

## Transportation Advisory Committee

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### Community, Livability and Innovative Planning Set-Asides: Call for Letters of Interest

Agenda item type: Discussion

#### Summary

Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) staff is preparing for a joint call for letters of interest for the Community-Based Transportation Planning, Livable Centers Small-Area Planning and Innovative Mobility Set-Asides. These set-asides were approved by the Board of Directors in the [Policies for Transportation Improvement Program Development](#) and described in the [Policies for Fiscal Years 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Set-Aside Programs](#).

#### Background

DRCOG staff is preparing for a solicitation of set-aside project proposals through a combined letter of interest process for the following technical assistance programs:

- The [Community-Based Transportation Planning Set-Aside](#) was developed to support member governments in addressing mobility challenges for historically marginalized communities in the region. Through this program, DRCOG staff work in close partnership with local governments and community organizations to identify the specific mobility needs of historically marginalized communities, develop community-informed solutions and map out a path to fund and implement recommendations.
- The [Livable Centers Small-Area Set-Aside](#) was created to enhance and increase livability in connected multimodal centers. This program funds a wide range of small-area plans, analyses or studies addressing land use, housing or transportation in a center or node on the region's multimodal transportation system.
- The [Innovative Mobility Set-Aside](#) was designed to invest in collaborative efforts that further innovative mobility planning, preparedness and feasibility analyses. This program can fund proposals focused on challenges associated with topics including, but not limited to, curbside management, emerging modes, shared mobility, mobility as a service, transportation electrification, connected and automated vehicles, mobility data and mobility hubs.

An overview which describes the joint call for letters of interest is included in Attachment 1. The forthcoming call for project proposals, via a short letter of interest application, will open on October 1 and remain open through November 15. Since there is some overlap in the eligible project types, the same application form can be utilized to submit a single project proposal for any of the three set-aside programs. DRCOG staff will host an informational webinar on October 14 to provide additional information on the set-aside programs, application process



and timeline. DRCOG encourages partner agency staff to reach out to DRCOG staff to discuss potential project ideas.

**Action by others**

None

**Previous discussion/action**

None

**Recommendation**

None

**Attachments**

1. Joint Call for Letters of Interest Overview
2. Staff presentation

**For more information**

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