

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Managers
Planning Directors
Public Works Directors
Technical Advisory Committee Members
Capital Improvement Program Working Group Members

FROM: Jane Shinn, 2016 Measure B Program Manager 

DATE: October 5, 2020

SUBJECT: 2016 Measure B Innovative Transit Service Models Competitive Grant Program
Call-for-Projects FY2020 – FY2021

This memorandum serves as the Call-for-Projects for the 2016 Measure B Innovative Transit Service Models Competitive Grant Program of the funding cycle FY2020 – FY2021.

As part of the 2016 Measure B Transit Operations program, the Innovative Transit Service Models program supports affordable new innovative transit service models to address first/last mile connections to transit, serving vulnerable, underserved and transit dependent populations.

PROJECT APPLICATIONS DUE:

Date: **Monday, December 7, 2020**
Time: 4:00 PM
Email only: 2016MeasureB@vta.org

Funds Available

The 2016 Measure B Innovative Transit Service Models competitive grant program has approximately \$6 million available for FY2020 – FY2021. This includes the adopted FY2018 – FY2019 allocations. Each application must request a minimum of \$250,000 per proposal. The maximum grant award per sponsoring agency can be no more than 50% of the total available funds per call for projects per cycle, unless the cycle is undersubscribed. Any project cost estimate should be in 2020 dollars.

Criteria

Project applications will be scored on the criteria adopted by the VTA Board of Directors:

- Innovative service/business model
- First/last mile connections

- Serves vulnerable/transit-dependent population
- Affordable service
- Serves underserved market
- Project readiness
- Non-2016 Measure B contribution
- Cost-effectiveness

Please refer to the attachment of program criteria for descriptions and specific point values.

Application

Please follow these steps:

- Step 1: Read through the program criteria and program process.
- Step 2: Complete the attached application with reference to the application guideline.
- Step 3: Email the completed application packet (including all attachments) to 2016MeasureB@vta.org by 4:00PM on Monday, December 7th, 2020.

Program Schedule

Call for Projects Released	October 5, 2020
Application Deadline	December 7, 2020
Scoring Committee Reviews Proposals	January 2021
Advisory & Standing Committee Approval – Projects	February 2021
VTA Board Approval – Project Lists	Spring 2021

Attachments

1. 2016 Measure B Transit Operations Program Guideline
2. 2016 Measure B Innovative Transit Service Models Competitive Grant Program Documents:
 - a. Program Criteria
 - b. Program Process
 - c. Application
 - d. Application Guideline