TPB REGIONAL SAFETY PROGRAM

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• **Background**

  • 2018: Regional Highway Safety Targets highlight number of fatalities in the National Capital Region
  • 2019: TPB commissions Regional Safety Study
  • 2020: TPB adopts “Safety” Resolution establishing and funding a new Regional Safety Program
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**Program Description**

- Short-term consultant services to individual member jurisdictions
- For planning or design projects that will improve roadway safety
- Provides up to $60k for studies or planning projects
- Provides up to $80k for design/preliminary engineering projects
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• **Program Funding**
  
  • $250k for FY 2021
  • Similar funding levels anticipated for future years

• **Eligible Applicants**
  
  • Any jurisdiction or agency that is a TPB member is eligible to apply
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• **Application Process**
  
  • 60-day application period beginning early in 2021
  • Optional abstract can be submitted for TPB staff feedback
  • Selection Panel will identify applications to be recommended for approval
  • The recommended applications will be presented to the TPB for final approval
  • Consultants will submit proposals
  • A separate panel will select the winning consultant proposal
  • Contracting and project execution
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• **Selection Panel Composition**
  
  • One TPB staff member
  • One safety expert each from MDOT, VDOT, and DDOT
  • One FHWA safety engineer
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• **Funding Priorities**

  • The TPB encourages applications that address one or more of the following regional safety priorities:
    
    • Safety improvements for low-income and minority communities
    • Improving road user behavior
    • Identifying and designing safety countermeasures
    • Understanding safety data
    • Cross jurisdictional safety improvements
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• **Studies and Planning Projects (up to $60k)**
  
  • Examples include but are not limited to:
    
    • Support for local roadway safety plans
    • Road Safety Audits
    • Crash data analysis
    • Jurisdictional efforts to leverage the “Street Smart” program
    • Identification of jurisdictional “high injury networks”
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- **Design and Preliminary Engineering (up to $80k)**
  - Examples include but are not limited to:
    - Lighting and signage improvements
    - Intersection improvements
    - Enhance pedestrian infrastructure
    - Road diet design
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- **Contracting**
  - RFQ followed by “master contracts” with task orders

- **Pilot Program Timeline**
  - Regional Safety Program defined: November 2020
  - Solicit applications: mid January through mid March 2021
  - Develop master contracts: January through March 2021
  - Select projects: April 2021
  - TPB approval May 2021
  - Consultants submit proposals: June 2021
  - Contract award: July 2021
  - Projects complete: April 2022
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• **Future Year Program Timeline**
  
  • Solicit applications: April through May
  • Select projects: June
  • TPB approval: July
  • IDIQ consultants submit proposals: August
  • Contract award: September
  • Projects complete: May
Next Steps

- Develop web page
- Develop application form
- Develop and release RFQ
- Publicize via TPB Communications Channels
  - TPB News
  - INFOMZ notifications
- Continue outreach through our committee structure