City of Frankfort

BUILD Grant Application

HOLMES STREET (KY 2261) CORRIDOR PLANNING

August 30, 2018

PRESENTATION BY:

PROJECT PARTNERS:

Meeting Agenda

10:30 AM	Welcome and Project Overview
11:15 AM	Tour of Project Site
12:00 PM	Close

Project Website

http://www.frankfort.ky.gov/527/Holmes-Street-Corridor

CITY OF FRANKFORT OVERVIEW

Frankfort, Kentucky

Nestled on the banks of the Kentucky River, Frankfort is the crown jewel of Kentucky. As the capital city, Frankfort is a welcoming and diverse community with a thriving economy and residents experiencing affordable and healthy living, active lifestyles, quality education and livable neighborhoods, with opportunities to succeed.

Economy

<u>Frankfort's Largest Industries (10% or more of workforce)</u>

Public Administration: 28%

Education, Health, Social Services: 15.5%

Manufacturing: 12.4%

Retail Trade: 10.5%

Economy

- 166 new jobs added in 2017/18 from new locations and expansions to the Frankfort/Franklin County economy.
- Frankfort/Franklin County currently has over $122 Million of expansion projects in progress.

Ranked as Top Micropolitan

- *Site Selection* magazine named the Frankfort/Franklin County Micropolitan Statistical Area as the **7th top-performing small town community in the nation** for new and expanding business projects in 2015 and 1st in Kentucky.
- 2018 Frankfort received the Kentucky Travel Industry Association's Economic Engine Award, recognizing Frankfort Tourism's impact on Kentucky's economic growth.

Dark Horse Destinations: Top 8 Picks for Destinations You Will Want to Know About

"With just over 25,000 residents, Frankfort ranks as the 5th smallest state capital in the U.S. But with a multitude of heritage sights, bike trails, and a prime location in the heart of Bourbon Country, the 230-year-old enclave could stand toe-to-toe with cities ten times its size."

Conde Nast Traveler, January 2015

"The little capital that could…Today Frankfort blends warm Southern hospitality with a vibrant entrepreneurial spirit, making this a city on the rise."

The Cedar Rapids Gazette, August 2017

PROJECT OVERVIEW

History of Holmes Street Corridor

- Approximately two miles in length, the Holmes Street Corridor was once a vibrant neighborhood housing middle class working families.
- Holmes Street was Frankfort's original commercial corridor with thriving retail stores, service stations and restaurants.
- Late in the 20th Century the corridor began a steady decline.
  - The area is prone to flooding.
  - The corridor is a food desert with little opportunity for residents to obtain nutritional sustenance.
  - Multiple abandoned service stations resulted in USTS.
  - A majority of the housing stock in the corridor is sub-standard.

2007 Holmes Street Redevelopment Masterplan

- Create an "Environment for Development" that will lead to more home ownership, fewer vacant structures, and improved infrastructure and neighborhood level amenities.
  - Enhancing the physical appearance of the corridor.
  - Building consensus and cooperation among the many groups and individuals that have a role in the revitalization process.
  - Strengthening the corridor's existing economic base.

Section B: Linear Civic Event Space and Downtown Gateway

Holmes Street Existing Conditions

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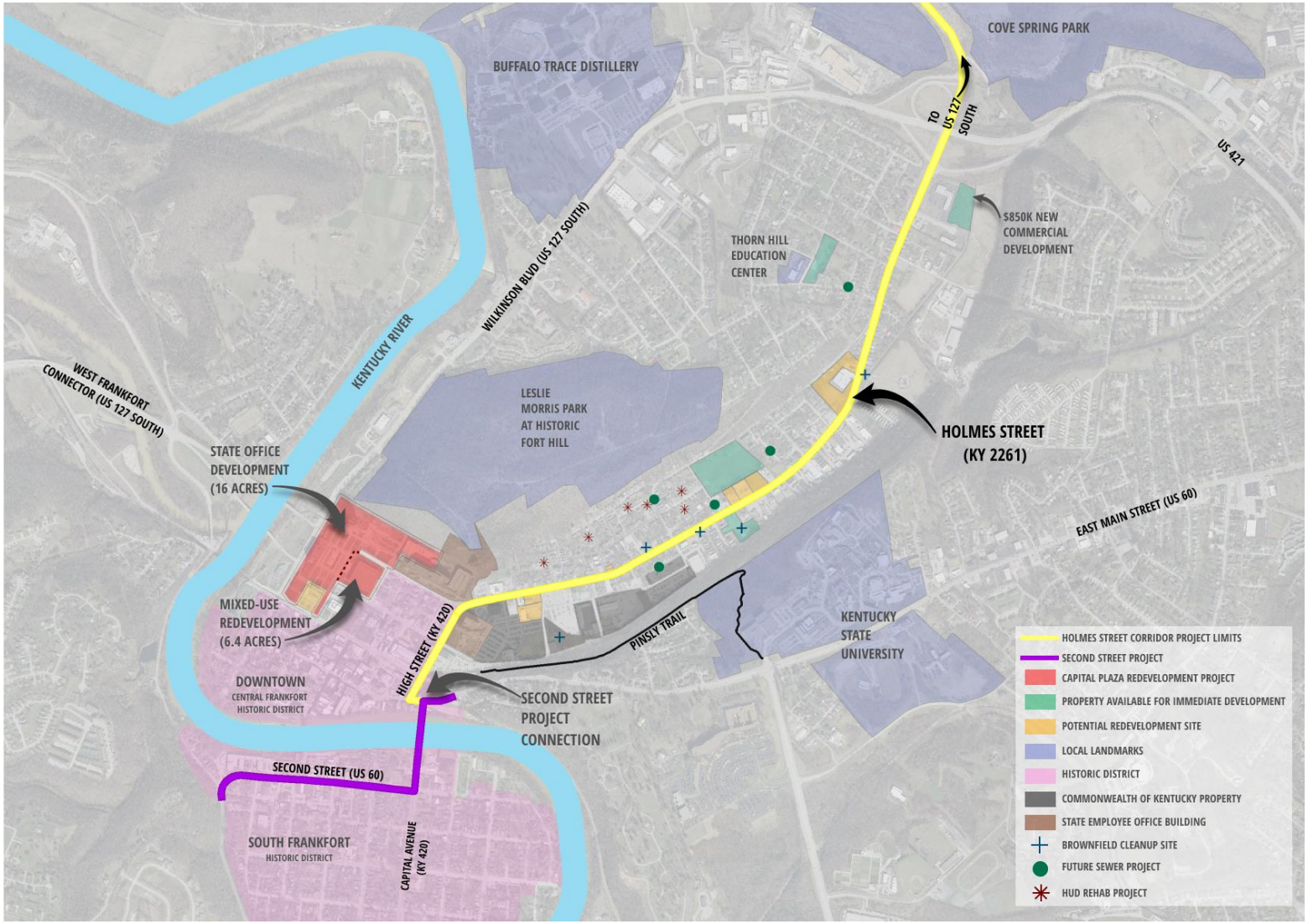
BUILD Program Overview

- Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD)
- $1.5 billion available *(Planning and Capital)*
- Investments in surface transportation infrastructure for projects that will have a significant local or regional impact
- Evaluated on safety, economic competitiveness, quality of life, environmental protection, state of good repair, innovation, partnership, and additional non-Federal revenue for investments.
- Who gets funding?
  - Projects that align with the merit based criteria
  - Emphasis on projects in rural areas
  - No more than $150 million can go to a single state
  - Up to $15 million for Planning Grants (1% of total program)

BUILD Planning Grant

BUILD Request	$ 616,000
Local Match	$ 154,000 (20.0%)
Total Project Cost	$ 770,000

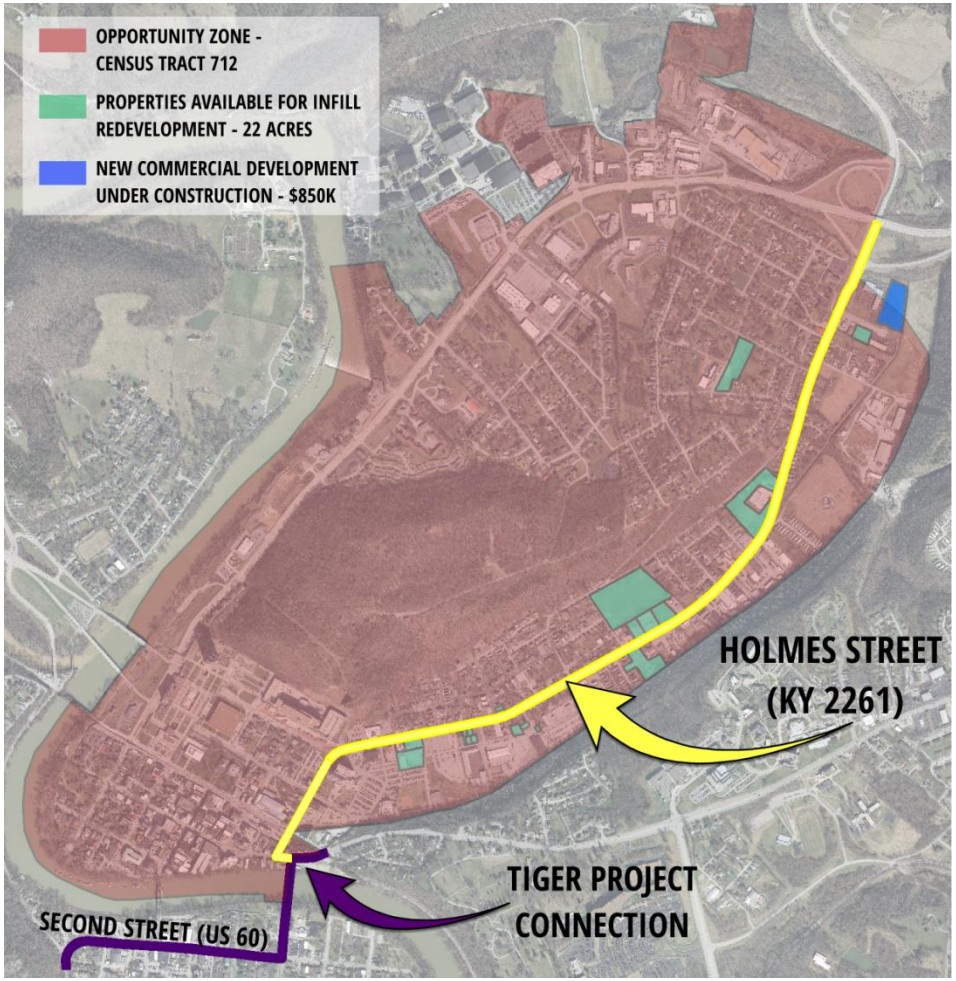
Project Limits



Goals and Objectives

1) Economic Competitiveness
   - Connect Workforce to Employment Opportunities
2) Enhanced Transportation
   - Typical Section Improvements
3) Environmental Sustainability
   - Continued Brownfield Cleanup
4) Quality of Life
   - Promoting Neighborhood Revitalization

1) Economic Competitiveness



2) Enhanced Transportation

- Typical Section Improvements
  - Multiple alternatives to be evaluated
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations
  - There are no bicycle facilities and very limited pedestrian facilities and crosswalks
- Safety Improvements
  - Curbing and medians are needed to increase vehicular and pedestrian safety
- Accessibility Improvements
  - An ADA accessible pathway through the corridor does not exist

3) Environmental Sustainability

- Reduce Stormwater Entering Combined Sewer to help eliminate CSO's
- Continue Brownfield Cleanup
- Reduce Heat Island Affects
- Improve water quality runoff to Cove Springs
- Improve Connection to Pinsly Trail and Fort Hill

4) Quality of Life

- Providing Transportation Choices
  - Public Transit
  - Improve sidewalks, add bicycle lanes and introduce trails to encourage non-vehicular transportation
- Improving Connectivity to Jobs
- Promoting Neighborhood Revitalization
- Balancing emissions with changes
- Improving Access to Food

IMPLEMENTATION

Project Partners

City of Frankfort
$124,000 match

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Leveraged Transportation Investment

Frankfort Plant Board
$10,000 match

Columbia Gas of Kentucky
$20,000 match

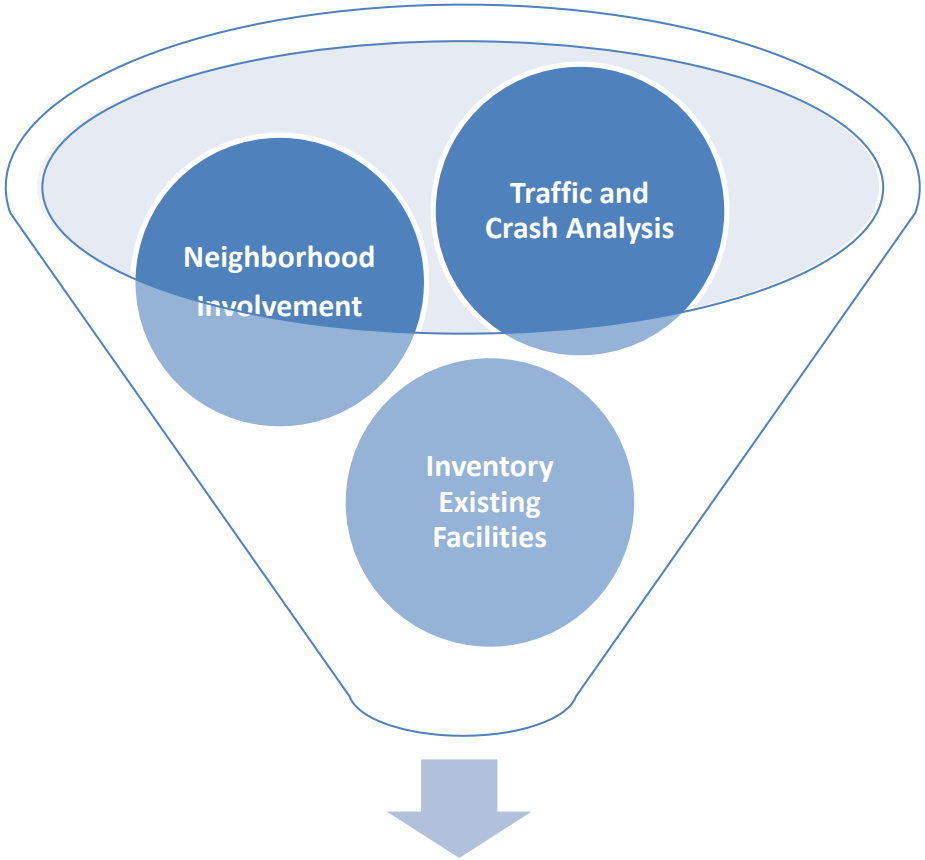
Project Sponsors

- Franklin County Fiscal Court
- Frankfort Independent Schools
- Kentucky State University
- Kentucky Capital Development Corporation
- Frankfort Area Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Frankfort
- Holmes Street Neighborhood Association
- Local Developers

Planning Approach

- Complete needs assessment of the corridor.
- Develop range of alternatives to meet current and future corridor.
- Preliminary assessment of possible environmental impacts.
- Utility Planning

Corridor Needs Assessment



Articulate Current and Future Corridor Needs

Project Funding Overview

DESCRIPTION	COST	BUILD REQUEST	MATCHING FUNDS	MATCHING SOURCE
Traffic and Safety Analysis	$40,000	$35,000	$5,000	City of Frankfort
Community Engagement	$25,000	$20,000	$5,000	City of Frankfort
Alternatives Analysis	$90,000	$90,000	$0	
Environmental Overview	$45,000	$40,000	$5,000	City of Frankfort
Utilities Planning – Combined Sewer	$90,000	$0	$90,000	City of Frankfort
Utilities Planning – Water/Electric/Comm.	$10,000	$0	$10,000	Frankfort Plant Board (FPB)
Utilities Planning – Gas	$20,000	$0	$20,000	Columbia Gas of Kentucky
Survey	$80,000	$80,000	$0	
Phase I Design	$350,000	$336,000	$14,000	City of Frankfort
Public Involvement	$20,000	$15,000	$5,000	City of Frankfort
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	**$770,000**	**$616,000**	**$154,000**	

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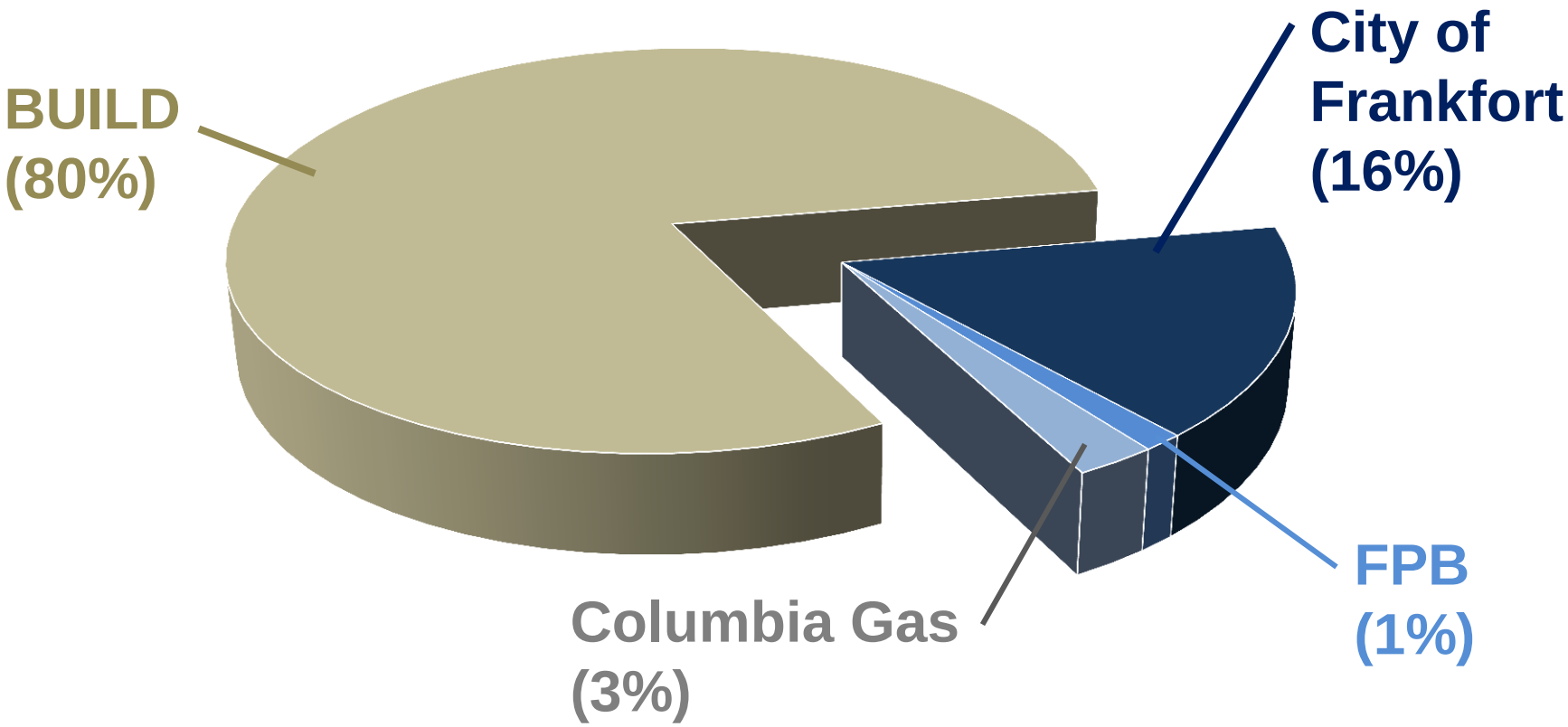
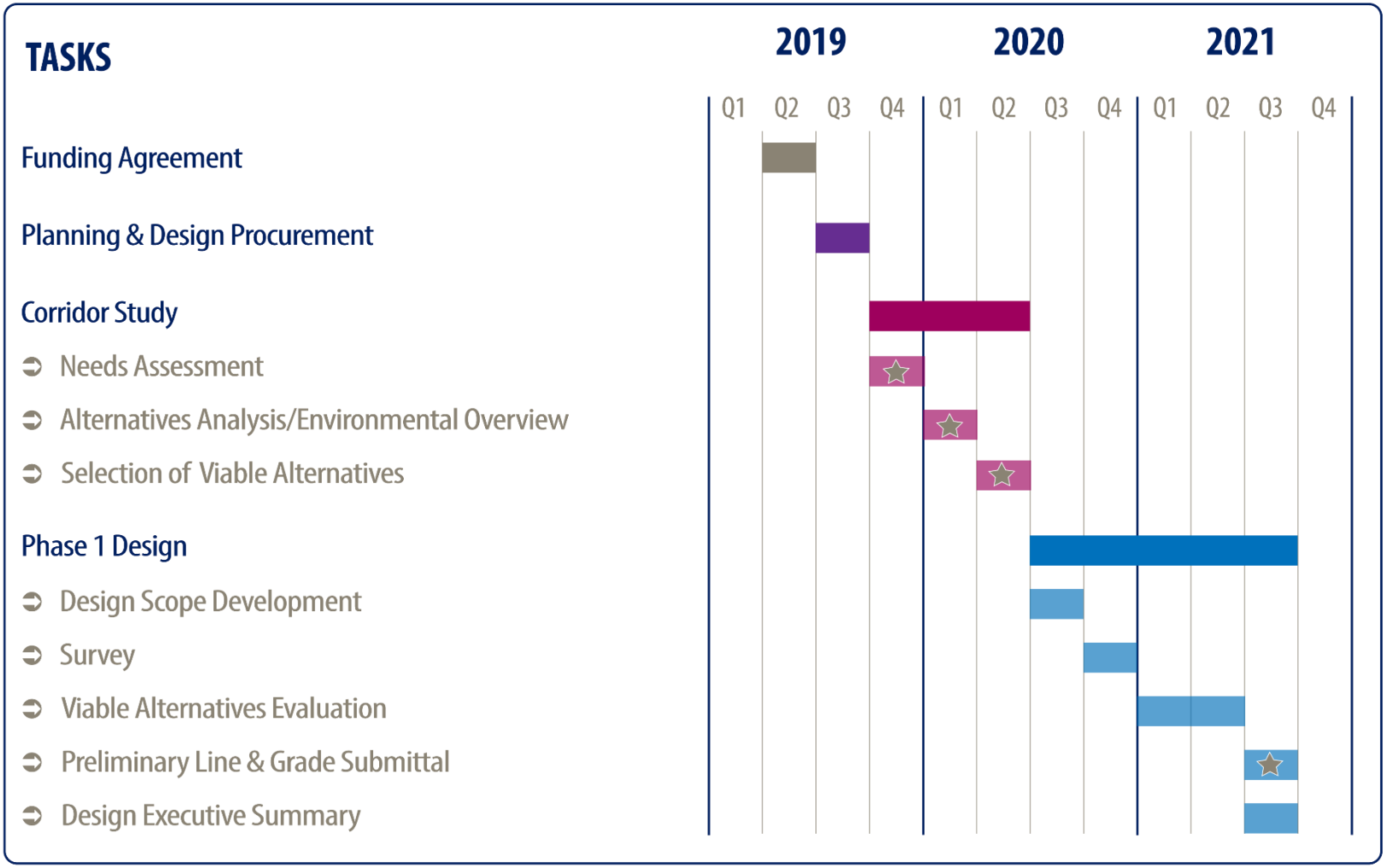


No Match Commitment Required for Rural BUILD Grant Classification

Project Schedule



★ COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

ON-GOING AREA INVESTMENT

Ongoing Efforts

TIGER Funded Second Street Corridor

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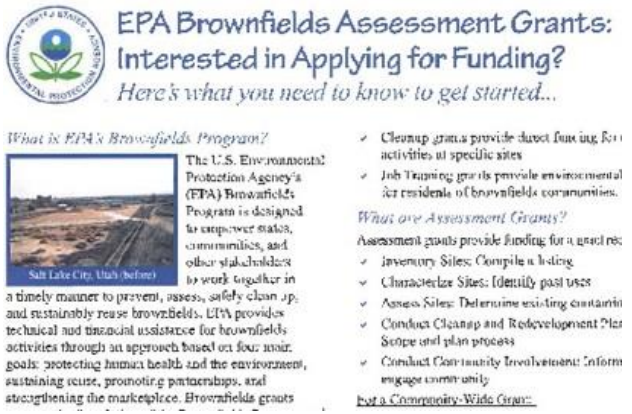
CORRIDOR BROWNFIELD IMPROVEMENTS

- Environmental Assessments
  - Corridor Site Inventory
  - Phase 1 and 2 for 500 – 504 Holmes Street
- Removal of 5 Underground Storage Tanks
- Closed in-place 3 USTs at 502 Holmes Street and removed waste oil tank at 504.



EPA Brownfields Assessment Grants: Interested in Applying for Funding?

Here's what you need to know to get started...

What is EPA's Brownfields Program?

Salt Lake City, Utah (before)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Brownfields Program is designed to empower states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together in a timely manner to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. EPA provides technical and financial assistance for brownfields activities through an approach based on four main goals: protecting human health and the environment, sustaining reuse, promoting partnerships, and strengthening the marketplace. Brownfields grants

- Cleanup grants provide direct funding for activities at specific sites
- Job Training grants provide environmental for residents of brownfields communities.

What are Assessment Grants?

Assessment grants provide funding for a grant rec

- Inventory Sites: Compile a listing
- Characterize Sites: Identify past uses
- Assess Sites: Determine existing contamin
- Conduct Cleanup and Redevelopment Plan Scope and plan process
- Conduct Community Involvement: Inform engage community

For a Community-Wide Grant:

Ongoing Efforts

COMBINED SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

- Overall System
  - Invested $56 Million of Estimated $86 Million to Reduce Overflow Volume by 85%
  - Eliminated 6 of the Combined Sewer Overflow Locations (30% Reduction)
- Corridor Improvements Completed
  - $2.36 M KIA loans
  - $0.69 M CDBG grant
  - $7.34 M local funds
- Future Corridor Improvements
  - 1.9 M KIA loans
  - $6.61 M local funds

Ongoing Efforts

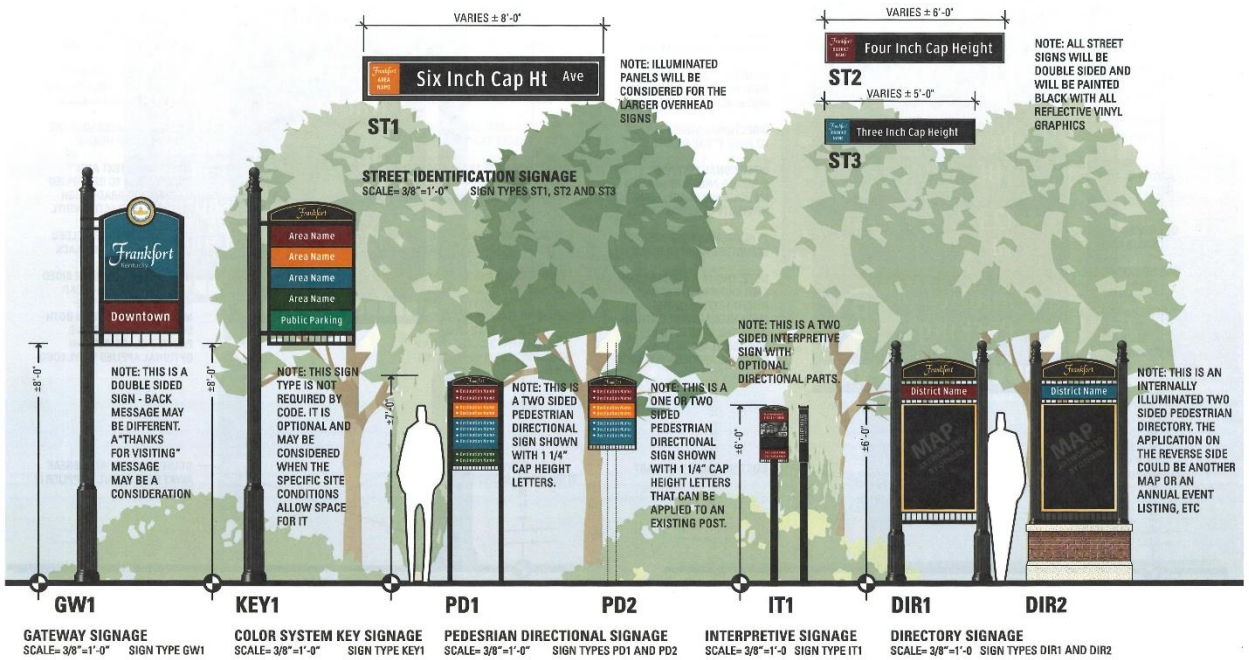
Downtown/Capital Plaza/Riverfront

- Capital Plaza Public Engagement/Redevelopment
- River Cleanup and Increased Traffic
- Downtown Reinvestment Grants
- Wayfinding Signage
- Public Art Projects

Ongoing Efforts

COMMUNITY WAYFINDING

- Community Planning Process
- 4 Wayfinding Signs along Corridor Plan will include additional signage.



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- Call to Action
- Elected Officials Trip Washington D.C.
- Show support by contacting Federal Representatives

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QUESTIONS