



**TRIANGLE WEST**  
Transportation Planning Organization

# FY27 Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP)



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# Call for Projects Schedule

# Call for Projects

## Timeline

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- January 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> : Project applications with all supporting materials due to TPO staff
- February/March: TPO Staff scores projects and develops funding recommendations
- April 14: Scores and funding recommendation published along with TC agenda
- April 28: TPO Board releases funding recommendation for a 30-day public comment period
- June 9: TC provides a recommendation to the Board on LAP funding recommendation
- June 23: TPO Board approves LAP projects to be programmed into the STIP

# Programming Timeline

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- June 23: TPO Board approves LAP projects to be programmed into the STIP & releases TIP Amendment #4 for public comment
- August 25: TPO Board approves TIP Amendment #4
- October: NC Board of Transportation approves the Item N handout that includes updates from our Amendment #4
  - Municipal agreements will not be approved until project details are in the STIP

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## Eligibility Requirements

# 1. Federal Aid Eligible

- FHWA helps evaluate this during pre-submittal
- Each funding source has separate eligibility requirements (BG/TAP/CMAQ)
- Bicycle and pedestrian projects that serve a transportation purpose (as opposed to a recreational-loop purpose) are eligible.
- Transit projects that encourage the development, improvement and use of public mass transportation systems are eligible.

## 2. Locally Administered

- By applying, the applicant is committing to locally manage the project.
- The sponsor will be responsible for all federal and state reporting requirements.
- There will also be reporting twice a year required by per the Federal Funding Policy
- An inter-local agreement will be required between NCDOT and the project sponsor.
- Local sponsors will be required to front all project costs, invoice NCDOT, and get reimbursed for the agreed upon federal percentage.

## 3. MTP Compliant

The project must be identified in the currently adopted MTP or another locally adopted plan that has been adopted by a governing body or board.

## 4. LAPP-Eligible Project Phase (by fiscal year of obligation)

- NEPA / Design (beyond 30% plans)
- Land or Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Construction (including environmental mitigation and utility relocation)
- Transit Capital Projects
- Travel Demand Management Projects, coordinated through Central Pines Regional Council(CPRC) TDM Program
- Utilities
- Construction, Engineering, and Inspection (CEI)

## 5. Minimum Match Committed

- Applicants must provide a local match of 20% as required by the federal funding source assigned to their project
- Applicants must identify the source of their local matching funds
- The local match should be clearly identified in the project budget

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# Submitting Applications

# Application Requirements

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Microsoft Form for either supplemental funding or new funding



Supporting Documentation (Budget & Scheduling)



GIS Shapefiles

## Project Caps

Agency	Active Project Cap	Current Active Projects
<b>City of Durham</b>	20	16
<b>Town of Chapel Hill</b>	15	9
<b>Orange County</b>	15	1
<b>GoTriangle</b>	15	4
<b>Durham County</b>	15	0
<b>Town of Carrboro</b>	10	8
<b>CPRC</b>	10	1
<b>Chatham County</b>	10	1
<b>Town of Hillsborough</b>	10	1

## Funding Caps

Individual Project Maximum (40% of RFF): \$ 12,079,200  
Agency Request Maximum (65% of RFF): \$ 19,628,700

## Funding Awarded Outside of Call

Agency	Project	Funding Amount
Town of Hillsborough	HL-0045: Exchange Park Lane	\$195,000
Town of Carrboro	C-5181: Jones Creek Greenway	\$500,000
Orange County	BL-0139: Transit Access Sidewalk	\$160,000
City of Durham	EB-5904: Durham Rail Trail	\$1,056,000

Agency	Project	Funding Amount	Reason Additional Funds Not Counted Against Agency
Town of Carrboro/Town of Chapel Hill	BL-0044: NC 54	\$543,000	To encourage collaboration on multi-jurisdictional projects.
City of Durham	TL-0065: Electric Bus Purchases	\$1,726,000	Programming was initiated by the TPO to obligate CRP-DA funds before they are rescinded.
City of Durham	BL-0063: Horton Road Sidewalks	\$1,494,333	Funding was promised from a previous Call for Projects.

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# Funding Availability

# Funding for this Call

Funding Type	Amount From Past Years	Amount for FY27	Amount for FY28	Total Amounts
CMAQ	\$2,700,000	\$1,727,000	\$2,368,000	\$6,795,000
BGDA	\$13,194,000	\$1,723,000	\$7,126,000	\$22,043,000
TAP	\$0	\$531,000	\$829,000	\$1,360,000
Total	\$15,894,000	\$3,981,000	\$10,323,000	\$30,198,000

# Eligibility Requirements

## **Block Grant Direct Attributable (BGDA)**

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- The most flexible of our funding sources
- For use on any federal-aid eligible highway, bridge, road, bicycle & pedestrian facility, or transit capital project
- Requires a 20% local match

## **Transportation Alternatives Direct Attributable (TADA)**

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- A subset of the Block Grant Program
- Primarily used for the construction of bicycle & pedestrian facilities
- Requires a 20% local match

# Eligibility Requirements

## Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)

- Federal grant programs to fund transportation projects that reduce harmful emissions
- Eligible projects include, but is not limited to:
  - Sidewalks
  - Roundabouts
  - Congestion mitigation at intersections
  - Adding turn lanes

## Direct Allocation vs Statewide

- Statewide money generally set aside for larger / multiple county projects or education/outreach
- Statewide CMAQ can be accessed under specific situations:
  - A small amount above your DA is needed to complete a project
  - A project within the MPO is part of a larger statewide effort
  - Project supplemental funding (inflation, outdate cost estimates, etc.)

## Inability to Use Funds

*In cases where an agency cannot secure a local match after two years of receiving RFF or there are egregious delays to using RFF, MPO staff will ask the MPO Board to make a recommendation about whether RFF should be withdrawn from a project and returned to the RFF pool. The two-year timeline begins once the MPO Board has approved project funding.*



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# Scoring Overview

# Scoring New Projects

**A maximum of 115 points may be awarded to a project based on the following criteria**

- Connectivity (10 points)
  - Points are awarded based on the number of connecting bicycle and pedestrian facilities
  - Transit projects utilize the number of connections with other modes, routes, systems, or destinations
- Access to Transit (10 points)
  - Points are awarded based on proximity to fixed-route transit stops
- Population and Employment Density (10 points)
  - Relative points are awarded based on the population and employment densities within a half mile of the project
- Project Phase (30 points)
  - Points are awarded to prioritize projects that are in Construction/ROW

# Scoring New Projects

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- Local Priority (10 points)
  - The submitting agency may apply these points to projects of their choosing
- Environmental Justice and Equity (15 points)
  - Projects receive points based on the number of overlapping Communities of Concern
  - Transit projects receive a relative score based on demographic data from on-board surveys
- Safety (15 points)
  - Relative scores are awarded based on bicycle and pedestrian crash data
- Emission/VMT Reduction (15 points)
  - Relative scores are awarded based on emission reduction



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