

***Pedestrian and Bicycle Program
Call for Projects
Cycle 5 – Fiscal Years 2021 & 2022***

Applicant Workshop
August 12, 2020



Program Overview

- 3% of Measure A Program
- 5% of Measure W Program
- Funds specific projects to encourage walking and bicycling
- Project applications, guidelines and evaluation criteria have been updated to reflect the Strategic Plan 2020-2024.



Funding

Program Category	Available Funds
Capital Projects (95%)	\$7,695,000
<i>Small Capital Projects (33%)</i>	<i>\$2,565,000</i>
<i>Large Capital Projects (67%)</i>	<i>\$5,130,000</i>
Planning and Promotions (2.5%)	\$202,500
Safe Routes to School (2.5%)* (Administered by County office of Education)	\$202,500
Total Available	\$8,100,000

*Funds programmed and allocated at the June 2020 Board Meeting



Eligible Project Types

- Small Capital Projects
 - Under \$1 million
- Large Capital Projects
 - Over \$1 million
- Planning and Promotions
 - Bike Plans, bike to work day, safety events, etc.
- Safe Routes to School
 - Funds were allocated to the County Office of Education in June.



Project Applications

- Separate applications for infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects
- All new application materials: be sure to read the application guidelines and instructions thoroughly.
- Using online tools to provide data to aid quantitative scoring of projects



Online Tools

California Air Resources Board
Benefits Calculator Tool for the
Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program
California Climate Investments

Note to Applicants
A step-by-step user guide, including a project example, for this Benefits Calculator Tool is available [here](https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/sapandtrade/auctionproceeds/sgc_arbc_userguide_110119.pdf)
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New Facility or Program Type	Name or Location	First Year Operational	One-way Facility Length (miles)	Average Daily Traffic (trips/day)	University Town with Population < 250,000?	Key Destinations within 1/4 Mile	Key Destinations within 1/2 Mile	Bike Share Energy Consumption (kWh/mile)	Average Cost of Bike Share Trip (\$)	Bike Share Trips in Year 1	Passenger VMT Reductions (miles)	GHG Emiss Reduc (MTCC)
Walkway	UC Berkeley											

Transportation Injury Mapping System

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About TIMS

The Transportation Injury Mapping System (TIMS) has been developed over the past five-plus years by SafeTREC to provide quick, easy and free access to California crash data, the Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS), that has been geocoded by SafeTREC to make it easy to map out crashes.

[Learn More](#)

SMCTA Pedestrian and Bicycle Program Grant Application Map

Use this system to map your projects' extents and proximal activity centers, and save the results for submission with your application. Please take note of the auto-generated project id below. You can enter it if you need to return to make revisions on this site, otherwise, you will need to start over.

Project ID
3x73bu9w

Project Title

Sponsor Agency Name

[Begin your application](#)



Evaluation

- Scoring of each application question ties directly to the Strategic Plan 2020-2024 evaluation criteria.
- Scoring panel will include TA staff, a member of the C/CAG bicycle and pedestrian and advisory committee (BPAC) as well as transportation planners/engineers familiar with bike/ped projects.

Scoring Criteria	Total Points
Need	19
Effectiveness	42
Sustainability	14
Readiness	15
Funding Leverage	10
Total Points	100



Evaluation

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Need	19
Accommodates multiple transportation modes (pedestrian, bicycle and access to transit) and may include amenities at transit stations, such as bike lockers or micromobility stations	6
Extent that project serves a transportation need (recreation ok if it also serves a commute purpose)	5
Need for safety improvement/enhancement (e.g. project located in area of documented pedestrian or bicycle use collisions, or where significant barriers exist)	5
Project recognized in adopted statewide, regional, county, or local planning and fund programming documents (e.g. San Mateo County Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, City Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Plan, Vision Zero Plan, Specific Plan, Climate Action Plan)	3



Evaluation

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Effectiveness	42
Enhances first/last mile connections to employment centers, TOD, transit stations, schools, and other high density/activity areas	7
Potential increase in person throughput, mode share	7
Degree to which the project reduces stress level, increases safety, and accommodates people of all abilities	7
Closes gap in or extends Countywide pedestrian and bicycle network	6
Value: Benefit relative to the amount of funding requested (high impact, low cost projects – “bang for the buck”)	5
Degree to which project reduces GHG emissions and improves air quality	4
Potential VMT reduction per capita	3
Potential travel time savings	3



Evaluation

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Sustainability	14
Serves high density/affordable housing (e.g. Planned Development Areas) in proximity to high quality transit service (high ridership & frequent service)	4
Serves low income, transit dependent and/or other vulnerable populations (e.g. Community of Concern, areas with high CalEnviroScreen scores and high concentrations of disabled, seniors and/or youth)	4
Innovative low environment impact/green infrastructure (includes resiliency elements to address climate change)	3
Project accounts for long term repair/maintenance/operations needs (e.g. uses materials with long life cycles, low maintenance costs & has a funding plan for maintenance)	2
Integral transportation component that can support existing economic activity and help spur new economic development in the immediate vicinity	1
Readiness	15
Clear and complete proposal	3
Project status and schedule	3
Ease and speed of implementation	3
Demonstrates stakeholder support/community engagement	3
Project has a credible cost estimate and funding plan	3
Funding Leverage	10
Percent of matching funds	8
Private sector contribution, including public/private partnerships	2



Timely Use of Funds

- 1 year for planning/promotional programs
- 2 years for pre-construction activity
- 3 years for construction activity
- Total of 5 years allowed if both pre-construction and construction are part of allocated work scope



Application Tips

- Read the application guidelines and instructions before you begin
 - Make sure you complete the correct application for your project type
 - Ensure you have the correct attachments with the required info included
 - Incomplete applications will be rejected
- Assume the scoring panel does not know your project
- Each question related to the evaluation criteria—be clear and concise when writing your narratives
- Submit your application on-time
 - Late application's will not be accepted



Schedule

Activity	Timeline
Informational Item to TA CAC and Board	August 4 & 6 2020
Call for Projects Released	August 7, 2020
Sponsor Workshop (via Zoom)	August 12, 2020
Applications Due	September 21, 2020
Evaluation Period	October 2020
Draft Program of Projects Recommendation to CAC and Board	November 3 & 5 2020
Final Program of Projects Recommendations to CAC and Board	December 1 & 3, 2020



Questions?

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