


Lifeline Transportation Program Cycle 5

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Program Overview

Program Goal

The Lifeline Transportation Program (LTP) is intended to fund projects that result in improved mobility for the low income residents of Alameda County.

- *For Alameda County, approximately \$45 million has been awarded through the prior cycles.*



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Program Overview

- The LTP supports community-based transportation projects:
 - *Developed through a collaborative and inclusive planning process*
 - *Improve a range of transportation choices with a variety of new or expanded services*
 - *Address transportation gaps and/or barriers identified in:*
 - Community-Based Transportation Plans (CBTPs), or
 - Other substantive local planning efforts with focused outreach to low-income populations.
 - Findings from CBTPs or other relevant plans may be applied to other low-income areas.



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Program Overview

Program Roles and Responsibilities

- MTC:
 - *Develops Fund Estimate*
 - *Issues guidelines, evaluation criteria and application*
 - *Approves final regional program*
- Alameda CTC:
 - *Administers call for projects*
 - *Develops county-level evaluation criteria and weight*
 - *Convenes scoring panel*
 - *Commission approves final Alameda County program*



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Cycle 5 - Funding

Cycle 5 includes two years of LTP revenue:

- **Alameda County's share of Cycle 5 = \$4.9 million**
 - *Approx. ½ of the funding available in Cycle 4*
- **State Transit Assistance (STA) = \$3.4 million**
- **Federal Section 5307 = \$1.5 million**
- Local match is required
- Cycle 5 does not include State Proposition 1B Transit funding
 - *Cycle 4 included an additional \$9 million of Prop. 1B for transit capital*



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Cycle 5 - Eligible Applicants

- Transit operators are the only eligible direct recipients
 - *Funding must be awarded to transit agencies*
- For other agencies:
 - *Non-profits and local government agencies are eligible sub-recipients, if they partner with an eligible transit agency*
 - *Partnering transit agencies must be willing to:*
 - Sponsor the project application,
 - Receive/administer the grant funds,
 - Pass-through the funds to sub-recipient, and
 - Be responsible for required reporting to MTC.



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Cycle 5 - Eligible Projects

State Transit Assistance

- Transit Capital and Operations, including:
 - *New, continued or expanded fixed-route service*
 - *Purchase of vehicles*
 - *Shuttle service*
 - *Purchase of technology*
 - *Capital projects such as bus stop improvements*



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Cycle 5 - Eligible Projects

Federal Section 5307

Capital and Operations projects, including:

- *Expanding fixed route public transit routes, including late-night & weekend service*
- *Guaranteed ride home service*
- *Shuttle service*
- *Demand-responsive van service*
- *Ridesharing and carpooling activities*
- *Transit-related aspects of bicycling*
- *Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)*
- *Marketing*



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Evaluation Criteria

- MTC has six (6) required evaluation criteria
- Counties may include additional criteria
- Counties are to assign weighting
- For Cycle 5 the proposed evaluation criteria and weighting are unchanged from prior cycles
- An evaluation panel convened in accordance with MTC's Cycle 5 guidelines will use the approved criteria to score applications



Proposed Evaluation Criteria & Weight

Cycle 5 LTP Evaluation Criteria	Weight
MTC Required Criteria:	
Project need/goals and objectives	30%
Project is either a CBTP or other relevant planning effort priority	10%
Implementation plan and project management capacity	10%
Project budget/sustainability	10%
Coordination and program outreach	5%
Cost-effectiveness and performance indicators	10%
Alameda CTC Additional Criteria:	
Demand	10%
Project Readiness	10%
Matching funds above minimum required	5%
Total	100%



Cycle 5 - Programming Schedule

Programming Activities	Date
MTC to approve final Cycle 5 Guidelines	January 2018
Process/Criteria to Alameda CTC Committees & Board	February 2018
Alameda CTC to release Call for Projects (CFP)	Late February 2018
Applications due to Alameda CTC	Late March 2018
Project Evaluation	April 2018
Cycle 5 program to Alameda CTC Committees and Board	May 2018
Resolutions of Local Support Due to Alameda CTC	May 2018
MTC approval of program	July 2018



Action Requested

- Approve the proposed programming process for the Cycle 5 Lifeline Transportation Program, including:
 - *Release call for projects*
 - *Evaluation criteria and weighting*



Questions



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