CSLIP

Broward MPO's Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Program

Commonly Asked Questions

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What Is CSLIP?

The MPO's Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Grant Program (CSLIP) provides funding for small local transportation projects which improve the safety and mobility for all transportation users in Broward. This competitive grant program can fund projects such as (but not limited to): complete streets projects, traffic calming and intersection improvements, ADA upgrades, mobility hubs, bus shelters, bike racks and technology advancements such as transit signal priority and traffic control devices.

Who Can Apply?

- Local governments, regional transportation authorities, transit agencies and tribal governments.
- Natural resource and public land agencies.
- School districts and local educational agencies.
- Private transportation service providers.

When Can We Apply?

CSLIP occurs on an annual basis with applications typically due in Mid-November. However, we encourage applicants to start as early as possible. Most of the information is available on the CSLIP website year-round.

How Much Does CSLIP Fund?

CSLIP has an application cap of $2 million for construction costs. However, unlike LAP, the design costs will be covered by Federal funding. Projects over the $2 million construction cap are typically better suited for a different program at the MPO.

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Should We Plan For Contingencies?

Yes! Though the MPO sets aside a $1 million dollar contingency to see it through the entire process; amounts above this or non-participating items will be at the cost of the applicant.

Is There A Match Required?

Not only is there no match required, providing a match will NOT provide extra points to the project for ranking. However, agencies should plan for overages and non-participating items as mentioned in the "Should We Plan For Contingencies?" question.

What Can CSLIP Fund?

CSLIP can fund projects that fit into 4 main categories: Complete Streets, Safety & Security, Sustainability Initiatives, and Technology Advancements. However, due to Federal regulations some project elements are easier to fund than others. Certain elements such as adding bike lanes and sidewalks, can be funded in most cases; while others, like parking, can only be funded under certain circumstances. This is why we suggest agencies meet with MPO staff in order to optimize applications' eligibility for funding.

Can CSLIP Fund Landscaping?

Unfortunately, both the funding and implementation of landscaping is very difficult through the Federal and State process. For this reason, we encourage agencies to come in directly after FDOT has delivered the project and implement their own landscaping. If your agency plans to add landscaping after the project is constructed, let us know in the application so that we may work with you to provide "opportunities" for landscaping. If the project requires, FDOT will still sod and sleeve areas that were affected by the project.

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How Can We Get Project Information?

To see a project's funding years, project manager, or total amount programmed, take a look at the Broward County Citizen Report on our website (browardmpo.org > What We Do > Transportation Improvement Program > Broward County Citizen's Report). Once the document is open you can either search for "CSLIP", the name of the project, or the FM# if you have it.

To get more detailed information about the funding of the project, scope items, general project schedule, or project meeting requests, feel free to reach out to the CSLIP Manager at the Broward MPO.

Can We Receive Feedback On Our Applications?

Yes, the MPO and FDOT host one-on-one pre-application meetings every year to help applicants prepare for submission. However, if you would like comments earlier in the process, feel free to reach out to the CSLIP Manager. They will be able to provide comments via email or set up an in person meeting to discuss your application.

How Are Projects Ranked?

Unlike previous programs like TE and TAP,* which used a subjective ranking process, CSLIP uses and objective tool to evaluate and rank the application submitted. This tool was developed with direction from our board and uses several geographic datasets to score the projects.**

*See the "History" page on the CSLIP website for more information
**Evaluation chart and data are available on the "Application Information" page on the CSLIP website.

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When Are Projects Awarded?

After projects are submitted to the MPO, the projects go through several stages before they are awarded.

1. Completeness review and ranking (Nov - Jan)
2. TAC/CAC Recommendation and Board Approval (Feb - Mar)
3. MPO and FDOT Vetting (Mar - Aug)
4. FDOT Programming (Aug - Oct)
5. Projects awarded (Oct or Dec)

Is There An Annual Budget For CSLIP?

There is an annual budget for CSLIP; however, it is not a static number. The budget changes every year and is dependent on several factors: the amount of federal appropriations, what "funding pots" the submitted projects can access (e.g. state dollars), and percent of annual federal dollars allocated to the program (determined by the MPO Board). As of 2019, it has been as high as $33.2 million and as low as $15 million per year.

How Many Projects Can Be Submitted Per Agency?

There is a limit of five applications per project sponsor in which the facility/ROW owner and local jurisdiction are the same. (i.e. city facility located within city boundary, county facility located within unincorporated areas). An additional five partner applications per project sponsor is allowed in which the facility/ROW owner (excluding State facilities) differs from the local jurisdiction boundary in which the facility is located. (i.e. County facility located within a city boundary, city facility crossing city boundaries). However, a partner application must be noted in the application.

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