

APRIL 23, 2014

TO:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SUBJECT:

TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANT

PROGRAM

ISSUE

On February 27, 2014, the Metro Board of Directors (Board) approved Round 4 of the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Grant Program (Program). The purpose of this Board Box is to notify the Board that the Round 4 call for proposals has been released.

BACKGROUND

The Program spurs the adoption of local land use regulations to create a regulatory environment supportive of TOD around station areas and adjacent transit corridors. Round 4 will make available a total of \$5 million in funding to the County of Los Angeles and local governments with regulatory land use jurisdiction within one-half mile of existing, planned, or proposed Metrolink, Metro Rail, or Metro Transitway/Bus Rapid Transit stations and adjacent transit corridors.

We conducted outreach to local jurisdictions via Metro's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Subcommittees and the Councils of Government (COGs) in late March/early April and made applications available on April 23, 2014. The Round 4 application, Program Guidelines, list of eligible municipalities, and other Program materials can be accessed at http://www.metro.net/projects/tod/.

NEXT STEPS

An application workshop will be held on May 14, 2014 and applications will be due on July 15, 2014. We will evaluate proposals, and expect to bring recommendations for grant awards to the Board in fall 2014.