

Public Notice: Provide Comments or Request a Public Hearing on TriMet’s List of Projects with new Federal Transit Administration funding in Fiscal Year 2024

TriMet is offering an opportunity to submit comments or request a Public Hearing on the Proposed Program of Projects (POP) described in this notice. The Public Hearing is an opportunity for you to submit comments in person rather than via the email link federal_funding@trimet.org. If requested, the Public Hearing will be held at TriMet’s Harrison Square Building on Wednesday, April 12, 2023. A TriMet staff member will be present at the Public Hearing with a tape recorder to tape your comments; however, there will be no members of TriMet’s Board of Directors present. If no request for a Public Hearing is received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, the Proposed Program of Projects shown below will become the Final Program of Projects.

Details of the Proposed FY 2024 Program of Projects are as follows:

FTA Funding Source	Federal Amount	Federal %	Local Amount	Total Project
1. Section 5337 State of Good Repair Grants Formula Program	\$39,847,900	80.00%	\$ 9,961,975	\$49,809,875
2. Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals w/Disabilities Formula Program	\$ 2,020,560	73.66%	\$ 722,544	\$ 2,743,144
3. STBG Surface Transportation Block Grant	\$14,073,323	89.73%	\$ 1,610,755	\$15,684,078
4. CMAQ Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality	\$13,000,000	89.73%	\$ 1,487,908	\$14,487,908
5. MAP-21 Section 20005(b) Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Pilot Program	\$ 315,000	74.62%	\$ 107,124	\$ 422,124
TOTAL	\$69,256,783		\$13,890,306	\$83,147,129

1. Section 5337 State of Good Repair (High Intensity Motorbus and High Intensity Fixed Guideway)

Project name: Bus & Rail Preventive Maintenance (capital expense)

Description: Labor and materials/services used for on-going maintenance of Bus and Rail fleets in TriMet’s service district of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties.

2. Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities

Project name: Elderly and persons with disability services (capital and operating expense)

Description: To fund mobility management activities, purchase of services, operating, and preventive maintenance on vehicles for services focused on the elderly and persons with disabilities within the Portland Urbanized Area.

Funds will be passed through to Ride Connection and used for TriMet’s LIFT Paratransit services.

Subrecipient: Ride Connection

3. Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) – Combined total of \$14,073,323 federal, shown as follows:

a. Project name: Debt Service Payments – \$8,800,000 (capital expense)

Description: Principal and interest payments on GARVEE bonds TriMet issued to partially finance large capital investments, such as Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail, Portland-Lake Oswego Transit, Division Transit, certain ODOT projects (highway/arterials), Powell Garage, and other eligible capital projects identified in the bond issuances.

b. Project name: Bus & Rail Preventive Maintenance – \$3,708,384 (capital expense)

Description: Labor and materials/services used for on-going maintenance of Bus and Rail fleets in TriMet’s service district of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties.

c. Project name: Replacement Buses - \$1,564,939 (capital expense)

Description: Purchase of 40' Battery Electric Buses for replacement.

4. Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)

Project name: Debt Service Payments (capital expense)

Description: Principal and interest payments on GARVEE bonds TriMet issued to partially finance large capital investments such as Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail, Portland-Lake Oswego Transit, Division Transit, certain ODOT projects (highway/arterials), Powell Garage, and other eligible capital projects identified in the bond issuances.

5. MAP-21 Section 20005(b) Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Pilot Program

Project name: Eastside Park & Ride TOD Transition Project (operating expense)

Description: Planning work will promote the activation of two under-utilized park & ride facilities located on MAX Blue light rail line at Burnside Street and 122nd Avenue and Burnside and 181st Avenue. This work will also leverage other capacity enhancing investments in TriMet’s MAX system by clarifying the appropriate types, densities and forms of development at each location and highlighting ways for all stakeholders to participate in this development.

Some of the awards listed above are based on estimates. Actual receipt and the accounting recognition of grant revenues are contingent on when awards are executed in FTA’s federal system.

Details of additional programs for the FY 2023 Program of Projects are as follows:

FTA Funding Source	Federal Amount	Federal %	Local Amount	Total Project
1. FY2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act - Community Project Funding	\$ 3,000,000	62.57%	\$1,794,292	\$ 4,794,292
1. FY2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act - Community Project Funding	\$ 5,000,000	80.00%	\$1,250,000	\$ 6,250,000
1. FY2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act - Community Project Funding	\$ 5,000,000	59.17%	\$3,450,000	\$ 8,450,000
1. FY2022 & 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act - Community Project Funding	\$ 4,000,000	83.33%	\$ 800,192	\$ 4,800,192
2. Section 5339 Bus & Bus Facilities Competitive Program	\$ 5,566,583	80.00%	\$1,391,646	\$ 6,958,229
3. Section 5307 Urbanized Area (ARP Act)	\$ 514,045	100.00%	\$ 0	\$ 514,045
4. Section 20005(b) Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development	\$ 350,000	66.67%	\$ 174,974	\$ 524,974
TOTAL	\$23,430,628		\$8,861,104	\$32,291,732

1. Consolidated Appropriations Act – Combined total of \$17,000,000, shown as follows:

- a. Project name: Blue Line Station Rehab/82nd Avenue MAX Station Improvement – \$3,000,000 (capital expense)
 Description: This project implements Phase 1 of the rehabilitation recommended in TriMet’s Blue Line Station Rehabilitation (BLSR) project by making critical station improvements to TriMet’s 82nd Avenue MAX Station to support ridership recovery, improve urban design and user experience and improve safety and access to transit.

- b. Project name: Oregon City Transit Center Redesign - \$5,000,000 (capital expense)
Description: The project will expand and retrofit the existing Oregon City transit center to add bus layover facilities, improve amenities for bus operators to address the bus operator shortage and make lighting and stop improvements to address transit rider needs. These improvements are necessary to expand bus service in Clackamas County.
- c. Project name: Willamette Shore Line Rail & Trestle Repair - Phase I & II - \$4,000,000 (capital expense)
Description: This project will ultimately repair and restore structural integrity to several timber trestle structures on the Willamette Shore Line Trolley alignment to ensure long-term viability of trolley service.
- d. Project name: Merlo Bus Garage Zero Emission Retrofit - \$5,000,000 (capital expense)
Description: This project completes the first phase of a retrofit of TriMet's Merlo bus garage maintenance building as part of broader strategy for expansion of zero emission, battery electric buses (BEBs). It also supports adding more service and future articulated (higher-capacity, 60 ft) buses on the westside of the Portland region, expands charging infrastructure and retrofitting of the maintenance facility as a first step to scaling up the Merlo garage for future charging, maintenance, and service deployment of articulated and BEBs.

2. Section 5339 Buses and Bus Facilities

Project name: Beaverton Transit Center Bus Layover Improvements (capital expense)

Description: Funds will be used at TriMet's Beaverton Transit Center, to relocate, reconfigure and expand the pick-up and bus layover area to increase safety, support planned service upgrades and provide space for sixty-foot, articulated, battery electric buses.

3. Section 5307 Urbanized Area (ARP) Act

Project name: Forward Together 2.0 (operating)

Description: The purpose of this grant is to provide TriMet with planning funds associated with the restoration of transit service as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic subsides.

4. Section 20005(b) Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development

Project name: Red Line Next Generation Transit-Oriented Development Project

Description: This project will serve under-developed station areas along the west extension of the MAX Red Line and the east portion of the Red Line corridor by establishing a model for future TOD planning and implementation in middle-ring geographies. Project activities are intended to influence near and long-term economic, housing, public space and infrastructure planning, zoning and development.

All projects, except those funded through ARP or Section 20005(b), have been selected through TriMet's planning process, which incorporates public involvement and are included in the Metropolitan and State Transportation Improvement Programs.

In addition, amounts above may not tie to TriMet's current budget as funds may be spent over multiple years.