community benefits.

Application & Narrative Requirements – The application must include the following: Standard Forms (SF-424); SF-424A & SF-424B (Non-Construction Projects); SF-424C & SF-424D (Construction Projects); organizational documentation, organization descriptions, indirect costs, executive summary, merit criteria responses, letters of commitment, staffing plan, and budget proposal.

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	Thriving Communities National Program		Thriving Communities Regional Pilots Program	
	National Capacity Builders	**Recipient Communities**	**Capacity Builders**	**Recipient Communities**
How to Apply	Submit Application in grants.gov	Submit LOI via webform found on program website	Submit Application in grants.gov	Letters of commitment needed in grant application
Primary Activity	Provide technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support	Receive technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support	Coordinate assistance and support to advance and align infrastructure goals and projects	Receive assistance and support to advance and align infrastructure goals and projects
Eligible Applicants	• Non- Profit Organizations • Philanthropic entities • Other technical assistance providers	• States • Local governments • Indian tribes • U.S. territories	• States • Local Governments • Indian tribes • Planning non-profit organization	• Local governments • Indian tribes • U.S. territories • Transit agencies
Purpose	Fund National Capacity Builders to provide direct no-cost planning, technical assistance, and capacity building support to selected TCP communities located across the country for a three-year period of performance	Receive, at no cost, TCP technical assistance, capacity building, and planning support from the DOTfunded National Capacity Builders.	Fund state, tribal, local, and regional entities to provide direct no-cost planning, technical assistance, and capacity building to communities of their choice within their jurisdictions for a three-year period of performance	Receive, at no cost, TCP technical assistance, capacity building, and planning support from the DOTfunded TCP-R Capacity Builders.