Transportation Alternatives Program Overview

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TAP Projects

TAP is a set-aside of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program funding

- Reimbursement Program – Up to 80%
- Competitive Selection
- Bicycle & pedestrian facilities (on & off-road)
  - Safe Routes to School
  - Recreational Trails
  - Historic Preservation
TAP Funding

FFY2020 TAP Funds

- >200,000
  - $4.5M (49.5%)

- 5,000-200,000
  - $1.8M (19.4%)
    - 700K to TMAs, $1.1M Rural

- >5,000
  - $2.8M (31.1%)

- $9.1M total
2020 Call for Projects (non-TMA)

- **Selection Process**
  - Applications reviewed by selection committee within each District (Except St. Louis)
  - Committees will evaluate application between now and March 19
  - Funding awards announced by March 31

- **$3.92M available statewide**
  - Distributed to Districts based on population
  - This call only 1 FY of funding

- **66 Applications**
  - 87 in 2018, 90 in 2016
  - $22.6M project total; $16M federal share
  - $343K avg. project cost ($243K federal share); 29% local match
  - 0.45mi. average length of improvement
  - Approx. 16 will be funded

- **TMAs**
  - MARC, OTO, EWG
  - Funding is suballocated to those areas
  - Applications periods at their discretion
  - No active calls for projects
Person in Responsible Charge

- **Requirements**
  - Full time public employee or elected official
  - An LPA’s consultant cannot be the person in responsible charge

- **Responsibility**
  - Administer project activities including:
    - Cost
    - Schedule
    - Adherence to contract requirements
    - Construction quality
  - Maintain familiarity of day to day project operations, including safety
  - Make or participate in decisions about project changes that require change orders or supplemental agreements
  - Review financial processes and transactions and documentation to safeguard against fraud waste and abuse
  - Be aware of the qualifications, assignments, and performance of the agency staff and consultant staff at all stages of the project
  - Sign all project documents, including but not limited to:
    - Agreements / contracts
    - Certifications
    - Plans, change orders
    - Etc.
Training

LPA Basic Training
- Online Course, 3-4 hours
- Certification valid for 2 years
- Increasing virtual training opportunities

Other Training
- FHWA Federal Aid Essential Videos
- NHI Training
- LTAP

https://www.modot.org/training-opportunities
Risks

- Buy America
- Bidding & Procurement
- Right of Way
- Environmental Clearance
- Work Zones/Traffic Control
- Certified Payroll
## Reasonable Progress

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