



Florida Department of Transportation

DISTRICT THREE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES (TA) SET-ASIDE FY2025 – FY2029 TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM

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District Three is pleased to notify you of the upcoming Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside application cycle for FY2025 – FY2029 Tentative Work Program.

General Information:

The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside provides funding for programs and projects consistent with The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law)). These set-aside funds include all projects and activities defined as TA: On- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation, community improvement activities, environmental mitigation and projects for planning, designing or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of formerly divided highways.

All Counties in District 3 are eligible to apply. Notification of the TA Set-Aside Program is sent to the attention of each previously designated Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program contact and/or respective recipient. Each entity is required to prioritize project(s) and submit directly to the Department. All priority projects can be submitted, if you choose. However, the Department will only be reviewing the **top two** (2) priorities for each entity. If located within a Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) area, the applicant must submit project(s) to the proper TPO to collectively prioritize for submittal to the Department. Again, all priorities can be submitted, but the Department will only be reviewing the **top two** (2) priorities from each TPO area. The Department will federally fund up to 80%, depending on funding availability, and the remaining funds/percentage may be local funds and/or state (soft match) funds. In-kind matches such as design phases, right-of-way donations and local funds are also allowed for the local agency match.

Eligibility Activity Requirements:

-  Construction, Planning and Design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.
-  Construction, Planning and Design of infrastructure related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities.
-  Conversion of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users.
-  Construction of Turnouts, Overlooks and Viewing areas.
-  Control or Removal of Outdoor Advertising.
-  Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities.
-  Vegetation Management Practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve safety, prevent invasive species and provide erosion control.
-  Archaeological activities relating to impacts from the implementation of a transportation project.
-  Any environmental mitigation activity.

Evaluation Criteria

The Department must consider, but is not limited to, the following criteria for evaluation of projects for TA:

- 📌 Is the project within a TPO area? If yes, is the application submitted through TPO with priority ranking?
- 📌 Has the project been submitted previously for TA and not selected for funding?
- 📌 Have previous work phases or work in progress been identified where applicable?
- 📌 Has the project been submitted to additional programs for funding for the same scope of work?
- 📌 Has in-kind match, such as right-of-way donations and private funds, been identified as the local agency match?
- 📌 Has right-of-way ownership been identified and verified that it is in public use?

How to Apply:

The key to a **successful project** starts with a clear vision. Each application package consists of the following submittal items:

1. Completed application with Priority Number (one PDF file)
2. Signed, up to date Adopted Resolution(s) of Support
3. 8.5 x 11 scaled Aerial Location Map depicting the project limits (one PDF file) & Any project-related drawings or pictures (if available)
4. 8.5 x 11 Typical Section to scale (Showing Existing and Proposed)
5. Right-of-Way Ownership Information
6. Right-of-Way Details (Width(s) on Typical Section or Right-of-Way Map (8.5" x 11"). Add Book/Page Numbers for verification purposes (if known).
7. Completed cost estimate using the provided format (one Excel file) prepared by a Professional Engineer using the DOT pay items. We recommend using the following links to access the basis of estimates manual as well as historical cost information for the project area:
[Basis of Estimates Manual](#)
[Historical Cost Information](#)
8. Compliance Documentation from Local Government Comprehensive Plan & Bike/Ped Master Plan
9. Public Support Letters, Private Support Letters & Public Meeting documentation

NOTE: If you have a partially funded project in the 5-year Work Program, please reach out to me so we can discuss what is needed to move forward with the project.

Attached is the user friendly, interactive pdf application, schedule deadlines, TA Guidance and GAP Application Submission Instructions. Application and forms can be found on the Florida Grant Application Program (GAP) at www.flgap.com. If you need access, you may request credentials by clicking the link at the bottom of the page that says, "Request User Access" or contact Tanya Branton District TA Coordinator.

If you need additional information, you may visit nwflroads.com/planning. Applications are due to FDOT in GAP **no later than Thursday, February 23, 2023**. We will NOT accept ANY emailed or hard copies of application packages. We will not be allowed to accept any application packages after the deadline date. Please submit all materials in the **GAP** system before the due date.