# Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

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TAP





- Program STILL EXISTS but no longer called TAP
- Funds set aside from STBG
  - vs. from all formula programs
- Nonprofits responsible for local transportation safety programs may now be project sponsors.



## **TAP Eligible Projects**

The Transportation Alternatives Program consists of:

- Transportation Alternatives Definition
- Recreational Trails Program (RTP)
- Safe Routes to School (SRTS) activities
- Boulevards from Divided Highways

TAP projects are eligible under the Surface Transportation Program (STP).





## **TAP Project Eligibility**

Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation,

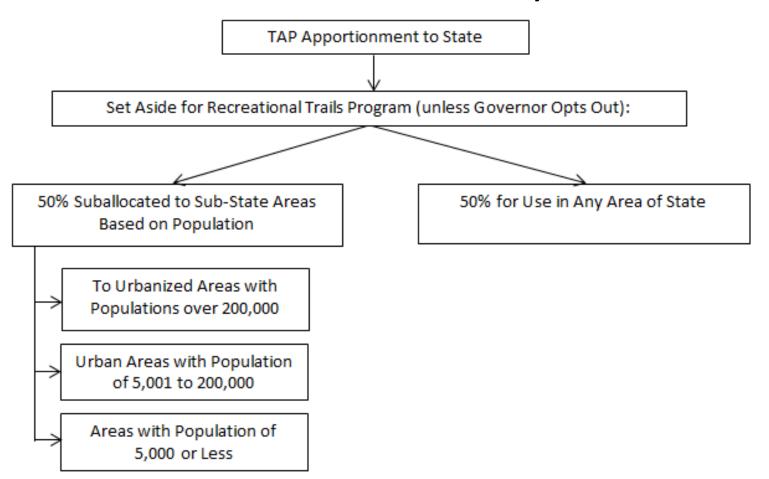
including:

- Sidewalks,
- Bicycle infrastructure,
- Pedestrian and bicycle signals,
- Traffic calming techniques,
- Lighting and other safety-related infrastructure,
- Transportation projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.



### Suballocation

TAP funds are suballocated by formula.



#### **MPO Annual TA Allocations**

MPO	Funding
Cincinnati	448,907
Evansville	39,112
Huntington	77,441
Lexington - Fayette	397,187
Louisville – Jefferson Co	1,138,984
Total	2,101,631

## **Competitive Process**

- Ultimately: the State is responsible.
- States and large MPOs
  - "Shall develop a competitive process to allow eligible entities to submit projects for funding..."
  - States and large MPOs develop their own competitive processes.
  - Examples are available from several sources.
- RTP set-aside: Use RTP provisions and requirements.

## Case Studies in Delivering Safe, Comfortable, and Connected Pedestrian and Bicycle Networks



