



TRIANGLE WEST

Transportation Planning Organization

TO: Triangle West Technical Committee
FROM: Filmon Fishastion, TPO Staff
SUBJECT: Call for Projects

Triangle West Transportation Planning Organization (TW TPO) invites 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 was amended by the TPO Board on October 16, 2023.

Final applications are due on January 30, 2026, by 5 p.m.

A few things to keep in mind:

- Applicants may seek funding for new and/or existing projects for FY27 & FY28
- 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.

Regional Flexible Funding

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

Project and phase eligibility, project requirements and procedures, and scoring criteria can be found in the adopted Federal Funding Policy.

TMPO staff will determine which projects will receive which type of funding based on final project scores and applicability of projects to funding criteria.



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Funding Type	Amount From Past Years*	Amount for FY27	Amount for FY28	Total Amounts
CMAQ	\$2,700,000	\$1,727,000	\$2,368,000	\$6,795,000
BGDA	\$13,194,000	\$1,723,000	\$7,126,000	\$22,043,000
TAP	\$0	\$531,000	\$829,000	\$1,360,000
Total	\$15,894,000	\$3,981,000	\$10,323,000	\$30,198,000

*Funding from previous years is included because this funding can be moved into later years of the work program.

Funding amounts are current as of November 2025 and are subject to change due to factors such as, but not limited to:

- Additional funding for ongoing activities
- Bid adjustments
- Schedule changes

Application Procedure

For detailed guidance about project and phase eligibility, please consult the attached Federal Funding Policy.

Applicants may apply for funding for new and existing projects using the appropriate forms below:

- [New Project Form](#)
- [Existing Project Form](#)



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Once your applications are submitted, please email the following supporting documentation to [Filmon Fishastion](mailto:filmon.fishastion@twtpo.org).

- 1) A list of all submitted project applications ranked by priority
- 2) Shapefiles for each project submitted
- 3) Budget and Scheduling documentation using the provided templates.
- 4) A designated point of contact for submissions

New Project Submission Cap

Triangle West wishes to encourage agencies to complete existing projects before starting new projects to:

- Avoid overextending staff and resources
- Promote the timely completion of existing projects

Agencies with a total number of projects below the cap may submit new projects. Agencies with a total number of projects above the cap may not submit new project requests but may submit funding requests for existing projects.

Agency	Agency Cap (Based on cost share)	Current Active Projects
City of Durham	20	16
Town of Chapel Hill	15	9
GoTriangle	15	4
Orange County	15	1
Durham County	15	0
Town of Carrboro	10	8
Town of Hillsborough	10	1
Chatham County	10	1



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Funding Minimums and Maximums

Funding Request Minimum

Due to the high administrative burden associated with RFF projects, the total project cost is required to be at least \$250,000. Agencies may bundle smaller projects to meet this threshold.

Funding Request Maximum

As a regional organization, Triangle West works to ensure that all of its member agencies have a chance to receive funding through the RFF program to support the creation of a robust, regional, multi-modal transportation system. Further, given the limited availability of RFF, agencies should submit their strongest projects that meet pressing transportation needs. For these reasons, the following funding caps exist:

Individual Project Maximum (40% of RFF): \$ 12,079,200

Agency Request Maximum (65% of RFF): \$ 19,628,700

Schedule

August 12 – Advanced Notification of FY26 Call for Projects presented to the TC

November 4 – Formal Call for Projects announcement

November 12 – Pre-submittal meeting for all applicants & tentative training date

January 30 – Project applications with all supporting materials due to TPO Staff

February/March – TPO Staff scores projects and develops funding recommendations

April 14 – Scores and funding recommendation published along with TC agenda

April 28 – TPO Board releases funding recommendation for a 30-day public comment period



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June 9 – TC provides recommendation on funding recommendation

June 23 – TPO Board approves LAP projects for FY27-28

August 11 – TIP Amendment #4 with RFF projects is brought to the TC

August 25 – TPO Board releases Amendment #4 for public comment

October 27 – TPO Board approves Amendment #4

February 2027 – NC Board of Transportation approves the January Item N Handout containing the RFF projects

Questions

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

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