



Livable Centers Small-Area Planning Set-Aside

Board of Directors | December 18, 2024

Livable Centers Overview

- \$2.5 Million total identified as a set-aside in the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.
- \$1.25 Million available for the 2024-2025 application cycle.
- Funding for consultant services for planning and analysis.
- Small-area planning that enhances and increases livability in connected multimodal centers.
- Policies for this set-aside were adopted by the Board in March 2023.



Program goals

- Support **centers and nodes** and their connections to the **region's multimodal transportation system**
 - Increase diverse housing and employment in connected urban centers
 - Support multimodal and transit access along corridors connecting centers
 - Promote investment/ reinvestment in existing communities.
 - Improve multimodal access to housing, employment, commerce, educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities for residents of all ages, incomes, and abilities

Selection Process

- **Letters of interest accepted:** August – October 2024
- **Evaluated:** based on the criteria approved by the Transportation Advisory Committee in February 2023 and adopted by the Board of Directors in March 2023.
- **Evaluation factors:**
 - Alignment with program goals and Metro Vision.
 - Benefits to marginalized communities.
 - Connection to DRCOG Regional Transportation Plan priorities.
 - Project readiness and local support.
 - Innovation and transferability.

Letters of Interest Received, \$2.6 million

Project sponsor	Project name
Adams County	Multimodal Harmony at Clear Creek Station
Arapahoe County	Florida Corridor Multimodal Improvements
Arvada	Livable Centers in Transit Oriented Communities
Aurora	Fitzsimons Innovative Transportation Solutions Study
Bennett	Development Connectivity Feasibility Analysis
Boulder County	Mobility Needs Assessment Framework for the Boulder County Housing Authority
Centennial	East Midtown Small Area Plan
Denver South TMA	South I-25 Bicycle Infrastructure Implementation Planning and Design Study
Edgewater	Sheridan Corridor Livable Center
Parker	Parker and Pine Lane Crossroads Micromobility Study
Sheridan	Housing & Transportation Strategies Study
Thornton	Urban Center Area

Selection Committee Scoring & Recommendation

Rank	Project sponsor	Project name	Recommended budget	Recommendation
1	Aurora	Fitzsimons Innovative Transportation Solutions Study	\$ 300,000	Fund
2	Boulder County	Mobility Needs Assessment Framework for the Boulder County Housing	\$ 150,000	Fund
3	Arvada	Livable Centers in Transit Oriented Communities	\$ 140,000	Fund
4	Arapahoe County	Florida Corridor Multimodal Improvements	\$ 125,000	Fund
5	Centennial	East Midtown Small Area Plan	\$ 125,000	Fund
6	Sheridan	Housing & Transportation Strategies Study	\$ 100,000	Fund
7	Edgewater	Sheridan Corridor Livable Center	\$ 100,000	Fund
8	Adams County	Multimodal Harmony at Clear Creek Station	\$ 100,000	Not Selected
9	Thornton	Urban Center Area	\$ 350,000	Not Selected
10	Bennett	Development Connectivity Feasibility Analysis	\$ 85,000	Not Selected
11	Parker	Parker and Pine Lane Crossroads Micromobility Study	\$ 100,000	Not Selected
12	Denver South TMA	South I-25 Bicycle Infrastructure Implementation Planning and Design Study	\$ 950,000	Not Selected

Recommended Motion

Move to approve funding seven Livable Centers Small-Area Planning projects, as recommended by the selection committee.