PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Process for WSDOT 2021-23 Consolidated Grant Competition

Special Needs Transportation Committee
July 15, 2020
2021-2023 WSDOT Consolidated Grant Schedule

WSDOT
- Call for Projects
  - July 23, 2020

PSRC
- Submit Grant Application to WSDOT & PSRC
  - October 30, 2020
- PSRC Regional Priorities Recommendation
  - November – January 2021 (SNTC Deliberation: January 20, 2021)
- PSRC Regional Rankings
- WSDOT Evaluation & Scoring
  - February – May 2021
- WSDOT Award
  - Special Needs Project Implementation
- Project begins July 1, 2021
# 2021-2023 WSDOT Consolidated Grant Timeline with PSRC Regional Priority Recommendation Dates

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<td>July 23, 2020</td>
<td>WSDOT Notice of Funding Opportunity</td>
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<td>August (Date TBD), 2020</td>
<td>PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Training</td>
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<td>October 30, 2020</td>
<td><strong>Application Deadline for 2020 Consolidated Grant</strong> – must submit same applications to both WSDOT (<a href="mailto:PTDGrants@WSDOT.wa.gov">PTDGrants@WSDOT.wa.gov</a>) and PSRC (<a href="mailto:jkim@psrc.org">jkim@psrc.org</a>) by 5:00pm on October 30, 2020.</td>
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<td>January 15, 2021</td>
<td>WSDOT Due Date for Revised State Applications – <em>if applicable</em></td>
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<td>January 20, 2021</td>
<td>PSRC Special Needs Transportation Committee 2021-2023 Consolidated Grant Regional Priority Ranking Recommendation</td>
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<td>January 27, 2021</td>
<td>PSRC Transportation Operators Committee Regional Priority Ranking Recommendation</td>
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<td>February 11, 2021</td>
<td>PSRC Transportation Policy Board Regional Priority Ranking Recommendation</td>
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<td>February 25, 2021</td>
<td>PSRC Executive Board Decision on Regional Priority Rankings</td>
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<td>May 14, 2021</td>
<td>WSDOT Funded Project List Announced and Award Letters Sent</td>
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<td>July 1, 2021</td>
<td>Project Begins</td>
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Regional Priority Ranking Factors: 2020 Competition

1. Project Type (New vs. Existing)
   • Evaluation Question: Is the application for preservation or to support ongoing operations of an existing program?

2. Support for Coordinated Plan
   • Evaluation Question: Does the application support PSRC’s Coordinated Plan by addressing at least one of the “Emerging Needs and Gaps” and at least one “High Prioritized Strategy”?

3. Uniqueness of Service or Program
   • Evaluation Question: Does the application provide information demonstrating there are no alternate public transportation options for the populations served by the program within the same geographic area?
4. Performance Measures and Targets

• Evaluation Question: Does the application commit to tracking required, project-specific performance measures and set grant-cycle-related targets for those performance measures? (See table 2 on slide 6).

5. Financial Sustainability

• Evaluation Question: Does the application demonstrate that it is providing more than the minimum required match from local sources in its project budget?
### Table 2: Required & Suggested Performance Measures by Project Type

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<th>Program Types</th>
<th>Required Performance Measures</th>
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<td><strong>Operating Projects</strong></td>
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<td>All Operating Projects</td>
<td>• Passenger trips</td>
<td>• Revenue vehicle hours</td>
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<td>• Revenue vehicle miles</td>
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<td><strong>Capital Projects</strong></td>
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<td>Vehicle Projects</td>
<td>Vehicle Useful Life Benchmark (ULB) in years. (ULB is defined as the expected lifecycle of a capital asset for a particular Transit Provider’s operating environment, or the acceptable period of use in service for a particular Transit Provider’s operating environment). For more information, see: <a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM">https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM</a>.</td>
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<td>Other Projects</td>
<td>Please see Federal Transit Administration guidance (<a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM">https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM</a>) to develop relevant performance measures and targets</td>
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<td><strong>Mobility Management Projects</strong></td>
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| Information Referral & Assistance Projects | • Number of clients receiving trip planning services  
• Number of calls fielded and/or website clicks or impressions  
• Number of trips planned and/or referrals made  
NOTE: In the case of performance measures with “and/or” options, the applicant should be specific as to which measure(s) they commit to tracking. | • Number of trips completed  
• Number of unduplicated clients receiving trip planning services |
| Travel Training, Education, & Orientation Projects | • Number of trainings provided to clients  
• Number of unduplicated clients trained  
• Number of unduplicated organizational staff trained | • Number of clients trained  
• Number of trainings provided to organizational staff |
| Mobility Coalition Projects       | • Number of mobility coalition meetings  
• Number of mobility coalition meeting participants, excluding your own agency’s staff  
• Number of unique agencies represented at the meetings | • Percentage of work program goals achieved |
Additional Considerations for Deliberation

• Geographical distribution of regional priority rankings
• Project types
• Agency equity
• Compelling cases for agencies with limited resources
• Strategic application of federal/state funds
• Coordination
Questions?

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