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Small Urban Transportation Agencies
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Subject: Fiscal Year 2014-2017 Small Urban Program Call for Projects

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be accepting Small Urban Program project applications for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2014-2017. Funding criteria for the Small Urban Program is listed below:

- Transportation projects are awarded on a rotating basis to small urban areas with populations of 5,000 to 50,000 according to the most recent U.S. Census.
- The maximum amount awarded for a project is \$375,000 in federal dollars.
- The implementing agency must provide a 20 percent local match.
- All proposed projects must be within the approved federal-urbanized area boundary and/or be located on the federal highway system.
- Funding can only be used for construction costs or capital purchases (for transit vehicles).

Due to the advancement of projects to use additional statewide obligation authority in FY 2013, MDOT is seeking additional projects in FY 2014. The remaining amount available for programming in FY 2014 is approximately \$3 million. The annual available funding for the Small Urban Program for FYs 2015-2017 is approximately \$8.9 million statewide. MDOT leadership believes Congress will continue to fund transportation beyond FY 2014 when the current federal transportation legislation expires. Reauthorization activities for a new federal transportation bill have already begun.

Beginning in FY 2014, Michigan's 14 state Regional Planning & Development Agencies (RPAs) will become more integrated in the planning process. The RPAs are now responsible for scheduling meetings and submitting applications on behalf of the implementing agencies. Information regarding the required planning process and instructions for completing the project applications are available online at www.michigan.gov/mdotsmallurban.

Project applications must be submitted to MDOT by April 30, 2014. If you have any questions regarding the Small Urban Program or would like an MDOT representative to attend your committee meeting, please contact Brandon Wilcox, Small Urban Program Manager at 517-335-2948 or wilcoxbl@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,


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