

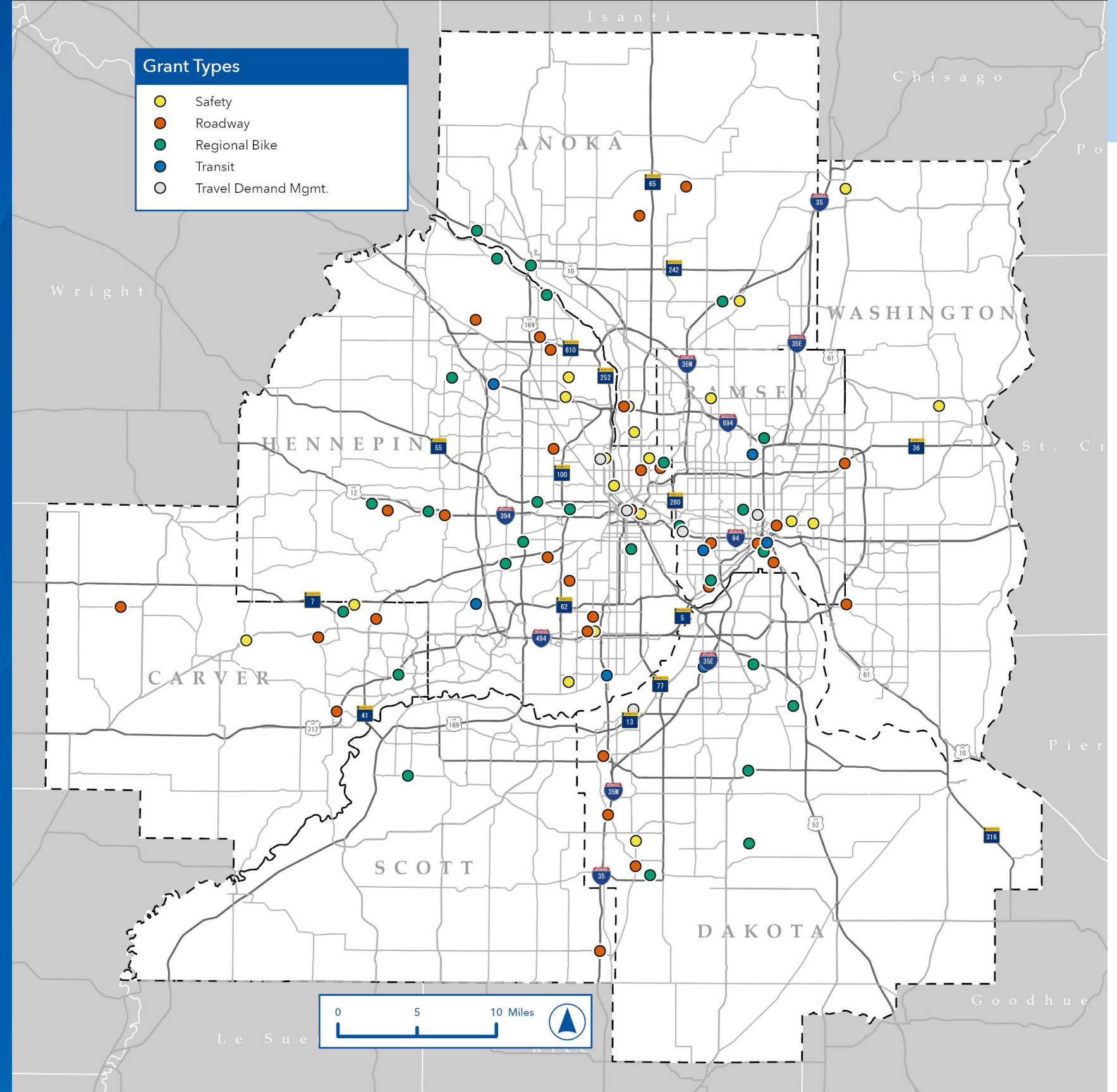
Regional Solicitation Update

Qualifications and Scoring



August 5, 2026

Regional Solicitation for Federal Funds



Applications for Federal Funds

**\$215 million available;
\$562 million requested**

- **90 qualified applications**
- **35 unique agencies**

Project applications, one-page summaries, and summary tables are available:

[2026 Applications - Metropolitan Council](#)

Application Category	# of Apps	Requested
Regional Bike Facilities	27	\$119,838,080
Bridge Connections	5	\$25,024,108
Congestion Management Strategies	4	\$44,800,000
New Interchanges	1	\$20,000,000
Roadway Modernization	18	\$160,879,040
Proactive Safety	10	\$51,876,597
Reactive Safety	9	\$49,607,545
Transit Customer Experience	4	\$25,211,048
Transit Expansion	6	\$31,471,825
Travel Demand Management	4	\$2,850,000
Arterial Bus Rapid Transit	1	\$30,000,000
Travel Behavior Inventory	1	\$850,000

Federal Funding Available in 2030 and 2031



\$250 million

Allocated to the Metro for 2030 and 2031

– \$25 million

Previously committed funds due to overprogramming and program year extensions

– \$10 million

Assume no 2031 Carbon Reduction Program or PROTECT funds

\$215 million

Available to program, plus any overprogramming

Qualifying Review Process

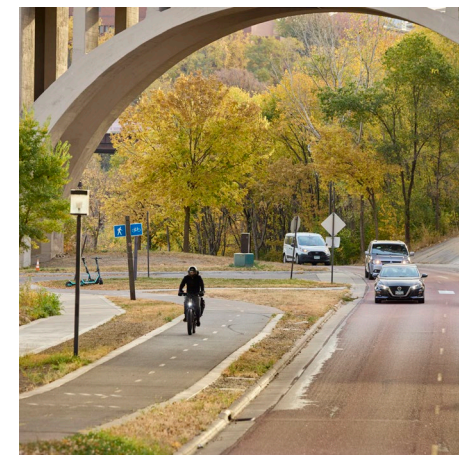
Applications closed June 25, 2026

Qualifying Review

- Under TAB policies, qualifying review ends at TAC Funding & Programming Committee
 - Staff reviewed qualifying criteria and policy consistency for all project applications.
 - Applicants were notified and provided with an opportunity to submit missing materials.

Funding & Programming

- July 23, 2026, meeting to qualify applications.
- 4 applications disqualified:
 - 3 had ineligible roadway functional classification
 - 1 withdrew
- F&P approved motions included future deadlines for applicants to submit needed documentation in order to be qualified.



Applications disqualified by Funding & Programming (1)

Federal Funding Eligibility

Minneapolis: Welcome to the City (05111)

Travel Demand Management

- Internally focused mode shift project
- Federal transportation funding requires projects must be open to the public

Applicant withdrew this project.

Ham Lake: Jackson St (05336)

Roadway Modernization

- On local roadway
- Federal transportation funding requires projects on collector roadway or above

Funding & Programming disqualified this project due to ineligibility under federal requirements.

Applications disqualified by Funding & Programming (2)

TAB Eligibility

St. Louis Park: Oxford/Louisiana Area Infrastructure Investment (05192)

Roadway Modernization

- Project split across major/minor collectors.
- TAB requires roadway applications be on minor arterials.

Funding & Programming disqualified this project due to ineligibility under TAB adopted policies.

Ham Lake: E Netta Drive Safety Improvements (05168)

Roadway Modernization

- On minor collector.
- TAB requires roadway applications be on minor arterials.

Funding & Programming disqualified this project due to ineligibility under TAB adopted policies.

Applications qualified pending submittals due August 11, 2026

Dakota County: Vermillion Highlands Greenway (04910)

Regional Bike Facilities

- Project appears to be situated on land owned by Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES).

Qualified pending letter from MCES.

Hennepin County: CSAH 9 Reconstruction (04866)

Roadway Modernization

- Missing letter from partner city (Robbinsdale) for cost participation and year-round maintenance.

Qualified pending letter from city.

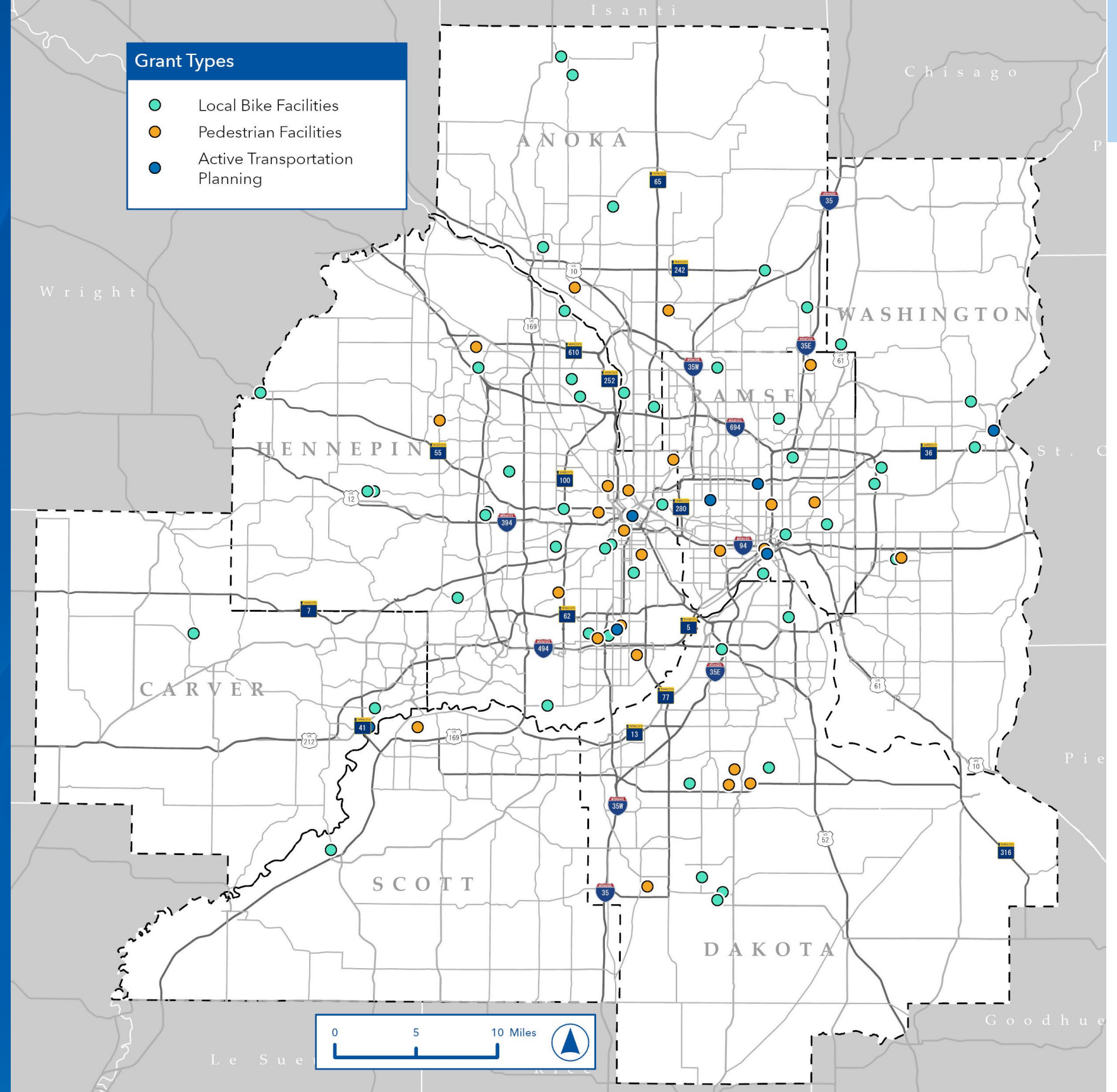
Bicycle Alliance: Bicycle Education & Outreach (04839)

Travel Demand Management

- Requested \$800,000, which is above maximum award threshold (\$750,000).

Qualified pending documentation to reduce federal funding request by \$50,000 to meet the maximum federal funding request.

Regional Solicitation for Active Transportation Funds



Applications for Active Transportation Funding



\$50 million available; \$143 million requested

82 qualified applications from 42 unique agencies

Application Category	# of Apps	Requested
AT - Active Transportation Planning	8	\$1,375,000
AT - Local Bike Facilities	49	\$104,011,133
AT - Pedestrian Facilities	25	\$37,281,209

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Active Transportation Solicitation Qualifying Review

Orono: CR 6 Trail Resurfacing (05030)

Qualification Issues:

- Ineligible project type
- Below minimum funding threshold
- Missing letter from right-of-way owner

Funding & Programming disqualified this project.

Centerville: 2027 Trails Project (04975)

Qualification Issues:

- Did not provide a complete ADA self-evaluation

Funding & Programming conditionally qualified this project pending the applicant submitting a valid ADA self-evaluation by November 10, 2026.

Active Transportation Task Force Update



Active Transportation Task Force



First meeting – July 20

Agenda:

- Review background & 2024 pilot project status
- Begin discussion on holding a 2027 Active Transportation Solicitation
 - Make a recommendation at September Task Force meeting for TAB consideration
- Task Force Chair nomination
- Work plan review
 - Will provide feedback on AT funding scenarios

Next meeting – September

- Will typically meet on opposite months from TAB Exec, unless additional meetings required

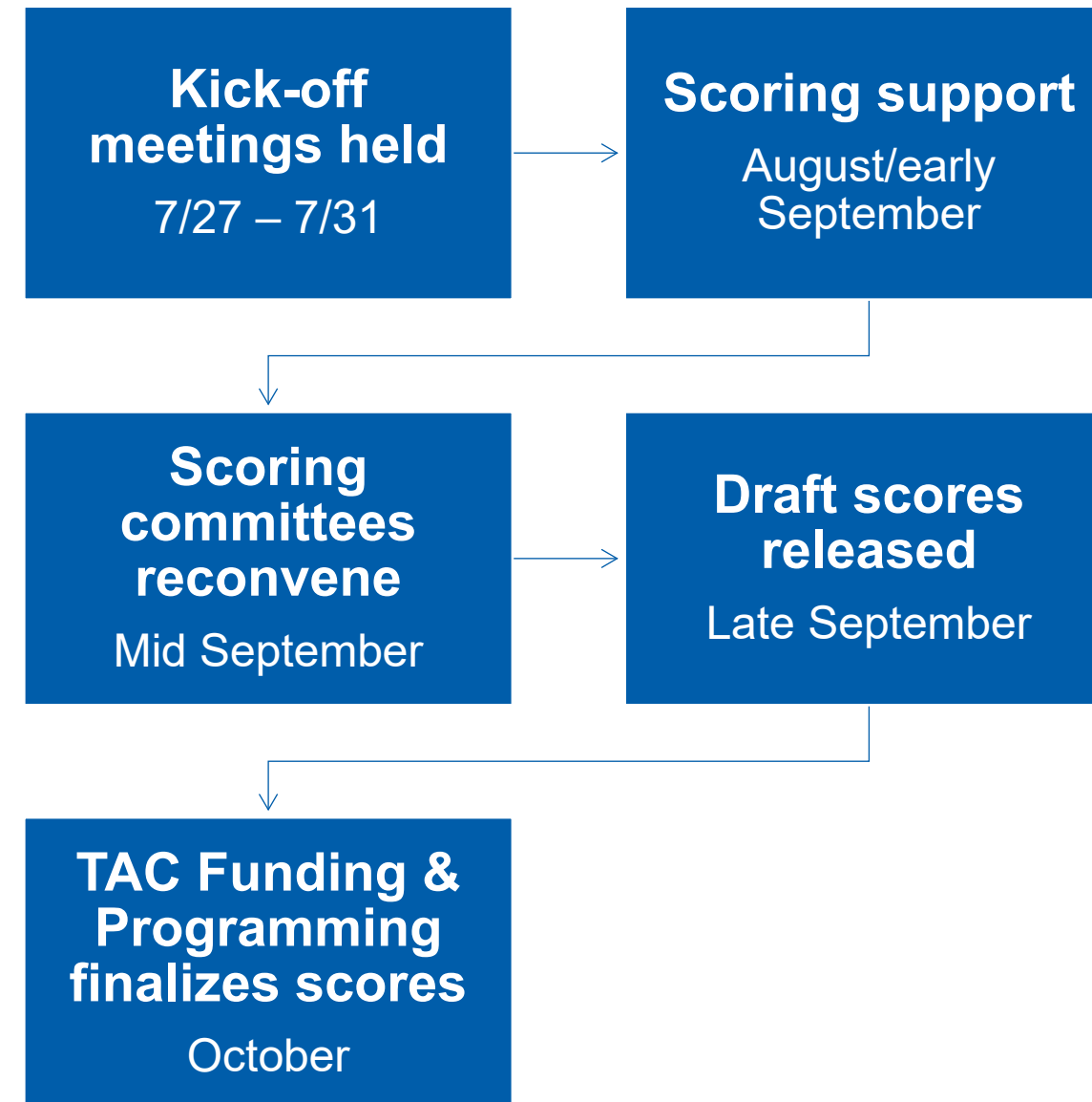
Schedule and Next Steps



Scoring Committees

8 scoring committees with more than 100 agency volunteers!

1. AT – Local Bike Facilities
2. AT – Local Pedestrian Facilities, AT – Planning
3. Transit (Transit Expansion, Transit Customer Experience)
4. Safety (Proactive Safety, Reactive Safety)
5. Bridges, Congestion Management Strategies, New Interchanges
6. Roadway Modernization
7. Travel Demand Management
8. Regional Bike Facilities



Community Considerations Scoring

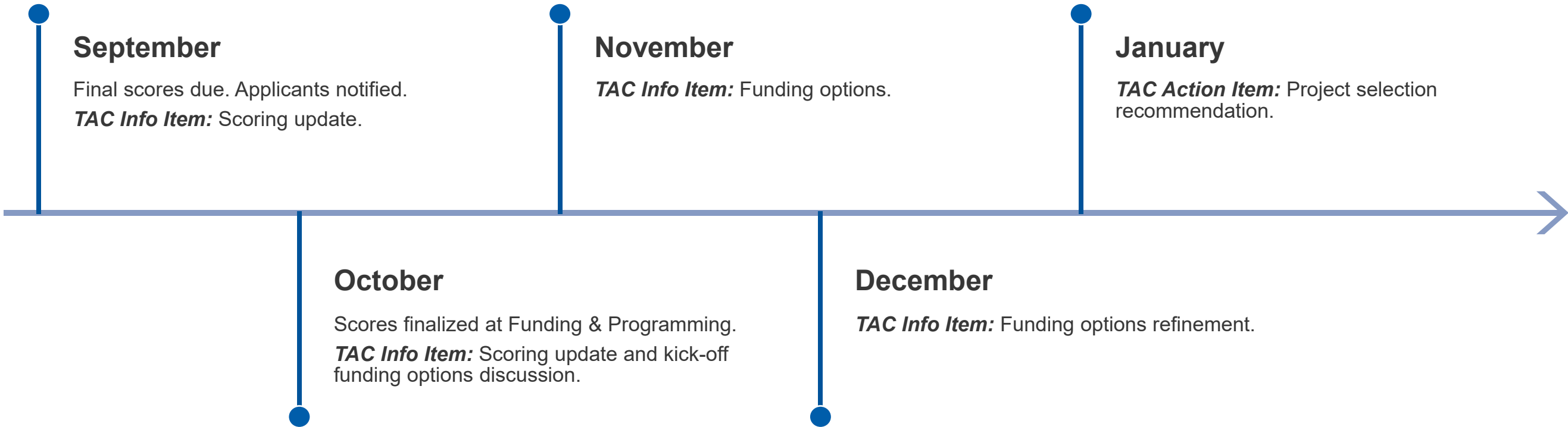


Training and kick-off held July 14

- **Training topics**
 - Key definitions
 - Scoring measures and rubrics
 - Process
 - Fluxx and the scoring assistant tool
- **Available resources**
 - Written and video resources
 - Weekly group work sessions
 - Office hours (Fluxx and Community Considerations)
- **Schedule**
 - Scores submitted August 20
 - Scorers meet to review and discuss differences, high and low scores in early September
 - Finalize scores in mid September

Schedule

Upcoming TAC Meetings





Thank you



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