

H-GAC Livable Centers Program Facts

- **Goals Statement:** The goal of H-GAC's Livable Centers Program is to facilitate the creation of walkable, mixed-use places that provide multi-modal transportation options, improve environmental quality, and promote economic development.
- **Project Types:** The Livable Centers Program funds both studies and implementation projects.
 - Studies create the groundwork for future implementation projects by identifying potential investments and generating implementation designs and plans.
 - Implementation projects provide funding support for transportation investments identified through planning studies.
- **Funding Source: Federal Transportation Dollars**
Livable Centers Studies: STP (Surface Transportation Program)
Livable Centers Implementation Projects: CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation Air Quality)
- **Funding Process:** Livable Centers funds are programmed through H-GAC's TIP (Transportation Improvement Program), a competitive selection process that allocates funding over a three year period.
- **Funding Level:**
Federal: 80%
Local Match: 20% (minimum)
- **Project Eligibility:** Projects must be sponsored by an eligible sponsor such as a local government, transit agency, or management district. Sponsors must be able to provide at least a 20% funding match. Projects must also meet the project requirements detailed in the Livable Centers Metrics document.