Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative Planning Grant Workshop

Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

February 19, 2015
Introduction

- Purpose of TLCI is to improve livability in Northeast Ohio’s communities
- Support the vision of NOACA’s Regional Strategic Plan and long-range transportation plan
- Provides federal funding assistance to local communities
- Support planning that leads to implementation
Background

- TLCI was authorized by Board in May 2004
  - $1 million in FY 2005, individual projects launched in calendar year 2006

- Since 2006, 84 TLCI planning projects completed

- In January 2014, 29 applications received, 13 awarded funding

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<th>Year</th>
<th>NOACA Award</th>
<th>Local Match</th>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>$998,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total 2006-2014:</strong></td>
<td><strong>$6,102,458</strong></td>
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2006-2011 TLCI Evaluation

- Presented to Board of Directors April 2013
- Based on survey of completed TLCI plans
- Included analysis of NOACA TIP
- Programmatic improvements were implemented for 2014 awards
TLCI Policy

- Adopted by the NOACA Board January 23, 2015
- Continues positive impact of the program with support of Planning Grants
- Creates new Implementation Grants
- Policy lays out:
  - TLCI Objectives
  - Eligibility
  - Project Selection
  - Funding
  - Sponsor Responsibility
TLCI Objectives

- **Complete streets** and context sensitive solutions
- **Reinvestment** in underutilized or vacant/abandoned properties
- **Economic development** through place-based transportation and land use recommendations
- **Accessibility** and environmental justice
- Encourage **regional cohesion** between regional and community partners
- Provide **safe and reliable** transportation choices
Eligibility

- All local agencies in NOACA region
  - Legal authority to sponsor a federal-aid capital improvement (ORS Chapter 5501.03 (d))
- CDCs, non-profits and advocacy organizations must partner with eligible government entity with jurisdiction over proposed project
- Only eligible applicants can complete online application
Project Selection

- Local agencies will submit online applications
- NOACA staff will evaluate all applications based on TLCI objectives
- NOACA staff will recommend projects to NOACA Standing Committees and Board of Directors
- All TLCI planning grant applications will be considered for implementation as part of NOACA’s Technical Assistance program
Funding

- Total budget for TLCI awards is set by Board
- Currently, $1 million per funding cycle
  - Up to $500,000 available for Planning Grants
  - Remainder will be allocated to Implementation Grants
- No funding cap on how much local project sponsors can request
Project Sponsor Responsibilities

- TLCI is federal reimbursable grant program
- 20 percent local funding match
- NOACA and ODOT will reimburse up to 80 percent of eligible costs
- TLCI recipients will use the consultant prequalification list to select consultant
- Planning Grants are expected to be completed within 18 months of award
TLCI Planning Grant Application

1) Applicant Contact Information
   a. Project Sponsor
   b. Project Name and Brief Description
   c. Funding Requested (No cap)

2) Application Questions
   a. TLCI Objectives
   b. Partnerships and Cross-Jurisdictional Coordination
   c. Project Administration and Organization

3) Application Authorization
   a. Resolution to apply for TLCI and fund local match
   b. Map
   c. Letters of Support
   d. Prioritized list of all TLCI applications submitted
TLCI Planning Grant Selection Process

- NOACA staff will be scoring each Planning Grant application

Application Scoring:
- TLCI Objectives (50 points)
  - Choose 1 or more objectives and describe
- Partnerships & Cross-Jurisdictional Coordination (40 points)
- Project Administration and Organization (10 points)

- NOACA staff will present recommendations to Committees and Board
TLCI Implementation Grants

- Newly created for SFY 2016 as part of TLCI Policy
- Support low-cost infrastructure projects implemented through programmatic approach
- Examples:
  - Striping of bike lanes
  - Bike parking
  - Installation of crosswalk infrastructure
  - Transit Waiting Environment
  - Wayfinding/Signage
TLCLI Implementation Grant
Selection Process

- NOACA staff will host local workshops to inventory eligible projects
  - Derived from completed TLCLI studies and local plans
  - Annual online survey
  - TLCLI Planning Database
- NOACA staff will present recommendations to Committees and Board
TLCI Implementation Grant Workshops

- Eastern Cuyahoga, Geauga and Lake Counties:
  - **Wednesday, March 4, 2015** – Cuyahoga County Public Library, Chagrin Falls Branch, 100 East Orange Street, Chagrin Falls, 10am – 12pm

- Western Cuyahoga, Lorain and Medina Counties:
  - **Friday, March 6, 2015** – Olmsted Falls City Hall, 26100 Bagley Road, Olmsted Falls, 10am – 12pm

- Central Cuyahoga County
  - **Monday, March 9, 2015** – NOACA, 1299 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, 10am – 12pm
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<td>TLCI Planning Applications Open</td>
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<td>NOACA staff and local agency workshops to develop TLCI Implementation projects</td>
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<td>NOACA staff review of TLCI Planning Applications</td>
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<td>NOACA staff preparation of draft recommended list of TLCI Planning &amp; Implementation projects</td>
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<td>March 20, 2015</td>
<td>Transportation Subcommittee discussion of TLCI project recommendations</td>
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<td>April 10, 2015</td>
<td>Planning &amp; Programming Committee discussion of TLCI project recommendations</td>
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<td>Board awards TLCI projects</td>
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Questions?

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