



# Transit Strategic Partnerships Program

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# TRANSIT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM: Funding Sources

Federal Transit Administration apportions Sections 5307 and 5310 funds to our region

## Non-competitive (formula)

~98% available annually to transit providers through Program of Projects (POP) process

## Competitive

By Regional Transportation Council (RTC) policy, ~2% set aside for transit projects that support long-range mobility plan goals and address needs outlined in Access North Texas



# TRANSIT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM: Program Elements/Eligibility

Competitive funding program to support transit project ideas and implement services that address Mobility 2045 goals and Access North Texas

<b>Eligible applicants</b>	Transit authorities Rural providers Non-profits (encourage partnership with an existing transit provider)	<b>Project elements</b>	Cannot be used for operating shortfalls  Service must be within the UZA  Encourage partnerships and collaboration between non-service providers (non-profits) and transit providers  Address innovation, Access North Texas, recent transit study recommendations, accessibility, environmental justice, transit dependent populations, risk
<b>Eligibility</b>	Must be an entity that can receive federal funds		
<b>Project Length</b>	Typically a 2-3 year pilot		



# TRANSIT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM: Evaluation Criteria

CATEGORY	POSSIBLE POINTS
<b>Needs Assessment</b> Address Access North Texas, Transit Studies, Transit Dependent Populations, Environmental Justice, and/or Accessibility. Is it non-duplicative?	60
<b>Strategic Value and Innovation</b> Is it an innovative project that serves an immediate need? Could it serve as a model to other areas?	15
<b>Project Funding and Sustainability</b> Are budget assumptions sound and reasonable? Meet minimum funding requirements? Local match identified? Project Sustainability?	15
<b>Implementation Capacity and Collaboration</b> Include coordination with stakeholders and existing providers? Does the agency have the required capacity to implement?	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>



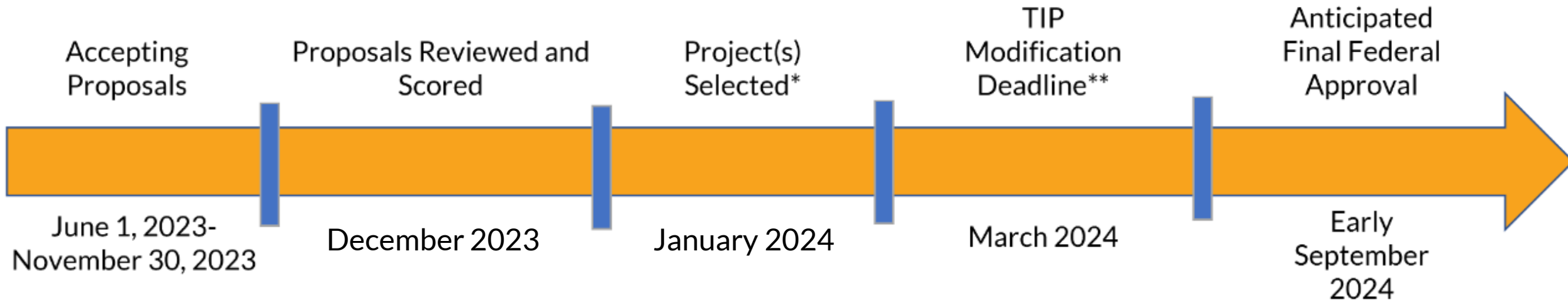
# RECOMMENDED PROJECTS FOR MAY 2023 CYCLE

Project	Description	Agency	Federal Total
Dynamic Direct Route Service	Dynamic service from CentrePort TRE station during peak hours to address increased demand and complement on-demand service.	City of Arlington	\$1,126,873
Forest Hill On-Demand Service	Expansion of Trinity Metro's ZipZone service to the City of Forest Hill.	Trinity Metro	\$460,081
Mobility Management	Staff support to coordinate services to/within Collin County.	DCTA	\$110,000



# TRANSIT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM FUNDING CYCLE

Ideas accepted on a rolling basis, and evaluated twice a year (currently in November Cycle)



\* Projects may get shifted to next cycle if more development is needed

\*\* TIP deadlines are subject to change.

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