

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	IA-2024-003-00
Temporary Application Number	1812-2023-8
Award Name	SFY 2024 STBG Flex Funding Grant for MPO/RPA Planning Activities
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	11/30/2028		
Current Period of Performance End Date	11/30/2028	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A		
Budget Period End Date	11/30/2028		

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
1812	State Agency	IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	VAL7N8VS7L99	120527275

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	800 LINCOLN WAY	AMES	IA	500106915
Physical Address	800 LINCOLN WAY	AMES	IA	50010
Mailing Address	800 LINCOLN WAY	AMES	IA	50010

Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

Part 2: Application Information

Title: SFY 2024 STBG Flex Funding Grant for MPO/RPA Planning Activities
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FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
IA-2024-003-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 7	9/14/2023	9/14/2023	No

Application Executive Summary

The purpose of this award is to provide additional funding support for transportation planning activities for Iowa's metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and regional planning affiliations (RPAs) as outlined in their respective planning work programs. Planning tasks outlined in the work programs will include activities related to the transportation planning process, such as long range transportation planning, short range transportation planning, transportation improvement program monitoring and development, general and comprehensive planning, program support and administrative items, and other various transportation study and plan activities. This grant contains \$716,069 in FY 2023 FHWA STBG funding (\$95,000 transfer to 5307, \$621,069 to 5311) that was transferred to FTA (TR401) to help supplement funding support for the transportation planning activities of one MPO and 10 RPAs in Iowa. Agency member dues/assessments are the funding source of local share/match. A detailed summary of all federal planning funds by source and planning agency is attached to the application.

SFY 2024 STBG Grant application Funding Summary:

\$716,069 Total STBG Grant Amount
\$179,018 Total Local Match
\$895,087 Total amount of SFY 2024 STBG Grant application

Application projects:

Project 1: FHWA STBG (to FTA 5307) funding from FFY 2023 in the amount of \$95,000, matched by \$23,750 in local funding from one MPO, for a total of \$118,750. (See line 1 of attached transfer memo: TR 401)

Project 2: FHWA STBG (to 5311) funding from FFY 2023 in the amount of \$621,069, matched by \$155,268 in local funding from 10 RPAs, for a total of \$776,337. (See line 2 of attached transfer memo: TR401)

Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

Pre-Award Authority

This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is directly allocated these funds and is eligible to apply for and receive these funds directly.

Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

Indirect Rate Details: N/A

Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

Delinquent Federal Debt

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

Award Description

Purpose

The goal of this award is to provide additional funding support to help one metropolitan and ten regional planning agencies complete their responsibilities of a metropolitan or regional transportation planning process (while considering planning factors and planning emphasis areas to advance national goals.). It will support work on the agencies transportation planning priorities and activities identified in their respective work programs over the next one-year period.

Activities to be performed:

These transferred FHWA STBG funds will be used to cover eligible transportation planning activity expenses as outlined in the MPO and RPA work programs. Activities among the metropolitan and regional planning agencies will generally be attributed addressing priorities identified throughout the transportation planning process, such as short-range and long-range transportation planning through data collection, studies, plans, general support of program and administrative operations at the agencies, and carrying out similar transportation planning activities as part of their transportation planning process found in United States Code.

Expected outcomes:

The funding will allow these metropolitan and regional transportation planning agencies to carry out the requirements of a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for their regional planning area while performing transportation-related planning and programming activities for federally funded highway and transit projects.

Intended beneficiaries:

Populace (residents of metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, such large and small cities, counties) of one MPO and 10 RPA planning areas (state of Iowa).

Subrecipient Activities:

The 11 subrecipients have chosen to utilize FHWA STBG funding to carry out the transportation planning process in accordance with United States Code, which are identified as transportation planning activities described within their individual MPO and RPA planning work programs. Their activities will generally include work related to long range transportation planning, short range transportation planning, transportation improvement program development and monitoring, general and comprehensive planning, program support and administrative items, and various other studies and plan activities.

Application Point of Contact Information

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Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$95,000
FHWA Transfer to 5311 Rural Area Formula	5311-2	20509	\$621,069
Local			\$179,018
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$895,087

Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
IA-2024-003-01-00	442-00 (442-A1) METROPOLITAN PLANNING	\$95,000.00	\$23,750.00	\$118,750.00	0
IA-2024-003-01-00	44.22.00 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	\$95,000.00	\$23,750.00	\$118,750.00	0
IA-2024-003-02-00	441-00 (441-A2) STATE PLANNING & RESEARCH	\$621,069.00	\$155,268.00	\$776,337.00	0
IA-2024-003-02-00	44.22.00 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	\$621,069.00	\$155,268.00	\$776,337.00	0

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: Metropolitan Planning – STBG Funding for Planning

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
IA-2024-003-01-00	1812-2023-8-P1	9/14/2023	7/1/2023	8/31/2028

Project Description

Iowa's metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) provide transportation planning activities at the metropolitan level. The MPOs, through agreement with the Iowa DOT, have made a commitment to provide the 20 percent local share of the total project cost. This project reflects FY 2023 FHWA STBG funds in the amount of \$95,000 to support MPO transportation planning activities. The corresponding transfer request TR2401 from FHWA to FTA is attached to the application.

The MPO will utilize these STBG funds to complete transportation planning priorities and work activities that are to be carried out within their respective metropolitan planning area during the next one-year period, as identified in their respective planning work program. Priorities and activities in the work program will result in a balanced and comprehensive intermodal transportation process for the movement of people and goods in the metropolitan area and are not limited to planning studies related to transit, highway, bicycle and pedestrian, freight, port, railways activities and other transportation support activities. Activities will generally be attributed to short-range and long-range transportation planning through data collection, studies, plans, general support of program and administrative operations at the agencies, and carrying out other similar transportation planning activities as part of the transportation planning process.

Project Benefits

These funds support a program of intermodal transportation planning and programming across the state's urbanized areas. The Iowa DOT contracts with this MPO for long-range transportation planning, programming, and public participation activities required by law. The MPO also typically provides technical assistance to other local transportation departments or agencies, including public transit operators. The contract is based on the transportation planning work program prepared by the local officials involved in the planning agency and approved by the Iowa DOT. The funding is expected to allow this MPO to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for its regional planning area while performing transportation planning and programming activities for federally funded highway and transit projects. It is the populace (cities, counties, residents) of this MPO that will ultimately benefit from the work these funds will support.

Additional Information

Iowa DOT's Central Contracting Registration is current through February 7, 2024.

Location Description

Funding in this project will be utilized for transportation planning activities in one MPO (Des Moines).

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
190000	Iowa

Congressional District Information

District	State
3	Iowa

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: 10/1/2023

Description: FHWA/FTA approval of the FFY 2024-2027 STIP is attached as part of the application documents. The current STIP can be found at https://iowadot.gov/program_management/Statewide-Transportation-Improvement-Program-STIP.

UPWP

Date: 7/1/2023

Description: FHWA/FTA approval of the SFY 2024 Iowa Planning work programs is attached as part of the application documents.

Long Range Plan

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$95,000
Local			\$23,750
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$118,750

Project Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
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IA-2024-003-01-00	44.22.00	GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	\$95,000.00	\$23,750.00	\$118,750.00	0
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Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 44.22.00 - GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
METROPOLITAN PLANNING (442-00)	44.22.00	GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	METROPOLITAN PLANNING	0

Extended Budget Description

Below is a breakdown of FHWA STBG funding for the MPO. The total amount of FHWA STBG funding is \$ 95,000. A summary of all MPO funding by source is attached to the application, as part of the application documents.

DMAMPO (Des Moines): \$95,000

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

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Local			\$23,750
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$118,750

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2023	
End Date	8/31/2028	

Project Environmental Findings

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

Class Level Description

Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

Categorical Exclusion Description

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	2/5/2024

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
METROPOLITAN PLANNING (442-00)	44.22.00	GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	0	\$95,000.00	\$118,750.00

Project Title: Regional Planning – STBG Funding for Planning

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
IA-2024-003-02-00	1812-2023-8-P2	9/14/2023	7/1/2023	8/31/2028

Project Description

Iowa’s regional planning affiliations (RPAs) provide transportation planning activities at the regional level. The RPAs, through agreement with the Iowa DOT, have made a commitment to provide the 20 percent local share of the total project cost. This project reflects FY2023 FHWA STBG funds in the amount of \$ 621,069 to support RPA transportation planning activities. The corresponding transfer request TR2401 from FHWA to FTA is attached to the application.

The RPAs will utilize these STBG funds to complete transportation planning priorities and work activities that are to be carried out within their regional non-metropolitan planning areas during the next one-year period, as identified in their respective planning work programs. Priorities and activities in the work programs will result in a balanced and comprehensive intermodal transportation process for the movement of people and goods in the regional non-metropolitan areas and are not limited to planning studies related to transit, highway, bicycle and pedestrian, freight, port, railways activities and other transportation support activities. Activities will vary among the RPAs, but will generally be attributed to short-range and long-range transportation planning through data collection, studies, plans, general support of program and administrative operations at the agencies, and carrying out other similar transportation planning activities as part of the transportation planning process.

Project Benefits

These funds support a program of intermodal transportation planning and programming across the state’s non-urbanized areas. The Iowa DOT contracts with these agencies for long-range transportation planning, programming, and public participation activities required by law. The agencies also typically provide technical assistance to other local transportation departments or agencies, including public transit

operators. The contracts are based on transportation planning work programs prepared by the local officials involved in the planning affiliation and approved by the Iowa DOT. The funding is expected to allow these agencies to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for their regional planning area while performing transportation planning and programming activities for federally funded highway and transit projects. It is the populace (cities, counties, residents) of these 10 RPAs that will ultimately benefit from the work these funds will support.

Additional Information

Iowa DOT's Central Contracting Registration is current through February 7, 2024.

Location Description

Funding in this project will be utilized for transportation planning activities in 10 RPAs (RPAs 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, and 17).

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
190000	Iowa

Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Iowa
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3	Iowa
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Long Range Plan

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

Project Control Totals

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FHWA Transfer to 5311Rural Area Formula	5311-2	20509	\$621,069

Local			\$155,268
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$776,337

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RPA 1: \$40,000
RPA 3: \$38,000
RPA 4: \$46,800
RPA 7: \$40,000
RPA 8: \$89,575
RPA 10: \$92,000
RPA 12: \$70,000
RPA 15: \$40,000
RPA 16: \$151,320

RPA 17: \$13,374

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

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Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
STATE PLANNING & RESEARCH (441-00)	44.22.00	GENERAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	0	\$621,069.00	\$776,337.00

Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

FTA Comments for DOL

Comment By **Jeremiah Shuler**

Comment Type DOL Review for Certification

Date 2/6/2024

The purpose of this award is to provide additional funding support for transportation planning activities for Iowa's metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and regional planning affiliations (RPAs) as outlined in their respective planning work programs. Planning tasks outlined in the work programs will include activities related to the transportation planning process, such as long range transportation planning, short range transportation planning, transportation improvement program monitoring and development, general and comprehensive planning, program support and administrative items, and other various transportation study and plan activities. This grant contains \$ 716,069 in FY 2023 FHWA STBG funding (\$95,000 transfer to 5307, \$621,069 to 5311) that was transferred to FTA (TR401) to help supplement funding support for the transportation planning activities of one MPO and 10 RPAs in Iowa. Agency member dues/assessments are the funding source of local share/match. A detailed summary of all federal planning funds by source and planning agency is attached to the application.

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Application Review Comments

Comment By **Jeremiah Shuler**

Comment Type Pre-Award Manager Returns Application

Date 1/10/2024

Is this part needed? "An original consolidated planning grant (IA-2023-032-00) provided support for transportation planning activities for all of Iowa's nine MPOs and 18 RPAs and included funding from FHWA (PL and SPR) and FTA (5305d and 5305e). "

Please make a clear funding chart like this:
Comment FFY2023 Section 5311 Funding Summary:

\$15,567,941 Total amount of FTA FFY23 5311 application

\$14,966,977 Total Local Match

\$30,534,918 Total Grant Amount

Application Review Comments

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	2/4/2024
Project Title	Metropolitan Planning – STBG Funding for Planning
Project Number	IA-2024-003-01-00
Comment	The proposed planning and program administration activity is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(4).