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FY 2023 Thriving Communities Program Recipients Announced

On April 15, 2024, U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigleg announced \$23.6 million in cooperative agreements with three National Capacity Builders (TCP-N) and six Regional Capacity Builders (TCP-R) through the second round of funding for the Thriving Communities Program. The awarded National Capacity Builders will support a total of 52 communities in 35 states and the Regional Capacity Builders will support 60 communities in Alaska, Colorado, Louisiana, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, and West Virginia. A total of 112 communities will receive support through the second round of the program, bringing the total number of communities supported to 176 across the two program years.

This planning, technical assistance, and capacity building support will enable disadvantaged and under-resourced communities to advance a pipeline of transformative infrastructure projects that will increase mobility, reduce pollution, and expand affordable

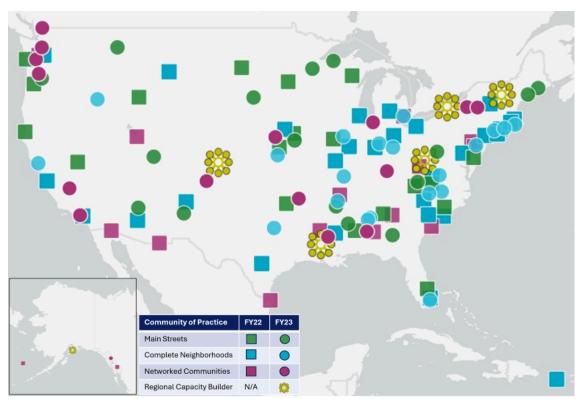
National Capacity Builders Regional Capacity Builders States Represented **Communities Supported**

In funding for Capacity Builders

transportation options, connecting communities to the essential opportunities and resources that will help them thrive.

<u>Learn more about the selected Capacity Builders and communities</u> and the <u>FY 2023 runners up</u>.

Interested in seeing the progress our 64 FY 2022 communities and their Capacity Builders have made? <u>Check out Thriving Communities in Action to learn more!</u>



Communities receiving support through the FY 2022 and FY 2023 Thriving Communities Programs. 176 communities are receiving support across the two years, including 64 communities supported in FY 2022 and 112 total communities supported through the FY 2023 National and Regional programs.

Building Community Capacity to Take Transformative Projects from Concept to Completion

Program Overview

Funded with an initial \$25 million through the <u>Consolidated Appropriations</u> <u>Act of 2022</u>, the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) new Thriving Communities Program (TCP) aims to ensure that disadvantaged communities adversely or disproportionately affected by environmental, climate, and human health policy outcomes have the technical tools and organizational capacity to compete for federal aid and deliver quality infrastructure projects that enable their communities and neighborhoods to thrive. Recognizing the importance of this transformative new program, Congress appropriated an additional \$25 million to USDOT through the <u>Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023</u>.

TCP facilitates the planning and development of transportation and community revitalization activities and provides tools to ensure that under-resourced communities can access the historic funding provided in the <u>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law</u> (BIL).



The Thriving Communities Program is administered by the <u>Build America Bureau</u> as part of its broader efforts to provide technical assistance to communities.

The Thriving Communities Program is part of the larger Federal Thriving Communities Initiative. USDOT is coordinating with other federal agencies through the Thriving Communities Network, including the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ☐ along with the Department of Energy, the Environmental Protection Agency, and others. USDOT also invites partnerships with local and national philanthropic organizations to ensure that all communities can access funding resources and implement programs that help them to thrive.



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