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**October 19, 2021**

TO: DCHC MPO Technical Committee  
 FROM : Anne Phillips, LPA Staff  
 SUBJECT: Advanced Notification of FY23 Call for Projects

On November 15, 2021, the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (DCHC) MPO will invite member agencies to submit project applications for federal funding from the Regional Flexible Funding (RFF) pool.

The project application and selection process will be guided by the Federal Funding Policy that will be adopted by the MPO Board on November 10, 2021.

**Final applications are due on December 10, 2021, by 5 p.m.**

**A few things to keep in mind:**

- Applicants may seek funding for new and existing projects.
- Applicants are encouraged to submit bicycle, pedestrian, and transit projects to support the growth of a multimodal transportation network in our region.
- All funding sources require a 20% local match.

**Funding Availability**

Regional Flexible Funding

The RFF pool consists of Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant Direct Attributable (STBGDA), and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding.

Project and phase eligibility, application requirements, and scoring criteria can be found in the draft Regional Flexible Funding Policy.

LPA staff will determine which projects will receive which type of funding based on final project scores.

<b>Funding Type</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CMAQ	\$2,194,011
STBGDA	\$773,230
TAP	\$806,568
<b>Total (RFF)</b>	<b>\$3,773,809</b>

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**Local Discretionary**

Agencies will continue to receive local discretionary STBGDA funding until FY24. STBGDA provides flexible funding that communities can use to improve or construct roadways, bridges, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, and to implement transit capital projects.

All local discretionary funds must be obligated by September 30, 2026. After this date, unobligated local discretionary funds will be added to the RFF pool.

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Total Available<sup>1</sup></b>
Durham	\$265,693
Chapel Hill	\$305,412
Carrboro	\$634,944
Hillsborough	\$370,210
Durham County	\$11,173
Orange County	\$125,156
Chatham County	\$43,687

**Schedule**

- October 27 – Advanced Notification of FY23 Call for Projects presented to the TC
- November 10 – MPO Board votes on adopting updated Federal Funding Policy
- November 15 – Formal Call for Projects announcement
- November 29 – Pre-submittal meeting for all applicants
- December 10 – Applications with all supporting materials due to LPA Staff
- December/January – LPA Staff scores projects and develops funding recommendations
- January 19 – Final scores and funding recommendation published along with TC agenda; final scores and funding recommendations also released for a 21-day public comment period
- February 9 – MPO Board votes on funding recommendation
- February 28 – CMAQ application deadline

**Questions**

Questions or comments about the FY23 Call for Projects should be directed to:

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<sup>1</sup> These are approximate numbers based on the level of staff activity in the FY22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). These numbers will be updated once we have more information about the level of staff activity in the FY23 UPWP.