

Multi-Use Path Along SR 705

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM ELECTRONIC INTENT-TO-APPLY FORM

PROJECT IDENTITY

Fiscal Year: 2016

Is your proposed project for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP): Yes No

Intent is to apply for funding as: Both Design & Construction Phases

Select the project type applicable to your proposed project: Construction, planning and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists and other nonmotorized forms of transportation including sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure and transportation projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Congressional District(s): 1st District

County(ies): Monongalia

Project Name: Multi-Use Path Along SR 705

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Project Short Description: Construction of dual bike lanes along State Route (SR) 705

FUNDING INFORMATION

Approximate amount of Federal funds you will be requesting: 500,000

Federal funds may be reimbursed up to 80% of the total project cost.

Construction costs should be computed using Davis-Bacon and/or West Virginia Prevailing Wages, as applicable, and if the project will be let for contract (i.e., the sponsor will advertise for bids to perform the actual construction of the project). Should Force Account (upon WVDOH Commissioner approval) or In-kind (for the RTP only) labor, materials and equipment be proposed for construction of the proposed project, then please adjust the amount accordingly.

NOTE: Should Force Account be requested, please provide a cost estimate using Davis-Bacon and/or West Virginia Prevailing Wages, as applicable, as well as Force Account, as there is no guarantee that Force Account will be permissible for the project. Force Account must first be justified and approved by the Commissioner of the WVDOH based on a WVDOH approved cost analysis illustrating that Force Account work is both permissible and more cost effective than hiring a contractor.

Is your project located in an economically distressed county/area or at-risk county as defined by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)? Yes No

Is the required 20% match available? Yes No

The 20% minimum Sponsor's match must be available at the time of application unless choosing the 'pay as you go' option or using In-kind services (for RTP only) to meet the required match.

If "No," please explain:

How will the minimum 20% match be met?

Cash

If cash, do you intend to pay the match up front and submit a check to the WVDOH upon return of the project agreement?

Yes No

Pay-as-you-go (i.e., Sponsor pays all invoices at 100%, and then submits invoices to the WVDOH for reimbursement of

80% of the total invoiced).

- e In-kind. In-kind is defined as donated time, materials or equipment used for design and/or construction of an RTP funded project that can be used as the minimum 20% match.

Independent Project Estimate:

Should your project be awarded/selected, the project Sponsor must have an independent project estimate for guidance in the negotiation of fee with the consultant chosen by a WVDOH certified consultant selection process. The estimate must be performed and verified by a WV licensed Professional Engineer (PE). The estimate must include the complete scope of work as detailed in the project agreement. The development of an independent project estimate to assist with the consultant selection process, if included in the scope of work in the project agreement, is a work element eligible for reimbursement. (Do not do this until you are notified of the grant being selected).

What if the Sponsor has an engineer/consultant/firm on retainer?

If the project Sponsor is planning on using an engineer/consultant/firm on retainer or under existing contract, the Sponsor must be capable of producing evidence that the engineer/consultant was selected using a certified consultant selection process. Furthermore, the contract/agreement between the Sponsor and engineer/consultant/firm must include the elements of work outlined in the project agreement (i.e., if applying for sidewalk construction, the contract must include specific language regarding the design of sidewalks as part of the existing contract/agreement). The contract/agreement must be submitted to the WVDOH for approval prior to any reimbursable work elements being performed.

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Project Sponsor: [City of Morgantown](#)

DUNS#: [070453519](#)

CCR Registration: [No](#)

CCR Expiration Date:

NOTE: For Local Public Agency (LPA) administered projects, regulations require that the person(s) serving as Project Manager/Responsible Charge is a full time employee of the Sponsor and meet the following criteria:

Does the project Sponsor have a full time public employee(s) who can perform the following duties and functions?

- Administers inherently governmental project activities, including those dealing with cost, time adherence to contract requirements, construction quality and scope of Federal-aid projects;
- Maintains familiarity of day to day project operations, including project safety issues;
- Makes or participates in decisions about changed conditions or scope changes that require change orders or supplemental agreements;
- Visits and reviews the project on a frequency that is commensurate with the magnitude and complexity of the project;
- Reviews financial processes, transactions and documentation to ensure that the safeguards are in place to minimize fraud, waste, abuse;
- Directs project staff, agency or consultant, to carry out project administration and contract oversight, including proper documentation,
- Is aware of the qualifications, assignments and on-the-job performance of the agency and consultant staff at all stages of the project.

b Yes e No

(If no, the applying Sponsor may be ineligible as a project Sponsor upon review by WVDOH staff).

Who will be the primary Project Manager (Responsible Charge) on behalf of the Sponsor should this project be awarded/selected?

NOTE: The Project Manager/Responsible Charge may differ from the primary and secondary point of contact, requested below, on behalf of the Sponsor so long as the below referenced duties and functions can and will be performed by the person designated as Project Manager/Responsible Charge. The duties/requirements of Project Manager/Responsible Charge may be distributed between multiple full time employees of the Sponsor so long as the above referenced duties and functions are kept on a day to day basis including maintaining a daily diary/log of activities and proof that the duties/requirements are being met. Although the duties and functions can be performed by more than one full time employee, please list the primary Project Manager/Responsible Charge designated by the Sponsor below:

Name: [Damien Davis](#)

Title: [City Engineer and Public Works Director](#)

Street Address: [389 Spruce Street](#)

City: [Morgantown](#)

State: WV

Zip Code: 26505

Phone Number: 304-284-7398

Email Address: ddavis@morgantownwv.gov

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name of Sponsor's Organization: City of Morgantown

Primary Point of Contact Information

Contact Person: Jeff Mikorski

Contact Person Title: City Manager

Street Address Line 1: 389 Spruce Street

Street Address Line 2:

City: Morgantown State: WV Zip: 26505

Primary Phone Number: 304-284-7405 Alternate Phone Number: 304-284-7404

Fax Number: E-mail Address: jmikorski@morgantownwv.gov

Secondary Point of Contact Information

Contact Person: Damien Davis

Contact Person Title: City Engineer and Public Works Director

Street Address Line 1: 389 Spruce Street

Street Address Line 2:

City: Morgantown State: WV Zip: 26505

Primary Phone Number: 304-284-7398 Alternate Phone Number: 304-284-7405

Fax Number: 304-284-7405 E-mail Address: ddavis@morgantownwv.gov

PROJECT INFORMATION

Is this a continuation of a project previously approved for funding? Yes No

RTP Only:

Please check the one (1) description that best fits your proposed project:

Motorized Non-motorized Combination of both motorized and non-motorized Equipment purchase

Does your proposal include land acquisition? Yes No

If 'Yes,' is it from a willing seller/lessor? Yes No

Please identify all seller(s)/lessor(s) if the proposed project will require land or property acquisition:

Has an appraisal been prepared? Yes No

If 'Yes,' what is the appraisal amount:

When was the appraisal performed?

Does your proposed project impact a historic and/or archaeological site? Yes No

Please summarize the proposed project (see Application Process Step #1): When State Route (SR) 705 was widened as part of the project to construct a roundabout at the intersection of US 119, property was purchased by the WVDOH that increased the right of way along the east side of SR 705. That right of way continues from the roundabout at US 119 past Stewartstown Road to the intersection of Suncrest Towne Center. Most of this corridor is already graded to allow the construction of a 10-12 foot paved multi-use path. The project would also require installation of on demand crosswalks at the intersection of Stewartstown road and across SR 705 to the Suncrest Towne Center with some minor revisions to the guardrails at those crosswalks. Dual bike lanes continuing along SR 705 to Willowdale Road will connect to a shared lane route. This corridor should connect on the other end with the sidewalk along the north side of US 119 in the Mileground expansion project.

Please identify the public benefit and the relationship to transportation of this project including economic and tourism development. Indicate if this project contributes to existing or proposed transportation/community development plans:

The development of multi-use trails and bike lanes to further connections of existing trails encourages residents to walk and bicycle more for transportation and recreation; thereby, improving their health, reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality. It is widely accepted that effective pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure is an important economic driver. High tech companies looking for communities in which to locate new offices rank it at the top of their list of amenities. Morgantown is already seeing more tourism traffic due to the 51 mile rail trail and these visitors would take advantage of improved bicycle infrastructure to spend more time exploring the local area and all that it has to offer. This project fits well with the long range plans of the city of Morgantown, the MPO, and the state of WV since the adoption of the Complete Streets Policy in July 2013 with the passing of Senate bill 158. One end of this project will connect with the multi-use path on the north side of US 119 from the roundabout to Airport Boulevard when the Mileground expansion project is completed, giving access from the new residential developments along that corridor to the shopping, restaurants and other amenities at Suncrest Towne Center. The other end will connect those shops to a shared lane route at Willowdale road serving the residents of that area as well as providing a connection to several major employers such as Mon General Hospital, NIOSH, Ruby Hospital and Mylan Pharmaceuticals. The project outlined in this plan will form a backbone from which other corridors in the Greater Morgantown Bicycle Plan can branch off and further connect to other neighborhoods making Morgantown a more accessible and green place in which to live.