Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC)

Creating Livable Communities (CLC) Grant Program - Fact Sheet

Purpose: To support community-based transportation/land use projects that bring vitality to downtown areas, neighborhoods, station areas, commercial cores, and transit corridors.

Requirements / Eligibility:
- Projects should be identified in the Livable Centers Map or Transit Corridor Area Map (see the CLC report).
- Projects must be possible to be implemented under existing codes/ordinances of the local government.
- Project must address the 2040 Plan - Livable Centers Goals and Objectives.

Eligible Recipients:
- Local governments, transportation agencies, and community-based nonprofit organizations if they partner with a local government.
- Non-governmental organizations must partner with a local governmental agency.

Types of Grants:
CLC Planning funds planning projects (a Pre-development Plan) that revitalize existing centers, neighborhood, downtown, transit stop or transit corridors.

Eligible projects include and are not limited to:
- Projects related to access management, transportation-related zoning ordinance, and streetscape improvements.
- Transit amenities, TOD plans and zoning ordinances, and transit area plans.
- Plans for street lighting and signage, public pedestrian features like sidewalks, bike lanes, street furniture, and crosswalks.
- Traffic calming plans.
- Public-use parking structures or public portion of a shared public-private garage; and access projects.
- Extensions/modifications or relocation to local public sewer and water lines, and storm water management improvements.
- Street connectivity improvement plans.
- Transportation-related Downtown/Neighborhood plans.
- Corridor planning.
- Design and engineering of public improvements.
- Transportation/ Land Use Design Guidelines

Project Funding:
- 80/20 Match (80% Federal (STP) / 20% Local Match).
- Study sponsors are required to provide a minimum of 20% local cash match.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 14, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. (CST)
Applications will be accepted in the following formats:
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