

Funding Your Complete Streets Project

Tips and resources for getting Complete Streets funding

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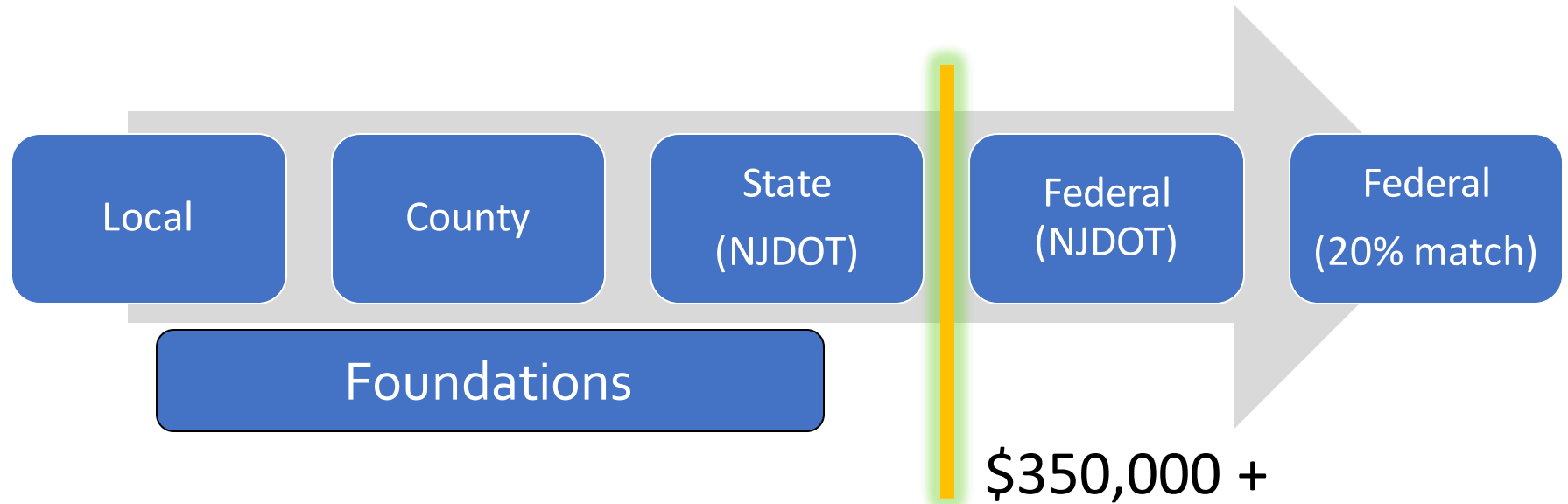
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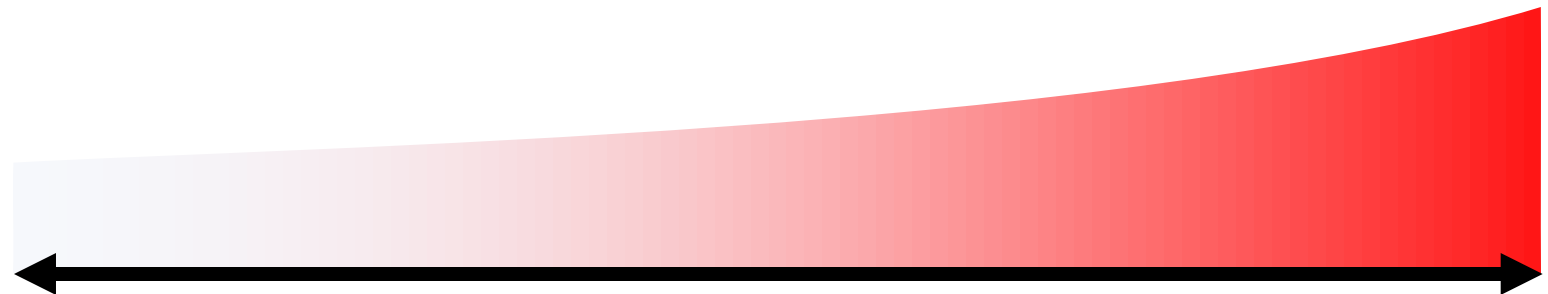
- About Spending Federal Grants
- Maximize Your Application Strength
- DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard
- Three CS Grant Strategies

More Money, More Problems



Red Tape Meter:

- Administrative Capacity
- Paperwork
- Reporting



NJDOT Grant Funding Opportunities

State Funding Programs

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

Federal Funding Programs

-  Local Lead Program
-  Transportation Enhancements
-  Safe Routes to School
-  Emergency Relief
-  Transportation Alternatives
-  Local Safety/High Risk Rural Roads

Tips for Maximizing Your Application



Have a complete plan



Tell your safety story



Ask for all the right things

Have a Complete Plan

- Show the project's context within a larger, comprehensive plan
- Many grant programs provide extra points for:
 - Having passed a **Complete & Green Streets resolution, policy, or ordinance**
 - Having adopted a comprehensive safety **Action Plan**:
 - **Vision Zero**
 - **Local Road Safety**
 - **Safe Streets & Roads for All**
 - Having earned **Sustainable Jersey Points**



Tell Your Safety Story

- Show the very real, on-the-ground problem
- Describe and depict existing conditions
- Connect the safety problems to the existing conditions

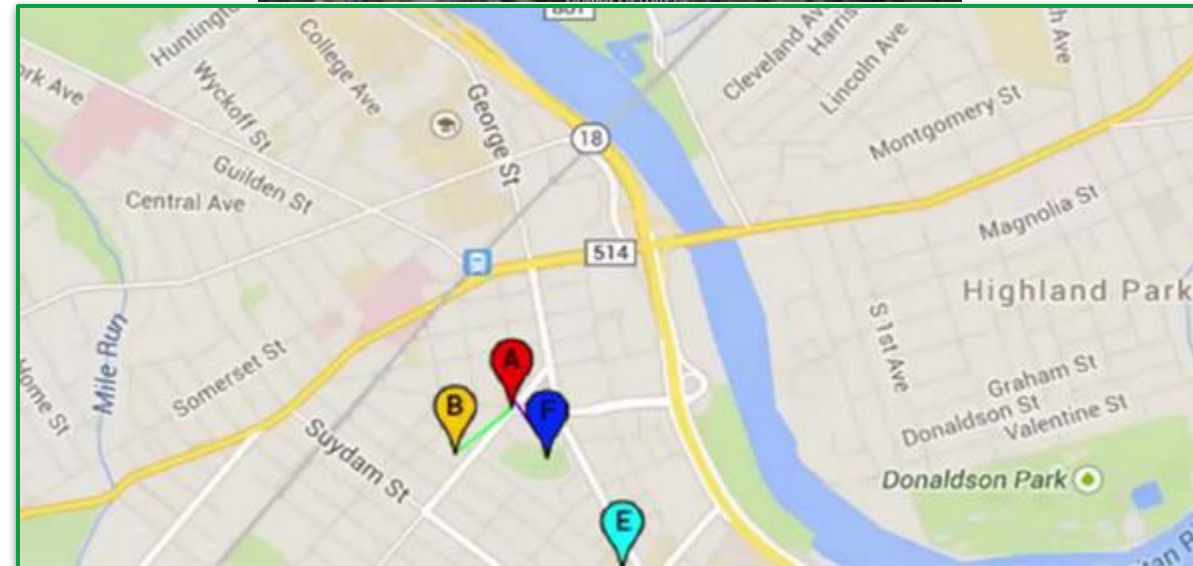


Tell Your Safety Story

- Include maps that provide context:
 - Project location within the larger area
 - Project area extent
 - Nearby locations of importance (transit, landmarks, commercial districts, schools, hospitals)
- Don't skimp on the details



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Ask for All the Right Things

Speed Management



[Appropriate Speed Limits for All Road Users](#)



[Speed Safety Cameras](#)



[Variable Speed Limits](#)

Pedestrian/Bicyclist



[Bicycle Lanes](#)



[Crosswalk Visibility Enhancements](#)



[Leading Pedestrian Interval](#)



[Medians and Pedestrian Refuge Islands in Urban and Suburban Areas](#)



[Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons](#)



[Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons \(RRFB\)](#)



[Road Diets \(Roadway Configuration\)](#)



[Walkways](#)

Crosscutting



[Lighting](#)



[Local Road Safety Plans](#)



[Pavement Friction Management](#)



[Road Safety Audit](#)

Roadway Departure



[Enhanced Delineation for Horizontal Curves](#)



[Longitudinal Rumble Strips and Stripes on Two-Lane Roads](#)



[Median Barriers](#)



[Roadside Design Improvements at Curves](#)



[SafetyEdgeSM](#)



[Wider Edge Lines](#)

Intersections



[Backplates with Retroreflective Borders](#)



[Corridor Access Management](#)



[Dedicated Left- and Right-Turn Lanes at Intersections](#)



[Reduced Left-Turn Conflict Intersections](#)



[Roundabouts](#)



[Systemic Application of Multiple Low-Cost Countermeasures at Stop-Controlled Intersections](#)

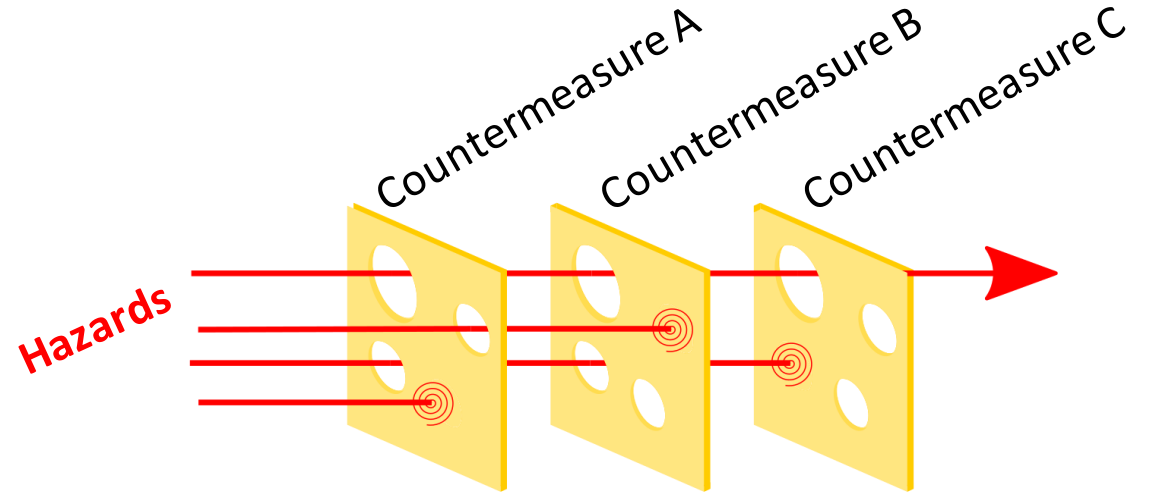


[Yellow Change Intervals](#)

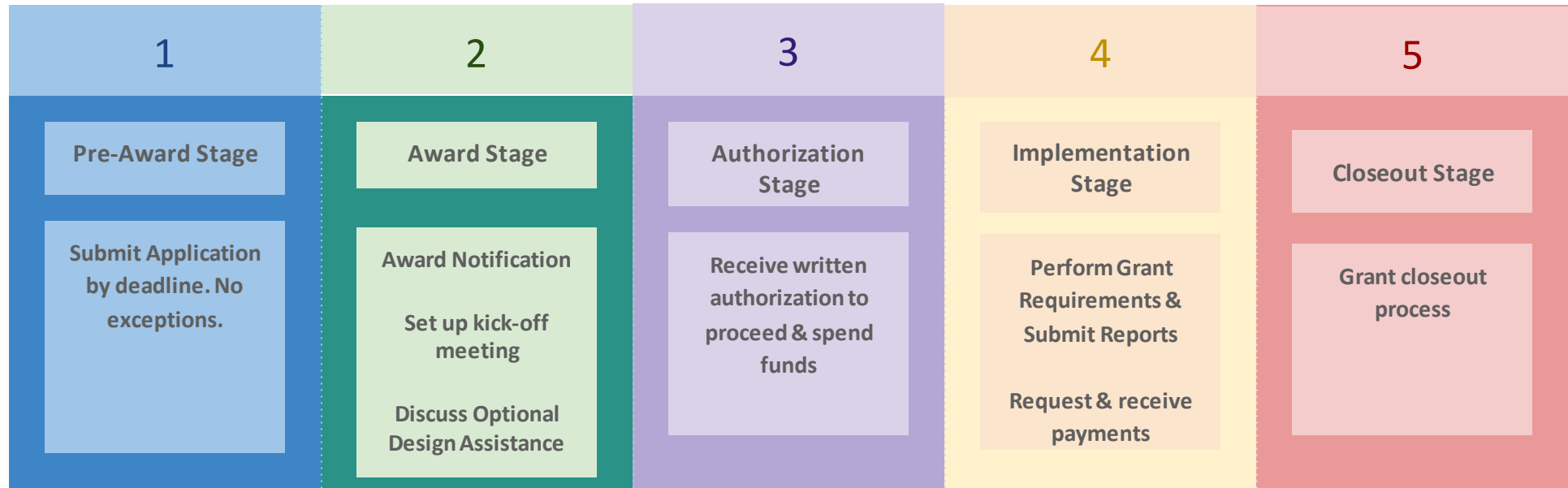
<https://highways.dot.gov/safety/proven-safety-countermeasures>

Ask for All the Right Things

- Select multiple countermeasures intended to solve the identified safety problem(s)
- Many countermeasures can address multiple problems
- Select countermeasures that improve conditions for all road users
- **Reviewers will never ask for more, but they may ask for less.**



Federal Grant Life Cycle



USDOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

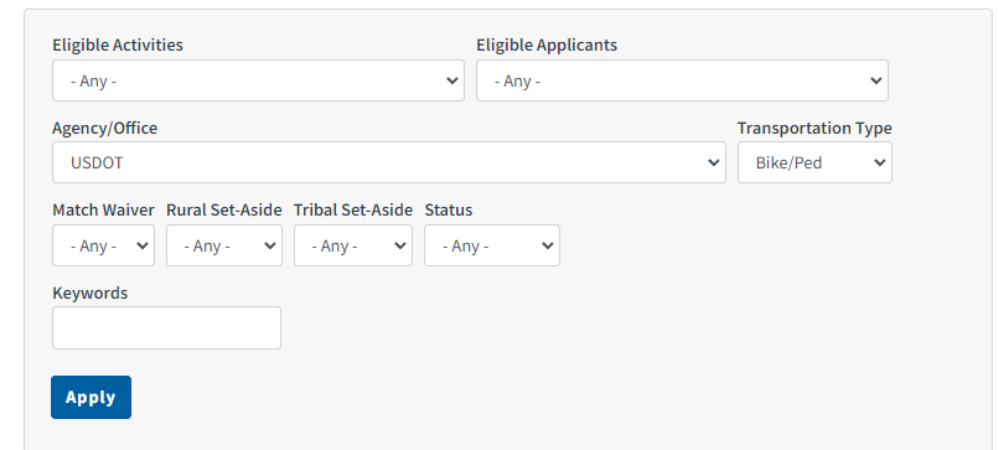
- Resource from USDOT
- Search for all available federal grants for your eligible Complete Streets Project
- Filter by activities, applicants, modes, and more!

DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

The DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard provides communities with an overview of discretionary grant opportunities that can help meet their transportation infrastructure needs. Designed with all communities in mind, the Dashboard identifies grant programs with rural and Tribal set-asides or match waivers available. The Dashboard also includes Federal grant programs outside of DOT that may be of particular interest to [rural communities](#). An updated *Rural Grant Applicant Toolkit* will soon be published to help rural communities harness the Dashboard. The Dashboard is updated weekly.

[The DOT Navigator](#) is a resource to help communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services.

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The screenshot shows a filter interface for the DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard. It includes several dropdown menus and a text input field. The filters are:

- Eligible Activities:** - Any -
- Eligible Applicants:** - Any -
- Agency/Office:** USDOT
- Transportation Type:** Bike/Ped
- Match Waiver:** - Any -
- Rural Set-Aside:** - Any -
- Tribal Set-Aside:** - Any -
- Status:** - Any -
- Keywords:** (empty text input)

An **Apply** button is located at the bottom of the filter section.

<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard>

Greg's CS Project Hot Picks!



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Demonstration Projects welcome!
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Reconnecting Communities & Neighborhood Access

Focus on improving community connectivity
Mitigating harmful effects of past transportation projects



PROTECT

Promotes nature-based solutions to address climate change
Creative solutions for 'greening' the transportation network

Contact:

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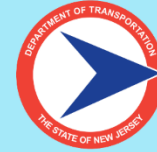
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