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



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



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



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



Selection Panel Composition

- One TPB staff member
- One safety expert each from MDOT, VDOT, and DDOT
- One FHWA safety engineer



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



- 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"



- 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



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



<u>Future Year Program Timeline</u>

- 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



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