THE KYTC MISSION

To provide a safe, efficient, environmentally sound and fiscally responsible transportation system that delivers economic opportunity and enhances the quality of life in Kentucky.
Office of Local Programs

Federal Funding Opportunities
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• State and local governments can apply to receive funding through the Office of Local Programs through two federally-funded sources:
  
  • Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)
  • Transportation Alternatives (TAP)

• These programs are NOT grants, they are reimbursement programs.

• Note: Projects by non-profit organizations must be in partnership with a government sponsor to receive funding.
Funding History: Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act

CONGESTION MITIGATION & AIR QUALITY

The FAST Act provides funding for surface transportation projects and other related efforts that contribute air quality improvements and provide congestion relief to areas in nonattainment or maintenance for ozone, carbon monoxide, and/or particulate matter.

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

Funding for this program is authorized as a set-aside of the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding program under the FAST Act, which authorizes federal transportation funding from Fiscal Year 2016-2020.
Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)
The Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) program is focused on improving air quality and traffic congestion in designated areas.
Eligible Areas:

- Portions of Greenup, Hancock, Lawrence, and Livingston counties
Eligible Activities

- Diesel retrofits
- Idle reduction technology
- Traffic flow improvements
- Demand management
- Bicycle/Pedestrian
- Freight services
- Anti-idling facilities
- Transit improvements
- Shared ride services
- Alternative fuels
- Inspection & maintenance programs
- Experimental pilot projects*
- Public outreach

*Requires KYTC and FHWA Approval
Applying for Funding

• Applicants must be a state or local government entity. **Public-private partnerships are allowed.**

• Applications are submitted to KYTC-OLP and the entity’s Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for review. The MPOs are tasked with ranking the applications for their region based on regional significance in improving congestion and air quality.

• Applications from entities that do not have a MPO are only reviewed by KYTC.

• The application, TC 20-24, is available by going to the KYTC Forms Library or via the OLP webpage.

• Applications are only accepted during a call for applications.

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Past CMAQ Projects

Photo: (clockwise from left) Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Government, TRIMARC, TANK, RJ Corman, TANK
Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) consists of transportation-related activities that are designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, historic and environmental aspects of our transportation infrastructure.
Eligible Activities

- Bicycle, pedestrian or other non-motorized forms of transportation facilities
- Safe routes for non-drivers
- Construction of turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas
- Vegetation management
- Historic preservation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities only
- Conversion of abandoned railway corridors
- Inventory, control and removal of outdoor advertising
- Archeology activities related to transportation projects
- Environmental mitigation
- Safe Routes to School projects
TAP Requirements

• At a minimum all projects must meet the following requirements to be considered for selection:

  • Project must have a surface transportation relationship

  • Promote accessibility/connectivity

  • Project must meet the requirements of at least one of the eligible categories
Ineligible Activities

- State or MPO administrative costs
- Promotional activities
- General recreation and park facilities
  - Playground Equipment
  - Playgrounds
  - Sports Fields
  - Campgrounds
  - Picnic Areas and Pavilions
- Routine maintenance and operations
TAP Application

- Any local city or county government agencies are eligible to apply
  - Funds for areas with population over 200,000 are sub-allocated to the Metropolitan Planning Organization for that area

- The TAP application cycle is currently closed.
  - Applications (form TC20-36) can be found in the KYTC Forms Library or via the OLP webpage.

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Example Projects

(Clockwise from left) South Elkhorn Trail, Brighton Trail, South Elkhorn Trail, Town Branch Trail
Project Application Development
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• Get to know the LPA Guide (Executive Summary)

• Have a current DUNS registration with the System for Award Management (SAM)-it is free

• Submit an Application for Federal Assistance (Form 424) with the Kentucky State Clearinghouse and provide KY State Applicant Identifier (SAI) number

• Designate a “Person in Responsible Charge”
Don’t Forget

When completing an application for funding, many LPAs neglect to incorporate the following into their budgets:

• Surveys
• Right-of-Way (*LPAs cannot procure R/W for LPA projects on their own*)
• Utilities
• Contingencies
• Archaeology
• Environmental concerns
• Consultant fees
• Prevailing wage
Application Development

• LPAs cannot do work that should be contracted out without an approved (by FHWA/KYTC) Public Interest Finding (PIF)

• Proprietary items must get pre-approval by KYTC

• Only cash and/or property can be approved as match up front. Using labor, materials, equipment, etc., as match must be approved via a PIF

• NEPA drives the project
Other Local Funding Sources
BUILD Discretionary Grants

• Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD)
  • State and local sponsors can apply for federal funding for projects (Apply at a national level)
  • Funding is for surface transportation infrastructure projects
  • For higher dollar projects (current round had a 5 million minimum grant)
  • Requires a 20% match

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Paula Nye Grants

- Kentucky Bicycle and Bikeway Commission (KBBC)
- Funding comes from contributions from the Kentucky “Share the Road” license plate
- Funds are used for bike/ped education for safety, public awareness, etc.
- Examples of projects include:
  - Safety/informational brochures
  - Videos/DVDs
  - Instructional space rental
  - Public awareness campaigns
  - Traffic education and enforcement in a targeted area

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Highway Safety Grants

• Funding available to reduce crashes, injuries, fatalities, and associated cost by identifying transportation safety issues and developing and implementing effective integrated programs and activities

• Applicants can include local and state law enforcement agencies, private institutions of higher education, non-law enforcement agencies such as health departments and hospitals

• Information can be found at: https://transportation.ky.gov/HighwaySafety/Pages/GrantSubmission.s.aspx

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