

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING EXCELLENCE AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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YOUR INFORMATION:

Please provide information about the person or organization submitting the nomination. You will need to enter a valid business email address to retrieve your nomination to make future changes.

Fields in **bold** need to be completed before your nomination can be saved. All fields are required for your nomination to be considered unless otherwise noted.

Your Name:

Your Business Email Address:

Nomination Title:

Agency or Organization:

Business Phone Number:

PROJECT INFORMATION

Agency/Organization Street Address:

Address Line 2 (optional):

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Project Summary:

Additional information about project/process (team, multiple agencies, etc.):

Project website (optional):

NOMINATION CATEGORIES

Select up to three categories that best describe your project.

Public and Educational Planning, Training, and Outreach

Demonstrates outstanding individuals or organizations that champion and guide highly effective transportation planning, training, and/or outreach activities.

Emergency and Safety Planning

Incorporates a proactive approach to the prevention of emergencies, accidents, and unsafe transportation conditions by establishing inherently safe transportation networks and sound safety planning practices.

Planning and Environmental Linkages for Livability, Sustainability, and Public Health

Identifies and considers environmental, community, and economic factors while continuing to incorporate strategies for transportation plans that provide more transportation choices, promote equitable and affordable housing, enhance economics, improve the quality of life for citizens and public health.

Transportation, Land-Use, Freight, and Operations Planning Linkages

Links transportation, land-use, freight, and operations planning to development and investment objectives for both short and long-range planning and programming.

Rural, Small, Regional and Tribal Community Planning

Rural, small, regional, and Tribal community transportation planning is the process of examining travel and transportation issues and needs in non-metropolitan areas.

Modeling and Technology Applications

Includes modeling and technology applications that graphically represent or simulate transportation systems, projects, or programs.

Asset Management

Accounts for operating, maintaining, upgrading, and expanding physical assets effectively throughout their lifecycle. May include business and engineering practices for resource allocation and utilization, with the objective of better decisionmaking based up quality information and well-defined objectives.

OTHER PROJECT DETAILS

Total Cost of the Project: \$

Funding Source(s)*:

Please list the Federal and other funding sources and percentage of funding from each source.

*Please note that the project, plan, or process must have used FHWA or FTA funding in order to be eligible.

In-Kind Funding:

Please list the sources and amount of any in-kind contributions and/or donations.

PROJECT/PROCESS TIMELINE

The project/planning process must have been substantially completed within the past three years.

Date of First Committed Funds:

Date the Project was Substantially Completed:

Was the plan formally adopted by a government agency? Did the plan result in a built project? Was it incorporated into the TIP, STIP, City Plan, etc.?

PROJECT/PROCESS DESCRIPTION

Project/Process Description:

Enter a short narrative or bulleted list for the following questions. This description will be used in a publication, should the project be chosen for an award (150 words or less)

National Distinction:

What makes this nomination stand out Nationally and worth of an award in this category? (150 words or less)

Successes:

What successes were recognized or experienced by the project/process or as a result of the project/process? (150 words or less)

Evaluation Process:

What methods have you used to monitor and evaluate the project/process? Please describe any measures used to evaluate the process. (150 words or less)

EVALUATION CRITERIA

How does the project meet the applicable criteria? (150 words or less for each criterion)

Nominations will be judged on the following criteria.

Community, Public Involvement, and Partnerships:

How did this project successfully engage the community in the planning process? Was this program created as a collaborative effort? Are public and private partners still involved?

Context Sensitive Solutions:

How does the effort demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of contexts (local, regional, etc.)? How does the project or process create effective transportation solutions, while preserving and enhancing community and natural environments?

Innovation and Effectiveness:

What innovative approaches were used? What are the results of these efforts? How are results being measured?

Equity:

What initiatives have been undertaken to ensure that project efforts are implemented in an equitable manner and impacts to individual and underserved (minority and low income) communities are minimized?

Implementation:

Describe how you implemented innovative transportation planning practices as part of this project.

Multimodalism:

To what extent do these efforts efficiently address safe multimodal transportation options, including bicycle, pedestrian, transit, and automobile?

Potential for Long-Term Benefits:

What provisions have been used to ensure the long-term viability of this effort?

Supplemental Materials:

- Photos: Please submit a representative photo of the project/process that may be used in a publication, should it be chosen for an award. Instructions for submitting the photo will appear after you submit the nomination. Photos should be high resolution (300 DPI or 1.5MB).

- Other Materials: You may include supplemental materials (not to exceed 10 pages) when you submit your final nomination. Instructions for this option will appear after you submit your nomination.

This nomination is complete and ready for submission. And, as it applies, I have already submitted my supplemental information using the links above. As such, I understand that once I select the “save changes” button below and submit this nomination, no further edits will be possible.