

Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District
**Targeted Green Infrastructure Fund (TGIF) –
Transit Stop Improvement Program**
Fiscal Year 2019-20

Purpose: The goal of the Targeted Green Infrastructure Fund (TGIF) Transit Stop Improvement Program is to reduce air pollution emissions and gain health and climate benefits from reducing single occupancy vehicle travel. TGIF supports the region's sustainable communities Blueprint principles by making tangible improvements to the built environment that facilitate walking, bicycling and transit as a means of everyday transportation.

Background Information: To reduce emissions and achieve the multiple benefits of reduced vehicle travel, TGIF seeks to invest in capital projects throughout the region, using funding from multiple sources. The current funding cycling of TGIF offers reimbursement of up to \$40,000 for the improvement of transit stops with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility infrastructure, seating, shelter, shade trees, and/or solar-powered lighting at transit stops or stations located in the **South Sacramento-Florin AB 617 Designated Community**.

For many people, using public transit means facing uncomfortable conditions. Many transit stops in the region consist of a sign with no place to sit while waiting. Often transit stops are located in the open without protective shade, making them uncomfortable in the rain or hot sun. Many transit stops lack pavement, making them difficult for persons in wheelchairs. Transit shelter/stop transformations have significant potential for increasing transit ridership, but transit systems frequently do not have funding for adequate facilities at all transit stops.

TGIF will provide reimbursement to public transit agencies for selected projects that demonstrate:

- potential to reduce vehicle miles traveled of single occupancy vehicles
- consistency with the region's sustainable communities Blueprint principles
- political and practical feasibility

Applicant Eligibility: Public transit agencies or organizations that have or maintain transit stops or stations located in the **South Sacramento-Florin AB 617 Designated Community** are eligible to apply. Applications will be screened to assure that proposed projects meet the established criteria and that applicants have the ability to receive the funds, the rights to the property, and the ability to finish the project.

Scope of Work: The program will offer reimbursement of up to \$40,000 for the completion of transit stop improvements that support ADA accessibility, passenger safety and comfort. Completing the project with a portion of the funds provided by the transportation provider is acceptable. There is no match requirement. Grantees will have up to 15 months to complete the improvements.

- The primary improvement is the installation of an **ADA-compliant concrete pad and walking path** to a transit stop that lacks ADA accessibility. This may require acquisition of right-of-way.
- For transit stops that already meet ADA accessibility standards, the installation of any of the following improvements is reimbursable:
 - **Seating**
 - **Shelter and other passenger cooling amenities**
 - **Up to three trees to shade the seating area** – Must include a tree watering and maintenance agreement with adjacent property owners or the local jurisdiction
 - **Solar-powered lighting**
 - **Schedules and other passenger information**

The requirements for each of the above can be found at <http://www.airquality.org/Businesses/Incentive-Programs>.

Application Process: Complete the application on the back of this page and email to:

Teri Duarte – Land Use & Health Planner, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District
Phone: 916-874-4816 ♦ Email: TDuarte@airquality.org

Evaluation and Award Process: Awards will be selected by a **committee** from applications that have been screened for completeness and conformity with the goals of the program. Up to \$40,000 is available to be awarded in Fiscal Year 2019-20. More program information is available at <http://www.airquality.org/Businesses/Incentive-Programs>.

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Grant Application

Instructions: Please fill out this application completely and email to Teri Duarte, TDuarte@airquality.org. Attach additional documentation if necessary. Applications will be accepted by email from October 16, 2019 to November 20, 2019.

I. Applicant Information

Name of Public Transit Provider _____

Mailing Address, City, Zip _____

_____ Name of Signing Authority _____

Contact Name _____ Title _____

Contact Phone _____ Email _____

Describe eligibility to receive program funds _____

II. Transit Stop Information

Transit stop location and SACOG ID number if applicable _____

Description of current conditions (attach photo) _____

Proposed improvements _____

How will these improvements help to accomplish this program's goal of reducing private vehicle use?

Funds requested _____ Anticipated date of completion _____

Are there any planned capital improvement projects that would conflict with or replicate the proposed project? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

III. Declaration

By submitting this grant application, the sponsor declares that (1) the information on this form true and accurate; (2) the individual filling out the form is an authorized representative of the public transit operator; (3) the project is or will be in compliance with applicable regulations, codes and permit requirements; and (4) the project will be completed by March 31, 2021 or will abide by the schedule outlined in the individual Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Signature _____ Date _____