

FHWA Planning (PL) Grants Administration & MPO Funding

# MPO TRAINING 101



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# Florida PL Funding Formula

Once Florida receives allocation

**1** MPOAC received  
off-the-top allocation

NARC and AMPO dues

The logo for MPOAC, consisting of the letters "MPOAC" in white, bold, sans-serif font, centered within a dark blue oval shape.

**2** Each MPO receives  
Base Allocation:

**\$350,000**



**3** Remaining funds split  
between MPOs

Based on urban area population

*Population data based on 2020 Census, updated with BEBR date*

# PL Funds



## Metropolitan Planning (PL) Funds

- Distributed through FDOT formula



## FTA 5305(d) Funds

- FTA 5305(d) funds that were not subject to the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) and not converted to PL funds.
- Must be shown in the UPWP when used for planning



## FTA Section 5307 Funds

- Secured annually
- FTA Section 5307 funds
- Must be shown in the UPWP when used for planning



## Additional FHWA Program Funds

- For metropolitan transportation planning purposes
- Must be shown in the UPWP

# PL Funds (continued)



## STBG Funds

- Available for planning purposes
- The MPO and District determine STBG fund



## State Funds

- Non-Federal match for FTA funds
- Provided to MPOs in a vendor relationship



## Local Funds

- Required as a match for FTA funds
- May use to supplement project costs



## Matching Funds

- Matching funds must be placed on a project to secure FTA funds
- The matching funds must be shown in Work Program

# Fund Type: PL Funds

- Year 1 & 2 allocations – same FPN Number
- Segment number changes at beginning of Year 1

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# Fund Type: PL Funds

## **PL Funds placed into 2-year UPWP budget**

- Avoids de-obligation of funds from Year 1 into Year 2
- Unexpected funds transfer into next Year 2
- Drawn down – first in, first out

## **Unexpected Year 2 funds are required in next Year 1**

- De-obligated by April 1
- Dependent on available budget

# Fund Type: PL Funds

## Used for:

- Allowable and allocable expenditures (2 CFR 200)
- Direct & indirect costs
- Third-party services
- Travel & Per diem reimbursements

**Indirect Rate – do not authorize payment for items included**



# State Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funds

## Used for:

- Projects on or off-system
- Planning activities and studies

**State provides 100% soft match  
with toll credits**



# State Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funds

## Federal-aid highway flexible funding program

- Roads
- Transit
- Seaports
- Airport Access
- Vanpool
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities

**Unexpended funds do not necessarily carry forward**



# State Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funds

**STBG** is split into **SU, SN, SL, SA, and SM**

- SU: population of 50,000 or more
- SN, SL, SA: population under 50,000
- SM: populations of 5,000 to 49,000

Part of IIJA



# Fund Type: FTA Funds



## FTA 5305(d)

- Allowable and allocable expenditures (2 CFR 200)
- Transit planning activities
- Third-party services
- Automatically converted to PL Funds via the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG)



## FTA 5307

- Capital projects & associated maintenance items
- Planning
- Transit Enhancements
- Operating assistance

# Fund Type: Local Funds

- Any other state or federal planning funds
- Required as match for FTA funds
- Programmed when funding portions from an outside source
  - Examples:
    - City
    - County
    - Expressway authority



# Recap

## *What we reviewed:*

- STBG
  - Federal-aid highway flexible funding program
  - Splits into SU, SN, SL, SA, and SM
  - Unexpended funds do not necessarily carry forward
- FTA
  - FTA5305(d)
    - Allowable and allocable expenditures
    - Third-party services
    - Converts to PL funds via CPG
  - FTA 5307
    - Capital projects & associated maintenance items
    - Transit Enhancements
    - Operating Assistance
- Local Funds
  - Any other state or federal planning funds
  - Required to match FTA funds



# Resources

- [MPO Handbook, Chapter 3](#)
- [IIJA Metropolitan Planning Program Fact Sheet](#)
- [IIJA STBG Fact Sheet](#)
- [U.S.C. Title 49, Section 5305](#)
- [U.S.C. Title 49, Section 5307](#)