

Partnership for Sustainable Communities: 2012 Priorities and Recent Grantees



The Partnership for Sustainable Communities' Areas of Focus for 2012:

For 2012, the areas of focus described below will shape how the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Transportation, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will implement the Partnership's goals and continue to build on the work accomplished since 2009.

Share Models of Local Successes

The Partnership helps communities as they work to envision and implement local development that supports a strong economy and a clean environment. This year, the Partnership will work with communities to help them share stories of their successes. These stories will serve as models for other communities that want to be healthy, competitive, and affordable.

Continue Coordination to Make Government Work Better

The Partnership will continue to coordinate federal investments to get better results for communities and use taxpayer money more efficiently. We will offer joint training programs to help regional staff from the Partnership agencies have the knowledge and skills to support sustainable cities, suburbs, and rural areas. Our agencies will continue to work together to align guidelines and planning requirements for state and local governments and to coordinate federal investments made in the same community.

Help Communities Solve Problems

The Partnership will help communities succeed by providing technical assistance and tools, building the capacity of state and local partners, and giving communities better access to national networks and resources. The agencies will also test and refine performance measures that can help communities assess progress toward their goals and build on their successes.

Partnership FY11 – FY 12 Assistance Recipients – Demand and Funding

The Partnership is providing assistance to 357 communities through Fiscal Year 2011 and Fiscal Year 2012 funding, now reaching over 700 communities since the Partnership's creation in 2009.

The FY2011-12 grantees or technical assistance recipients are located in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. However, the Partnership was only able to fund approximately 12% of communities requesting assistance for FY2011-12, for a total of approximately \$839 million, compared to a requested \$17.48 billion.

Since 2009, the Partnership has provided over \$3.5 billion in assistance to over 700 communities; however, the demand for Partnership assistance is overwhelming: over 7,500 communities have applied to Partnership programs, requesting over \$101 billion in just three years. The Partnership has been able to fund 9.6% of these applicants.

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Select Partnership for Sustainable Communities Grant Programs – Demand and Funding: 2009 – 2012

Program	Year	Lead Agency	Number of Applicants	Total \$ Amount Requested	Number Selected	Total \$ Amount Issued	Percent Funded ¹
Smart Growth Implementation Assistance ²	2005-2012	EPA	535	Approx. \$31.1 million	39	Approx. \$1.5 million	7.3%
TIGER I Capital	2009	DOT	1,456	\$60 billion	51	\$1.5 billion	3.5%
Brownfields Regional Pilots	2009	EPA	25 ³	\$15.125 million	5	\$3.025 million	20%
Brownfields Area-Wide Planning Pilots	2010	EPA	153	\$26.6 million	23	\$4 million	15%
Greening America's Capitals	2010-2011	EPA	61 ⁴	Approx. \$4.88 million	10	Approx. \$0.8 million	16.4%
TIGER II Capital	2010	DOT	1,013	\$19 billion	42	Approx. \$550 million	4.1%
FTA Livability and Alternative Analysis	2010-2011	DOT	722	\$4.331 billion	165	\$494.3 million	22.8%
HUD Community Challenge/TIGER II Planning	2010	HUD, DOT	766	\$1.2 billion ⁵	61	\$68 million	7.9%
Regional Planning	2010-2011	HUD	416	\$675 million	74	\$165.16 million	17.8%
Choice Neighborhoods Implementation	2010-2011	HUD	42	Approx. \$525 million	5	Approx. \$122.27 million	11.9%
Choice Neighborhoods Planning ⁶	2010-2011	HUD	190	Approx. \$52 million	30	Approx. \$7.6 million	15.8%
HUD Challenge ⁷	2011	HUD	267	\$408 million	27	Approx. \$28.6 million	10%
TIGER III	2011	DOT	848	\$14.29 billion	46	\$511 million	5.4%
Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program	2011	DOT	715	\$1.4 billion	65	\$56.7 million	9.1%
Building Blocks ⁸	2011 – 2012	EPA	546	Approx. \$6.55 million	101	Approx. \$1.21 million	18.5%
TOTALS			7,755	Approx. \$101.9 billion	744	Approx. \$3.51 billion	9.6%

¹ Number selected/number of applicants

² Please note: SGIA dollar figures reflect an approximation of Office of Sustainable Communities funding only and do not incorporate any additional EPA or other federal dollars leveraged.

³ Projects were nominated by EPA Regions

⁴ Out of 52 eligible cities, including Washington, DC and San Juan, PR. The 2011 applications include several past applicants from 2010.

⁵ This figure only represents funding requested from HUD

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⁷ Note: HUD FY11 Challenge grants were independently awarded from DOT TIGER funding, as DOT did not receive planning dollars in their FY11 TIGER allocation.

⁸ Note: A portion of the Building Blocks workshops will be carried out through contractors

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