

Local and Regional Project Assistance Grants (RAISE)

PCFO IGAP Grant Snapshot

<u>Agency:</u> Department of Transportation	<u>Bureau:</u> Office of the Secretary
<u>Application Deadline:</u> 04/14/2022 at 5:00PM ET	<u>Max Award:</u> \$25 million

Description

RAISE is a competitive grant program for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. At least \$15 million in funding is guaranteed to go towards projects located in Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities.

The minimum RAISE grant award for urban areas is \$5 million and \$1 million for rural areas.

Eligible Recipients

- States and the District of Columbia
- Unit of local government
- Transit agency
- Special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, including a port authority and MPO
- Public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States
- Any territory or possession of the United States
- Federally recognized Indian Tribe or a consortium of such Indian Tribes
- Multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities that are separately eligible

Matching Grant Requirements

Yes, 20% matching. No matching required for projects in rural areas, Historically Disadvantaged Communities, or Areas of Persistent Poverty.

Eligible Projects

Surface transportation projects - both for project planning and for infrastructure development

Capital projects including but not limited to:

- highway, bridge, or other road projects
- public transportation projects eligible
- passenger and freight rail transportation projects
- port infrastructure investments (including inland port infrastructure and land ports of entry)
- the surface transportation components of airport projects
- intermodal projects

- a project to replace or rehabilitate a culvert or prevent stormwater runoff for the purpose of improving habitat for aquatic species
- projects investing in surface transportation facilities that are located on Tribal land and for which title or maintenance responsibility is vested in the Federal Government
- any other surface transportation infrastructure project that the Secretary considers to be necessary to advance the goals of the program.

Planning projects are also eligible and include planning, preparation, or design of eligible surface transportation capital projects.

For additional details on eligibility, please view the [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#).

New or Existing Program

Existing; formerly known as Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE), TIGER, and BUILD Transportation Grants

Tips for Being Competitive

The Department is interested in projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, include design elements to address climate change, promote energy efficiency, address environmental justice and racial equity, and support the creation of good-paying jobs. The Department is also interested in projects that align with the President's environmental goals to promote energy efficiency, support fiscally responsible land use and transportation efficient design, increase use of lower-carbon travel modes such as transit and active transportation, incorporate electrification or zero-emission vehicle infrastructure, increase climate resilience, support domestic manufacturing, incorporate lower-carbon pavement and construction materials, reduce pollution, and recycle or redevelop brownfield sites.

Examples of Prior Award Recipients

The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District in Findlay, OH received over \$7.1 million for the Blanchard River Norfolk Southern Bridge Replacement project. The project will replace a railroad bridge, increasing community resilience by making transportation infrastructure more reliable for emergency services and reducing the risk of flooding.

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Upcoming Webinars and Information Sessions

No upcoming webinars scheduled. For recordings and presentation slides for previous webinars, please visit the [RAISE 2022 Webinar Series](#) page.

Types of Partners Required

None

Total Allocation

\$1.5 billion for FY2022

Links to Grant Opportunity

- [Grant Opportunity on Grants.gov](#)
- [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#)
- [RAISE Application Instructions](#)
- [RAISE Webinar Series](#)
- [RAISE Grants Capital Awards in FY2021](#)