

## **Addendum to Call for Projects**

<u>Call for Projects</u>: Safe Routes to BART Grant Program Cycle 2 <u>Addendum Number</u>: 1 <u>Date</u>: 02/17/2023

#### Note to Potential Applicants:

This addendum is issued to modify the Call for Projects issued on January 19, 2023 and/or given for informational purposes. It is now part of the Application Guidelines and is hereby made a part of the application materials.

All applicants will be asked to certify acknowledgement of all addenda made available on the BART Website before submission.

#### 1. Clarification of "Equitable Access" criterion in *Safe Routes to BART (SR2B) Application Guidance: Appendix A*.

Applicants should be aware of the addition of the following underlined language to the definition of criterion "Equitable Access" found in SR2B Application Guidance: Appendix A, Section 3.

To score well on this criterion, the Proposed Project should be located in Equity Priority Communities or demonstrate how it would serve Equity Priority Communities or other disadvantaged communities, including but not limited to or entirely inclusive of low-income households, people of color, immigrants, people with disabilities, people without access to a private vehicle, youth, or senior citizens.

The underlined update has been added to the Submittable application Section 3, question E1.1. It now reads "If answered less than 100% in E1 above, explain other ways that the Proposed Project could connect Equity Priority Communities <u>or other disadvantaged</u> <u>communities</u> to the target BART station(s)." Additional instructions below state, "<u>Disadvantaged communities include, but are not limited to, areas with concentrations of</u> <u>low-income households, people of color, immigrants, people with disabilities, people without</u> access to a private vehicle, youth, and/or senior citizens."

## 2. Is it possible to use SR2B funds for multiple interventions for areas around multiple stations?

Yes, it is possible for the Proposed Project to have multiple interventions at multiple stations. Examples include lighting, bulb-outs, signage, etc.

## **3.** Does the Proposed Project need to be within a certain distance from the target BART station(s)?

We have not specified a distance that the Proposed Project needs to be within from the target BART station(s). Applicants should review the Evaluation Criteria details described in *Appendix A Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria* to determine if the Proposed Project would score well on the "Connectivity and Mode Shift" criterion.

## 4. Can equipment for the Proposed Project be bought ahead of time and installed with SR2B funds?

Yes, SR2B funds can be used to install equipment. However, SR2B funds cannot be used to reimburse a purchase made prior to finalizing the agreement.

### 5. If the Proposed Project has federal funds which require the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, will the federal DBE requirements satisfy BART's small business requirements?

If the Proposed Project has federal funds, the federal DBE program will satisfy the small business requirement. As is the case with the Small Business program, BART will require the Project Sponsors to include a report of all awards and payments to DBEs (whether as a Prime or Subcontractor) with each invoice to BART.

#### 6. Can the Proposed Project be a bid alternate for a larger project?

Yes, the Proposed Project can be a bid alternate so long as it meets the SR2B criteria.

# 7. If there are potential changes to the Proposed Project's initial design (i.e., the same permanent treatments, but in different configurations or locations) would those modified project elements still be eligible for funding?

Any modifications to the Proposed Project would need to meet the intent of the original scope and be submitted by email to SR2B@bart.gov for consideration and approval.