

# CENTRAL TEXAS TRANSPORTATION GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND UPDATES NEWSLETTER

# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & Resources

## May 22, 2023

#### FHWA Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program

The deadline for this program has now been extended to June 13th! The funding for this program will be split off into two categories:

<u>The Community Program</u> will provide \$1.25 billion to strategically deploy publicly accessible EV charging infrastructure, and hydrogen, propane, or natural gas fueling infrastructure in communities. Infrastructure may be located on any public road or in other publicly accessible locations such as parking facilities at public buildings, public schools, and public parks, or in publicly accessible parking facilities owned or managed by a private entity.

<u>The Corridor Program</u> will provide \$1.25 billion to strategically deploy publicly accessible EV charging infrastructure and hydrogen, propane, and natural gas fueling infrastructure along designated alternative fuel corridors (AFCs).

Eligible applicants include political subdivisions of the State, MPOs, and local governments.

For more information and to apply, click <u>here</u>!

#### Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES)

The ROUTES initiative is an initiative to address disparities in rural transportation infrastructure by developing user-friendly tools and information, aggregating DOT resources, and providing technical assistance. It aims to ensure rural transportation infrastructure's unique challenges are considered in order to meet priority transportation goals of safety, mobility, and economic competitiveness. The ROUTES Initiative includes toolkits such as the Grant Applicant Toolkit for federal transportation grants, the rural EV Infrastructure Toolkit, a Pedestrian and Bicycle Funding Opportunities matrix, and a new grants dashboard. To access ROUTES, click here!

### FEDERAL & STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

#### Texas Multimodal Transit Plan

TxDOT is developing its first ever multimodal transit plan for the whole state. This plan will:

- Communicate the benefits of transit and its role in the statewide multimodal transportation system
- Establish the vision and goals for transit in Texas
- Sets the baseline for future transit plans
- Identify implementable, multimodal solutions for improved regional connectivity
- Provides a framework for prioritizing future investments

The steering committee's first meeting is in July 2023. For more information, click <u>here</u>!



## **CTRTAG UPDATES AND EVENTS**

Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group Meeting

The next CTRTAG meeting will be held **August.10th, 9:30-11:00 AM** at CTCOG offices at <u>2180</u> N. Main Street, Belton, TX. One of the strategies in the 2022-26 Regionally Coordinated Transporation Plan (RCTP) is to hold a "Local Agency Update" at CTRTAG meetings. If you are a city, county, or organization representative dealing with public transportation services or needs, reach out to dominic.elizondo@ctcog.org to request providing an update on needs, projects, or areas for partnership.

To view the 2022-26 RCTP, click <u>here</u>.



Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES) Webinar May.22, 3:00-4:00 PM Registration Feel: Free To register, click <u>here</u>!