

2026 C/CAG Call For Projects

(OBAG 4, MTC CARE-TA, TFCA)

Applicant Workshop

May 15, 2026



Overview

- 2026 CFP Funding Availability
- MTC CARE Technical Assistance
- Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) 40% Fund
- OBAG 4 Overview & Guidelines
- C/CAG CFP Application Procedures
- Scoring Criteria
- FY 2026 C/CAG CFP Schedule

2026 Call for Project Funding Availability

OBAG 4	\$24.1M
Transportation for Clean Air 40% Fund	\$2.1M
MTC Community Action Resource & Empowerment Technical Assistance (CARE TA)	\$1.3M
Total	\$27.5M

MTC Community Action Resource & Empowerment Technical Assistance

- Advancing Community-Driven Mobility Projects
- Focuses on moving community-driven concepts to implementation readiness
- Supports high-priority mobility solutions identified through Community-Based Transportation Plans (CBTPs)
- Advance projects to 100% design (PS&E), ready for construction
- Can be submitted as a standalone application or paired with OBAG 4 funding

Eligibility Criteria

- Originate from a CBTP or similar community-driven planning process
- Located in, or clearly benefit, an MTC Equity Priority Community (EPC)
- Demonstrate meaningful community engagement and support

Eligible Projects

- Technical assistance to advance projects from planning/concept to PS&E phase
- Includes public and stakeholder engagement to support project development

Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) 40% Fund

- TFCA eligible bikeway and bike parking projects
- Funding recommendations are subject to the submission and approval of an acceptable work plan and cost effectiveness (C-E) calculations worksheet, as required by the Air District
- Projects on or adjacent to busier roads, building longer segments of bike lane, and that fill gaps as opposed to standing alone, have lower CEs



One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Overview

- Flexible federal highway formula funds from MTC
- Important revenue source for *Plan Bay Area* implementation

OBAG implements *Plan Bay Area* goals and priorities through focused investments and incentives that:

- Expand and improve mobility options
- Reduce emissions and VMT
- Encourage sustainable development and focused growth



MTC's OBAG 4 County Program Requirements

Jurisdiction sponsors must comply with all requirements to be recommended for award.



Housing Element

Adopted & HCD-certified for 2023–31 RHNA cycle; maintained throughout OBAG 4 period



Annual Progress Report

Submit Housing Element APR to HCD by April 1 each year throughout program period



State Housing Laws

Comply with Housing Accountability Act, surplus lands, ADU, and density bonus laws



Local Roadway Safety Plan

Current LRSP (or equivalent) per HSIP guidelines; updated within five years



PMP Certification

Maintain certified Pavement Management Program (StreetSaver or equivalent)



LSR Survey

Participate in statewide local streets & roads needs assessment surveys



HPMS Traffic Count Data

Provide annual traffic count data to MTC



Complete Streets Checklist

Demonstrates consistency with Complete Streets Policy and Transit Priority Policy for Roadways

**MTC staff will make initial compliance determinations during project evaluation (Fall 2026) and monitor compliance throughout the program period.*

Enforcement Actions



Delay Funds

MTC will deprioritize county awards for inclusion in the Annual Obligation Plan (AOP) from sponsors with minor or initial compliance issues.



Withhold Funds

MTC will withhold or reverse TIP programming for county awards from sponsors with substantial and/or sustained compliance issues.



Rescind Funds

MTC will rescind and reprogram county awards from noncompliant sponsors that do not, or are unable to, develop a reasonable plan to comply and deliver funds within the OBAG 4 period.

- MTC staff will escalate enforcement if sponsors fall out of compliance.
- When compliance issues are identified for sponsors with existing projects, MTC staff will contact both the sponsor and C/CAG

How Projects Are Evaluated

Step 1 — CTA Evaluation (0–75 pts)

Need & Benefits

Projects that effectively address Safety, multimodal access, emissions reduction, resilience, stormwater, state of good repair

Local Priorities

Projects with demonstrated community support, as reflected in Community-Based Transportation Plans, PDA plans, other local planning or project prioritization processes

Equity Impacts

Projects that provide demonstrated benefits to historically marginalized or underserved groups, including Equity Priority Communities or similar local designations

Step 2 — MTC Evaluation (110 pts total)

75

CTA Priorities (normalized scores across counties)

10

Regional Alignment — Plan Bay Area, safety, equity, complete streets, transit

5

Federal Performance Goals (safety, condition, reliability, freight, environment)

10

Deliverability & Risk — sponsor capacity, recent delivery, schedule

10

Air Quality Benefits — CMAQ cost-effectiveness for criteria pollutants

Additional C/CAG Criteria

- C/CAG staff will score and screen the following criteria for all applications:
 - **Local Contribution (10 pts):** 11.47% for Equity Priority Community/Tier 1 EFA; 15% for Tier 2 EFA; 20% for all other projects
 - **Equity Focus Area (10 pts):** Additional points for projects in C/CAG Equity Focus Areas; more points for Tier 1 than Tier 2
 - **Green Infrastructure (5 pts):** Integration with transportation improvements; referenced in a city's Green Infrastructure Plan or C/CAG's Sustainable Streets Master Plan
 - **Letters of Support (5 pts):** Projects that provide letter(s) of support from jurisdiction(s) where the project is located.
 - **Project Readiness (5 pts):** Sponsor demonstrates sufficient agency capacity and technical expertise per MTC's Regional Project Delivery Policy and OBAG 4 deadlines
 - **Deliverability (5 pts):** No deliverability issues; able to obligate OBAG 4 funds no later than January 31, 2031

C/CAG CFP Guidelines

Project Phase Eligibility

- Funding eligible for OBAG 4 cannot be a design only project. Project funds may cover some design cost, but project must include a fully funded construction phase.

Local Contribution

- 11.47% local contribution for projects wholly or mostly within an MTC Equity Priority Community or proposed Tier 1 C/CAG Equity Focus Areas
- 15% of local contribution for projects wholly or mostly within the proposed Tier 2 C/CAG Equity Focus Areas
- 20% local contribution for all other projects.

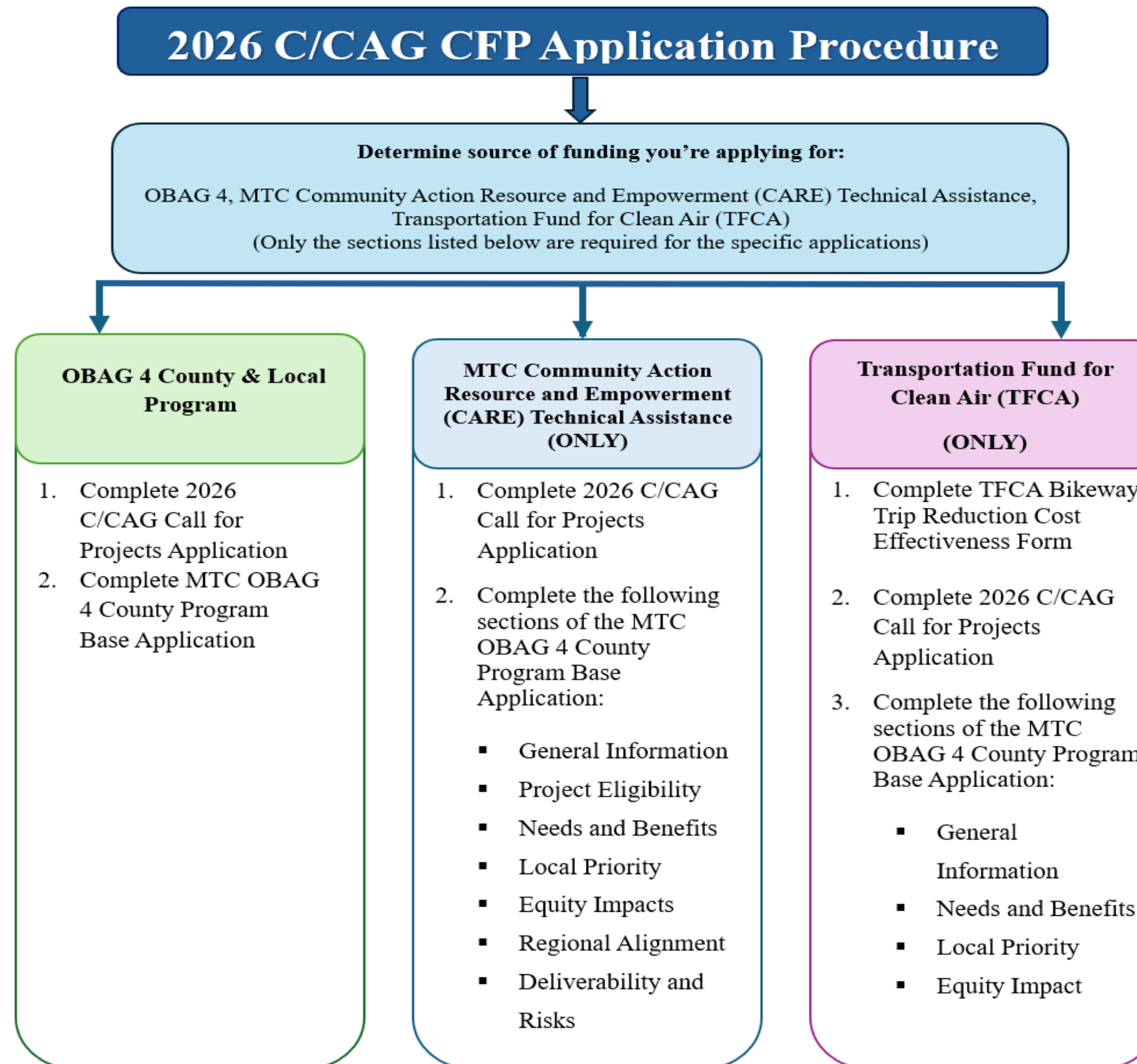
Minimum/Maximum Grant Size

Minimum grant size of \$750,000 and maximum grant size at \$4,000,000 for OBAG 4 funds.

C/CAG Countywide Transportation Plan Equity Definition and Focus Areas

Additional points will be awarded in the project scoring criteria to projects located within areas identified as CTP Equity Focus Areas. Projects in the Tier 1 areas would receive more points than those in Tier 2

Call For Projects Application Procedures



Call For Projects Application Procedures Continued

- If applying for OBAG and CARE, complete both the **2026 C/CAG Call for Projects Application AND MTC OBAG 4 County Program Base Application (all sections)**
- If applying for OBAG and TFCA, complete **both the 2026 C/CAG Call for Projects Application AND MTC OBAG 4 County Program Base Application (all sections) AND TFCA Bikeway Trip Reduction Cost Effectiveness Form**

While formulating the project application schedule, sponsor should consider all the processes required to be completed, including but not limited to:

- Planning Phase
 - Does sponsor anticipate requiring a public outreach process for this project?
 - Has public outreach been conducted?
 - Is there a project design concept that has been approved by Agency leadership?
 - Does the current conceptual design include sufficient information to support a Caltrans Field Review meeting?
 - Will there be another public agency involved in project implementation (neighboring or joint jurisdiction or funding involvement of another agency)?
 - Will this project require a MOU or Cooperative agreement, etc. with another agency?
 - Is the project required to go through the Caltrans DEER process?
 - Does the schedule include time required to schedule and conduct a field review?
- PE / Design Phase
 - Is time included to secure receipt of a PE phase e76?
 - Is the NEPA environmental clearance anticipated to be CE?
 - Is the NEPA environmental clearance anticipated to require Cultural Studies?
 - Is the project located in an area with historic architecture?
 - Does design work need to be coordinated with any other project phases (with a different construction contract)?
 - Does design work need to be coordinated with any utilities?
 - Does design need to be reviewed by Caltrans?
 - Does design need to be reviewed by a railroad?
- ROW Phase
 - Is a permit from Caltrans required?
 - Is a permit from a railroad required?
 - Does the project involve any ROW of the SFPUC or other utility company?
 - Does the project involve ROW that is not owned by the sponsor?
- Construction Phase
 - Is time included to secure receipt of a PE phase e76?

Application Submittal Checklist

- C/CAG Call For Projects Application
- MTC Base Application
- Complete Streets Checklist (submitted to MTC portal)
- Letters of Support
- MTC Resolution of Support
- CE Calculation (If Applicable)
- Applications for \$1 million or more in OBAG 4 funds for CMAQ-eligible projects must include a completed Air Quality Input Form

2026 Call For Projects Schedule

Event	Date
Call for Projects Issued	May 11, 2026
Applicant Workshop	Friday, May 15, 2026, 10:30 - 12pm
Public Workshops	Tuesday, May 19, 2026, 6-7:30pm
Applicant Office Hours	Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 2-3:30pm Wednesday, June 3, 2026, 1-2:30pm Monday, June 8, 2026, 1-2:30pm
Applications Due	June 30, 2026, at 12p.m. PT
Selection Panel Reviews Applications	July – August 2026
C/CAG Committees Review Project Nomination List	August 2026
BPAC Review of CS Checklists	September 2026
C/CAG Board considers Project Nomination List & Prioritized Nominations Due to MTC	October 2026



Any Questions?

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