

Local Infrastructure Hub: Reconnecting Communities for Economic Mobility

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USDOT

**Reconnecting Communities and
Neighborhoods (RCN) Program**

FY23 Combined NOFO

July 24, 2023



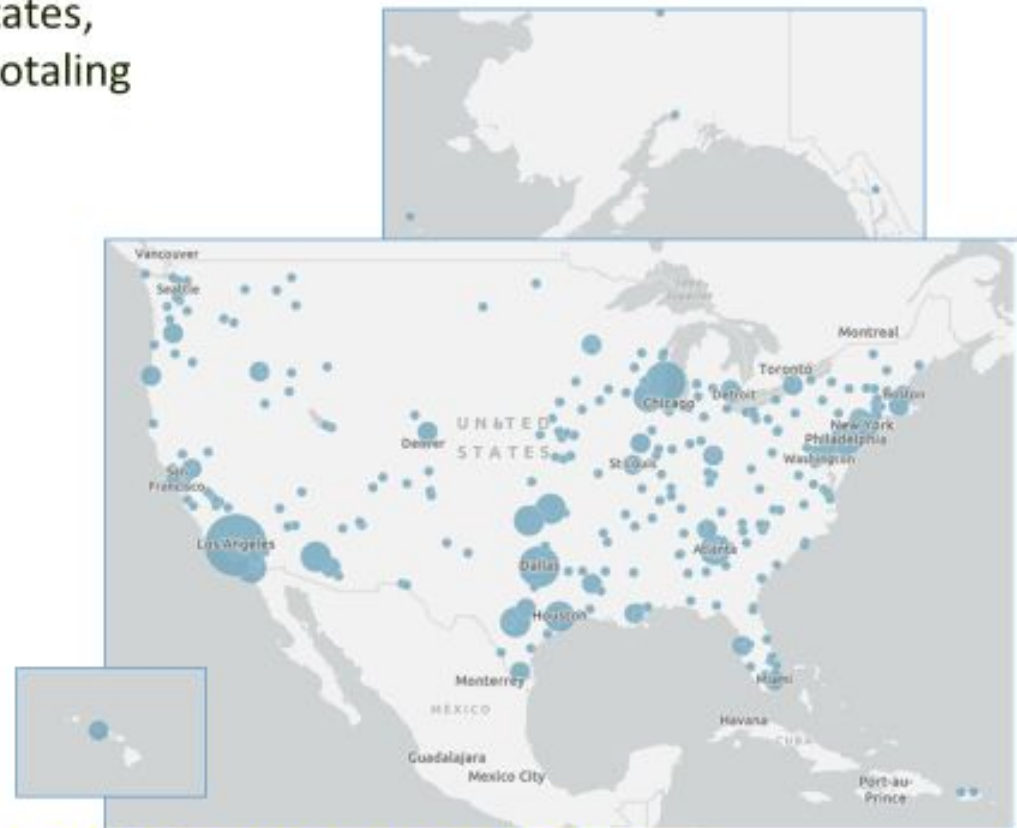
A Look Back – FY22 RCP Total Applications

DOT received 435 applications from 48 States, DC, American Samoa, and Puerto Rico – totaling \$2 billion in requests

- 109 Construction Applications
- 326 Planning Applications

Top 10 States by Number of Applications

State	Applications
CA: California	58
TX: Texas	29
GA: Georgia	22
IL: Illinois	21
FL: Florida	19
NY: New York	18
WA: Washington	17
WI: Wisconsin	14
PA: Pennsylvania	13
AZ: Arizona	12





A Look Back – FY22 RCP Awards

45 Awards totaling \$185.2 million

- 6 Construction Grants (\$138.2M / ~75%)
- 39 Planning Grants (\$47M / ~25%)
- 4 Planning Awards to Non-Profits
- Over \$1B in requests

All awards were given to projects serving disadvantaged communities





Three grant types under FY2023 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program (UP to \$3.155B)



Grant #1: Community Planning Grants (Up to \$135M)

- Funds for planning activities to support future construction projects
- Would allow for innovative community planning to address localized transportation challenges

Grant #2: Capital Construction Grants (Up to \$2.57B)

- Funds for reconnecting-focused projects
- Would include funding for smaller projects focused on reducing environmental harm and improving access

Grant #3: Regional Partnerships Challenge Grants (Up to \$450M)

- Funds for projects to encourage regional collaboration and innovation among partners to address regional challenges (vs. one facility)
- Designed to collaboratively focus regions on equitable access and mobility challenges, anti-displacement and GHG reduction
- Planning or Capital Grants

Applications due September 28, 2023!

Key Things to Know Before Applying for a Federal Grant

- Pay attention to the grant's statutory **Obligation** and **Expenditure** requirements included in the NOFO.
- Most grants require a **non-federal match** that must be secured at the time of grant obligation.
- All federal grants includes **important federal requirements** that must be met BEFORE funds can be obligated, including Title VI and NEPA.
- All federal grants must comply with **2 CFR 200** that details federal requirements including for financial reporting and oversight.
- Most USDOT grants are provided as **reimbursable** funds; not lump sum or upfront payments.
- Consider whether to use grant funding for your State DOT to provide **administrative support** (needs to be written into your application and agreed to by State DOT)

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