

# NJ Complete Streets Summit



# f you have ever found yourself asking... What Does Local Aid Do?

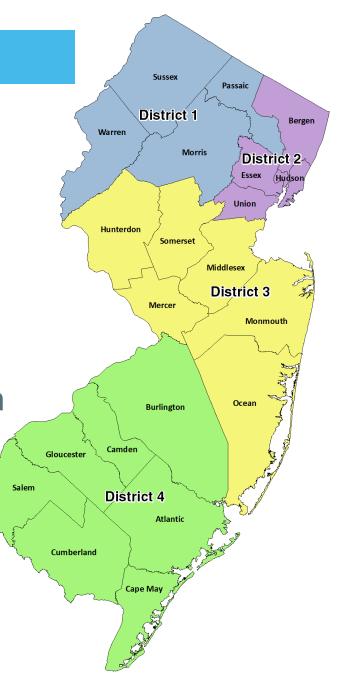
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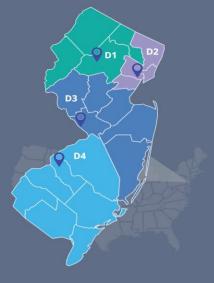
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# WHO ARE WE?

The Division of Local Aid & Economic Development is a grant-based organization committed to advancing projects that enhance safety, renew the aging infrastructure and support new transportation opportunities on the local network.



# OUR CUSTOMERS



DISTRICT OFFICES



21 COUNTIES + 564 MUNICIPALITIES

We work with county and municipal government officials to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the state's transportation system on the local network.

# **Our Programs**

# STATE AID PROGRAMS



# Transportation Trust Fund Reauthorization Urban Aid

**Municipal** Aid \$151.25 MILLION **Local Aid** Infrastruc ture Fund **\$7.5 MILLION** Local Freight Impact Fund \$30.1 Million

County Aid \$161.25 MILLION Local Bridges Future Needs \$47.3 MILLION

Bikeway \$1 MILLION

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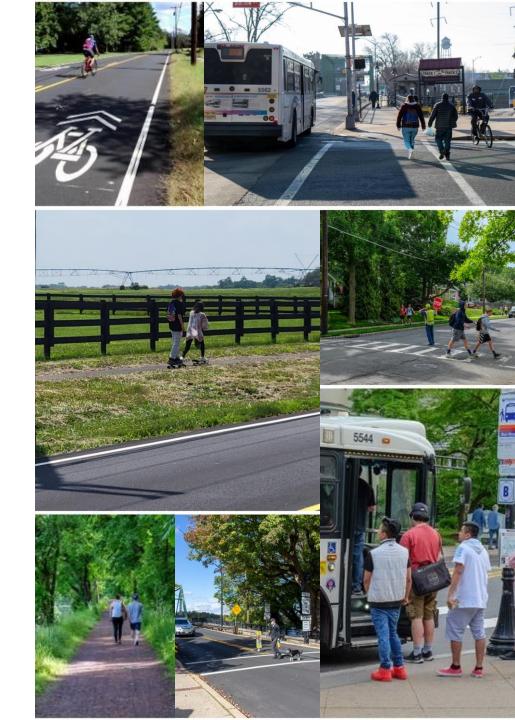
Safe Streets to Transit \$1 MILLION

Transit Village \$1 MILLION

### LOCAL AID & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Equitable distribution of grant funds to meet the mobility, safety and connectivity needs of our communities

- 13 Grant Programs (Federal & State)
- Over \$500 M in State Aid Annually
- Over \$150 M in Federal Aid Annually





## STATE AID PROGRAMS

- County Aid
- Municipal Aid
- Bikeways
- Transit Village
- Safe Streets to Transit
- Local Freight Impact Fund
- Local Bridge Fund

# Program Criteria: County Aid



#### As of June 26, 2019 TTF Legislation amended:

- Department shall solicit by July 31st of each year.
- Each county shall submit an application for funding by December 1st of each year.
- ✓ 100% available at construction award.
- Projects over \$5,000,000
  shall use a New Jersey
  Department of Transportation
  prequalified contractor.
- ✓ 5% of its aid allotment can be for Design funding.

# Program Criteria: Municipal Aid



#### As of June 26, 2019 TTF Legislation amended:

- Department shall solicit by April 30th of each year.
- Each municipality shall submit an application for funding by July 1st of each year.
- The department shall distribute an award letter to those municipalities receiving grant funds by November 30th of each year.
- Projects need to be awarded within 2 years of notification
- ✓ 6-month extension available if extraordinary circumstances are met.

# MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM



## 7 Categories

- Roadway Preservation
- Roadway Safety
- Bridge Preservation
- Pedestrian Safety
- Mobility
- Bikeway
- Quality of Life



# Program Criteria: **Bikeway Program**





#### Eligibility

- Physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic through a barrier or an open space.
- Municipalities and counties are eligible.

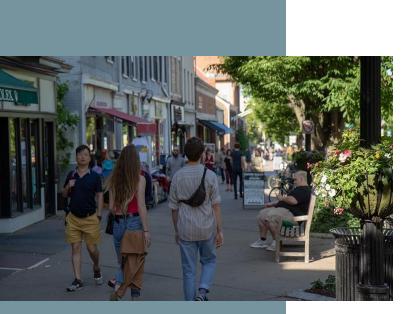
#### Goal

 ✓ Constructing 1,000 new bike miles

\* FY23 funded 17 projects totaling \$8.4M

# Program Criteria: Transit Village Program





#### Eligibility

- Must have a Transit Village Designation
- ✓ The project is either wholly or partially within a ½ mile radius of an existing transit facility

### **Types of Improvement**

- Promotes transit-oriented development
- Bicycle/pedestrian paths and lanes
- ✓ Construction of a modern roundabout

\*FY23 funded 10 projects totaling \$2.9M

# Program Criteria: Safe Streets to Transit Program



\$1\* MILLION

#### Eligibility

- Project either wholly or partially within 1 mile radius of a Transit Station, a Bus Stop or a Ferry Terminal.
- Municipalities and Counties are eligible.

#### **Types of Improvement:**

- Improve Pedestrian access to transit facilities
- Construction of new sidewalks, curb ramps, sidewalk widening and major reconstruction
- Pedestrian signals and push buttons at key intersections
- ✓ Pedestrian oriented lighting
- \*FY23 funded 29 projects totaling \$13.4

# Program Criteria: Local Freight Impact Fund



#### **Program implemented in FY 2018**

- ✓ The NJDOT has allotted \$30.1 million per year in its Transportation Capital Program for this program for next 7 years (2018-2024).
- ✓ It is funded through the Transportation Trust Fund.
- Municipalities and Counties are eligible.

#### Program priority criteria:

- ✓ Pavement Preservation
- ✓ Truck Safety and Mobility
- ✓ Bridge Preservation
- ✓ New Construction
- ✓ Pedestrian Safety

## Program Criteria: Local Bridge Fund



#### Program implemented in FY 2009

- ✓ The NJDOT has allotted \$47.3 million per year in its Transportation Capital Program for this program for next 7 years (2018-2024).
- ✓ It is funded through the Transportation Trust Fund.
- ✓ Formula driven for counties.
- Program priority criteria:
  - ✓ Structurally Deficient
  - ✓ Functionally Obsolete
  - ✓ Scour Critical
  - ✓ Minor Bridges
  - ✓ Priority Repairs



# FEDERAL AID PROGRAMS

# Safe Routes to School



- ✓ On-Street Bike Lanes or Shoulders
- ✓ Off-Road Bike Paths or Trails
- ✓ New or Upgraded Sidewalks
- ✓ ADA Curb Ramps
- ✓ Traffic Calming

### Now funded at \$10 M a year

### Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside



- ✓ New or reconstructed sidewalks
- ✓ Walkways or curb ramps
- ✓ Bike lane striping
- ✓ Wide paved shoulders
- $\checkmark$  Bike parking and bus racks
- ✓ New or reconstructed off-road trails
- Bike and pedestrian bridges and underpasses

#### Now funded at \$25 M a year

# **Grant Applications**

# GRANTS CALENDAR Dates to keep in mind

# May, June or July = Municipal Aid, Bikeways, Transit Village & Bikeways must be on your council's calendar for a Resolution

# It's all in the Application

#### When Applying:

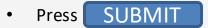
- Coordinate with LPAs, the Department, etc. when the project crosses other jurisdictions
- E-Resolution criteria

#### It's Important to:

- Allocate enough time to prepare and submit on time
- Take time to QA/QC the application

#### **Common Errors:**

- Project limits and the submitted map don't match
- Project estimate does not match the proposed project
- Requested amount not included







#### Eastampton Community School Walking Route Improvements

# **THANK YOU!**



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