

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TA)

Federal Transportation
Funding Facts



The TA program provides funding for projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on and off road pedestrian and bicycle facilities; infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility; community improvement activities; environmental mitigation; recreational trail program projects; and safe routes to school projects. MVRPC will provide up to 80% (federal) of the project cost, and the applicant provides a minimum of 20% (non-federal) as matching funds.

Eligible Items

- Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, and non-motorized forms of transportation
- Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers (children, older adults, individuals with disabilities) to access daily needs
- Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or non-motorized transportation users
- Construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas
- Community improvement activities
- Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising
- Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities
- Any environmental mitigation activity
- Address storm water management, control, and water pollution prevention or abatement
- Recreational trail program

- Safe routes to school program (including infrastructure related projects, non-infrastructure related activities, and safe routes to school coordinator)
- Planning, design, or construction of boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former interstate system routes or other divided highways

Application Process

Upon MVRPC Board determination of funds availability, staff will solicit qualified member government entities for new TA projects. The solicitation cycle typically starts and ends in the fall of each year.

For a complete list of TA project funding provisions, please visit the following link to review MVRPC's Program Policies and Procedures: <http://www.mvrpc.org/programpoliciesprocedures>.

Funding

Annually ODOT sub-allocates approximately \$1.1 million in TA funds to MVRPC.



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