

FEDERAL RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM FACTSHEET

(Subject to change per the Notice of Funding Opportunity)

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the new Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) discretionary grant program. The program's funds can support planning, capital construction, and technical assistance to equitably and safely restore community connectivity through the removal, retrofit, mitigation, or replacement of eligible transportation infrastructure facilities that create barriers to mobility, access, or economic development.

PURPOSE AND GOALS

The purpose of the RCP is to restore community connectivity by achieving the following goals:

- ❖ Improve mobility and access through the removal of barriers.
- ❖ Absorb transportation demand and provide safe mobility and access.
- ❖ Opportunities for inclusive economic development.

- ❖ Employing residents in the area impacted by the project through targeted hiring programs, in partnership with registered apprenticeship programs, if applicable.
- ❖ Contracting and subcontracting with disadvantaged business enterprises.

FUNDING AVAILABLE FY 2022

	Planning	Capital Construction	Overall Reconnecting Communities
FY22 Annual Funding	\$50M	\$145M	~\$195M
Cost Share	No more than 80% Federal	No more than 50% of total project cost	
Award Amounts	Not to exceed \$2M per recipient	No less than \$5M	



For more information, please visit webpage: USDOT:

<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/reconnecting-communities>

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Planning Grants:

- ❖ Planning studies; public engagement; other transportation planning activities required in advance of a project to remove, retrofit, or mitigate an existing facility
- ❖ Technical assistance prioritized to economically disadvantaged communities.

Capital Construction Grants:

- ❖ To conduct construction activities necessary to carryout a project to remove, retrofit, mitigate, or replace an existing eligible facility.

ELIGIBLE FACILITIES

- ❖ Interstate Highway
- ❖ Arterial Road
- ❖ Other Street or Road
- ❖ Rail
- ❖ Airport
- ❖ Port
- ❖ Gas Pipeline

SCHEDULE

Notice of Funding Opportunity	Summer 2022
Project Nominations due to Caltrans	June 30, 2022

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- ❖ States
- ❖ Units of Local Government
- ❖ Federally Recognized Tribal Governments
- ❖ Metropolitan Planning Organizations
- ❖ Nonprofit Organizations
- ❖ Facility Owner

