2021 Active Transportation Program - Cycle 5

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Goals

• Increase walking and biking
• Increase safety of non-motorized users
• Help regional agencies meet their SB 375 goals
• Enhance public health
• Ensure disadvantaged communities fully share in the benefits of the program
• Provide a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of active transportation users
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Structure

• Competitive funding program
• Funds distributed into the 3 ATP components
  - 50% for the Statewide Component
  - 10% for Small Urban and Rural Component
  - 40% for Metropolitan Planning Organization Component
• A minimum of 25% of funds in each of the 3 components must benefit disadvantaged communities
Five Application Types

- Large Infrastructure or Infrastructure/Non-Infrastructure
  - Total Project Cost of greater than $7 million
- Medium Infrastructure or Infrastructure/Non-Infrastructure
  - Total Project Cost of greater than $2 million and up to $7 million
- Small Infrastructure or Infrastructure/Non-Infrastructure
  - Total Project Cost of $2 million or less
- Non-Infrastructure Only
  - Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement Activities
- Plans
  - Community-wide bicycle, pedestrian, safe routes to school, or active transportation plan that encompasses disadvantaged community
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Eligible Applicants

• Local, Regional, or State agencies
• Caltrans
  ❖ Caltrans can also partner with other eligible agencies
• Transit Agencies
• Natural Resources or Public Land Agencies
• Public Schools or School Districts
• Tribal Governments
• Private Nonprofit (recreational trail funding)
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Status

• About $450 Million Available Each Cycle (Every 2 Years)
• Four Cycles of Projects Selected for Funding (2014-2019)
• Over 800 Projects Funded
• Most Provide Benefits to Disadvantaged Communities
• Almost 100% Delivery Rate
• All the Cycle 1 Projects are Completed or Under Construction
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Highlights from the 2021 Guidelines

• Schedule
• No Match Requirement – Points for Leverage
• Large Infrastructure Projects Can Request Pre-Con Only
• Performance Metrics
• Project Selection Process
• Scoring Criteria
  ◆ Scope and Plan Consistency
Program Challenges

- Very Over Subscribed
- Funding Requests are Getting Larger
- Program Funds all Project Phases
- Measuring Performance
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Highlights from the 2021 Guidelines

• Project Study Report Equivalency
• Scope Changes
• Timely Use of Funds
• Project Reporting
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Santa Barbara County in the ATP

• Submitted 58 applications over the 4 ATP Cycles
• 23 applications funded (40% success)
  o 8 funded through Statewide and 15 in Small Urban & Rural Component
• Trends from Cycle 4:
  o 12 of 14 applications submitted qualified as a DAC – 3 used Regional Definition
  o Average score of 76
  o Safety question tended to be where points were lost
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Active Transportation Resource Center

• ATRC provides resources, technical assistance, and training to partners across California
• Have a mailing list to keep people updated on upcoming trainings, webinars, etc.
• Includes Application Modules, Technical Assistance on Non-Infrastructure Projects, Safe Routes to School Guides, etc.
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