

CENTRAL TEXAS TRANSPORTATION GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND UPDATE NEWSLETTER

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

February 28, 2023

HUD's Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Program

HUD's Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Program is now open for local governments and political subdivisions to request technical assistance! This Program aims to ensure that disadvantaged communities have the technical tools and organizational capacity to compete for federal aid and deliver quality infrastructure projects that enable their communities and neighborhoods to thrive.

The Program will provide technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support to teams of community partners that may lack the staffing or technical expertise to scope, fund, and develop infrastructure projects that advance broader community goals. USDOT and HUD funded capacity building teams in late 2022 to provide this technical assistance for 2023-25-local governments and other political subdivisions are now able to request technical assistance, planning, and capacity building support including assistance with grant applications, project scoping, planning and predevelopment activities, and pre-engineering studies from these teams for transportation and community revitalization activities that

- Increase mobility
- Reduce pollution from transportation sources
- Expand affordable transportation and housing options
- Improve health outcomes
- Facilitate efficient land use
- Preserve or expand jobs, and
- Enhance connections to health care, education, and food security to benefit disadvantaged populations and communities.

Priority will be given to cities and political subdivisions with populations of less than 250,000 people, as well as to those receiving certain Department of Transportation competitive funds. Technical assistance will begin to be provided in Spring 2023.

For more information and to submit a request, click [here!](#)

FEDERAL & STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

FHWA Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program

This grant program will provide funding for political subdivisions for deploying publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure in urban and rural areas as well as along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors. The IIJA provides \$2.5 billion over five years for this program with \$700 million for FY 2022 and 2023. For more information, click [here!](#)



CTR TAG UPDATES & EVENTS

CTR TAG Meeting and Local Agency Update

At the CTR TAG meeting on February 16th, . The City of Temple provided the Board's second Local Agency Update on the state of its current public transportation system and future opportunities to improve service through potential Mobility Zones and a transit rideshare program! The HOP also discussed a micromobility option for regional service modeled after Lake Tahoe that could provide on demand curb to curb service through an app. CTCOG staff also discussed the agenda for the Central Texas Public Transportation Summit to be held **Apr.26th, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM at Copperas Cove Civic Center**. Information and registration information for this event will be sent out in the coming days.

To view the recording of this meeting, click [here!](#)

To access the 2022-26 RCTP, Click [Here!](#)



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