

Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO FY26 Unified Planning Work Program Draft

July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
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Background and Purpose

- The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) identifies all transportation planning activities to be undertaken by the CA-MPO for FY26 (July 1 – June 30)
- Serves as the CA-MPO budget and work plan
- Major regional priorities and deliverables

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Background and Purpose

- Federal law requires that the metropolitan planning process addresses ten planning factors:

Economic Vitality	Safety	Security	Accessibility/ Mobility	Environmental Quality
Connectivity	Efficiency	Maintenance	Resiliency and Reliability	Travel and Tourism

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UPWP Priorities and Vision

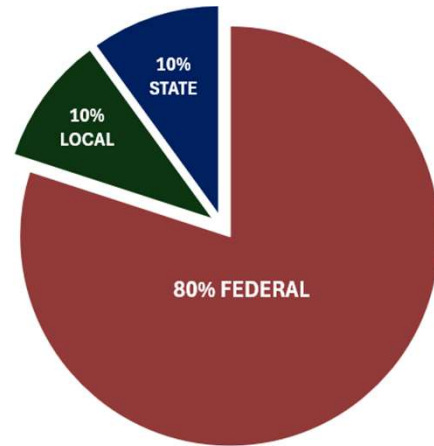
- Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) adopted in FY24 included the following framework lenses/goals
 - Equity
 - Quality of Life
 - Climate Action
 - Land Use
- To bring the UPWP in alignment with the LRTP, staff recommend adoption of these additional framework factors

Economic Vitality	Safety
Security	Accessibility/ Mobility
Environmental Quality	Connectivity
Efficiency	Maintenance
Resiliency and Reliability	Travel and Tourism
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Climate Action	Land Use

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Funding Sources

- Two federal agencies fund the CA-MPO's planning activities
 - FHWA (PL) – Administered through VDOT
 - FTA – Administered through DRPT
- Additionally, VDOT receives state planning funds from FHWA for State Planning and Research (SPR)



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FY26 Work Program: Funding by Source

Funding Source	Federal	State	Local	Total
	80%	10%	10%	100%
FY-26 PL-FHWA/VDOT Funding	\$ 238,680.40	\$ 29,835.05	\$ 29,835.05	\$ 298,350.50
FY-24 PL-FHWA/VDOT Passive Rollover	\$ 35,802.37	\$ 4,475.30	\$ 4,475.30	\$ 44,752.97
FY-25 PL-FHWA/VDOT Active Rollover				
FY-26 PL-FHWA/VDOT Total	\$ 274,482.77	\$ 34,310.35	\$ 34,310.35	\$ 343,103.47
FY-26 FTA/DRPT Funding	\$ 109,480.80	\$ 13,685.10	\$ 13,685.10	\$ 136,851.00
FY-25 FTA/DRPT Active Rollover				
FY-26 FTA/DRPT Total	\$ 109,480.80	\$ 13,685.10	\$ 13,685.10	\$ 136,851.00
PL-FHWA/VDOT + FTA/DRPT Total	\$ 383,963.58	\$ 47,995.45	\$ 47,995.45	\$ 479,954.47
VDOT SPR	\$ 162,000.00	\$ 40,500.00		\$ 202,500.00
Total FY26 Work Program	\$ 545,963.58	\$ 88,495.45	\$ 47,995.45	\$ 682,454.47

Note: FTA and VDOT SPR funds are placeholder amounts. Values will be corrected in future drafts once actual budgets are provided late FY25.

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FY26 Work Program: Funding by Task

Funding Source	Task 1: Program Administration	Task 2: Long-Range Transportation Planning	Task 3: Short-Range Transportation Planning and Local, State, and Federal Agency Assistance	Total
	25%	30%	45%	100%
FY-26 PL-FHWA/VDOT Funding	\$ 73,224.40	\$ 87,869.27	\$ 131,803.91	\$ 292,897.58
FY-24 PL-FHWA/VDOT Passive Rollover	\$ 11,188.20	\$ 13,425.84	\$ 20,138.76	\$ 44,752.79
FY-25 PL-FHWA/VDOT Active Rollover	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
FY-26 PL-FHWA/VDOT Total	\$ 87,139.14	\$ 104,021.66	\$ 151,942.67	\$ 343,103.47
FY-26 FTA/DRPT Funding	\$ 34,212.75	\$ 41,055.30	\$ 61,582.95	\$ 136,851.00
FY-25 FTA/DRPT Active Rollover	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
FY-26 FTA/DRPT Total	\$ 34,212.75	\$ 41,055.30	\$ 61,582.95	\$ 136,851.00
FY26 PL-FHWA/VDOT + FTA/DRPT Total	\$ 121,351.89	\$ 145,076.96	\$ 213,525.62	\$ 479,954.47
VDOT SPR	\$ 50,625.00	\$ 60,750.00	\$ 91,125.00	\$ 202,500.00
Total FY26 Work Program	\$ 171,976.89	\$ 205,826.96	\$ 304,650.62	\$ 682,454.47

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Administrative Changes in the FY26 UPWP

- Removed line-item budgets for subtasks to align with similar practices of other MPOs and reduce administrative burden
 - There will still be a line-item budget maintained internally
- Increased budget allocation to Program Administration
- Reduced budget allocation to Long Range Transportation Planning

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Administrative Changes in the FY26 UPWP

FY25		FY26	
Task 1	Administration	Task 1	Program Administration
Task 2	Long Range Transportation Planning	Task 2	Long Range Transportation Planning
Task 3	Short Range Planning	Task 3	Short Range Transportation Planning and Local, State, and Federal Agency Assistance

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Task 1: Program Administration

Task 1 PL and FTA: \$121,351

190 (PL)			191 (FTA)		
1A. General Administration, Reporting, and Compliance with Regulations	Monthly progress reports and invoices FY26 UPWP Implementation FY27 UPWP Development	\$ 17,427.83	1A. General Administration, Reporting, and Compliance with Regulations	Monthly progress reports and invoices FY26 UPWP Implementation FY27 UPWP Development	\$ 6,842.55
1B. Staffing Committees	Attendance and prep for Policy Board, Technical Committee, CTAC, RTP, CARTA	\$ 32,677.18	1B. Staffing Committees	Attendance and prep for Policy Board, Technical Committee, CTAC, RTP, CARTA	\$ 12,829.78
1C. Public Outreach, Public Participation, Title VI	Public notices Website updates Public Outreach Plan, Public Participation Plan, Title VI Implementation Plan	\$ 8,713.91	1C. Public Outreach, Public Participation, Title VI	Public notices Website updates Public Outreach Plan, Public Participation Plan, Title VI Implementation Plan	\$ 3,421.28
1D. Information Sharing and Professional Development	Monthly and quarterly transportation update meetings (VAMPO, OIPI, CTB) Biannual joint MPO meetings with SAWMPO Relevant training, workshops, seminars, summits, conferences	\$ 28,320.22	1D. Information Sharing and Professional Development	Monthly and quarterly transportation update meetings (VAMPO, OIPI, CTB) Biannual joint MPO meetings with SAWMPO Relevant training, workshops, seminars, summits, conferences	\$ 11,119.14
Total		\$ 87,139.14	Total		\$ 34,212.75

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Task 2: Long Range Transportation Planning

Task 2 PL and FTA: \$145,076

195 (PL)			196 (FTA)		
2A. Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant with mid-FY26 completion date	\$ 26,005.42	2A. Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant with mid-FY26 completion date	\$ -
2B. Travel Demand Model Update	Coordinate meetings and collect data Collect local government staff feedback on growth projections	\$ 26,005.42	2B. Travel Demand Model Update	Coordinate meetings and collect data Collect local government staff feedback on growth projections	\$ 8,211.06
2C. Travel Demand Management Study	Review and synthesis of previously-completed regional studies Review of regional travel demand model and assess existing parking capacity Identify TDM strategies including park and ride, bike/ped, transit	\$ 41,608.66	2C. Travel Demand Management Study	Review and synthesis of previously-completed regional studies Review of regional travel demand model and assess existing parking capacity Identify TDM strategies including park and ride, bike/ped, transit	\$ 16,422.12
2D. Coordinated Human Services Mobility (CHSM) Plan Update	Provide human services program data, as requested Coordinate with providers, as necessary Participate in working groups, focus groups, etc. and complete surveys, as requested	\$ -	2D. Coordinated Human Services Mobility (CHSM) Plan Update	Provide human services program data, as requested Coordinate with providers, as necessary Participate in working groups, focus groups, etc. and complete surveys, as requested	\$ 12,316.59
2E. Long Range Transportation Plan	Review and amend the LRTP, as necessary	\$ 10,402.17	2E. Long Range Transportation Plan	Review and amend the LRTP, as necessary	\$ 4,105.53
Total		\$ 104,021.66	Total		\$ 41,055.30

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Task 3: Short Range Transportation Planning and Local, State, and Federal Agency Assistance

Task 3 PL and FTA: \$213,525

198 (PL)			199 (FTA)		
3A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Process the annual obligation report TIP amendments and adjustments	\$ 15,194.27	3A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Process the annual obligation report TIP amendments and adjustments	\$ 6,158.30
3B. SMART SCALE, STARS, Project Pipeline, and Other Grant Planning and Support	Regular updates to CA-MPO committees Technical assistance to localities for SMART SCALE application drafting and submission Participate in Project Pipeline and STARS studies Review performance of past applications Coordinate info sharing between localities for applications Identify, develop, or administer transportation-related grants as needed	\$ 37,985.67	3B. SMART SCALE, STARS, Project Pipeline, and Other Grant Planning and Support	Regular updates to CA-MPO committees Technical assistance to localities for SMART SCALE application drafting and submission Participate in Project Pipeline and STARS studies Review performance of past applications Coordinate info sharing between localities for applications Identify, develop, or administer transportation-related grants as needed	\$ 15,395.74
3C. Regional Travel Demand Management (TDM), Transit and Rail Planning, Human Service Planning for Transit, and Bike/Ped Support	Improve carpooling and alternative modes of transportation Support CAT and Jant TDP/TSP development Participate in local transit studies/plans that impact the region Participate in statewide initiatives to expand and improve transit/rail service to the region Support coordination of bike/ped activities	\$ 37,985.67	3C. Regional Travel Demand Management (TDM), Transit and Rail Planning, Human Service Planning for Transit, and Bike/Ped Support	Improve carpooling and alternative modes of transportation Support CAT and Jant TDP/TSP development Participate in local transit studies/plans that impact the region Participate in statewide initiatives to expand and improve transit/rail service to the region Support coordination of bike/ped activities	\$ 15,395.74
3D. Annual Performance Targets	Prepare background materials and facilitate discussion Complete documentation to notify the state of adopted targets Update the TIP once adopted	\$ 15,194.27	3D. Annual Performance Targets	Prepare background materials and facilitate discussion Complete documentation to notify the state of adopted targets Update the TIP once adopted	\$ 6,158.30
3E. Special Studies, Projects, Programs, and Contingency	Participate in special transportation-related studies or projects for CA-MPO localities, as requested Assist localities with updates to Comprehensive Plans or other planning documents related to transportation Continue exploring an on-call consulting program in coordination with local partners	\$ 45,582.80	3E. Special Studies, Projects, Programs, and Contingency	Participate in special transportation-related studies or projects for CA-MPO localities, as requested Assist localities with updates to Comprehensive Plans or other planning documents related to transportation Continue exploring an on-call consulting program in coordination with local partners	\$ 18,474.89
Total		\$ 151,942.67	Total		\$ 61,582.95

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Next Steps and Approval Timeline

Action	Body	Date
Initial draft provided to the MPO Technical Committee and VDOT/DRPT	MPO Technical Committee	February 18, 2025
Initial draft provided to the MPO Policy Board	MPO Policy Board	February 26, 2025
Initial draft provided to Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC)	CTAC	March 19, 2025
Final draft provided to the MPO Technical Committee and VDOT/DRPT	MPO Technical Committee	April 15, 2025
Final draft provided to the MPO Policy Board	MPO Policy Board	April 23, 2025
Final draft provided to CTAC	CTAC	May 21, 2025