

SMART STAGE 2 GRANTS

Program Summary

The Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grants program provides grants to conduct demonstration projects focused on advanced smart city or community technologies and systems in a variety of communities to improve transportation efficiency and safety. The program includes two stages: Stage 1 Planning and Prototyping Grants (Stage 1 Grants) and Stage 2 Implementation Grants (Stage 2 Grants).

The program structure is based on a belief that planning, prototyping, and partnership are critical to advancing the state of the practice for data and technology projects in the public sector.

NOTE: This NOFO is just for Stage 2 Grants. Applicants must have received a Stage 1 grant to apply to Stage 2.

Eligibility

Eligible Applicants

State; political subdivision of a State; Tribal government; public transit agency or authority; public toll authority; metropolitan planning organization; and a group of 2 or more eligible entities detailed above, applying through a single lead applicant.

Only recipients of SMART Stage One Planning and Prototyping Grants, or eligible entities designated by Stage One SMART recipients, are eligible for Stage Two Implementation Grants.

Eligible Projects

Projects must demonstrate at least one technology area and may demonstrate more than one technology area: (1) Coordinated Automation, (2) Connected Vehicles, (3) Intelligent, Sensor-based Infrastructure, (4) Systems Integration, (5) Commerce Delivery and Logistics, (6) Leveraging Use of Innovative Aviation Technology, (7) Smart Grid, (8) Smart Technology Traffic Signals.

Want to Apply? Here are some important Details

- Applications must be submitted via Valid Eval.
- DOT will prioritize projects that have strong benefits in the Selection Consideration areas.
- Not more than 40% shall be used for projects that primarily benefit large communities; not more than 30% shall be provided for projects that primarily benefit mid-sized communities; and not more than 30% shall be used for projects that primarily benefit rural communities or regional partnerships.

Funding Details

Award Size:

- Anticipated min. award size of \$2 Million
- USDOT expects to award approximately 3-5 Stage Two grants of up to \$15 Million per award

Cost Sharing: not applicable

FY 24 Stage 2 Funding

Available: \$50 Million

Total Funding Available

(over 5 Years): \$500 Million

Important Dates

Stage 2 Deadline:

August 14, 2024

Partnerships

Successful Stage Two projects will build sustainable partnerships across sectors and levels of government identified in Stage One as well as collaborate with industry, academia, nonprofits, and other traditional and non-traditional partners.

Resources

- [Website](#)
- [NOFO](#)
- [USDOT Factsheet](#)
- [Resources](#)



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