

Community Transportation Program Development MPO Survey Results: Important Factors in Project Evaluation
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How important is the following factor in your evaluation of potential projects?	ARC	Metro	CMAP	MTC	NCTCOG	PSRC	DVRPC 1	DVRPC 2
Respondent MPO Full Name (Location)	Atlanta Regional Commission	Portland, OR	Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning	Metropolitan Transportation Commission (San Francisco Bay Area)	North Central Texas Council of Governments (Dallas/Fort Worth)	Puget Sound Regional Council (Seattle)	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (Philadelphia)	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (Philadelphia)
Private partnership or financial support	3	2	4	4	3	2	Not applicable	3
Municipal or local partner financial support	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	3
Recommendations from previous planning work by government agencies	1	3	2	1	2	2	2	2
Support from community-based organizations	2	1	4	1	3	2	2	3
Previous community-based planning effort	3	1	2	1	3	2	4	3
Demand forecast	2	2	2	3	3	3	5	3
Identification in regional or local transportation needs assessments	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	2
Expected effectiveness in meeting needs	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2
Financial sustainability	2	2	1	3	1	1	3	2
Do you consider additional factors in your evaluation? Please describe below.	Project readiness; air quality impacts; sponsor capabilities			The above answers reflect prioritization in our low-income funding programs. MTC has many other programs where the above prioritization would be different.	Innovation, replicability, strategic value, technical and financial capacity of applicant, implementation schedule	Yes. Our advisory committee of stakeholders identifies additional factors prior to each funding cycle. These include things that are not easily scored, such as geographic distribution of funding or project scalability (for projects that can take a partial funding award).	Constructability and applicant capacity/reliability.	We consider a project sponsor's ability to deliver a final product and their prior experience in delivering a project in a timely manner. We also focus on whether they will be able to complete a project/program prior to funds expiring. We consider the consulting team's experience as well as that a sponsor is using for a project. We require all project/program applicants to meet with us so we can confirm that they are familiar with requirements, standards, and regulations to move forward with a project.
Key								
1-Very Important	2	3	4	5-Not Important				