



Livable Centers Small-Area Planning Set-Aside

Board of Directors: April 15, 2026

Livable Centers Overview

- **\$2.5 million total** identified as a set-aside in the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.
- **\$835,000 available** for this application cycle.
- Funding for consultant services for planning and analysis.
- Small-area planning that **enhances and increases livability in connected multimodal centers.**
- Policies for this set-aside were adopted by the Board in March 2023.



Program goals

- Support **centers and nodes** and their connections to the **region's multimodal transportation system**.
 - Increase housing and employment in connected urban centers.
 - Support the investment in multimodal enhancements and transit access along corridors connecting centers.
 - Promote investment and reinvestment in existing communities.
 - Increase opportunities for diverse housing accessible by multimodal transportation.
 - Improve access to and from the region's developed and emerging housing and employment centers.
 - Improve multimodal access to employment, commerce, educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities for residents of all ages, incomes, and abilities.

Selection Process

- **Letters of interest accepted:** October 1- November 15, 2025.
- **Evaluated:** based on the criteria approved by the Transportation Advisory Committee in February 2023 and adopted by the Board in March 2023.
- **Evaluation factors:**
 - Alignment with program goals and Metro Vision.
 - Benefits to marginalized communities.
 - Connection to DRCOG Regional Transportation Plan priorities.
 - Project readiness and local support.
 - Innovation and transferability.

Selection panel recommendation

- 10 projects proposed, requesting \$2.1 million.
- Selection panel recommends 3 projects for \$835,000.

Project partner	Project name	Recommended budget (estimate)
City of Thornton	N Line Station Areas Existing Plans Assessment	\$ 300,000
Jefferson County	Southwest Plaza Activity Center Small Area Plan	\$ 135,000
City of Longmont	CO-119 Extension: Downtown Longmont to I-25 Mobility Hub Connections	\$ 400,000

Recommended motion

Move to approve funding three Livable Centers Small-Area Planning projects, as recommended by the selection panel.

Thank you!

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