

Notificación de Disponibilidad de Fondos 2026 para la Subvención de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito (TOC) de VTA Ciclo 3

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I. INVITACIÓN Y NOTIFICACIÓN DE DISPONIBILIDAD DE FONDOS

La Autoridad de Transporte del Valle de Santa Clara (VTA) lanza una Notificación de Disponibilidad de Fondos (NOFA) para invitar a solicitantes calificados a presentar propuestas para programas y actividades que fomenten el desarrollo de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito (TOC) dentro del Condado de Santa Clara. VTA pone a disposición un total de hasta **\$750,000** para los solicitantes elegibles que respondan a esta Notificación de Disponibilidad de Fondos para el Ciclo 3 (2026) para proyectos y actividades cuyo inicio esté previsto para el 31 de marzo de 2027. A través de esta NOFA, VTA anuncia la oportunidad para que las Agencias Locales y las Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria (CBO), según se describen dichos términos en esta NOFA, soliciten fondos de subvención. **Esta es una oportunidad de subvención competitiva.**

VTA busca financiar a Agencias Locales y Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria que implementen un conjunto diverso de actividades que permitan Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito equitativas mediante el aumento del uso del transporte público, el incremento de las oportunidades sociales y económicas para todos y la atención de las prioridades regionales, empoderando así a los residentes para dar forma al futuro de sus vecindarios.

A través de la Subvención para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito, VTA apoya asociaciones entre Agencias Locales y Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria que invierten en arte, espacios públicos y desarrollo, para hacer que las áreas cercanas a las estaciones y centros de tránsito en el Condado de Santa Clara sean más vibrantes, transitables a pie, aptas para bicicletas y amigables con el tránsito.

Las solicitudes deben enviarse electrónicamente a través de la página web vta.org/TOCgrant a más tardar a las **4:00 PM PST del viernes, 12 de junio de 2026.**

II. VISIÓN DEL PROGRAMA DE SUBVENCIONES TOC

A. Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito

VTA define las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito (TOC) como comunidades equitativas y sostenibles de uso mixto e ingresos mixtos alrededor de las estaciones y centros de tránsito que proporcionan espacios donde personas de todas las generaciones y orígenes puedan vivir, trabajar, aprender, comprar y jugar con todas las necesidades de la vida diaria disponibles a una corta distancia a pie, en bicicleta o en un viaje de tránsito.

Las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito benefician al medio ambiente al reducir las emisiones de gases de efecto invernadero mediante patrones de viaje más sostenibles que priorizan el tránsito, caminar y el uso de la bicicleta. También promueven la salud y la seguridad, apoyan a los negocios locales y crean vecindarios vibrantes al incorporar arte, cultura local y espacios comunitarios para eventos. Las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito tienen el potencial de aumentar el uso del transporte público, reducir los impactos de desplazamiento del crecimiento futuro y mejorar las comunidades existentes a través de un mejor acceso a opciones de empleo, vivienda, recreación, educación, cultura y servicios.

B. El Compromiso de VTA para Fomentar Comunidades Vibrantes, Equitativas y Conectadas

La [Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA](#) describe cómo VTA implementa sus programas de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito y Desarrollo Orientado al Tránsito (TOD) en cumplimiento de su misión. La Política aborda cómo VTA fomentará la construcción de comunidades orientadas al tránsito equitativas y sostenibles, de uso mixto e ingresos mixtos, en propiedades seleccionadas que son propiedad de VTA y en las comunidades circundantes, en estrecha colaboración con las Agencias Locales y sus partes interesadas a través de asociaciones público-privadas y público-públicas. La Política también avanza los objetivos regionales, incluyendo la [Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de la Comisión de Transporte Metropolitano \(MTC\)](#).

El programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA prioriza un enfoque centrado en la equidad, asegurando que las comunidades históricamente excluidas sean fundamentales y participen directamente en la planificación, el transporte y el desarrollo. Al enfatizar la equidad, la relevancia cultural y el empoderamiento comunitario, el programa fomenta un crecimiento inclusivo que fortalece la estabilidad, la resiliencia y los vecindarios prósperos para todos los residentes.

C. Metas del Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito

El Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA avanza en la implementación de las Metas de la Política de VTA a través de los objetivos específicos del Programa de Subvenciones, que se enumeran a continuación.

- Fomentar asociaciones innovadoras y sólidas entre VTA, las Agencias Locales, las Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria y diversas partes interesadas para implementar Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito equitativas y eliminar las barreras para vecindarios seguros, accesibles, transitables a pie, saludables, resilientes y prósperos junto al tránsito.
- Apoyar planes y políticas que promuevan las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito en el Condado de Santa Clara, incluyendo la alineación con los objetivos de la Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA y la Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de la MTC.
- Mejorar el uso del transporte público y los modos de transporte activo.
- Empoderar a las Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria para defender proyectos que establezcan y fortalezcan la vivienda asequible y las oportunidades económicas de los vecindarios en el Condado de Santa Clara.
- Empoderar a las comunidades locales para participar equitativamente y abogar por vecindarios resilientes, saludables y prósperos cerca del tránsito.

III. INFORMACIÓN DE ELEGIBILIDAD

Se aceptarán solicitudes para proyectos que estén completos y se presenten antes de la fecha límite de aquellos solicitantes que cumplan con los siguientes requisitos y condiciones de elegibilidad. Las solicitudes deben cumplir con los requisitos de elegibilidad para postularse.

Los proyectos elegibles deben ser proyectos nuevos o incluir un componente nuevo claramente definido que amplíe o profundice el impacto de las actividades existentes y avance en las Metas del Programa de Subvenciones TOC descritas en (Sección II.C. de la NOFA). Los proyectos que propongan únicamente actividades existentes, sin un componente nuevo o innovador alineado con las metas de TOC, no son elegibles para recibir financiamiento.

A. Elegibilidad del Solicitante

Los solicitantes elegibles para el Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA deben ser Agencias Locales y/u Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria (CBO), u organizaciones que tengan asociaciones financieras con una CBO.

Una *Agencia Local* es una agencia pública u otra entidad pública, con autoridad en el uso del suelo o que realiza actividades de planificación, ubicada dentro del Condado de Santa Clara. Esto puede incluir gobiernos locales, distritos especiales, distritos escolares y naciones tribales. Se requiere una contrapartida mínima de financiamiento del 15% para las agencias locales.

Una *Organización de Base Comunitaria (CBO)* se define como una organización sin fines de lucro con estatus 501(c)(3) y ubicada en el Condado de Santa Clara o que tiene su sede principal de negocios allí, o que cuenta con un patrocinador fiscal con dicho estatus. Esto puede incluir organizaciones benéficas públicas, universidades, grupos religiosos, instituciones culturales, asociaciones de vecinos y organizaciones ambientales. La organización (y el patrocinador fiscal, si procede) debe tener una trayectoria de al menos un año en la prestación de servicios comunitarios en el Condado de Santa Clara. Tenga en cuenta que la elegibilidad varía dependiendo del Área del Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito a la que se aspire en la solicitud. La elegibilidad específica por Área del Programa se proporciona en Tabla 1 en la Sección IV de esta NOFA. Todos los solicitantes deben asistir al menos a una reunión previa a la solicitud (virtual o presencial) para ser elegibles para una subvención en cualquier categoría (consulte la Sección V para conocer las fechas, horarios y ubicaciones).

B. Elegibilidad de la Ubicación

La(s) ubicación(es) del proyecto elegible debe(n) estar en el Condado de Santa Clara:

- dentro de media milla de una estación de tren ligero o centro de tránsito de VTA existente o planificada, o a una estación de tren de cercanías servida por BART, Caltrain, Capitol Corridor o ACE; o
- dentro de un cuarto de milla de los Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes de VTA, que contienen rutas de autobuses que operan cada 15 minutos o menos.

En el Apéndice A se proporciona una lista de las Estaciones de Tránsito, Centros de Tránsito y Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes aplicables. En www.vta.org/tocgrant se proporciona un mapa que identifica las ubicaciones elegibles de los proyectos. Utilice la(s) ubicación(es) del sitio de su proyecto — no la dirección de la sede de su organización — al utilizar esta herramienta.

C. Actividades no Elegibles y No Discriminación

La Subvención para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA es una oportunidad de financiamiento competitiva destinada a apoyar los esfuerzos de planificación, participación y programación que fomenten las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito en el Condado de Santa Clara. Las actividades de construcción, como infraestructura nueva o construcción de edificios, no son elegibles para financiamiento. Los proyectos que ya reciben financiamiento de ciclos de subvención anteriores para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA no son elegibles para financiamiento adicional para el mismo proyecto. Sin embargo, los galardonados anteriormente pueden volver a postularse si han ejecutado previamente acuerdos de subvención con VTA y proponen un proyecto diferente y elegible.

No se otorgarán fondos a los solicitantes ni podrán utilizarlos para propuestas no solicitadas o iniciativas que presten servicios para o en nombre de VTA. VTA puede aceptar [propuestas no solicitadas](#) a través de Contratos y Adquisiciones de VTA.

Los solicitantes no pueden utilizar los fondos para inhibir, discriminar ilegalmente, acosar o permitir el acoso contra cualquier persona por motivos de raza, credo religioso, color, sexo, género, identidad de género, expresión de género, origen nacional, ascendencia, discapacidad física (incluyendo el VIH y el SIDA), discapacidad mental, condición médica (incluyendo el cáncer), información genética, estado civil, edad (más de 40 años), orientación sexual, o estatus militar y veterano, ni para promover una religión o actividades religiosas.

IV. DISPONIBILIDAD DE FINANCIAMIENTO DEL PROGRAMA DE SUBVENCIONES

A. Áreas del Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito

La Subvención para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA es una oportunidad de subvención competitiva que financia un conjunto diverso de actividades que permiten la visión de comunidades orientadas al tránsito equitativas y sostenibles alrededor de las estaciones y centros de tránsito, y Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes en el Condado de Santa Clara. Existe financiamiento de subvenciones disponible para organizaciones locales sin fines de lucro, comunidades y Agencias Locales para esfuerzos que se alineen con las siguientes Áreas del Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito. **Los solicitantes solo pueden postularse para un Área del Programa por proyecto.**

Los requisitos de elegibilidad, el tamaño máximo de la subvención y el plazo (duración) de la subvención para cada Área del Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito se indican a continuación en la **Tabla 1: Descripción General del Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito.**

Tabla 1: Descripción General del Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito

	Área del Programa A: Planificación e Implementación de Políticas	Área del Programa B: Resiliencia Comunitaria	Área del Programa C: Educación y Participación	Área del Programa D: Preservación del Lugar (Placekeeping), Artes y Activación
Solicitantes Elegibles	Agencias Locales	Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria	Agencias Locales y/u Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria	Agencias Locales y/u Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria
Tamaño Máximo de la Subvención	\$150,000 ¹	\$100,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Plazo Máximo de la Subvención²	2 años	2 años	1 año	1 año

Notas: 1. Para el Programa A, en este momento hay disponibles adjudicaciones de hasta \$150,000. Los solicitantes pueden solicitar una cantidad mayor; sin embargo, las propuestas deben identificar claramente las actividades o resultados adicionales que podrían lograrse con el financiamiento suplementario. No se garantizan adjudicaciones que superen los \$150,000. 2. El plazo de la subvención comienza en el momento en que se ejecuta el acuerdo con VTA con el beneficiario seleccionado.

Programa A. Planificación e Implementación de Políticas

Esta Área del Programa está destinada a ayudar a las Agencias Locales a preparar y adoptar planes de largo alcance, políticas, estándares y códigos para lograr tres metas clave: (1) concentrar el crecimiento futuro del Condado de Santa Clara para que sea equitativo, sostenible y se ubique dentro de media milla de las estaciones y centros de tránsito; (2) alinearse con las políticas de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA y de la MTC, y (3) integrar políticas y programas de arte y participación equitativa en los esfuerzos de planificación existentes y futuros. Estos fondos pueden complementar la contrapartida de la subvención.

Las actividades elegibles incluyen, entre otras:

- Fomentar planes y procesos para las áreas de las estaciones;
- Planificación del acceso al tránsito y evaluación de brechas de acceso;
- Alinear el código y las políticas locales con la Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de la MTC; y
- Desarrollar e integrar programas de arte municipal y/o programas de participación equitativa en los planes de áreas de estaciones existentes o en curso, así como en las políticas de uso de suelo y zonificación que rodean a Caltrain, las estaciones de tránsito y los centros de tránsito, y Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes de VTA.

Como se indica en la **Tabla 1**, en este momento hay disponibles adjudicaciones de hasta \$150,000 para cada beneficiario del Programa A. Los solicitantes pueden solicitar una cantidad mayor; sin embargo, las propuestas deben identificar claramente las actividades o resultados adicionales que podrían lograrse con el financiamiento suplementario. No se garantizan las adjudicaciones que superen los \$150,000.

Programa B. Resiliencia Comunitaria

Esta Área del Programa está destinada a apoyar a las Organizaciones Basadas en la Comunidad en tres áreas clave: (1) aumentar la estabilidad y resiliencia de las comunidades ubicadas cerca del tránsito mediante el apoyo a esfuerzos que protejan a los residentes existentes y preserven la vivienda asequible; (2) avanzar en la implementación impulsada por la comunidad de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito equitativas a través de estrategias enfocadas en la preservación; (3) fortalecer la capacidad de los nuevos socios de desarrollo comunitario para liderar la preservación, adquisición, rehabilitación y administración a largo plazo de viviendas asequibles sin subsidios.

Ejemplos de actividades elegibles incluyen, entre otras:

- Brindar asistencia técnica desde las primeras etapas previas al desarrollo hasta la adquisición y rehabilitación;
- Identificar y evaluar propiedades potenciales para su preservación o adquisición;
- Involucrar a los residentes e incorporar los aportes de la comunidad en la planificación del proyecto;
- Desarrollar planes de proyectos y sistemas de administración a largo plazo para apoyar la implementación y la gestión continua.

- Fortalecimiento de capacidades, planificación y capacitación del personal para nuevas corporaciones de desarrollo comunitario.

Esta Área del Programa financiará contratos de consultores basados en proyectos previos a la adquisición y el fortalecimiento de capacidades que apoyen la adquisición y rehabilitación de propiedades residenciales y su conversión en viviendas permanentemente asequibles. Este Programa está diseñado para preservar la asequibilidad, prevenir el desplazamiento y garantizar que las comunidades cercanas al tránsito permanezcan estables, accesibles y conectadas con las oportunidades.

Programa C. Educación y Participación

Esta Área del Programa está destinada a apoyar el liderazgo vecinal y la participación equitativa en las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito, proporcionando información y recursos accesibles que empoderen a los miembros de la comunidad para dar forma activa a Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito equitativas y bien conectadas. También busca destacar el transporte público como un servicio esencial dentro de las prósperas Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito, resaltando las voces de la comunidad y promoviendo la inclusión de todos los miembros de la comunidad.

Ejemplos de actividades elegibles incluyen, entre otras:

- Realizar campañas de concientización pública (por ejemplo, iniciativas educativas sobre las políticas de TOC para mejorar la comprensión y la participación, promoción del tránsito a través de esfuerzos creativos de divulgación como búsquedas del tesoro, geocaching, pasaportes de viaje);
- Actividades educativas enfocadas en el tránsito (por ejemplo, campañas de tránsito a la escuela/trabajo);
- Iniciativas enfocadas en la equidad para facilitar la participación comunitaria (por ejemplo, servicios de traducción/interpretación, promotoras, comida, cuidado de niños); y
- Brindar apoyo de acceso/preparación para la vivienda (por ejemplo, talleres de preparación para solicitudes de vivienda y propietarios).

Los proyectos elegibles deben ser proyectos nuevos o incluir un componente nuevo claramente definido que amplíe o profundice el impacto de las actividades existentes y avance en las metas de TOC descritas en (sección II.C). Los proyectos que propongan únicamente actividades existentes, sin un componente nuevo o innovador alineado con las metas de TOC, no son elegibles para recibir financiamiento.

Programa D. Preservación del Lugar (Placekeeping), Artes y Activación

Esta Área del Programa está destinada a mejorar la experiencia del pasajero de tránsito y de la comunidad en general a través de espacios públicos vibrantes y atractivos que utilicen la expresión artística y cultural o el embellecimiento comunitario. El objetivo es fomentar un sentido de comunidad, alentar la interacción entre generaciones y comunidades de diversos orígenes, y promover la preservación del lugar que conserve la cultura, la historia o los valores locales, y posicionar las estaciones y centros de tránsito como destinos culturales seguros, accesibles y

atractivos. Los proyectos resultarán en animar el acceso en y alrededor de las estaciones de tránsito con un enfoque en la comodidad y la experiencia del peatón para mejorar el entorno de los pasajeros de tránsito.

Ejemplos de actividades elegibles incluyen, entre otras:

- Proyectos de arte y cultura que mejoren la conectividad del tránsito y la cultura/identidad comunitaria (por ejemplo, murales vecinales y arte público creado por miembros de la comunidad y activaciones comunitarias basadas en el arte);
- Diseño universal e inclusivo, señalización accesible basada en imágenes y colores que funcione para residentes de todas las edades, habilidades e idiomas;
- Celebraciones culturales y comunitarias públicas que refuercen a la comunidad existente e impulsen un uso del tránsito mayor y sostenido (por ejemplo, actividades al aire libre que sean visibles desde la calle y accesibles al público, como festivales callejeros, actuaciones, exhibiciones de arte experiencial, puestos temporales de comida y creadores).
- Proyectos que aborden una brecha o necesidad en comunidades que carecen de actividades de preservación de lugar, artes y activación que celebren sus conexiones vecinales y culturales con el tránsito y la experiencia del pasajero.
- Integrar elementos en las instalaciones existentes o elementos del paisaje urbano para crear arte funcional o embellecimiento (sombras, asientos, portabicicletas, etc.).

Para las instalaciones de arte, los proyectos deben ser claramente visibles desde la calle, el espacio público y/o la estación o centro de tránsito. Si el solicitante propone un proyecto de arte público en terrenos o instalaciones propiedad de VTA, se recomienda consultar a VTA, lo cual está disponible contactando a tocgrant@vta.org lo antes posible. Los proyectos que involucren propiedades de VTA están sujetos a la aprobación de VTA. Para proyectos con un componente de arte público, se alienta a los solicitantes a incluir como anexo a la solicitud fotos del sitio existente donde se planea instalar el arte.

V. CRONOGRAMA DEL PROGRAMA DE SUBVENCIONES DE COMUNIDADES ORIENTADAS AL TRÁNSITO Y PROCESO DE SOLICITUD

A continuación, se presenta un cronograma preliminar de las fechas previstas para las actividades e hitos clave en el proceso de Subvención para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito, y tiene como objetivo proporcionar un tiempo estimado para los solicitantes. Los solicitantes deben consultar el cronograma publicado en la página web vta.org/TOCgrant.

<u>Publicación de la Notificación de Disponibilidad de Fondos (NOFA) 4 de mayo de 2026</u>	
Talleres Previos a la Solicitud	Mayo-Junio 2026
Fecha límite para el envío de preguntas	4 de junio de 2026
<u>Fecha límite para las solicitudes</u>	<u>4:00 PM del 12 de junio de 2026</u>
Publicación de Recomendaciones de Adjudicación	Agosto 2026
Fecha Límite para el Envío de Apelaciones	Agosto 2026
<u>Notificación de Adjudicaciones</u>	<u>Septiembre 2026</u>

El periodo de solicitud está abierto desde el **4 de mayo de 2026** hasta el **12 de junio de 2026**. Las solicitudes deben enviarse electrónicamente a través de la aplicación SlideRoom, que se encuentra enlazada en la página web vta.org/TOCgrant a más tardar a las **4:00 PM PST del miércoles, 12 de junio de 2026**. Las guías de solicitud y las instrucciones sobre cómo utilizar SlideRoom se proporcionan en el Apéndice B.

Si el envío digital no es absolutamente posible, VTA aceptará copias impresas de las Solicitudes que se reciban por correo o se entreguen en las Oficinas Centrales de VTA antes de la fecha límite de Solicitud. Las solicitudes deben dirigirse a:

VTA's Transit-Oriented Communities Grant Program
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
3331 North First Street, Bldg. A
San José, CA 95134

VTA no se hará responsable por propuestas que estén fuera de plazo, perdidas, marcadas incorrectamente, enviadas a una dirección distinta a la indicada en este documento, o enviadas por correo o servicio de mensajería y no firmadas de recibido por VTA.

A. Talleres Previos a la Solicitud

VTA organizará cinco Talleres Previos a la Solicitud. Se requiere que todos los solicitantes asistan a *un* taller previo a la solicitud, pero pueden asistir a más si lo desean. En el taller, el personal de VTA revisará las pautas del Programa de Subvenciones de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito, los tiempos y el proceso de solicitud, proporcionará aclaraciones sobre las expectativas de la subvención, incluyendo una revisión de elementos de solicitudes exitosas y no exitosas del ciclo de subvenciones anterior, e incluirá una sesión de preguntas y respuestas en vivo.

Los Talleres Previos a la Solicitud se llevarán a cabo tanto para asistentes presenciales como virtuales. Debe registrarse en avance para atender un taller. Por favor visite vta.org/TOCgrant para registrarse y encontrar más detalles del evento. Las grabaciones de los Talleres Previos a la Solicitud virtuales estarán disponibles en línea en el canal de YouTube de VTA: <https://www.youtube.com/SCVTA>.

Talleres Previos a la Solicitud Presenciales:

- **Jueves, 14 de mayo de 2026**
 - Hora: 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. PST
 - Registro: [TOC-Grant-May-14.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/TOC-Grant-May-14)
 - Ubicación:
 - Center for Employment Training
 - 701 Vine Street
 - San Jose, CA 95110
- **Martes, 26 de mayo de 2026**
 - Hora: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. PST
 - Registro: [TOC-Grant-May-26.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/TOC-Grant-May-26)
 - Ubicación:
 - Biblioteca de Gilroy
 - 350 W. Sixth Street
 - Gilroy, 95020

Talleres Previos a la Solicitud Virtuales:

- **Martes, 12 de mayo de 2026**
 - Hora: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. PST
 - Registro: [TOC-Grant-May-12.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/TOC-Grant-May-12)
 - Ubicación: Reunión de Zoom en línea
zoom.us/join
ID del seminario web: 834 9058 4696
Código de acceso: 369801
1-669-900-9128
- **Miércoles, 20 de mayo de 2026**
 - Hora: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PST
 - Registro: [TOC-Grant-May-20.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/TOC-Grant-May-20)
 - Ubicación: Reunión de Zoom en línea
zoom.us/join
ID del seminario web: 864 7010 3884
Código de acceso: 555489
1-669-900-9128
- **Martes 2 de junio de 2026**
 - Hora: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. PST
 - Registro: [TOC-Grant-June-2.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/TOC-Grant-June-2)
 - Ubicación: Reunión de Zoom en línea
zoom.us/join
ID del seminario web: 818 4424 2765
Código de acceso: 394167
1-669-900-9128

B. Asistencia para la Solicitud

VTA aceptará preguntas por escrito con respecto a la Solicitud hasta las 4:00 PM PST del **lunes 4 de junio de 2026**, y proporcionará una respuesta a todos los solicitantes para el **lunes 8 de junio de 2026**. Las preguntas pueden enviarse a VTA a TOCGrant@vta.org, o a través de la página web vta.org/TOCgrant. VTA responderá a las preguntas relativas a los requisitos de la Solicitud y hará públicas todas las preguntas y respuestas para todos los solicitantes. Todas las preguntas y respuestas se publicarán en línea en vta.org/TOCgrant.

C. Proceso de Revisión y Selección de Solicitudes

El personal del Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA revisará todas las solicitudes para garantizar que cumplan con los requisitos de elegibilidad y que estén completas.

Una propuesta puede ser considerada como no receptiva si está incompleta, incluye condiciones o cambios en el formato requerido, o contiene adiciones que alteren materialmente la propuesta. VTA puede, a su entera discreción, omitir problemas menores o pequeñas inconsistencias que no afecten el fondo de la propuesta. Las solicitudes que pasen la revisión inicial serán evaluadas por un Panel de Evaluación, el cual las calificará basándose en la solicitud presentada y los anexos relacionados.

El Panel de Evaluación estará compuesto por personal multidisciplinario de VTA y un miembro de la comunidad. El Panel de Evaluación utilizará los criterios de evaluación indicados en la solicitud para revisar y calificar las solicitudes, lo que resultará en una selección inicial de adjudicaciones. En caso de que más de un solicitante reciba la misma calificación, el Panel de Evaluación que califica las solicitudes mantiene el derecho de recomendar ciertas solicitudes para la selección de la subvención a su discreción. VTA podrá considerar la fuerza comparativa de las solicitudes en cada Área del Programa y, además, se reserva el derecho de reasignar o retener fondos entre las distintas áreas del programa, de negociar modificaciones de las propuestas y de adjudicar un monto inferior al total de los fondos solicitados.

VTA se pondrá en contacto con los solicitantes identificados para la selección inicial **a principios de otoño**. Tras el proceso de apelación, el Director de Planificación Multimodal y Bienes Raíces seleccionará a los beneficiarios finales. VTA en ablará negociaciones con los beneficiarios finales. La selección como beneficiario inicial o final no deberá interpretarse como un compromiso vinculante de fondos por parte de VTA, y las adjudicaciones de subvenciones no se consideran finales hasta la ejecución de un acuerdo de subvención. Los fondos de la subvención no pueden ser gastados por los beneficiarios en los proyectos seleccionados sino hasta después de la ejecución de un acuerdo con VTA.

D. Aviso de Selección, Acuerdo de Subvención y Apelaciones

La notificación de la selección inicial se publicará en el sitio web del Programa de Subvenciones para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA en vta.org/TOCgrant. Se notificará a todos los solicitantes por correo electrónico. Los solicitantes seleccionados recibirán un Aviso de Intención de Financiamiento, describiendo la necesidad de celebrar un Acuerdo de Subvención que

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especifique los términos y las obligaciones de presentación de informes. Dos plantillas de acuerdos de beneficiarios, el Acuerdo de Subvención de Muestra para Organizaciones de Base Comunitaria de VTA y el Acuerdo de Subvención de Muestra para Agencias Locales de VTA, están disponibles para su descarga en <http://www.vta.org/TOCgrant>. Los Acuerdos de Subvención de Muestra se proporcionan solo como referencia y están sujetos a cambios. Los beneficiarios seleccionados deben aceptar los términos y ejecutar el acuerdo de subvención correspondiente con VTA como condición de la subvención. Todas las adjudicaciones de subvenciones están supeditadas a la negociación y ejecución exitosa de un acuerdo de subvención formal entre VTA y el beneficiario.

Los solicitantes que deseen apelar la selección de beneficiarios pueden hacerlo enviando un correo electrónico a Jessie O'Malley Solis a jessie.o'malleysolis@vta.org. Las apelaciones solo podrán presentarse sobre la base de una o más de las siguientes circunstancias:

- Accesibilidad y/o claridad de los requisitos de la solicitud que afecten a una solicitud presentada;
- Conflicto de intereses;
- Especificaciones restrictivas o discriminatorias.

No se considerarán las apelaciones si se basan en las siguientes circunstancias:

- Quejas infundadas (por ejemplo, ataques personales, conjeturas);
- Desacuerdos sobre los méritos de la solicitud;
- Corrección de errores u omisiones del solicitante en la solicitud. Todos los materiales de la solicitud considerados debieron presentarse antes de la fecha límite de solicitud;
- Eventos y/o desarrollos de la organización que ocurrieron después de la fecha límite de solicitud.

Las cartas de apelación deben recibirse dentro de los siete (7) días naturales posteriores al anuncio de la selección inicial. VTA responderá a todas las apelaciones dentro de los cinco (5) días hábiles posteriores a la fecha límite para la recepción de las cartas de apelación. No se aceptarán más apelaciones después de este punto.

E. Enmiendas a la NOFA

VTA se reserva el derecho de enmendar o modificar cualquier disposición de la NOFA mediante un anexo por escrito o de emitir a todos los proponentes un Aviso de Enmienda para responder preguntas para su aclaración.

F. Sin Compromiso de Adjudicación

La emisión de esta NOFA y la recepción de propuestas no comprometen a VTA a adjudicar un contrato ni ningún financiamiento. VTA se reserva expresamente el derecho de posponer el proceso de la NOFA por conveniencia propia, de aceptar o rechazar cualquier o todas las propuestas recibidas en respuesta a esta NOFA, de negociar con más de un solicitante de manera concurrente o de negarse a entablar negociaciones o dar por terminadas las

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negociaciones con cualquier solicitante en cualquier momento, de seleccionar la(s) propuesta(s) más ventajosa(s) para VTA, incluyendo la adjudicación de más de un contrato si así se desea, o de cancelar o retirar la totalidad o parte de esta NOFA en cualquier momento.

G. Enmiendas a las Propuestas

No se aceptará ninguna enmienda, anexo o modificación después de la fecha límite establecida en este documento para recibir propuestas. El solicitante podrá modificar o enmendar su propuesta únicamente si VTA recibe la enmienda antes de la fecha límite establecida en este documento para recibir propuestas. VTA se reserva el derecho de solicitar aclaraciones sobre la información enviada por parte de uno o más solicitantes.

VI. INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL

A. Información Adicional

Para obtener más información sobre el trabajo de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA hasta la fecha y la Política de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de la VTA, visite el sitio web de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA en <https://www.vta.org/transitorientedcommunities>.

Para preguntas relacionadas con el Programa de Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA, envíe un correo electrónico a TOCGrant@vta.org.

Para servicios de traducción y otras adaptaciones, comuníquese con la Oficina de Alcance Comunitario de VTA al (408) 321-7575/TTY (408) 321-2330 o envíe un correo electrónico a community.outreach@vta.org.

B. Apéndices

Esta Notificación de Disponibilidad de Fondos (NOFA), incluyendo los siguientes documentos, están disponibles en línea en vta.org/TOCgrant para ayudar a guiar a los solicitantes a través del proceso de solicitud e informarles sobre los requisitos previstos para los beneficiarios seleccionados.

Apéndice A: Estaciones de Tránsito, Centros de Tránsito y Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes Elegibles para las Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA

Una lista de las Estaciones de Tránsito, Centros de Tránsito y Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes de VTA, Caltrain, BART y ACE existentes y planificados en el condado de Santa Clara. Las zonas geográficas elegibles incluyen un radio de media milla alrededor de las estaciones y centros de tránsito mencionados, y un radio de un cuarto de milla alrededor de las rutas de los Corredores de Autobuses Frecuentes de VTA. Un mapa de las zonas geográficas elegibles también está disponible en la página web www.vta.org/tocgrant, donde se proporciona una [Herramienta de Elegibilidad para Subvenciones de TOC](#).

Apéndice B: Subvención para Comunidades Orientadas al Tránsito de VTA Ciclo 3 - Guía de Aplicación

La Guía de Solicitud consta de plantillas que muestran una vista previa de la solicitud en línea para cada Área del Programa. Las plantillas especifican la información requerida del solicitante y explican los criterios de evaluación para cada sección. Las instrucciones de la solicitud se incluyen en el Apéndice B, página iii.

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Apéndice A: Comunidades orientadas al transporte público de la VTA: estaciones de transporte público, centros de transporte público, y corredores autobuses frecuentes elegibles

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Transit Centers	
Berryessa / North San José Transit Center <i>(At Berryessa/North San José BART Station)</i>	Mountain View Transit Center <i>(At Mountain View Caltrain Station)</i>
Alum Rock Transit Center <i>(At Alum Rock Light Rail Station)</i>	Palo Alto Transit Center <i>(At Palo Alto Caltrain Station)</i>
Diridon Transit Center <i>(At San Jose Diridon Caltrain Center)</i>	Santa Clara Transit Center <i>(At Santa Clara Caltrain Station)</i>
Eastridge Transit Center	Sunnyvale Transit Center <i>(At Sunnyvale Caltrain Station)</i>
Gilroy Transit Center <i>(At Gilroy Caltrain Station)</i>	West Valley College Transit Center
Milpitas Transit Center <i>(At Milpitas BART Station)</i>	Winchester Transit Center <i>(At Winchester Light Rail Station)</i>
ACE	
Great America Station	Santa Clara Station (City of Santa Clara)
BART	
28th Street/Little Portugal BART Station (Planned)	Downtown San José BART Station (Planned)
Berryessa / North San José BART Station	Milpitas BART Station
Diridon BART Station (Planned)	Santa Clara BART Station (Planned)
Caltrain	
Blossom Hill Caltrain Station	San Antonio Caltrain Station
California Avenue Caltrain Station	San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station
Capitol Caltrain Station	San Martin Caltrain Station
College Park Caltrain Station	Santa Clara Caltrain Station
Gilroy Caltrain Station	South San Antonio Caltrain Station
Lawrence Caltrain Station	Sunnyvale Caltrain Station
Morgan Hill Caltrain Station	Tamien Caltrain Station
Palo Alto Caltrain Station	
VTA Light Rail	
Alder Station	Japantown/Ayer Station
Alum Rock Station	Karina Station
Bascom Station	Lick Mill Station
Baypointe Station	Lockheed Martin Station
Bayshore/NASA Station	Mckee Station
Berryessa Station	Metro Station
Blossom Hill Station	Middlefield Station
Bonaventura Station	Moffett Park Station
Borregas Station	Montague Station
Branham Station	Mountain View Station
Campbell Station	Ohlone-Chynoweth Station
Capitol Station	Old Ironside Station
Champion Station	Orchard Station
Childrens Discovery Museum Station	Penitencia Creek Station
Cisco Station	Race Station
Civic Center Station	Reamwood Station
Component Station	River Oaks Station
Convention Center Station	Paseo de San Antonio Station
Cottle Station	San Fernando Station
Cropley Station	Santa Clara Station (Downtown San Jose)
Crossman Station	Santa Teresa Station
Curtner Station	Snell Station
Diridon Station (Diridon Caltrain Station)	Saint James Station
Eastridge Station (Planned)	Story Station (Planned)
Fair Oaks Station	Tamien Station (Tamien Caltrain Station)
Fruitdale Station	Tasman Station
Gish Station	Vienna Station

Great America Station	Virginia Station
Great Mall Station	Whisman Station
Hamilton Station	Winchester Station
Hostetter Station	
VTA Frequent Bus Corridors	
Rapid 500: San Jose Diridon – Berryessa BART	64A: Ohlone-Chynoweth Station - McKee & White
Rapid 522: Palo Alto Transit Center – Eastridge Rapid	64B: Almaden & Camden - McKee & White
22: Palo Alto Transit Center – Eastridge	66: North Milpitas - Santa Clara Station
23: De Anza College - Alum Rock via Stevens Creek	68: San Jose Diridon - Gilroy Transit Center
25: De Anza College – Alum Rock via Valley Medical	70: Milpitas BART - Capitol Station via Jackson
26: West Valley College – Eastridge	71: Milpitas BART - Eastridge via White
57: Old Ironsides Station - West Valley College	72: Downtown San Jose - Senter & Monterey via McLaughlin
60: Milpitas BART – Winchester Station via SJC Airport	73: Downtown San Jose - Senter & Monterey via Senter
61: Sierra & Piedmont – Good Samaritan Hospital	77: Milpitas BART - Eastridge via King

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Appendix B: Application Guide

Este documento puede ser traducido a su idioma preferido con previa solicitud. Para recibir asistencia, por favor comuníquese con VTA Community Outreach al (408) 321-7575 / TTY (408) 321-2330, o envíe un correo electrónico a community.outreach@vta.org.

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Overview

The Application Guide consists of templates that preview the online application for each Program Area. The templates specify the required applicant information and explain the evaluation criteria for each section. **Please note this document is not the application.** Each applicant will need to fill out an online application via SlideRoom. Directions on how to do so are included below.

Application Instructions

Follow these steps to complete and submit your TOC Grant application:

1. Review this Application Guide

Before starting, read this guide carefully so you understand the application requirements, evaluation criteria, and scoring process.

2. Access the Online Application

Visit <https://www.vta.org/programs/toc/transit-oriented-communities/grants> and click the **“Application Form”** button on the right side of the page to open the SlideRoom application portal.

3. Create a SlideRoom Account

Create a free SlideRoom account to begin your application. Additional instructions can be found [here](#).*

4. Complete Your Application

Enter your responses directly into the online form and upload all required attachments. You may save your progress on SlideRoom and return to your application at any time before the deadline.

5. Complete Required Confirmations

Before submitting, you will be asked to confirm that you have:

- Attended a pre-application meeting (virtual or in-person), and
- Reviewed the applicable grant agreement template for either Local Agencies or Community-Based Organizations, available at [vta.org/TOCgrant](https://www.vta.org/TOCgrant).

6. Submit Your Application

When all sections are complete, submit your application through SlideRoom including all attachments. You will receive an automatic confirmation email once your application has been successfully submitted.

*Please reach out to tocgrants@vta.org if you run into technical difficulties. If you have SlideRoom specific questions, such as issues creating your account login, please reach out to [SlideRoom Applicant Customer Service](#).

More Resources from SlideRoom

1. [Working with your SlideRoom account](#)
2. [Logging In and Resetting your Password](#)
3. [Completing Application Forms](#)
4. [Submitting Your Application](#)
5. [Technical Requirements and Accessibility](#)
6. [Applicant Customer Service](#)

Program A: Planning and Policy Implementation

	Application Section	Evaluation
Q#	Section 1: Applicant Information	
1	Agency Name	For information and application eligibility confirmation
2	Agency Address	
3	Agency Website	
4	Applicant Point of Contact (First Name, Last Name)	
5	Applicant Contact Email	
6	Applicant Phone	
7	VTA Collaboration Has your agency engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	
8	Pending or Unexecuted Agreements If your agency previously received a TOC Program grant, do you have any pending or unexecuted grant agreements with VTA? (Yes/No) As noted in the NOFA, previous TOC grant awardees are not eligible for additional funding for the same project. However, past awardees may reapply if they have an executed agreement(s) and are proposing a different, eligible project.	

Q#	Section 2: Project Information	
1	Project Name Please share the name of your project. It should be descriptive and succinct.	For informational purposes
2	Brief Project Description Please provide a brief paragraph describing your project, its goal and intended outcome. <i>(Please limit your description to 80 words or fewer)</i>	
3	Project Location/Address (Street address, City, Zip Code) Note: Project location must be within one-half mile of VTA Transit Station or Transit Center, or one-quarter mile of Frequent Bus Corridor.	Confirm geographic eligibility
4	Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) Transit Station, Transit Center, or Frequent Bus Corridor Please select the eligible Transit Station, Transit Center, or Frequent Bus Corridor from the drop-down menu: (You may also use the TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map to confirm which eligible geography your project falls within).	

5	<p>Project Type Select one or more of the following eligible project types that best describe your Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Station area or corridor planning <input type="checkbox"/> Transit access planning and/or access gap evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Code & policy alignment with MTC's TOC Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal art program to support station area plan or land use/zoning policy updates <input type="checkbox"/> Equitable engagement plan to support station area plan or land use/zoning policy update <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) 	Confirm eligible activity
6	<p>Project Narrative Please describe your proposed project, including a summary of the project's scope of work and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How it aligns with the TOC Grant Program Goals (Section III.C of the NOFA) b) The positive impact(s) it will have on your community. <p><i>(Please limit your narrative to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	For informational purposes
7	<p>Grant Amount Request Note: maximum request is \$150,000. Applicants may request a higher amount; however, proposals should clearly identify the additional activities or outcomes that could be achieved with supplemental funding. Awards exceeding \$150,000 are not guaranteed.</p>	For informational purposes
8	<p>Match Please provide committed or anticipated funding match amount and the source of the match. Note: 15% match requirement for Local Agencies (in-kind services allowed).</p>	Applicant Match Requirement
9	<p>New Project, Component, or Scale. Please indicate whether this project is new or builds upon existing projects or activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> This project is new. <input type="checkbox"/> This project builds on existing projects or activities. <p>If your project builds on existing projects or activities, you will be prompted to describe the new component(s) that this funding would enable your organization to implement. Examples include: expanding a project to a new geography, target population or issue area (e.g., transportation, housing, climate) or introducing a new strategy or program element.</p>	Confirm project eligibility

Q#	Section 3: TOC Elements	
1	<p>Community Conditions Please describe the community your project will serve using both quantitative data (e.g. demographics, socioeconomic indicators, Healthy Places Index, US Census data, Urban Displacement Project) and qualitative insights (e.g., lived experience and community-identified needs.). Include specific information about historical or existing barriers to equity members of this community have experienced (e.g., access to housing, transportation, displacement pressures, cultural or economic instability, gaps in planning).</p> <p>Please note whether your project is located within an MTC Equity Priority Community (shown in light red in the TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map).</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for an application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides clear and relevant quantitative data and qualitative insights that define the community context with specificity. • Accurately notes if project is within MTC Equity Priority Community.
2	<p>Equity-Focused Actions & Outcomes Please explain how your project addresses a specific gap or need (e.g., access to housing, transportation, jobs, schools, healthcare, or public space), who is most impacted, and the specific outcomes and benefits your project will deliver to community members.</p> <p>-Describe your engagement strategy, including methods, frequency, and how input will meaningfully influence project decisions. -Explain how your project will engage community members historically excluded from traditional planning processes. -Identify the measurable equity outcomes your project aims to achieve. -Describe any additional collaboration with community members in the project area (not already identified in the Partnership Statement) and how decision-making is shared.</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 2400 characters (400 words) or fewer).</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly articulates the significance of the identified gap or need and establishes measurable, credible equity outcomes aligned with the project’s purpose. • Demonstrates a structured engagement approach that meaningfully incorporates community input and reflects authentic collaboration through shared or co-created decision-making. • Utilizes culturally responsive strategies to reduce barriers to participation and prioritizes the inclusion of historically underrepresented communities.
3	<p>Transit-focused Activities & Incentives For your organizational staff, consultants, volunteers, or patrons, please select activities you expect to incorporate within the grant period (at least two (2) required).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Provide or subsidize transit access for staff, volunteers, or participants. <input type="checkbox"/> Gather stories or feedback about how people travel to project activities. <input type="checkbox"/> Include transportation choice questions in surveys or engagement tools. <input type="checkbox"/> Promote transit options for events, programs, or activities, including use of Transit App <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in or host sustainable mobility events (e.g., car-free days, open streets). <input type="checkbox"/> Offer opportunities for transit education, such as inviting VTA or mobility partners to table or present. <input type="checkbox"/> Support trip-planning -assistance for employees, volunteers, or participants. 	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (5) points would be awarded for application that identifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project incorporates at least two (2) activities, which must include conducting a survey of transit and transportation choices to measure changes in transit use.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Provide wayfinding or signage that directs people to nearby transit services. <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct periodic transportation surveys to track changes in transit use over the project timeline. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe). 	
4	<p>Transit Ridership Please describe how your selected Transit-Focused Activities & Incentives will be integrated into your project’s approach. Explain how these activities -- and your overall project -- will increase transit use. Identify the specific transit services (e.g., bus or light-rail lines) expected to see increased ridership and how your project will encourage greater community use of these services.</p> <p>You may also address: -How the project will raise the profile of the station or stop as a transit hub. -How the project will remove barriers to transit use (physical, informational, cultural or safety-related). -How the project will support non-auto-dependent populations, or reduce reliance on private automobiles.</p> <p>For more information on transit services in your project area, please reference the Ridership by Stop SCVTA Open Data Site.</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for application that clearly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly outlines how Transit-Focused Activities or incentives will be implemented and identifies the specific transit services, stations, or stops anticipated to be positively impacted. • Explains how the project increases transit use by removing barriers and reducing reliance on private vehicles. • Demonstrates benefits to transit-dependent and non-auto dependent populations while encouraging shifts to transit and other sustainable modes.

Q#	Section 4: Planning & Policy	
1	<p>Alignment with Regional Policy Please describe how the project advances alignment with the MTC Transit-Oriented Communities Policy or is tied to an effort that supports alignment with the MTC Transit-Oriented Communities Policy.</p> <p>For more information on MTC's Transit-Oriented Communities Policy, visit: https://mtc.ca.gov/planning/land-use/transit-oriented-communities-toc-policy.</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for applications that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station area planning or land use policy updates that will result in increased share of Santa Clara County’s future growth within one-half mile of transit stations; • Activities that specifically target alignment with MTC TOC Policy.
2	<p>Advancement of Transit-Oriented Development Please describe how the project will directly benefit TOD sites around transit stations, including VTA-owned sites.</p> <p>For more information on VTA's TOD Portfolio sites, visit: https://www.vta.org/programs/toc/transit-oriented-development/projects-portfolio</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for applications that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoning and/or policy updates that facilitate entitlement of mixed-use, mixed-income development around transit stations and transit hubs; • Provides clear description of activities resulting in benefits to VTA TOD Portfolio sites or projects.

Q#	Section 5: Administrative Elements	
Administrative elements criteria are intended for evaluation of project readiness and capacity for implementation		
1	Anticipated Project Start Date Project must commence within one (1) year of anticipated award. Earliest anticipated funding date is March 31, 2027.	Confirm project eligibility
2	Anticipated Project End Date Project must be completed within two (2) years of project start date.	
3	Project Schedule Please include a proposed project schedule (scope of work) outlining measurable outcomes, key activities (including transit focused activities), and the month(s) in which each activity will occur. The proposed schedule should begin March 31, 2027, at the earliest, to account for time to negotiate a grant agreement with VTA.	<u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for an application that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurable outcomes are clearly stated and aligned with proposed work • Activities and milestones are specific, feasible and clearly support stated outcomes. • Timeline is clear, month-by-month, realistic and begins no earlier than March 31, 2027.
4	Proposed Budget Please include a project budget with the total project cost that outlines administrative costs, and any other costs required for project implementation. If asking for more than \$150,000 (as noted in the NOFA) please include line items clearly demonstrating how the extra funding would be allocated. Please note whether additional funding will be pursued for this project, and which other sources of funding have been identified as well as the status of such funding sources (e.g., planned or awarded).	<u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete and detailed budget with realistic estimates for various cost elements, including staff/volunteer time. • A realistic ability to complete grant activities within requested grant amount. • The budget clearly identifies anticipated additional funding sources and provides adequate information to instill confidence in ability to secure the funding match necessary for project delivery.
5	Financial Need and Risk Please describe the financial and logistical challenges your organization would encounter in moving this project forward if your organization does not receive this grant. <i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key financial risks are identified with a contingency plan on how the project will adapt.
6	Project Team Please provide your staffing plan to complete your proposed project. <i>(Please limit your response to 600 characters (100 words) or fewer)</i>	For informational purposes
7	Partnerships Statement Please describe the strategic partnerships that demonstrate community support and are essential to the successful implementation of the project. For example, identify the public agencies, community-based organizations, neighborhood groups, private entities, or other partners	<u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (4) point would be awarded for applications that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies at least one strategic partner, such as an agency, community organization, and/or private entity, demonstrating that the partnership is

	<p>involved, and indicate whether coordination or relationship-building has already begun.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 600 characters (100 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>already established or actively being developed, and shows clear relevance to the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bonus point (1) awarded for a letter of support from one or more entities.
8	<p>Partner Letter of Support (Optional) <i>Attach your optional letter of support.</i></p>	
9	<p>New or Not Previously Awarded Applicant Please indicate whether your jurisdiction is a first-time applicant or a returning applicant that has not previously received a VTA TOC Grant award.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> First-Time Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Returning Applicant, not previously awarded</p> <p>If you are a returning applicant that has not been awarded before, you will be prompted to describe was improved or changed since your last submission.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 300 characters (50 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Bonus (5) point would be awarded for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants representing a jurisdiction applying for the first time to the VTA TOC Grant program will receive five (5) bonus points, or • Returning non-awarded applicants from previous cycles that describe improvements or changes since their last submission.

Summary of Scoring (Program A)

Complete applications that satisfy the eligibility requirements will be scored using the criteria provided, as applicable. Maximum points for each criterion are noted. A minimum number of points is required for each category, as noted in the table below. Applications that do not meet minimum score will not be selected for funding.

Evaluation Criteria/Section	Available Points	Minimum Acceptable Score	
TOC Elements	45 points		
- Community Conditions	15 points		
- Equitable Actions & Outcomes	15 points		
- Transit-Supportive Activities	5 points		
- Transit Ridership	10 points		
Program A: Planning & Policy	30 points		
- Alignment with Regional Priorities	15 points		
- Advancement of TOD	15 points		
Administrative	25 points (30 points with bonus)		
- Schedule	10 points		
- Budget	10 points		
- Partnerships	5 points		
- New Grant/Not Previously Awarded Applicant (bonus)	5 points (bonus)		
Total	100 points (105 points with bonus)		60/100

Program B: Community Resilience

	Application Section	Evaluation
Q#	Section 1: Applicant Information	
1	Organization Name Organization title needs to match your federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If your organization is Doing Business As (DBA) a different name, please also note this clearly.	For informational purposes
2	Organization Address	
3	Organization Website	
4	Applicant Point of Contact (First Name, Last Name)	
5	Applicant Contact Email	
6	Applicant Phone Number	
7	Applicant Mission, History and Project Experience Describe your organization and how it is pursuing housing preservation projects in the near-term, medium-term, and long-term and how this is reflected in the organizational missions and business plans. For Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Projects: Describe recent development projects completed and properties owned, as applicable. This experience can include, but is not limited to, past or ongoing projects and programs, engagement with consultants, relevant background or training of individual staff members, and previous partnerships with housing, transit or climate organizations. <i>(Please limit your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i>	
8	Years serving Santa Clara County Applicants must be serving Santa Clara County for a minimum of one (1) year.	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
9	VTA Collaboration Has your organization engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	
10	Pending or Unexecuted Agreements If your organization previously received a TOC Program grant, do you have any pending or unexecuted grant agreements with VTA? (Yes/No) As noted in the NOFA, previous TOC grant awardees are not eligible for additional funding for the same project. However, past awardees may reapply if they have an executed agreement(s) and are proposing a different, eligible project.	
11	Grant Amount Request Note: maximum request is \$100,000 for one or more Eligible Activities. Applicants may apply for any grant amount less than \$100,000 for smaller scopes of work.	For informational purposes

12	<p>Additional Funding Sources Please identify any additional grant funding sources, amounts, and status (planned or awarded/secured), as applicable, that your organization intends to use for the delivery of this project. Please be sure to include information about additional funding sources as part of the budget.</p>	
13	<p>Please identify whether your organization has 501(c)3 Non-Profit status, or is using a 501(c)3 Fiscal Sponsor A. My organization is a 501(c)3 non-profit B. My organization is partnering with a 501(c)3 non-profit fiscal sponsor</p>	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
13.1 (A)	<p>501(c)3 Status Please provide the Federal EIN for your organization.</p>	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
13.1 (B)	<p>Please identify the 501(c)3 Non-Profit Fiscal Sponsor with whom your organization is partnering Organization title needs to match the federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If the organization is Doing Business As (DBA) under a different name, please also note this clearly</p>	For informational purposes
13.2 (B)	<p>501(c)3 Status of Fiscal Sponsor Please provide the Federal EIN for your Fiscal Sponsor</p>	Applicant Eligibility Requirement

Q#	Section 2: Project Information	
1	<p>Project Name Please share the name of your project. It should be descriptive and succinct.</p>	
2	<p>Brief Project Description Please provide a brief paragraph describing your project. <i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)</i></p>	For informational purposes
3	<p>Project Location/Address (Street address, City, Zip Code)</p> <p>Notes: Project location must be within one-half mile of VTA Transit Station or Transit Center, or one-quarter mile of Frequent Bus Corridor. Projects located beyond the standard boundary may qualify if they clearly demonstrate strong multimodal access, including as many of the following as possible: walkability, reduced per capita vehicle miles traveled (e.g., limited parking or unbundled parking), service by multiple bus routes or microtransit, and high-quality bikeways or shared mobility options (e.g., Bay Wheels).</p> <p>If beyond the standard boundary, please describe in 100 words or less. Note: Please do not list the address of your organization's place of business unless this is also your project location.</p>	Confirm locational eligibility
4	<p>Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) Station/Transit Center/Frequent Bus Corridor Please select the eligible Transit Station/Transit Center, or Frequent Bus Corridor from the drop-down menu:</p>	Confirm locational eligibility

	(You may also use the TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map to confirm which eligible geography your project falls within)	
5	<p>Project Type Select one or more of the following eligible project types that best describe your Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Property identification/market research <input type="checkbox"/> Financial feasibility analysis/economic consulting <input type="checkbox"/> Property inspections <input type="checkbox"/> Due diligence reports <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture, landscaping, sustainability <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering (civil, structural, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation analysis/transportation demand management <input type="checkbox"/> Construction management <input type="checkbox"/> Legal support <input type="checkbox"/> Set-up of asset management systems/software <input type="checkbox"/> Closing costs <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance costs <input type="checkbox"/> Resident engagement <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational strategic planning <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity building and staff training <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) 	Confirm eligible activity or activities
6	<p>Project Narrative</p> <p>For Technical Assistance Projects. describe the prospective preservation project or the specific geography targeted to acquire preservation properties. -For specific properties, include location; number of units; development plan, timeline, and activities completed to date. -For projects seeking to identify new properties within a specific geography, include targeted acquisition price point, minimum unit count, acceptable building characteristics (e.g., building age and condition, as demonstrated through publicly available permit reports).</p> <p>For Capacity-Building Projects, describe how your project will strengthen your organization’s ability to deliver community development outcomes. Identify capacity gaps you intend to address, the expertise you will engage, and how these actions advance your organization’s short-term, medium-term and long-term outcomes to implement preservation projects.</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	For informational purposes

Q#	Section 3: TOC Elements	
1	<p>Community Conditions</p> <p>Please describe the conditions shaping the community your project will serve using both quantitative data (e.g. demographics, socioeconomic indicators, Healthy Places Index, US Census data, Urban Displacement Project) and qualitative insights (e.g., lived experience, community-identified needs). Describe displacement pressures, cultural or economic instability, gaps in housing and transportation planning or coordination. Identify historical or existing barriers to equity this community has experienced (e.g., access to housing and transportation).</p> <p>Please note whether your project is located within an MTC Equity Priority Community. MTC Equity Priority Communities are identified in light red in the TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15)points would be awarded for an application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides clear and relevant quantitative data and qualitative insights that define the community context as at risk of or experiencing displacement. • Accurately notes if project is within MTC Equity Priority Community.
2	<p>Equity-Focused Actions & Outcomes</p> <p>Please explain how your project responds to the conditions and equity barriers, specifically housing and affordability levels, and describe the specific outcomes and benefits your project will deliver to community members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify the measurable equity outcomes your project aims to achieve. -Describe any collaboration with community members in the project area (not already identified in the Partnership Statement) and how decision-making is shared. -Explain how your project will engage community members historically excluded from traditional planning processes. <p><i>(Please limit your response to 2400 characters (400 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly articulates the significance of the identified gap or need and establishes measurable, credible equity outcomes aligned with the project’s purpose. • Demonstrates a structured engagement approach that meaningfully incorporates community input and reflects authentic collaboration through shared or co-created decision-making. • Utilizes culturally responsive strategies to reduce barriers to participation and prioritizes the inclusion of historically underrepresented communities.
3	<p>Transit-focused Activities & Incentives</p> <p>For your organizational staff, consultants, volunteers, or patrons – or for current/future residents of the housing preservation project – please select activities you expect to incorporate within the grant period (at least two (2) required).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Provide or subsidize transit access for staff, volunteers, or participants. <input type="checkbox"/> Gather stories or feedback about how people travel to project activities. <input type="checkbox"/> Include transportation choice questions in surveys or engagement tools. <input type="checkbox"/> Promote transit options for events, programs, or activities, including use of Transit App <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in or host sustainable mobility events (e.g., car-free days, open streets). <input type="checkbox"/> Offer opportunities for transit education, such as inviting VTA or mobility partners to table or present. <input type="checkbox"/> Support trip planning assistance for employees, volunteers, or participants. <input type="checkbox"/> Provide wayfinding or signage that directs people to nearby transit services. 	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (5) points would be awarded for application that identifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project incorporates at least two (2) activities, which must include conducting a survey of transit and transportation choices to measure changes in transit use.

	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct periodic transportation surveys to track changes in transit use over the project timeline. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe).	
4	<p>Transit Ridership Please describe how your selected Transit-Focused Activities & Incentives will be integrated into your project's approach. Explain how these activities and your overall project will increase transit use. Identify the specific transit services (e.g., bus or light-rail lines) expected to see increased ridership and how your project will encourage greater community use of these services.</p> <p>You may also address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How the project raises the profile of the station or stop as a transit hub - How the project removes barriers (physical, informational, cultural or safety-related) to current transit use - How the project will support non-auto dependent populations, or reduces reliance on private automobiles <p>For more information on transit services in your project area, please reference the Ridership by Stop SCVTA Open Data Site.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for application that clearly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly outlines how Transit-Focused Activities or incentives will be implemented and identifies the specific transit services, stations, or stops anticipated to be positively impacted. • Explains how the project increases transit use by removing barriers and reducing reliance on private vehicles. • Demonstrates benefits to transit-dependent and non-auto dependent populations while encouraging shifts to transit and other sustainable modes.

Q#	Section 4: Project Readiness and Consultant Experience/Strategy	
1	<p>Project Readiness Please describe the actions your organization has taken to prepare this project for implementation. Examples may include completing preliminary analyses, confirming project partners, securing consultant services, or finalizing project scope.</p> <p><i>(Please keep your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for applications that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate that program funding will advance acquisition of a specific preservation project(s) through evidence, such as an executed purchase and sale agreement. • Steps towards acquisition of project have already been completed, such as completion of financial feasibility analysis or completed procurement of consulting services to immediately commence work
2	<p>Consultant Experience or Strategy For technical assistance projects: Please describe the consultant your organization has selected to complete the proposed Eligible Activities. Your response must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A summary of the consultant's relevant experience, including number of years working on projects similar in scope or complexity. - A description of at least three (3) comparable projects the consultant has completed, highlighting the consultant's role, key deliverables, and outcomes. - At least two work samples or links to work products completed by the selected consultant. - A contract or letter of intent between the applicant and consultant confirming consultant's commitment to perform the proposed Eligible Activities. 	<p>For Evaluation – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for technical assistance projects that engage a consultant that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrates extensive relevant experience, high-quality work samples, and clear and complete letter of intent from consultant affirming commitment. • Staffing plan identifies key roles, capacity, and how organization staff and consultant/partner staff will coordinate. <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrates a capacity-building project with a coherent, realistic, time-bound strategy that

<p>-Identify the staffing plan for your organization and consultant.</p> <p>For capacity-building projects:</p> <p>-Describe the consultant, partner activities or overall strategy that will strengthen your organization’s ability to implement preservation projects in the short-term, medium-term and long-term.</p> <p>-Describe the specific functions, skills, or technical expertise these partners or strategy will provide.</p> <p>-For consultant or partner activities, provide at least two work samples or links to work products.</p> <p>-A contract or letter of intent between the applicant and consultant confirming consultant’s commitment, as applicable.</p> <p>-Identify the staffing plan for your organization and consultant or partner.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 2400 characters (400 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>strengthens implementation of preservation projects, aligns identified needs with proposed activities and expected outcomes.</p>
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Q#	Section 5: Administrative Elements	
Administrative elements criteria are intended for evaluation of project readiness and capacity for implementation		
1	<p>Anticipated Project Start Date Project must commence within 1 year of anticipated award. Earliest anticipated award date is March 31, 2027.</p>	Confirm project eligibility
2	<p>Anticipated Project End Date Project must be completed within 2 years of project start date.</p>	
3	<p>Project Schedule Please include a proposed project schedule for each eligible activity (scope of work) outlining measurable outcomes, key activities (including transit focused activities), and the month(s) in which each activity will occur. The proposed schedule should begin March 31, 2027, at the earliest, to account for time to negotiate a grant agreement with VTA.</p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for an application that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurable outcomes are clearly stated and aligned with proposed work. • Activities and milestones are specific, feasible and clearly support stated outcomes. • Timeline is clear, month-by-month, realistic and begins no earlier than March 31, 2027.
4	<p>Proposed Budget Please provide a project budget with the total project cost that outlines administrative costs, and any other costs required for project implementation for each eligible activity. Please note whether additional funding will be pursued for this project, and which other sources of funding have been identified as well as status of such funding sources. Also note that we are not asking for the total budget for your organization, only the budget for <u>this specific project</u>.</p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (10) points would be awarded for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete and detailed budget with realistic estimates for various cost elements, including staff/volunteer time. • A realistic ability to complete grant activities within requested grant amount.
5	<p>Financial Need and Risk Please describe the financial and logistical challenges your organization would encounter in moving this project forward if your organization does not receive this grant.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The budget clearly identifies anticipated additional funding sources, and provides adequate information to instill confidence in

	<i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or less)</i>	ability to secure the funding match necessary for project delivery.
6	<p>Organizational Readiness Is your organization or fiscal sponsor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Current with IRS Form 990 filings. <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with the Secretary of State. <input type="checkbox"/> No outstanding IRS or state compliance issues. <input type="checkbox"/> Established systems to track and report grant expenditures. <input type="checkbox"/> Ability to submit financial/expense documentation on schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Neither the applicant nor its fiscal sponsor, if applicable, are currently involved in any legal proceedings, investigations, or disputes that could materially affect the applicant's operations, financial stability or ability to carry out the proposed grant activities. 	Check for organizational readiness regarding all the noted financial requirements.
7	<p>Partnerships Statement Please include a statement below that identifies strategic partnerships that demonstrate community support and are essential to the successful implementation of the project.</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 600 characters (100 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (4) point would be awarded for applications that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies at least one strategic partner, demonstrates that the partnership is already established or actively being developed, and shows clear relevance to the project. • Bonus point (1) awarded for a letter of support from one or more of these agencies, organizations, or entities.
8	<p>Partner Letter of Support (Optional) Attach your optional letter of support.</p>	

Summary of Scoring

Complete applications will be scored using the criteria provided, as applicable. Maximum points for each criterion are noted. In all cases, points will be awarded to the extent to which criteria are met. A minimum number of points is required for each category, as noted in the table below. Applications that do not meet minimum score will not be selected for funding.

Evaluation Criteria/Section	Available Points	Minimum Acceptable Score	
TOC Elements	45 points		
- Community Conditions	15 points		
- Equity-Focused Actions and Outcomes	15 points		
- Transit-Supportive Activities	5 points		
- Transit Ridership	10 points		
Program B: Community Resilience	30 points		
- Project Readiness	15 points		
- Consultant Experience or Strategy	15 points		
Administrative	25 points		
- Schedule	10 points		
- Budget	10 points		
- Partnerships	5 points		
Total	100 points		60/100 points

Program C: Education and Engagement

	Application Section	Evaluation
Q#	Section 1: Applicant Information	
1	Applicant Point of Contact (First, Last)	For informational purposes
2	Applicant Contact Email	
3	Applicant Phone	
4	Applicant Type Select from: Local Agency, Community Based Organization	Local Agency → Section 1-A Community-Based Organization → Section 1-B-

Q#	Section 1-A: Applicant Information (Local Agencies)	
4.1 (A)	Agency Name	For informational purposes
4.2 (A)	Agency Address	
4.3 (A)	Agency Website	
4.4 (A)	VTA Collaboration Has your agency engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	
4.5 (A)	Pending or Unexecuted Agreements If your agency previously received a TOC Program grant, do you have any pending or unexecuted grant agreements with VTA? (Yes/No) As noted in the NOFA, previous TOC grant awardees are not eligible for additional funding for the same project. However, past awardees may reapply if they have an executed agreement(s) and are proposing a different, eligible project.	
4.6 (A)	Grant Amount Request Note: maximum request is \$25,000	
4.7 (A)	Match Please provide committed or anticipated funding match amount and the source of the match. Note: 15% match requirement for Local Agencies (in-kind services allowed).	Applicant Match Requirement

Q#	Section 1-B: Applicant Information (Community Based Organizations)	
4.1 (B)	Organization Name Organization title needs to match your federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If your organization is Doing Business As (DBA) under a different name, please also note this clearly.	For information – not evaluation
4.2 (B)	Organization Address	
4.3 (B)	Organization Website	
4.4 (B)	Organization Description/Mission Statement (Please keep your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)	
4.5 (B)	Years serving Santa Clara County Applicants must be serving Santa Clara County for a minimum of one year	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
4.6 (B)	VTA Collaboration Has your organization engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	For informational purposes
4.7 (B)	Pending or Unexecuted Agreements If your organization previously received a TOC Program grant, do you have any pending or unexecuted grant agreements with VTA? (Yes/No) As noted in the NOFA, previous TOC grant awardees are not eligible for additional funding for the same project. However, past awardees may reapply if they have an executed agreement(s) and are proposing a different, eligible project.	For information – not evaluation
4.8 (B)	Grant Amount Request Note: maximum request is \$25,000.	
4.9 (B)	Additional Funding Sources Please identify any additional grant funding sources, amounts, and status (e.g., planned or awarded/secured) as applicable, that your organization intends to use for the delivery of this project. Please be sure to include information about additional funding sources as part of the budget.	
5	Please identify whether your organization has 501(c)3 Non-Profit status, or is using a 501(c)3 Fiscal Sponsor Three options: A. My organization is a 501(c)3 non-profit B. My organization is partnering with a 501(c)3 non-profit fiscal sponsor C. Local Agency – N.A	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
5.1 (A)	Please provide the Federal EIN for your organization. Please attach your Determination Letter from the IRS, available at: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/tax-exempt-organization-search	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
5.1 (B)	Please identify the 501(c)3 Non-Profit Fiscal Sponsor with whom your organization is partnering Organization title needs to match the federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If the organization is Doing Business As (DBA) under a different name, please also note this clearly.	For informational purposes
5.2 (B)	501(c)3 Status of Fiscal Sponsor Please provide the Federal EIN for your Fiscal Sponsor. Please attach the fiscal sponsor's Determination Letter from the IRS, available at: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/tax-exempt-organization-search	Applicant Eligibility Requirement

Q#	Section 2: Project Information	
1	Project Name Please share the name of your project. It should be descriptive and succinct.	For informational purposes
2	Brief Project Description Please provide a brief paragraph describing your project. <i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)</i>	
3	Project Location/Address (Street address, City, Zip Code) Note: Project location must be within one-half mile of VTA Transit Station, Transit Center, or one-quarter mile of Frequent Bus Corridor.	Confirm geographic eligibility
4	TOC Transit Station/Transit Center/Frequent Bus Corridor Please select the eligible station/transit center from the drop-down menu: (You may also use the online TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map to confirm which eligible geography your project falls within)	
5	Project Type Select one or more of the following eligible project types that best describe your Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Public awareness campaigns (e.g., education initiatives on TOC policies to enhance understanding and involvement), promoting transit through creative outreach efforts). <input type="checkbox"/> Transit-focused educational activities (e.g., transit-to-work/school campaigns). <input type="checkbox"/> Equity-focused initiatives to accommodate community participation (e.g, translation/ interpretation services, promotoras, food, childcare). <input type="checkbox"/> Housing support (e.g., housing and homeowner application readiness workshops) <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please describe. 	Confirm eligible activity
6	Project Narrative Describe briefly summarize your proposed project, including the goals, measurable outcomes and activities of the proposed project. Additionally, please include information about all existing or planned partnerships and collaborations that are necessary for the project's implementation. Include how it demonstrates alignment with the TOC Grant Program Goals as described in Section III.C of the Notice of Funding Availability and Program Area C description. <i>(Please limit your response to 2400 characters (400 words) or fewer)</i>	<u>For evaluation</u> – Maximum (30) points would be awarded for an application that results in the following outcomes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflects specific activities, clearly explains the goals, measurable outcomes, and partnerships necessary for the proposed project to achieve its impact potential. • Provide community with knowledge and tools to advocate for TOC-Supportive policies and implementation, such as stabilizing affordable housing or advocating for thriving neighborhoods near transit. • Empower community to co-define and actively partner on local programs or planning efforts that

		strengthen transit-oriented communities in Santa Clara County.
7	Existing Site Documentation (Optional) For projects with a public art component, applicants are encouraged, but not required, to include photos of the existing site where the art is planned to be installed.	For informational purposes

Q#	Section 3: TOC Elements	
1	<p>Community Conditions</p> <p>Please describe the station-area community your project will serve using both quantitative data (e.g. demographics, socioeconomic indicators, Healthy Places Index, US Census data, Urban Displacement Project) and qualitative insights (e.g., lived experience and community-identified needs.). Include specific information about historical or existing barriers to equity members of this community have experienced (e.g., access to housing, transportation, displacement pressures, cultural or economic instability, gaps in planning).</p> <p>Please note whether your project is located within an MTC Equity Priority Community (shown in light red in the TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map).</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 1800 characters (300 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for an application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides clear and relevant quantitative data and qualitative insights that define the community context. • Accurately notes if project is within MTC Equity Priority Community.
2	<p>Equity-Focused Actions and Outcomes</p> <p>Please explain how your project will address a specific gap, barrier or need identified in your community analysis, who is most impacted, and the specific outcomes and benefits your project will deliver to community members.:</p> <p>-Describe your engagement strategy, including methods, frequency, and how input will meaningfully influence project decisions.</p> <p>-Note any collaboration and co-creation with community members in the project area (not already identified in the Partnership Statement) and how decision-making is shared.</p> <p>-How will your project engage with historically excluded community members?</p> <p><i>(Please limit your response to 2,400 characters (400 words) or fewer).</i></p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (15) points would be awarded for application that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly articulates the significance of the identified gap or need and establishes measurable, credible equity outcomes aligned with the project’s purpose. • Demonstrates a structured engagement approach that meaningfully incorporates community input and reflects authentic collaboration through shared or co-created decision-making. • Utilizes culturally responsive strategies to reduce barriers to participation and prioritize the inclusion of historically underrepresented communities.
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2	<p>Anticipated Project End Date Project must be completed within 2 years of project start date.</p>	
3	<p>Project Schedule Please include a proposed project schedule (scope of work) outlining measurable outcomes, key activities (including transit focused activities), and the month(s) in which each activity will occur. The proposed schedule should begin until March 31, 2027, at the earliest, to account for time to negotiate a grant agreement with VTA.</p>	<p><u>For Evaluation</u> – Maximum (8) points would be awarded for an application that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurable outcomes are clearly stated and aligned with proposed work. • Activities and milestones are specific, feasible and clearly support stated outcomes. • Timeline is clear, month-by-month, realistic and begins no earlier than March 31, 2027.

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5	<p>Financial Need and Risk Please describe the financial and logistical challenges your organization would encounter in moving this project forward if your organization does not receive this grant. <i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or less)</i></p>	
6	<p>Organizational Readiness Is your organization or fiscal sponsor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Current with IRS Form 990 filings. <input type="checkbox"/> In good standing with the Secretary of State. <input type="checkbox"/> No outstanding IRS or state compliance issues. <input type="checkbox"/> Established systems to track and report grant expenditures. <input type="checkbox"/> Ability to submit financial/expense documentation on schedule. <input type="checkbox"/> Neither the applicant nor its fiscal sponsor are currently involved in any legal proceedings, investigations, or disputes that could materially affect the applicant's operations, financial stability or ability to carry out the proposed grant activities. 	<p>Check for organizational readiness regarding all the noted financial requirements.</p>
7	<p>Project Team Please provide your staffing plan to complete your proposed project. <i>(Please limit your response to 600 characters (100 words) or fewer)</i></p>	<p>For informational purposes</p>
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- Equitable Actions and Outcomes	15 points		
- Transit-Supportive Activities	5 points		
- Transit Propensity	15 points		
Administrative	20 points		
- Schedule	8 points		
- Budget	8 points		
- Partnerships	4 points		
Total	100 points		60/100 points

Program D: Placekeeping, Arts, and Activation

	Application Section	Evaluation
Q#	Section 1: Applicant Information	
1	Applicant Point of Contact (First, Last)	For information – not evaluation
2	Applicant Contact Email	
3	Applicant Phone	
4	Applicant Type Select from: Local Agency, Community Based Organization	Local Agency → Section 1-A Community-Based Organization → Section 1-B

Q#	Section 1-A: Applicant Information (Local Agencies)	
4.1 (A)	Agency Name	For informational purposes
4.2 (A)	Agency Address	
4.3 (A)	Agency Website	
4.4 (A)	VTA Collaboration Has your agency engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	
4.5 (A)	Pending or Unexecuted Agreements If your agency previously received a TOC Program grant, do you have any pending or unexecuted grant agreements with VTA? (Yes/No) As noted in the NOFA, previous TOC grant awardees are not eligible for additional funding for the same project. However, past awardees may reapply if they have an executed agreement(s) and are proposing a different, eligible project.	
4.7 (A)	Grant Amount Request Please provide committed or anticipated funding match amount and the source of the match.	Applicant Match Requirement
4.8 (A)	Match Please provide committed or anticipated funding match amount and the source of the match. Note: 15% match requirement for Local Agencies (in-kind services allowed).	

Q#	Section 1-B: Applicant Information (Community Based Organizations)	
4.1 (B)	Organization Name Organization title needs to match your federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If your organization is Doing Business As (DBA) under a different name, please also note this clearly	For informational purposes
4.2 (B)	Organization Address	
4.3 (B)	Organization Website	
4.4 (B)	Organization Description/Mission Statement <i>(Please limit your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)</i>	
4.5 (B)	Years serving Santa Clara County Applicants must be serving Santa Clara County for a minimum of one year	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
4.6 (B)	VTA Collaboration Has your organization engaged or collaborated with VTA departments in the last 12 months? Have you ever received funding from VTA? If so, please describe.	
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4.8 (B)	Grant Amount Request Note: maximum request is \$25,000	
4.9 (B)	Additional Funding Sources Please identify any additional grant funding sources and amounts, as applicable, that your organization intends to use for the delivery of this project. Please be sure to include information about additional funding sources as part of the budget.	For informational purposes
5	Please identify whether your organization has 501(c)3 Non-Profit status, or is using a 501(c)3 Fiscal Sponsor Two options: A. My organization is a 501(c)3 non-profit B. My organization is partnering with a 501(c)3 non-profit fiscal sponsor	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
5.1 (A)	501(c)3 Status Please provide the Federal EIN for your organization. Please attach your Determination Letter from the IRS, available at: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/tax-exempt-organization-search	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
5.1 (B)	Please identify the 501(c)3 Non-Profit Fiscal Sponsor with whom your organization is partnering Organization title needs to match the federal tax ID number for verification purposes. If the organization is Doing Business As (DBA) under a different name, please also note this clearly	For informational purposes

5.2 (B)	501(c)3 Status of Fiscal Sponsor Please provide the Federal EIN for your Fiscal Sponsor. Please attach the fiscal sponsor's Determination Letter from the IRS, available at: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/tax-exempt-organization-search	Applicant Eligibility Requirement
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Q#	Section 2: Project Information	
1	Project Name Please share the name of your project. It should be descriptive and succinct.	For informational purposes
2	Brief Project Description Please provide a brief paragraph describing your project. (Please keep your response to 500 characters (80 words) or fewer)	
3	Project Location/Address (Street address, City, Zip Code) Note: Project location must be within one-half mile of VTA Transit Station, Transit Center, or one-quarter mile of Frequent Bus Corridor.	Confirm geographic eligibility
4	TOC Station/Transit Center/ Frequent Bus Corridor Please select the eligible station/transit center from the drop-down menu: (You may also use the online TOC VTA Grant Eligibility Map to confirm which eligible geography your project falls within).	Confirm geographic eligibility
5	Project Type Select one or more of the following eligible project types that best describe your Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and culture projects that enhance transit connectivity and community culture/identity (e.g., neighborhood murals and public art created by community members and art-based community activations) <input type="checkbox"/> Universal and inclusive design, accessible, image-based, color-based wayfinding that works for residents of all ages, abilities, and languages <input type="checkbox"/> Public cultural and community celebrations that reinforce existing community and drive increased and sustained transit use (e.g., outdoor activities that are viewable from the street and publicly accessible, such as street festivals, performances, experimental art exhibits, food and maker pop-ups) <input type="checkbox"/> Projects that address a gap or need in communities lacking placekeeping, arts, and activation activities that celebrate their neighborhood and culture connections to transit and the rider experience. <input type="checkbox"/> Integrating elements into existing facilities or streetscape elements to create functional art or beautification (shade, seating, bike racks etc.). <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) <p>Note: If applicant is proposing a public art project on VTA - owned land or facilities, VTA consultation is recommended and available by contacting tocgrant@vta.org as early as possible.</p>	Confirm eligible activity

6	<p>Project Narrative</p> <p>Describe briefly summarize your proposed project, including the goals, measurable outcomes and activities of the proposed project. Additionally, please include information about all existing or planned partnerships and collaborations that are necessary for the project's implementation. Include how it demonstrates alignment with the TOC Grant Program Goals as described in Section III.C of the Notice of Funding Availability and Program Area C description.</p> <p>Please note construction activities such as new infrastructure or building construction do not qualify for VTA Transit-Oriented Communities Grant funding.</p> <p>(Please keep your response to 2,400 characters (400 words) or fewer)</p>	<p><u>For evaluation</u> – Maximum (30) points would be awarded for an application that includes activities that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflects specific activities, clearly explains the goals, measurable outcomes, and partnerships necessary for the proposed project to achieve its impact potential. • Clearly promote local Santa Clara County artists, culture, history, or value by hosting public events or programs, <u>or</u> providing public art by local artists (based within Santa Clara County) in publicly accessible spaces that aim to preserve and strengthen community identity, in an area that currently lacks art and activation. • Clearly contributes to the pedestrian experience through programs that directly improve pedestrian safety and comfort for all community members with a focus on vulnerable groups such as youth and senior populations.
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