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Introduce yourself in the chat!

- Name
- Role
- Municipality or Organization

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Today’s Session

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• Community Connections Investment Program
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MPO Overview
What is an MPO?

A federally required planning entity that engages governments (elected officials and various transportation agencies), residents, and other stakeholders in a **collaborative and transparent public process** to:

- **CREATE FRAMEWORK**
  - Long-Range Transportation Plan
  - 20-year vision and goals for the transportation system and prioritizing projects and programs to meet the vision

- **INVEST**
  - Transportation Improvement Program
  - Rolling, five-year capital investment plan, including the shorter-term investments that help realize the long-term vision

- **STUDY & ANALYZE**
  - Unified Planning Work Program
  - Annual work program for how federal planning funds are allocated to studies and technical analyses to benefit the region

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Who Serves on the Boston Region MPO Board?
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22 voting members

Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
Massachusetts Port Authority

12 elected municipalities:
  4 at-large
  8 subregions

2 for City of Boston

Regional Transportation Advisory Council
MBTA Advisory Board
Metropolitan Area Planning Council

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MPO Vision
A modern, well-maintained transportation system that supports a sustainable, healthy, livable, and economically vibrant region.

MPO Goals
MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
TIP Overview

1. What is the TIP?
   - Five-year, rolling capital plan for Boston region
   - Allocates all federal highway and transit funds
   - Includes projects prioritized by MPO, MassDOT, MBTA, MWRTA, and CATA

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MPO Investment Programs

- Guide MPO decision-making
- Help municipalities understand MPO priorities

Boston Region’s programming goals for a five-year period

- 45% Transit Modernization
- 30% Community Connections
- 13% Bicycle and Pedestrian
- 5% Complete Streets*
- 5% Intersection Improvements
- 2% Major Infrastructure

*Now includes funding for Dedicated Bus Lanes
Community Connections (CC)
Investment Program
Community Connections Program: What is it?

- MPO’s funding program for
  - First- and last-mile solutions
  - Community transportation
  - Other small, nontraditional transportation projects

- Eligible applicants
  - Municipalities
  - Regional transit authorities
  - Transportation management associations or other organizations (via partnership with eligible entities)

- [https://www.bostonmpo.org/community-connections](https://www.bostonmpo.org/community-connections)
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Project Categories

Current round (funding available for FFY 2022)

- Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL)
- Bike-Supportive Infrastructure
  - Bikeshare stations and bikes
  - Bicycle parking and shelters
- Bus lanes
- Education about transportation options
- E-Ink signs for MBTA bus stops
- Parking Management
  - Parking leases
  - Payment systems
- Transit operations (new bus or shuttle service)
- Transit Signal Priority

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- **October 30, 2020**
  - Staff released CC application

- **December 11, 2020**
  - CC application due

- **January/February 2021**
  - CC projects scored and approved with rest of TIP

- **October 2021**
  - Awarded funds become available

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Regional Transit Service Planning Technical Support

- Technical support for issues related to
  - Route planning
  - Ridership
  - Cost-effectiveness
  - Other service characteristics

- Eligible applicants include regional transit authorities, transportation management associations, municipalities, and MAPC subregions

- [www.bostonmpo.org/regional_transit](http://www.bostonmpo.org/regional_transit)
Community Transportation Technical Assistance Program

- Technical assistance for issues related to
  - Safety and operational improvements for people walking
  - Accommodations for people biking
  - Traffic calming
  - Intersection redesign for effective and safe traffic channeling
  - Traffic-signal evaluations

- Municipalities are encouraged to apply

- [www.bostonmpo.org/ctt](http://www.bostonmpo.org/ctt)

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