Mobility, Access, and Transportation Insecurity Program

Program Information and RFP Listening Session Nov. 13, 2023







Agenda

Welcome

MATI overview

Questions on program

Public listening session for RFP





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What is Transportation Insecurity?

- Unable to reach needed destinations in a timely, safe, and comfortable manner.
- Miss or don't take trips because of lack of stable transportation.
- As with food insecurity where people may not know where next meal is coming from, some populations lack certainty about how they will move.
- Causes missed or limited opportunities and experiences because of lack of resources or access to adequate systemic support.





MATI Overview

- New program funded by the Federal Transit Administration. Will be administered by the University of Minnesota and MATI program team.
- Attempt to solicit and support community-up ideas. Goal is to not just support innovative interventions, but also to track and evaluate how they impact individual and collective lives.
- Not limited to traditional transportation approaches or modes, nor to transportation alone. Want to see proposals that tie to interconnected issues—housing, health, access to opportunity, education.





MATI Process

MATI RFP Review Phase 1 Sites Review Phase 2 Sites

Applicant coalitions Set of sites selected to Subset of Phase 1 sites are

Applicant coalitions submit response to initial RFP proposing a demonstration.

participate in Phase 1.

Deliverable is a fully developed plan for intervention demonstration.

Sites submit plan to MATI team to compete for demonstration project funds.

Subset of Phase 1 sites are selected for demonstration funding. Deliverable is the demonstration itself.

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MATI Roles

Task	Applicants and local partners	MATI Team	Federal Transit Administration	MATI Research Committee
Funding				
Program Management				
Applicant Selection				
Plan Development				
Deployment and Management				
Data Collection				
Research and Evaluation				
Program guidance and feedback				

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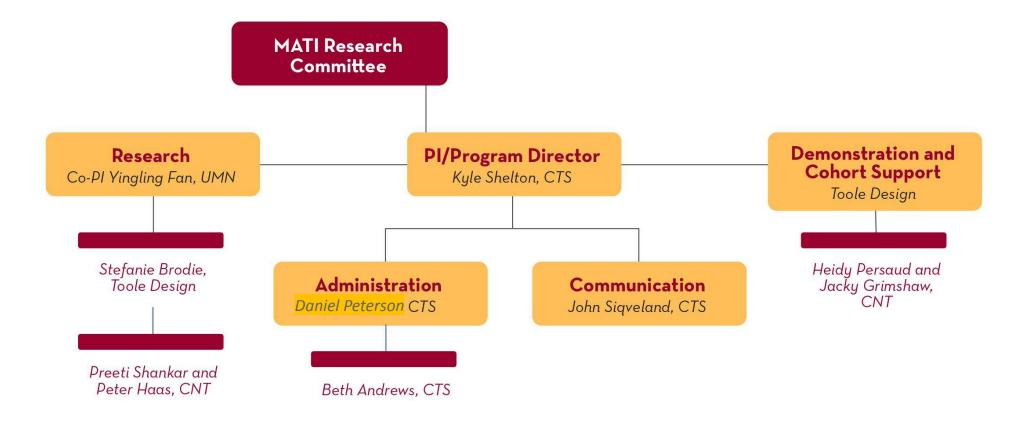
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- Selected applicants will have MATI team support in the development of a plan for a
 potential demonstration. MATI team will also evaluate and share research findings from
 demonstration sites.
- One round of funding, two competitive selection steps. The initial RFP will lead to selection of applicants into the program. Then a second competitive process will select from within that group of Phase 1 plans for demonstration funding.
 - \$4 million in dollars to support 2-phase process—plan development and deployment.
 - Phase 1 awards will be smaller to support staff time, engagement, planning.
 - Phase 2 awards will larger to support deployment, staff time, data collection, engagement.



MATI Project Team





RFP Timeline

- Public release of MATI RFP in January 2024
- Submissions will be due at least 4 months after posting
- Informational webinars in January and February
- Weekly open office hours in February and March
- Q&A's from webinars and office hours posted to MATI webpage
- Review and selection targeted for late spring 2024





Program Timeline

- Phase 1 Execution—development and delivery of demonstration plan, Summer-Winter 2025
- Competition to fund demonstration plans, Spring 2025.
- Phase 2 Execution—demonstration projects deployed, Summer 2025-Summer 2027.





Questions?





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