

2027-2029 Consolidated Grant PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Process

Training: July 15, 2026



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Today

- **Overview of PSRC's Role in Consolidated Grant**
- **Regional Priority Ranking Process**
- **Regional Priority Ranking Factors**
- **Questions & Answers**
Please type questions into the Zoom Q&A



PSRC's Role in the 2027–2029 Process

- **WSDOT manages and allocates the Consolidated Grant funds.**
- **PSRC provides regional priority rankings to WSDOT for specialized transportation projects seeking Consolidated Grant funds in the PSRC region.**
- **PSRC Region for the Consolidated Grant:**
 - King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties
 - Kitsap County is prioritized through Peninsula RTPO

PSRC's Role in the 2027–2029 Process (Continued)

- **PSRC recommends priority projects for the state's evaluation by assigning priority rankings (A, B, C, or D).**
 - For the 2027–29 biennium PSRC can distribute **6As, 7Bs, 6 Cs, and unlimited number of Ds.**
 - 4-year projects will receive the same ABC ranking they received from the 2025–27 process.

Priority Ranking Process for PSRC Region



For more information, visit the PSRC webpage:
<https://www.psrc.org/our-work/funding/project-selection/specialized-transportation-funding>

Application Due: September 9, 2026



Remember to submit the same application to WSDOT (via Grants Management System) and PSRC (email to jkim@psrc.org) by 3:00pm on September 9, 2026.

NOTE: Kitsap County participates through the Peninsula RTPO.



WSDOT Grant Management System – PDF Export



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Grantee

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Status: **Editing**

Stage: Final Application

Application Due Date: Sep 9, 2026 3:01 PM

Program Area: Consolidated Grant Program

Funding Opportunity: 38336-2027-2029 Consolidated Grant Program - Operating

Organization: Puget Sound Regional Council

Requested Total:

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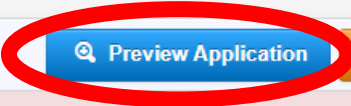
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Application cannot be Submitted Currently

- Application Budget is lower than the allowable limit
- Application components are not complete

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Summary of Project Information	-	

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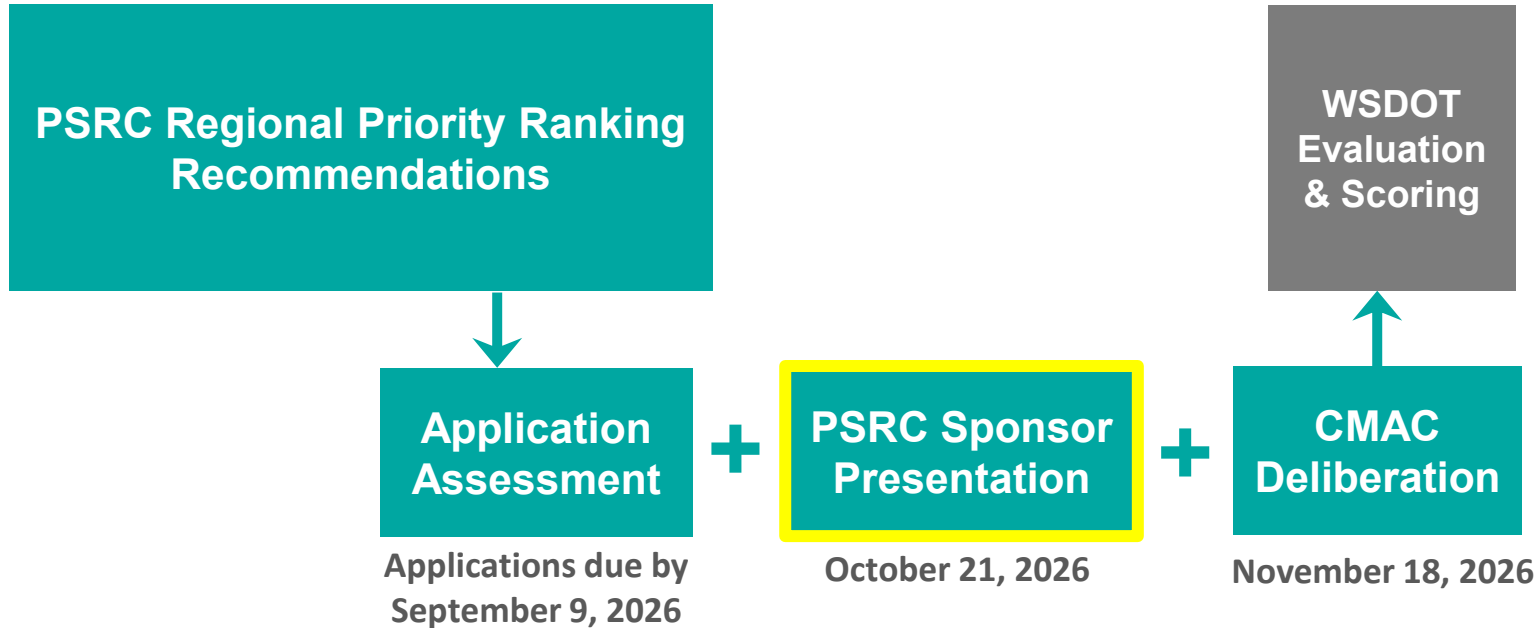
Initially Submitted By:

Last Submit Date:

Last Submitted By:

Sponsor Presentations: October 21, 2026

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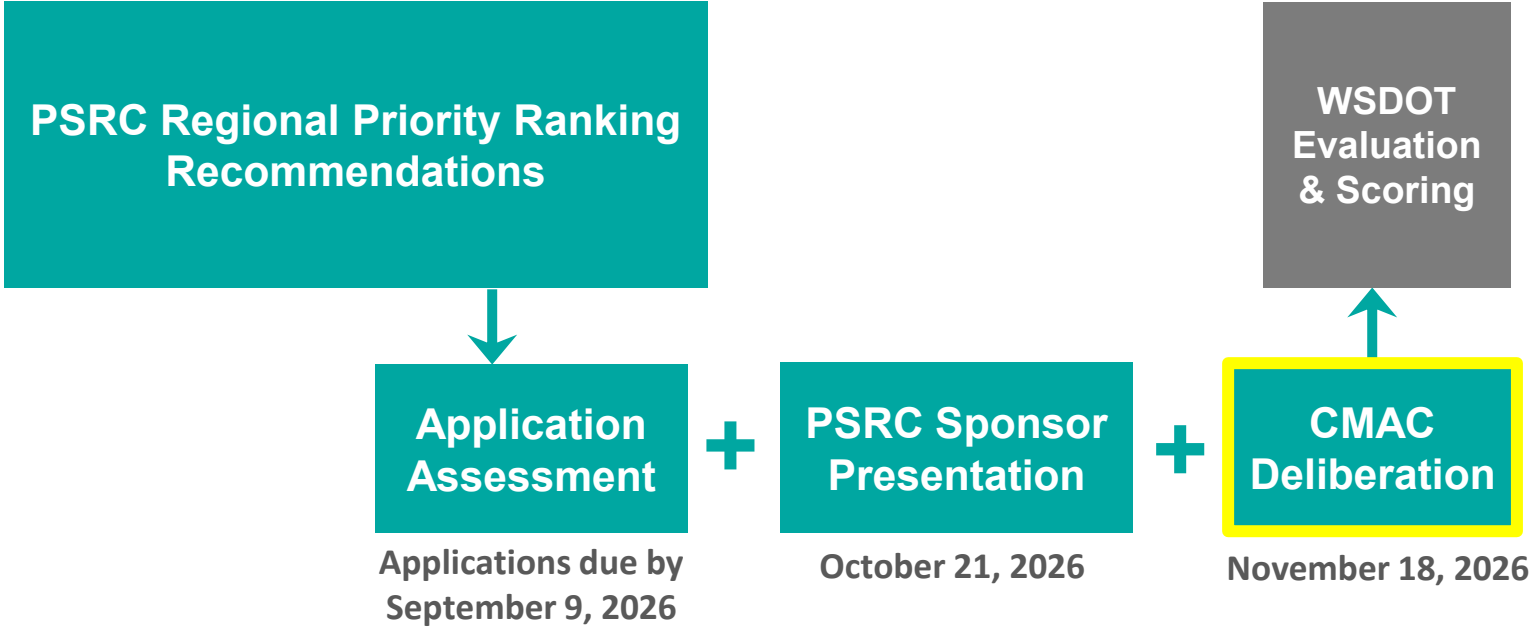
Applicants are required to present each of their projects to be considered for a regional ranking.

The exact schedule of presentations will be set after September 9, based on the volume of applications submitted.



CMAC Deliberation: November 18, 2026

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PSRC Coordinated Mobility and Accessibility Committee (CMAC) will recommend regional rankings at their November 18 meeting (starts at 9:30am).



Regional Priority Ranking Factors

- Applicants are expected **to address both WSDOT's evaluation criteria and PSRC's Regional Priority Ranking Factors** in their applications.
- PSRC's Regional Priority Ranking Factors are designed to help implement the **Coordinated Mobility Plan**:
<https://www.psrc.org/planning-2050/regional-transportation-plan/coordinated-mobility-plan>



REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

2026–2050

COORDINATED MOBILITY PLAN

May 2026


Puget Sound Regional Council



Defining Priority Populations



The Coordinated Mobility Plan defines “people with accessibility and mobility needs” or “priority populations” as:

- Youth
- Older Adults
- People with Low Incomes
- People with Disabilities
- People with Limited English Proficiency



Regional Priority Ranking Factors (continued)

- 1. Preservation of Existing Programs**
- 2. Alignment with “High” Prioritized Strategies**
- 3. Service Coordination**
- 4. Performance Measures and Targets**
- 5. Community Support**



Assessment Approach

- **PSRC staff reviews applications for each factor.**
 - A **“Yes” response** indicates the project application fully addresses the factor.
 - A **“No” response** indicates the project application does not adequately address the factor.
 - **NOTE:** PSRC may award a “partial yes” if an application is very close to a “yes” but missing one of multiple components for a factor.
- **PSRC re-evaluates and adjusts the evaluations after Sponsor Presentations.**



1. Preservation of Existing Programs

Goal

Support existing services people rely on before funding expansion or new projects.

Evaluation Method

A project will receive a “Yes” if it indicates the funding will be used to support the established service level of an existing project.



2. Alignment with High Prioritized Strategies

Goal

Projects that align with high priority regional strategies should be prioritized in regional ranking.

Evaluation Method

A project will receive a “Yes” if it identifies (at least one) “High” prioritized strategy that the project supports **and** explains how the project aligns with that strategy.



PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Factors

<https://www.psrc.org/sites/default/files/2026-06/2026regionalpriorityranking-guidanceattach.pdf>

Mobility Need	Project Type	Key Implementers	"High" Priority Strategy
#1: Better cross-agency and cross-county coordination for a seamless travel experience.	Operations (sustain/new)	Transit agencies, specialized transportation providers, jurisdictions, and local stakeholders	Strategy 1.1: Strengthen coordination among transit, paratransit, and other specialized transportation providers to ensure a more seamless travel experience for priority populations.
#2: Shorter wait times and more reliable transfers and return trips.	Vehicle/Equipment (System Improvement), Planning	Transit agencies, specialized transportation providers, and mobility management programs	Strategy 2.1: Improve the reliability and responsiveness of transit, paratransit, and other specialized transportation by improving dispatch systems, real-time communication, and coordination of return trips.

Applications addressing "High" prioritized strategies will receive a "yes"

Mobility Need	Project Type	Key Implementers	"Other" Priority Strategy
#1: Better cross-agency and cross-county coordination for a seamless travel experience.	Vehicle/Equipment (system improvement), Planning	Transit agencies	Strategy 1.2: Ensure fare payment options for ADA paratransit are equivalent to fixed-route transit, improving convenience, accessibility, and regional interoperability. Strategy 1.3: Improve rider experience for people using ADA paratransit and other specialized transportation by making eligibility and trip request processes more accessible and user-friendly.

Applications only addressing "Other" strategies will receive a "no"



3. Service Coordination

Goal

Projects must demonstrate they are part of a coordinated approach and not an unnecessary duplication of service to maximize the benefit of available resources.

Evaluation Method

A project will receive a “Yes” if it clearly explains how the service or program is coordinated with services in or near the service area or programs similar in nature **and** demonstrates that any overlapping services or programs are not unnecessarily duplicative.



4. Performance Measures and Targets

Goal

Capture and track the impact of projects receiving Consolidated Grant funding.

Evaluation Method

A project will receive a “Yes” if it:

- Provides **required performance data**;
- Includes **priority population details** for at least one required measure; **and**
- **Sets targets** for all measures



State Requirements + PSRC Requirements

Required Performance Measures and Targets based on project type:

OPERATING

- Passenger trips
 - Revenue vehicle miles
 - Revenue vehicle hours (or Revenue volunteer hours, if applying for volunteer transportation)
- + Priority Population Detail** on at least one measure

CAPITAL

- Vehicle Useful Life Benchmark
 - Vehicle Mileage
 - Vehicle Year
- + Priority Population Detail** on at least one measure

MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

Information Referral & Assistance

- Number of clients receiving trip planning services
- Number of referrals made

Mobility Coalitions

- Number of mobility coalition meetings
- Number of mobility coalition participants
- Number of unique agencies represented at the meetings

Travel Training

- Number of training sessions provided to clients
- Number of clients trained

+ Priority Population Detail on at least one measure



5. Community Support

Goal

Ensure projects are addressing community needs through engagement – especially with priority populations.

Evaluation Method

A project will receive a “Yes” if it:

- **Identifies priority populations served by the project** with supportive information or data;
- Describes engagement with priority populations; **and**
- Clearly explains **how the project will address gaps or priorities** identified through engagement.



PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Materials

PSRC Specialized Transportation Funding Webpage:

<https://www.psrc.org/our-work/funding/project-selection/specialized-transportation-funding>

- Schedule
- Regional Priority Ranking Factors Guidance
- Excerpt of Prioritized Strategies from Coordinated Mobility Plan
- Population Density Maps by County
- 2025–2027 PSRC Region Projects Funded by Consolidated Grant



Webpage

<https://www.psrc.org/our-work/funding/project-selection/specialized-transportation-funding>



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Specialized transportation serves older adults, people with disabilities, people with low incomes, youth, and other people with mobility and accessibility needs. Specialized transportation, such as ADA paratransit, demand-response vans, or volunteer transportation programs, fills gaps in the regional transit network



Contact Information & Resources

PSRC Staff Contact: Jean Kim (jkim@psrc.org)

- PSRC's Specialized Transportation Funding Webpage: <https://www.psrc.org/our-work/funding/project-selection/specialized-transportation-funding>

WSDOT Community Transportation Planners serving the PSRC region:

- King & Pierce: Matthew Cramer (matthew.cramer@wsdot.wa.gov)
- Snohomish County: Katie Stanford (katie.stanford@wsdot.wa.gov)
- WSDOT Consolidated Grant Webpage: <https://wsdot.wa.gov/business-wsdot/grants/public-transportation-grants/grant-programs-and-awards/consolidated>



Important Dates



Application Deadline: September 9 by 3:00pm

Agencies must submit the same applications to both WSDOT (via GMS) and PSRC (email jkim@psrc.org) by September 9.



Sponsor Presentations: October 21 (beginning at 9:30am)

Project sponsors will provide a short presentation on their projects (less than 10 minutes).



2027-2029 Deliberation Meeting: November 18 (9:30am-3:00pm)

CMAC voting members should attend for recommendations. Project sponsors are encouraged to attend for possible Q&As.





Thank You!

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