

# AGENDA

## **RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2022**

**9:00 a.m.**

### **Zoom meeting**

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### **Welcome and Introductions**

*(Le Duc)*

### **Statement Regarding Virtual Meetings**

*(Parsons)*

### **Roll Call & Certification of a Quorum**

*(Firestone)*

#### **1. Consideration of Amendments to the Meeting Agenda**

*(Le Duc)*

#### **2. [Approval of March 21 and April 12, 2022, TAC Meeting Minutes](#) – Page 3**

*(Le Duc)*

**Action requested: approval of minutes as presented**

#### **3. Open Public Comment Period**

*(Le Duc/5 minutes)*

#### **4. TAC Chairman's Report**

*(Le Duc/10 minutes)*

5. **RRTPO Update**  
(Parsons /15 minutes)
  - a. **Current Work Efforts** – page 10
  - b. **Joint board meeting update – June 2, 2022**
  
6. **Unified Planning Work Program (FY 2023)** – page 12  
(Parsons/15 minutes)  
**Action requested: motion to recommend RRTPO Policy Board adoption of the RRTPO Unified Planning Work Program**
  
7. **FY21 – FY24 TIP Amendment – VDOT Request** – page 45  
(Busching/10 minutes)  
**Action requested: motion to recommend RRTPO Policy Board approval of the amendment**
  
8. **FY21 – FY24 TIP Amendment – DRPT Request** – page 48  
(Busching/10 minutes)  
**Action requested: motion to recommend RRTPO Policy Board approval of the amendment**
  
9. **2050 Socioeconomic Data Workgroup** – page 52  
**Action requested: motion to approve the establishment of the Socioeconomic Data Workgroup and designate appointees by May 27, 2022**
  
10. **Transportation Agency Updates**  
(VDOT, DRPT/10 minutes)
  - a. **DRPT** – Dubinsky
  - b. **GRTC** – Torres
  - c. **RideFinders** – O'Keeffe
  - d. **VDOT** - Mueller
  
11. **Future Meeting Topics** – page 53  
(LeDuc/5 minutes)
  
12. **TAC Member Comments**  
(LeDuc/5 minutes)
  
13. **Next Meeting: June 14, 2022**  
(LeDuc)
  
14. **Adjournment**  
(LeDuc)

CAP/jf  
Attachments

**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

**MINUTES OF ACTION MEETING**

**Zoom Meeting**

**March 21, 2022**

**11:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS and ALTERNATES (A) PRESENT:**

<b>Town of Ashland</b>		<b>Charles City County</b>		<b>Chesterfield County</b>	
Nora D. Amos	X	Rhonda Russell		Barbara K. Smith	X
Vacant (A)				Chessa Walker (A)	X
<b>Goochland County</b>		<b>Hanover County</b>		<b>Henrico County</b>	
Thomas M. Coleman	X	Joseph E. Vidunas	X	Sharon Smidler, FY22 Vice Chair	X
Austin Goynes (A)	X	J. Michael Flagg (A)		Todd Eure (A)	
<b>New Kent County</b>		<b>Powhatan County</b>		<b>City of Richmond</b>	
Kelli Le Duc, FY22 Chair	X	Bret Schardein	X	Dironna Moore Clarke	X
		(vacant) (A)		Travis A. Bridewell (A)	
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>		<b>DRPT</b>		<b>GRTC</b>	
John B. Rutledge		Tiffany T. Dubinsky	X	Sam Sink	X
		Grant Sparks (A)		Patricia Robinson (A)	X
<b>PlanRVA</b>		<b>RideFinders</b>		<b>RMTA</b>	
Chet Parsons	X	Von S. Tisdale		Theresa Simmons	
Sulabh Aryal (A)		John O'Keeffe (A)	X		
<b>VDOT</b>					
Liz McAdory					
Nicole Mueller (A)	X				

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**STATEMENT REGARDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

Chet Parsons, PlanRVA, shared the statement on virtual meetings.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Vice Chairman, Sharon Smidler, presided and called the March 21, 2022, RRTPO TAC meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF MEETING QUORUM**

Janice Firestone, Program Coordinator, took attendance by roll call and certified that a quorum was present.

1. **Consideration of Amendments to the Action Meeting Agenda**

There were no requested changes to the meeting agenda. Seeing and hearing no objections, the March 21, 2022, agenda was approved by acclamation as presented.

2. **Open Public Comment Period**

There were no requests to address the Technical Advisory Committee.

3. **STBG/CMAQ Program Development FY23-28 Draft Allocations**

Myles Busching, PlanRVA, presented this item to the committee. Committee members had questions and Mr. Busching clarified that the new projects were selected using the scoring guidelines after updated budget figures were received showing a 17-18% funding increase in RSTP and a 13% funding increase in CMAQ.

Several projects with large deficits were not funded in the draft RSTP allocations plan. These projects had cost increase of which the sponsors were not aware and for which no funding request was submitted. These projects were discussed in detail.

Sharon Smidler made a motion, seconded by Austin Goyne, to fund the three existing RSTP projects with shortfalls that VDOT submitted revised estimates for before funding new projects.

Barbara K. Smith offered a friendly amendment to have staff look into funding the existing projects with shortfalls, then existing projects after that, and bring a draft back to the TAC to take action on.

There was a discussion about submitting a draft to meet the deadline and submitting an amendment later. After further discussion, Vice Chair Smidler declined the friendly amendment, and the motion was voted on and passed as originally stated (see Appendix A).

4. **TAC Member Comments**

There were no member comments.

5. **Next Meeting: April 12, 2022**

Vice Chair Smidler noted that the next regular RRTPO TAC action meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

6. **Adjournment**

Vice Chair Smidler adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**March 21, 2022 - RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) APPENDIX A**  
**- Voting Record Table**

**Motion to recommend Policy Board approval of the draft STBG and CMAQ allocations plans**

<b>Jurisdiction/Agency</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Town of Ashland</b>	Nora D. Amos	X			
<b>Charles City County</b>	Rhonda Russell				X
<b>Chesterfield County</b>	Barbara K. Smith			X	
<b>Goochland County</b>	Thomas M Coleman	X			
<b>Hanover County</b>	Joseph E. Vidunas	X			
<b>Henrico County</b>	Sharon Smidler, VC	X			
<b>New Kent County</b>	Kelli Le Duc, Chair			X	
<b>Powhatan County</b>	Bret Schardein	X			
<b>City of Richmond</b>	Dironna Moore Clarke	X			
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>	John B. Rutledge				X
<b>DRPT</b>	Tiffany T. Dubinsky	X			
<b>GRTC Transit System</b>	Sam Sink	X			
<b>PlanRVA</b>	Chet Parsons	X			
<b>RideFinders</b>	John O'Keeffe (A)	X			
<b>RIC Metropolitan Transp. Authority</b>	Theresa Simmons				X
<b>VDOT</b>	Nicole Mueller (A)	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>		11		2	3

**RICHMOND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

**MINUTES OF ACTION MEETING**

**Zoom Meeting**

**April 12, 2022**

**9:00 a.m.**

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Vacant (A)		Gary Mitchell (A)		Chessa Walker (A)	
<b>Goochland County</b>		<b>Hanover County</b>		<b>Henrico County</b>	
Thomas M. Coleman	X	Joseph E. Vidunas	X	Sharon Smidler, FY22 Vice Chair	X
Austin Goynes (A)	X	J. Michael Flagg (A)		Todd Eure (A)	
<b>New Kent County</b>		<b>Powhatan County</b>		<b>City of Richmond</b>	
Kelli Le Duc, FY22 Chair	X	Bret Schardein	X	Dironna Moore Clarke	X
		(vacant) (A)		Travis A. Bridewell (A)	X
<b>Capital Region Airport Commission</b>		<b>DRPT</b>		<b>GRTC</b>	
John B. Rutledge		Tiffany T. Dubinsky	X	Sam Sink	X
		Daniel Wagner (A)		Patricia Robinson (A)	X
<b>PlanRVA</b>		<b>RideFinders</b>		<b>RMTA</b>	
Chet Parsons	X	Von S. Tisdale		Theresa Simmons	
Sulabh Aryal (A)	X	John O'Keeffe (A)	X		
<b>VDOT</b>					
Liz McAdory					
Nicole Mueller (A)	X				

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**ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF MEETING QUORUM**

Janice Firestone, Program Coordinator, took attendance by roll call and certified that a quorum was present.

**1. Consideration of Amendments to the Action Meeting Agenda**

Mr. Parsons noted that Item 6 was listed as an action item but is not ready for TAC action. It will remain on the agenda as an information item. Seeing and hearing no objections, the April 12, 2022, agenda was approved by acclamation as amended.

**2. Approval of March 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

On motion of Barbara K. Smith, seconded by Sharon Smidler, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the March 8, 2022, meeting by acclamation (voice vote) as presented.

**3. Open Public Comment Period**

There were no requests to address the Technical Advisory Committee.

**4. TAC Chairman's Report**

There was no report from the Chair.

**5. RRTPO Update**

**a. Current Work Efforts**

Mr. Parsons directed the committee members to this report.

**b. STBG/CMAQ Progress Reports Update**

Myles Busching, PlanRVA, presented this item to the committee and noted that semi-annual reporting is required. The next progress report will be given in July.

**6. Unified Planning Work Program (FY2023)**

Mr. Parsons provided this update. The structure of the program remains the same but there are a number of new priorities and emphasis areas. Public outreach is a key new priority. The document will be finalized within the next couple weeks and will be available for committee member review prior to the next meeting.

**7. BikePedRVA Update**

Barbara Jacocks, PlanRVA, provided this update and thanked the members of the steering committee for all their work over the past two years.

Following the presentation, committee members had questions and Ms. Jacocks clarified that the plan can serve as a resource to localities and can be used as a reference when applying for project funding. Phil Riggan, PlanRVA, explained that a number of changes were made to the plan based on comments that were received during the public review period.

On motion of John O'Keefe, seconded by Nicole Mueller, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution (see Appendix A):

**WHEREAS**, the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board acknowledges the critical importance of alternative transportation modes for safe and equitable regional growth and development, and

**WHEREAS**, a well-planned and connected active transportation network represented by BikePedRVA 2045 will provide an essential resource for stakeholders and decision-makers to implement infrastructure priorities, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board adopts BikePedRVA 2045.

## **8. CMAQ Project Request – Chesterfield**

Myles Busching, PlanRVA, presented this item to the committee.

On motion of Barbara K. Smith, seconded by Nicole Mueller, the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution (see Appendix A):

**Resolved**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) removes the following projects from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program:

- Alverser Dr/Old Buckingham Rd Roundabout – Chesterfield

**Further Resolved**, that the RRTPO selects the following replacement projects for the CMAQ program:

- Lewis Rd at Rte 10 Left Turn Lane - Chesterfield
- Woodlake Village Pkwy at 360 Triple Lefts - Chesterfield

**Finally Resolved**, that the RRTPO approves the revised CMAQ allocations plan as presented.

## **9. Transportation Agency Updates**

### **a. DRPT**

Tiffany Dubinsky, Statewide Transit Planning Manager at DRPT, provided an update on DRPT activities, which is posted with the [meeting documents](#).

### **b. GRTC**

Sam Sink, GRTC, noted that there are no new GRTC updates since the last meeting. She offered to answer any questions.

### **c. RideFinders**

John O’Keeffe, Account Executive at RideFinders, reported the following:

- Brigitte Carter Account Executive with RideFinders was recognized by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for Women’s History Month, and RideFinders featured our only female owned vanpool provider as well
- New 7 passenger vanpool started on March 14<sup>th</sup> 7 passenger from Colonial Heights to Ft. Pickett
- RideFinders is working with the Hampton Roads Traffic and The Department of Rail and Public Transportation on the Commute!VA Pilot Emergency/Guaranteed Ride Home pilot program
- Shared partner updates on Facebook and/or Twitter for PLANRVA, VDOT, VCU, RVAgreen2050, Chesterfield County, DRPT and James River Association



- Celebrated Transit Operator Appreciation Day with a special social media post
- Promoted RVA Rapid Transit's "Transit Governance for Dummies" chat with Julie Timm (GRTC's CEO), William Harrell (President & CEO, Hampton Roads Transit), and Benjamin Campbell (GRTC's Board President)
- Promoted services during the continued high gas prices on social media platforms. Demonstrated that RideFinders is always here for commuters whether gas prices are high or are low
- Encouraged commuters to "take charge" of their commute by finding the personalized option that's best for them.
- Promoted the City of Richmond's Shared Mobility Program on e-scooters.

**d. VDOT**

Nicole Mueller, Planning Specialist at VDOT, provided this update, which is posted with the [meeting documents](#).

**10. Future Meeting Topics**

Chair Le Duc reviewed the future meeting topics.

**11. TAC Member Comments**

There were no member comments.

**12. Next Meeting: May 10, 2022**

Chair Le Duc noted that the next regular RRTPO TAC action meeting will be held on May 10, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**13. Adjournment**

Chair Le Duc adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

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## **Current Work Efforts Update – Item 5.-a.**

### **Active Transportation Work Group (ATWG)**

The ATWG will be an important driver for implementation of the BikePedRVA Plan. In addition to the regular quarterly meetings which will start again in June upon review/approval of BikePedRVA 2045 plan, staff continues to work with partners to advance the goals of Active Transportation in the region:

Henrico County's ATWG to develop the bicycle and pedestrian chapter of the county's comprehensive plan. Committee continues to submit comments on related planning efforts by Henrico staff.

East Coast Greenway Alliance (ECG) on potential designations of segments of the future route of the trail through the Richmond region. ECG has hired a new Virginia coordinator, Elliot Caldwell. PlanRVA staff met with Elliot last week to brief him on Virginia and Richmond area ECG projects.

### **Ashland Trolley Line Trail Study**

PlanRVA staff continues working with Ursula Lemanski and Mallory Zink, NPS public historian and a history team of experts from Ashland, Hanover, and Henrico counties on concepts that will depict the trolley line's former role (ca. 1907-1938) and community connections. Concepts include interpretative signage that can supplement 3 signs already being installed in Ashland, audio stories via app tied to different segments of the trail as it developed, and way-finding signage or mapping that will take trail users to adjacent sites of community interest. We are planning another meeting/site visit in June with NPS and local history team. Two story maps for the project illustrate the importance and potential for the 14-mile Trolley Line Trail, now a segment of the Fall Line, and includes [history of the trolley line](#) and a [design sketchbook](#).

### **Central Virginia Transportation Authority**

Continued staff support for the daily function of the Authority. Supported meetings of the Finance Committee, Technical Advisory Committee, Fall Line Working Group and jurisdiction legal counsel. Specific administrative work tasks included meeting administration and coordination, continued review of FY23 to FY26 Regional Fund Projects applications, presenting overview of requests, timeline updates, funding scenario options to the Authority, which approved the revised regional funding projections from FY23 to FY26 for the purposes of establishing a 6-year funding plan and authorized the FY23 to FY26 draft funding scenario public hearing to be held April 29, 2022, following a 15-day public comment period from April 13, 2022, until April 28, 2022.

### **Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update**

The public review of DRAFT of the *BikePedRVA 2045* plan is complete and input incorporated into the review copy of the plan. The Bike Ped PlanRVA team continues to meet with the community, including Mr. Thornton's constituent meeting for the Fairfield District of Henrico on April 18. This will be the first major update since the 2004 Richmond Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. It represents a more robust digital plan hosted on the website which includes the plan document, story map, ArcGIS map layers, and other resources which will be frequently updated to guide planning, design, and implementation of the plan. PlanRVA staff to work closely with partner agencies and localities. The Complete Streets toolbox or illustrated [story map](#) continues to be updated as one resource intended to implement *BikePedRVA 2045*. The schedule calls for the plan to be considered for adoption by the TPO on May 5, 2022.

### **Scenario Planning**

Staff, through various in-house meetings finalized the scope of work for an executable scenario planning process design/tool for PlanRVA and is working on the draft Request for Proposal (RFP) for consultant services required for scenario planning. The RFP is scheduled to be advertised by early May.

### **Long Range Transportaton Plan**

Staff participated in the Eno Transportation Foundation webinar, “A Debrief on the Omnibus Appropriations Package”.

### **Public Transportation Services**

Staff participated in the following webinars: Eno Transportation Foundation “EV Charging Networks”, TRB webinar “Micromobility and Transit: Keys to Successful Collaboration”, Smart Mobility Connection-Traffic 21 webinar, “ Self-Driving Technology and Trust-Can a Driving Simulator Help?”, and the Optibus webinar, “Public Transportation in 2022: How to Adapt to Changing Paradigms and Priorities.”

Reviewed and provided comments on the Scopes of Work for the GRTC BRT Expansion Study and Engagement Plan.

Participated in the RVA Transit Talk panel discussion, “Transit Governance for Dummies.”

### **Elderly and Disabled Outreach**

Participated in the Richmond History Makers Celebration at Virginia Union University. Senior Connections was recognized for its work to improve regional transportation

Met with the Chickahominy Health District to answer questions concerning health-related needs in the region and the intersection of health and transportation.

Participated in quarterly meeting of the longevity project.

Reviewed and provided suggested edits on a draft Senior Connections transportation survey.

### **Regional Housing**

Staff participated in the following meetings and webinars: Virginia Housing monthly virtual discussion, Housing and Services Resource Center webinar, “State and Local Partnerships for Housing stability”, Better Together presentation , video call with representatives of Partnership for Housing Affordability concerning the regional housing grant and a meeting with representatives of Virginia Housing, Goochland Habitat, and Partnership for Housing Affordability.



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## UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

FISCAL YEAR 2023

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization

**Adopted June X, 2022**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS** This report was prepared by the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission (PlanRVA) staff through a cooperative process involving the City of Richmond, Counties of Charles City, Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, New Kent and Powhatan, the Town of Ashland, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), the Virginia Department of Aviation, the Capital Region Airport Commission, GRTC Transit System, the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), PlanRVA and RideFinders, Inc., on behalf of the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO). The contents of this work program reflect the views of the RRTPO. PlanRVA staff is responsible for the facts and accuracy of the data presented herein. The contents do not necessarily reflect the official views or policies of the FHWA, FTA, VDOT, DRPT or PlanRVA. This document does not constitute a standard, specification, or regulation. FHWA, FTA, VDOT, or DRPT acceptance of this document as evidence of fulfillment of the objectives of this work program does not constitute endorsement/approval of the need for any recommended improvements nor does it constitute approval of their location and design or a commitment to fund any such improvements. Additional project level environmental impact assessments and/or studies of alternatives may be necessary.

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# INTRODUCTION

## The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

The purpose of the UPWP is to promote a unified regional approach to transportation planning in order to achieve regional goals and objectives. Additionally, the UPWP serves to document proposed expenditures of Federal, State and local transportation planning funds, and provides a management tool for RRTPO and the funding agencies in scheduling major transportation planning activities, milestones, and products.

The UPWP is required of all metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) as a condition to receiving federal funds. RRTPO is the federally designated MPO for the Richmond region and consists of the member governments as shown in Figure 1.

The goal of the UPWP is a well-functioning process and program that meets the federal and state transportation planning requirements. This effort involves the public, interested parties, and the RRTPO in developing a multi-modal, continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning and programming process. A requirement of Section 450.308(c) of the Metropolitan Planning regulations is that Transportation Management Area (TMA) designated MPOs shall include a discussion of the planning priorities facing the metropolitan planning area. Further discussion of these priorities is provided in the various work tasks.

The UPWP is the RRTPO's budget and work program for the upcoming fiscal year which begins on July 1, 2022 and concludes on June 30, 2023. The UPWP addresses federal/state planning and programming requirements, addresses regional transportation planning issues and needs, and includes activities required for the state and region to remain eligible for federal-aid highway and transit funds. The funding sources supporting the RRTPO program activities come from federal, state and local funds.

## PlanRVA and the RRTPO Planning Process

The FY23 UPWP continues to be organized with four core program areas: Program Management, Transportation Planning, Data and Analysis, and Financial Programs. Program Management is the policy, management and operations platform that supports the remaining three program areas. The program objectives, work elements, responsibilities, budgets, products and schedules are included within each core program area. The appendices consolidate information necessary to understanding and implementing the RRTPO program requirements.

There are work tasks that are included primarily as "project monitoring"; which means the RRTPO is a participating partner in the effort, but the designated lead role is undertaken by another agency or organization such as the Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC), DRPT or VDOT. FTA requires that projects and studies receiving FTA funding be included in the

UPWP; this is not a requirement shared by FHWA. All partners are provided the opportunity to incorporate project updates into the work task which those organizations or agencies lead.

The two primary funding sources supporting the work program are FHWA/PL funds and FTA Section 5303 funds. These funds are matched by state and local sources on an 80% federal (FHWA and FTA) 10% state (VDOT and DRPT), and 10% local (PlanRVA) basis. Additional funding includes FHWA/RSTP which are matched by state sources with 80% federal funding (FHWA) and 20% state funding (VDOT). The FHWA/PL funding allocations for FY 20 from VDOT and the FTA 5303 funding allocations from DRPT have been received.

## Work Program Priorities

The RRTPO-approved FY23 UPWP priorities focus on fully addressing the recommendations from the August 2021 federal certification report, completing existing work tasks that span from FY22 into FY23, and advancing new initiatives. These priorities are outlined below.

### Federal Certification Review Comments, FAST Act and Other USDOT Priorities

The 2021 TMA Planning Certification Review highlights seventeen certification findings as a result of its coordinated efforts between FHWA, FTA, and RRTPO. **Of those seventeen findings, eight are noted as commendations for exemplary performance and two have no finding due to simple achievement of the task. There were no corrective actions noted in the review, which is a remarkable improvement over the 2017 review and is celebrated by the RRTPO Policy Board.** The remaining findings are noted as recommendations below:

- Development of a periodic system performance report evaluating the condition and performance of the transportation system with respect to the performance targets, and progress achieved in meeting the performance targets.
- Update of TIP narrative indicating specific dollar amounts (or percentage of total TIP amount) utilized toward achievement of transit performance targets similar to the effort for highway investments.
- We strongly recommend that the Secretary of Transportation review the Commonwealth's current representation on the Policy Board to ensure that the Commonwealth's interests in passenger and freight rail, transportation demand management, ridesharing, and public transportation are appropriately represented. We recommend that DRPT be considered to be made a voting member moving forward.
- It is recommended that RRTPO, once guidance is released for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill (BIL), to reexamine the 3-C agreement (Memorandum of Understanding) on Metropolitan Transportation Planning Responsibilities for the Richmond Area to ensure it is in compliance.



- VDOT provide Section 504 training to the RRTPO to support their self-certification of Section 504.
- VDOT provide procedures and documentation to support the State's self-certification statement pursuant to 23 CFR 450.336 that the metropolitan planning process is being carried out in accordance with Section 504, ADA, The Older Americans Act, 23 USC 324, and with consideration of E.O. 12898 (EJ).
- RRTPO should continue to support a robust transit network which delivers comprehensive, equitable and convenient service, particularly in areas of greatest need, especially in light of new CVTA revenues.

### Continuation of Existing Work Efforts

- Develop a regional scenario planning tool that assesses the impacts of multiple future forces on growth patterns and development areas.
- Continue to develop the Regional Travel Demand Model to support transportation planning, research and analysis, including small area, sub-area, corridor and scenario planning tasks
- Continue the regional conversation on transit and how to best meet the needs of the region
- Advance the recommendations from prior year studies (BikePedRVA 2045, Regional Park and Ride Study, Transit Vision Plan Short-Range Priorities, etc.) into project applications, policies or other planning efforts
- Continue advancing the Fall Line with local, regional, state and national partners and evaluate opportunities for funding and amenities.
- Continue to build public engagement and outreach strategies for the RRTPO and ensure compliance with Title VI, Environmental Justice and Low Literacy/Limited English Proficiency requirements.

### FY23 Priority Areas

- **Scenario Planning.** This work effort will fully develop an immersive scenario planning process for the region. This builds on intentions from the ConnectRVA 2045 plan and will include comprehensive data development, public engagement, and public-facing reporting and visualization.
- **Transportation investments to capitalize on regional commerce, workforce mobility and accessibility.** This work effort will include planning activities involving freight, transit, multimodal connectivity, and equity.
- **Expanding access to transit.** This work effort will include planning activities focused on further refinement of regional transit priorities and development of shovel-ready transit projects. The passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act has opened many

funding opportunities to consider. This task will be coordinated between GRTC and RRTPO leadership with guidance from DRPT.

- **Identify strategies for further integrating identified performance measures into project scoring and selection processes.** Categories of performance measures include Safety and Security, Congestion Mitigation and System Reliability, Freight Mobility, Multimodal Connectivity and Access to Employment. This work effort will include coordination with other regional partners to identify creative projects and solutions for desired transportation outcomes in the Region.
- **Expand data management and sharing capabilities (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Fully incorporate data sharing and consideration into the transportation planning process, emphasizing data's value across multiple programs. Data sharing principles and data management will be elevated for a variety of issues, such as freight, bike and pedestrian planning, equity analyses, performance management, travel time reliability, connected and autonomous vehicles, mobility services, and safety.
- **Improve consideration of equity and justice in public planning processes (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Actively advance racial equity and support for underserved and disadvantaged communities, including tribal governments, to help ensure public involvement in the planning process and that plans and strategies reflect various perspectives, concerns, and priorities from impacted areas. Work will consider the following:
  - Improving infrastructure for non-motorized travel, public transportation access, and increased public transportation service in underserved communities;
  - Planning for the safety of all road users, particularly those on arterials, through infrastructure improvements and advanced speed management;
  - Reducing single-occupancy vehicle travel and associated air pollution in communities near high-volume corridors;
  - Working with transit providers to target demand-response service towards communities with higher concentrations of older adults and those with poor access to essential services; and
  - Be a resource to providers as they consider equitable and sustainable practices while developing transit-oriented development including affordable housing strategies and consideration of environmental justice populations.
- **Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to a Clean Energy, Resilient Future (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Identify measures to help achieve the national greenhouse gas reduction goals of 50-52 percent below 2005 levels by 2030, net-zero emissions by 2050, and increase resilience to extreme weather events and other disasters resulting from the increasing effects of climate change. This could include evaluating opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing single-occupancy vehicle trips and increasing access to public transportation, and identifying transportation system vulnerabilities to climate change impacts and evaluating potential solutions.
- **Safe Streets (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Be a resource to assist partner agencies plan, develop, and operate streets and networks that prioritize safety, comfort, and access to destinations for people who use the street network, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit

riders, micro-mobility users, freight delivery services, and motorists. The goal is to provide an equitable and safe transportation network for travelers of all ages and abilities, including those from marginalized communities facing historic disinvestment. This vision is not achieved through a one-size-fits-all solution – each complete street is unique and developed to best serve its community context and its primary role in the network.

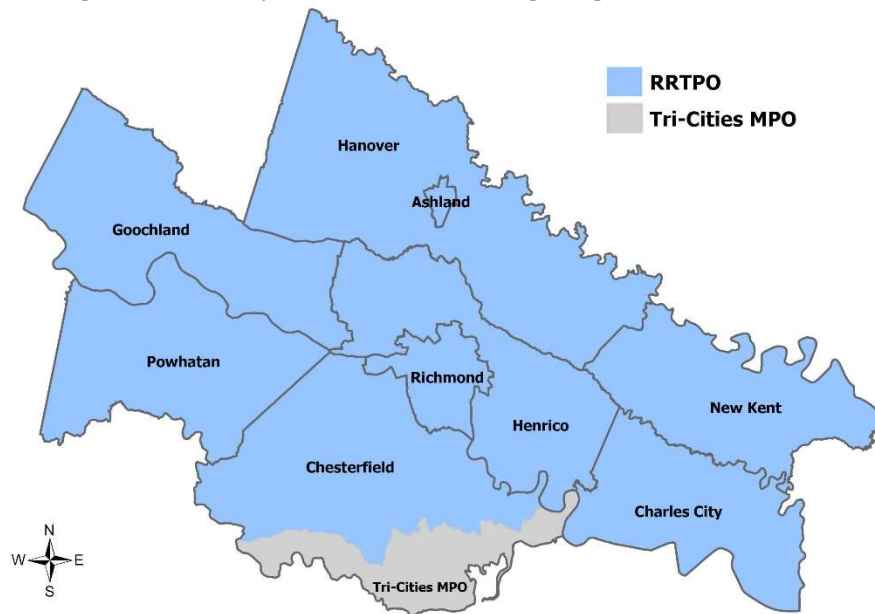
- **Public Engagement (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Continue developing methods and strategies to improve opportunities for the general public to take a more active role in project planning and development. Be a resource to connect impacted communities with decision-makers as plans and projects are considered. Identify a layered engagement approach that considers in-person, hybrid, and virtual tools and strategies for involvement.
- **Planning and Environmental Linkages (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).** Develop project planning workflows that implement PEL as part of the transportation planning and environmental review processes. The use of PEL is a collaborative and integrated approach to transportation decisionmaking that considers environmental, community, and economic goals early in the transportation planning process, and uses the information, analysis, and products developed during planning to inform the environmental review process. PEL leads to interagency relationship building among planning, resource, and regulatory agencies in the early stages of planning to inform and improve project delivery timeframes, including minimizing duplication and creating one cohesive flow of information.

### **The UPWP fulfills the federal requirement under 23 CFR §450.308:**

*(b) An MPO shall document metropolitan transportation planning activities performed with funds provided under title 23 U.S.C. and title 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 in a unified planning work program (UPWP)...*

*(c) . . . each MPO, in cooperation with the State(s) and public transportation operator(s), shall develop a UPWP that includes a discussion of the planning priorities facing the MPA. The UPWP shall identify work proposed for the next 1- or 2-year period by major activity and task (including activities that address the planning factors in §450.306(b)), in sufficient detail to indicate who (e.g., MPO, State, public transportation operator, local government, or consultant) will perform the work, the schedule for completing the work, the resulting products, the proposed funding by activity/task, and a summary of the total amounts and sources of Federal and matching funds.*

Figure 1. Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization



## Metropolitan Planning Factors and RRTPO's FY 2023 Priorities

The 2015 *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FASTACT)* continues the principles of integrated planning first set forth in 1992 with the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act

Under the *FAST Act*, MPOs must consider ten (10) planning factors when developing transportation plans and programs.

1. Support the economic vitality of the Metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;
2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
4. Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and freight;
5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns;
6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
7. Promote efficient system management and operation;
8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system
9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate storm water impacts of surface transportation; and
10. Enhance travel and tourism.

Development of this FY 2023 UPWP has been guided by regulations requiring the RRTPO planning process to consider and implement projects, strategies, and services that address these ten Metropolitan planning factors. Each of these planning factors affects nearly every task; the degree of consideration and analysis is based on the scale and complexity of many issues, including transportation system development, land use, employment, economic development, human and natural environment, and housing and community development (23 CFR 450.306(b)). The matrix on page 9 summarizes the applicability of each Metropolitan planning factor to the 2022 work program tasks.

### **Regional Models of Cooperation**

Regional Models of Cooperation provide a framework and process for States and MPOs to develop multi-jurisdictional transportation plans and agreements to improve communication, collaboration, policy implementation, use of technology and performance management across agency boundaries. Multi-jurisdictional planning combines many perspectives to improve coordination and implement effective planning across wide geographic areas. Regional models of cooperation offer a competitive advantage by improving decision-making and saving time and money through shared resources. Examples include freight and congestion management coordination.

### **Ladders of Opportunity**

Work—Infrastructure investment creates jobs and paves the way for business, particularly small and disadvantaged business enterprises

Connect—A multimodal transportation system provides Americans with safe, reliable, and affordable connections to employment, education, healthcare, and other essential services

Revitalize—Transportation infrastructure can lift up neighborhoods and regions by attracting new opportunities, jobs, and housing

# FISCAL YEAR 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The following summarizes work produced and planning activities performed during FY 2022 to implement the approved RRTPO planning projects and consultant tasks listed below. Ongoing work program tasks, such as routine project administration, are not included in this summary and only major accomplishments are listed.

## Task 7100 Program Support & Administration

- 7110 Continued development and outreach tools with emphasis on public engagement and transparency. Strengthened and grew committee participation opportunities through refinement of a fully-virtual meeting platform and archiving process through Zoom, YouTube, and integration of the agency website for meeting data. Increased committees served by staff from twelve to fifteen over the year. Continued strong staffing commitment to the Central Virginia Transportation Authority and served as lead staff for the new organization. Supported the CVTA Technical Committee and CVTA Finance Committee as they developed regional priorities, authority budget, financial management structure, revenue policies and procedures, and other key components of the fledgling organization. Supported the CVTA Regional Priorities Subcommittee and other committees and work groups as needed.
- 7120 Maintained the FY22 UPWP and developed amendments as needed to account for new emphasis on work tasks and priorities. Consulted with member governments and partners to ensure work was being performed as needed.

## Task 7200 General Development & Comprehensive Planning

- 7210 Continued evolution of the Public Engagement Plan to allow RRTPO to be flexible in how stakeholders can participate in the planning practice with emphasis on virtual engagement during the COVID-19 pandemic and how to best continue a variety of opportunities as COVID restrictions eased. Strengthened the role of CTAC and its ability to advise other RRTPO committees and the general public. Shifted approach to public engagement on [www.planrva.org](http://www.planrva.org) and continued to embrace the use of ESRI Storymaps to communicate project work. Supported Senior Connections and other human service transportation providers to better engage their constituents.
- 7220 Worked with regional partners to provide resources and support in the development of the Central Virginia Transportation Authority. Participated virtually in professional organizations and societies including the American Planning Association, National Association of Regional Councils, Association of MPOs, National Association of Development Organizations, Consortium for Scenario Planning, Intelligent Transportation Society of Virginia, and others to advance staff engagement and knowledge of best practices. Worked with VDOT and partner organizations to research and advance understanding of Connected and Autonomous Vehicles and their impact on regional travel. Partnered on STARS studies, IMR reports, and arterial management plans.



- 7230 Developed a process to unify consultant contracting and RFP procedures. Worked to provide staff with tools and education for remote work and coordination with partners and constituents.

### **Task 7300 Long-Range Transportation Planning**

- 7310 Shepherded the ConnectRVA 2045 LRTP process to achieve adoption on October 4, 2021. Guided the Advisory Committee (AC) to oversee the development of the plan, ConnectRVA 2045. Finalized process for project prioritization and developed metrics and performance measures. Worked with consultant to develop unique accessibility and land use tools to integrate into the regional travel demand model. Developed specific GIS tools to measure equity and environmental justice impacts of projects prior to project selection. Developed and refined the Universe of Projects to define the entirety of projects considered regionally significant and eligible for inclusion in ConnectRVA 2045. Developed scoring, benefit/cost analysis, and recommended ranking of projects for inclusion in the financially constrained project list. Fully developed opportunities for public engagement and feedback on the planning process, including roughly 1,000 comments on the Universe of Projects and two surveys through Metroquest to develop the Vision, Goals, and Objectives of the plan and to inform the advisory committee on preferences for funding of the plan and its modal elements.
- 7320 Developed next phase of Richmond Tri-Cities (RTC) model update with consultant. Continued work on development of economic and land use models for use in scenario planning for FY 23.
- 7330 Continued coordination with GRTC and CVTA on developing the regional transit plan. Created and supported a Regional Public Transportation Work Group to focus on regional transit needs. Worked with GRTC to scope a detailed analysis of the N-S BRT corridor.
- 7340 Completed BikePedRVA 2045, a full update to the 2004 bicycle pedestrian plan and component of *ConnectRVA 2045*. Incorporated an expanded public outreach campaign and equity considerations in the development and completion of the plan. Fully supported development of the Fall Line. Led CVTA effort to commit \$104M in regional funding to the implementation of the Fall Line. Staffed Fall Line work group and supported regional Fall Line design committee. Continued efforts to secure additional funding and design. Maintained Active Transportation Work Group (ATWG). Actively participated with regional East Coast Greenway (ECG) partners to continue trail development.
- 7350 Continued development of a resilience component for *ConnectRVA 2045*. Included resilience as a major component of the scenario planning tools in development. Hired a full-time resilience planner to lead these increasingly important efforts.

### **Task 7400 Short-Range Transportation Planning**

- 7410 Completed first-ever Regional Transportation Safety Plan. Developed dashboards and datasets to communicate safety issues and trends for all nine RRTPO member jurisdictions. Maintained Congestion Management Process data and reporting.

Developed visualizations and a storymap to explain performance measures and trends to elected officials and the public. Continued supporting a RRTPO Vision Zero Workgroup. Submitted safety measures for Federal performance measures.

- 7420 Supported regional development of Smart Scale applications for Round Five. Worked directly with VDOT/OIPI to prepare applications. Supported CVTA project application, scoring, and ranking process and provided on-demand analysis and recommendations. Developed funding scenarios for consideration by the Authority. Maintained the current TIP and worked with partners to perform adjustments and amendments in a timely manner. Administered the RSTBG/CMAQ/TA project process. Successfully implemented complete revision and improvement of guidelines, policies, and processes for the RSTP/CMAQ guidance and supported the RSTP/CMAQ guidelines work group.
- 7430 Supported Staples Mill Small Area Plan and I-95 / Richmond Marine Terminal / Commerce Corridor Access study. Performed internal audit of freight program and began the process of prioritizing staff focus areas for FY23.

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TABLE 1. Planning Factors and Task Matrix

RRTPO FY23 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM		PLANNING FACTORS								
PROJECT TASKS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Economic	Safety	Security	Accessibility	Environment	Connectivity	Management	Preservation	Storm Water	Tourism
<b>7100 PROGRAM SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>										
Task 7110 Program Management	X	X		X		X	X			
Task 7120 UPWP, Budget and Contract Administration	X	X		X		X	X			
<b>7200 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT &amp; COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING</b>										
Task 7210 Public Outreach & Equity Analysis			X	X	X					X
Task 7230 Special Planning Efforts	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X
Task 7240 Contingency Funding			X	X	X	X	X			
<b>7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING</b>										
Task 7310 Long-Range Transportation Plan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Task 7315 Scenario Planning	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Task 7320 Travel Demand Modeling & Emissions Analysis	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		
Task 7330 Transit	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Task 7340 Active Transportation: Bicycle & Pedestrian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>7400 SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING</b>										
Task 7410 Performance Based Transportation Planning	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Task 7420 Financial Programming / Transportation Improvement Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Task 7430 Rail, Freight and Intermodal Planning	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECT TASK DESCRIPTIONS

RRTPO planning activities are divided into four major planning categories taken from the Federal Transit Act, Section 5303, Metropolitan Planning Program. Funding sources for planning activities include a combination of federal transit and highway programs.

The following pages describe each task, including its purpose, agency or agencies responsible for carrying out the work, and expected results.

Table 2 lists the projects, tasks, and total cost budgeted for each project. For details, see the individual task descriptions beginning on the next page, and the FY 2023 RRTPO Budget, beginning on page 28.

TABLE 2. PROJECT CATEGORIES AND TASK BUDGET

Task Number	Title	Total Budgeted Amount
<b>7100</b>	<b>PROGRAM SUPPORT &amp; ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$244,000</b>
7110	Program Management	
7120	UPWP, Budget and Contract Administration	
<b>7200</b>	<b>EQUITY, OUTREACH &amp; COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING</b>	<b>\$448,578</b>
7210	Public Outreach & Equity Analysis	
7220	Special Planning Efforts	
7230	Contingency Funding	
<b>7300</b>	<b>LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING</b>	<b>\$1,637,000</b>
7310	Long-Range Transportation Plan	
7315	Scenario Planning	
7320	Travel Demand Modeling & Emissions Analysis	
7330	Transit	
7340	Active Transportation: Bicycle & Pedestrian	
7350	System Resilience Plan	
<b>7400</b>	<b>SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING</b>	<b>\$501,000</b>
7410	Performance Based Transportation Planning	
7420	Financial Programming / Transportation Improvement Program	
7430	Rail, Freight & Intermodal Planning	

# 7100 PROGRAM SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION

## Task 7110 Program Management

### Purpose:

1. Support the planning process and provide contract administration for federal, state, and other funding programs as appropriate.
2. Support Policy Board, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) & subcommittee meetings.

### Method:

Major work activities within this task include: developing agendas, minutes, mailings, work status reports, program management and administration; federal/state program requirements and review of related legislation; and computer program support.

PlanRVA staff serves as lead staff for RRTPO program administration with VDOT Richmond District providing support through its partnership on committees and work groups, processing quarterly bills and other requisitions, and conducting various other technical and administration support activities. VDOT State Planning & Research (SPR) funds programmed under UPWP task 7110 provides for VDOT Richmond District support on all RRTPO work tasks.

<b>7110 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Maintenance and administration of the program	Ongoing
2. Maintain current information on regional plans and programs	Ongoing
3. Coordinate consultant-related activities	As Needed
4. Coordinate special meetings including the RRTPO Transportation Forum	As Needed
5. Coordinate and fulfill interagency review and information requests	As Needed
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Provide technical assistance to the RRTPO, member governments, and other agencies	As Needed
2. Provide review and guidance related to RRTPO planning and programming requirements and assistance addressing federal requirements	Ongoing

# 7100 PROGRAM SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION

## Task 7120 UPWP, Budget and Contract Administration

### Purpose:

1. Develop and maintain the Unified Planning Work Program.
2. Develop time allocations, budgets, and funding scenarios to support UPWP deployment.

### Method:

PlanRVA staff will cooperatively develop and administer the UPWP, and coordinate RRTPO planning activities and committee meetings in compliance with UPWP funding agencies. This work effort also supports the RRTPO program by providing legal and other financial services related to the RRTPO program.

This task provides for maintenance of the adopted UPWP and annual development of the RRTPO work program for the upcoming fiscal year. Work in this task includes development of time allocations, budgets, and funding to support the task descriptions. The UPWP also identifies the region's planning priorities, documents cooperation between the RRTPO and Tri-Cities Area MPO on various work activities and notes non-RRTPO transportation study activities funded by FTA as informational items.

<b>7120 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Administer RRTPO FY 2023 UPWP	Ongoing
2. Prepare FY22 UPWP amendments for year end funds transfer	October 2022
3. Work with member governments to prepare grant applications supporting the UPWP	As Needed
4. Communicate UPWP activities to the public through CTAC and outreach methods identified in Task 7210 and the RRTPO Public Engagement Plan	Ongoing
5. Coordinate review of and fulfill information requests	As Needed
6. Provide regular progress updates to VDOT and DRPT	Ongoing
7. Provide review and guidance related to RRTPO planning and programming requirements and assistance addressing federal requirements	Ongoing

# 7200 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT & COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

## Task 7210 Public Outreach & Equity Analysis

### Purpose:

- 1) Actively engage stakeholders and the general public with information regarding RRTPO activities and current issues in metropolitan transportation planning.
- 2) Encourage and document citizen engagement in the development of RRTPO transportation plans, programs and policies via the approved PlanRVA Public Engagement Plan, Title VI Plan, and associated policies and procedures.

### Method:

This work effort supports the development of a functional and viable community engagement program, which creates a “citizen planner” role for the public on transportation issues and encourages public input to the transportation planning and programming process.

The RRTPO organization includes a standing Community Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) appointed by the RRTPO policy board. The CTAC membership includes representation from all the RRTPO local jurisdictions and community organizations, including a focus on seniors, individuals with disabilities, persons with low income and all persons that are transportation disadvantaged. Engagement with CTAC provides an opportunity for citizen and interested party input to inform and advise the RRTPO on plans, studies, issues, and other matters related to the planning of transportation systems and services.

In addition to supporting CTAC and the work groups, the RRTPO encourages community engagement for each of its work products, including the Long-Range Transportation Plan, Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, and other current plans and studies. There are various ways to get involved, including the PlanRVA website, open meetings, community events, and other methods outlined in the RRTPO Public Engagement Plan.

<b>7210 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
<b>1. Work to ensure equitable opportunities for all people to participate in the work of PlanRVA and RRTPO.</b>	Ongoing
2. Revise & update RRTPO Public Engagement Plan to include best practices	As Needed
3. Actively engage the community on plans and programs related to RRTPO	Ongoing
4. Support CTAC, TAC, LRTP Advisory Committee, Public Transportation Work Group, Active Transportation Work Group, and Vision Zero Work Group	Ongoing
5. Maintain PlanRVA website and project pages including storymaps	Ongoing/As Needed

6. Serve as a resource to VDOT & DRPT to enhance participation by elderly, disabled, and low-income populations in transportation plans	As Needed
7. Support Senior Connections as a partner in developing regional coordination services as described in the RRTPO Needs and Gaps Assessment of the Transportation Disadvantaged report	Ongoing
8. Update and revise MOAs and committee bylaws	As Needed
9. Implement/administer any changes to the MPO organization structure, as needed	As Needed
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Support PlanRVA efforts to engage regional stakeholders and the general public	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Encourage and participate in PlanRVA efforts to raise awareness of transit improvement projects	Ongoing

# 7200 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT & COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

## Task 7220 Special Planning Efforts

### Purpose:

- 1) Participate in and provide technical support to special planning efforts or studies in the region that are related to or impact transportation planning, system performance and financial programming as determined by the RRTPO Secretary.

### Method:

PlanRVA staff will work closely with member governments and partner agencies to complete additional studies and plans that help to advance the transportation plans of the region, including but not limited to collaborative strategic planning, economic development, land use analysis, tourism planning, regional and megaregional partnerships, financial competitiveness studies, and professional advancement.

<b>7220 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Central Virginia Transportation Authority – Serve as a resource to assist the CVTA in establishing transportation plans and funding priorities for projects in the region.	Ongoing
2. Professional leadership and advancement – work to be an active participant and leader in various professional organizations like the Virginia Association of MPOs, National Association of Regional Councils, Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, Transportation Research Board, ITSVA, American Planning Association, etc.	Ongoing
3. National Best Practices – Spread the word about work that PlanRVA is doing by attending and presenting at local, state, and national conferences.	Ongoing
4. Automated and Connected Vehicle Technology – Continue to work with VDOT and other partners to study and advance innovative technologies to support regional transportation mobility and accessibility	Ongoing
5. Actively participate in VDOT or locality-led regional transportation studies like STARS, Arterial Management Plans, IMRs and IMJs as well as responding to data requests	As Needed

## 7200 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT & COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

### Task 7230 Contingency Funding

#### Purpose:

- 1) Provide additional support for new and unforeseen activities.

#### Method:

Financially support unforeseen activities related to community engagement, staffing, consultant contracts, or other activities associated with UPWP tasks. This item may also be used for funding new UPWP tasks that may be approved by the RRTPO Policy Board during the fiscal year

<b>7230 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Staffing or administrative tasks as appropriate to actively pursue and complete projects developed under the UPWP	As Needed
2. Consultant contracts to address needs or other projects as developed during the fiscal year	As Needed
3. Additional public engagement as identified during the planning phases for project assignments	As Needed
4. New UPWP tasks developed as part of a needs assessment during the fiscal year	As Needed
5. Address unanticipated funding shortfalls and/or rescissions	As Needed



# 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

## Task 7310 Long-Range Transportation Plan

### Purpose:

- 1) Develop a comprehensive future-reaching transportation plan to assess mobility and access needs of the Richmond region

### Method:

In accordance with RRTPO policy and applicable federal regulations, PlanRVA will coordinate and undertake various activities to update the Long-Range transportation plan in consultation and coordination with VDOT and DRPT staffs. The existing plan will be monitored and amended as necessary.

<b>7310 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Update ConnectRVA 2045 as needed and work to implement it	Ongoing
2. Work collectively with CVTA to identify candidate projects for implementation using <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i>	Ongoing
3. Coordinate with VDOT and DRPT on Regional Performance Measures and their ongoing assessment	Ongoing
4. Develop a comprehensive Scenario Planning process using <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> that will inform the development of the next Long-Range Transportation Plan. This process will include community education, research, and data development during a multi-year process.	Throughout FY 2023
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Support RRTPO in maintenance of <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> and development of the scenario planning effort	Ongoing
2. Consider the impact of recommendations from various studies on <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> , in association with VDOT planning efforts	Ongoing
3. Implement <i>VTrans</i>	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Support RRTPO in developing <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> and scenario planning effort	Ongoing
2. Review RVA Transit Vision Plan and other regional transit and mobility plans in coordination with GRTC planning efforts for consistency with <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> targets	Ongoing

## 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7315 Scenario Planning

#### Purpose:

- 1) Develop a multi-disciplinary future conditions prediction model using scenario planning

#### Method:

In accordance with applicable federal regulations and accepted best practices, PlanRVA will coordinate and undertake various activities to develop a new scenario planning model. The model will be developed through open public education, engagement and equitable practices with a focus on broad consensus on outcomes.

<b>7315 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Develop the scenario planning scope and timeline	April 2022
2. Identify steering committee and associated stakeholders	Spring/Summer 2022
3. Coordinate with VDOT, DRPT, and other partners on available data sources and cooperative use	Ongoing
4. Develop a comprehensive Scenario Planning process that will inform the development of the next Long-Range Transportation Plan. This process will include community education, research, and data development during a multi-year planning process.	FY 2023 and beyond
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Support RRTPO in development of the scenario planning effort	Ongoing
2. Evaluate the impact of scenario planning outcomes on VDOT long-term planning efforts	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Support RRTPO in developing scenario planning effort	Ongoing
2. Evaluate the impact of scenario planning outcomes on DRPT long-term planning efforts	Ongoing

# 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

## Task 7320 Travel Demand Modeling & Emissions Analysis

### Purpose:

- 1) Simulate existing and future travel demand.
- 2) Effectively model, analyze, and document multi-modal transportation networks.
- 3) Estimate on-road motor-vehicle emissions, as needed.
- 4) Develop new methods for performing scenario analysis and planning

### Method:

PlanRVA and VDOT will cooperatively utilize the Richmond / Tri-Cities (RTC) travel demand model; prepare, analyze and document network-based travel forecasts, as needed; and undergo training in the use of travel demand modeling and emissions analysis tools. PlanRVA will utilize the Replica model platform to develop alternative analyses and investigations into future conditions and impacts of transportation decision-making.

<b>7320 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Maintain and implement the RRTPO Travel Demand Model	Ongoing
2. Provide forecasts for regional studies	Ongoing/As Requested
3. Develop scenario planning platform and tools necessary to investigate future impacts from transportation investment. Ensure compatibility of output from Cube™ for use with scenario planning tools and other platforms such as Replica	Ongoing
4. Continue work on update of the RRTPO Travel Demand Model and related sub-models for use in scenario planning	Ongoing
5. Consult and cooperate with member governments, VDOT, Tri-Cities MPO, and other groups to develop use opportunities for the Travel Demand Model in small-area, corridor, and other types of local planning efforts	Ongoing/As Needed
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Assist with maintenance/implementation of the RRTPO Travel Demand Model and provide inputs for regional air quality analysis	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Coordinate with RRTPO and VDOT to incorporate current transit data and forecasts into the Travel Demand Model	Ongoing/As Needed

## 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7330 Transit

#### Purpose:

- 1) Identify opportunities to enhance and increase connectivity to transit across the Richmond region.
- 2) Advance the coordination of transportation services for all people in the Richmond region with focus through an equity lense on disadvantaged and environmental justice populations.

#### Method:

PlanRVA staff will support the implementation of the Transit Vision Plan (Near-term Technical Analysis), including support for GRTC in pursuit of shovel-ready projects and grant opportunities. PlanRVA will also support the state designated Area Agency on Aging in the maintenance of a plan to coordinate regional transportation services meeting the needs of disadvantaged populations.

<b>7330 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Support implementation of the Greater RVA Transit Vision Plan	Ongoing
2. Support the implementation of the Coordinated Human Services Mobility Plan	Ongoing
3. Support the development of regional priorities for transit through staff support of the Central Virginia Transportation Authority.	Ongoing
4. Coordinate Transportation Demand Management processes and policies to improve congestion levels, influence travel demand and improve system efficiency. Particular emphasis on this program will be in partnership with Ridefinders.	Ongoing
5. Coordinate with Greater Richmond Transit Company (GRTC) to improve service to the region, including assistance with GRTC planning and visioning through its TDP and related efforts	Ongoing
<b>GRTC</b>	
1. Solicit support and technical assistance from PlanRVA staff for annual development of a plan for regional public transportation within Planning District 15	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Solicit support & technical assistance from PlanRVA staff on implementation plans for the Greater RVA Transit Vision Plan	Ongoing

## 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7340 Active Transportation: Bicycle & Pedestrian

#### Purpose:

- 1) Plan for all modes of travel, including bicycle and pedestrian facilities connection home, work, and school.
- 2) Provide a forum for regional conversation regarding active transportation and community health.

#### Method:

The RRTPO is responsible for planning all modes of transportation including connecting accessible pedestrian facilities and bicycle facilities. This task provides oversight for the regional bicycle & pedestrian plan and pledges RRTPO support for area groups, organizations, and local governments to advance bicycle and pedestrian studies, programs, and projects.

<b>7340 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Work with partners to identify needed non-motorized improvements as part of a larger connectivity strategy with the regional transportation network	Ongoing
2. Coordinate and facilitate regional conversations on the alignment of the East Coast Greenway	Ongoing
3. Support the development of the Fall Line network and provide technical assistance	Ongoing
4. Develop integrated components of <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i> dedicated to improving bicycle and pedestrian connectivity	Ongoing
5. Implement BikePedRVA 2045	Ongoing
6. Collect and synthesize performance data on nonmotorized travel as available	Ongoing
7. Continue the work of the Active Transportation Work Group	Ongoing
8. Work with member governments and state agencies to advance development of bicycle and pedestrian facilities	As Needed
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Include PlanRVA staff as technical resources for new and ongoing bicycle and pedestrian projects in the Richmond region	As needed
2. Share counts and other performance metrics with PlanRVA staff for inclusion in plans and projects	Ongoing

## 7300 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7350 System Resilience Plan

#### Purpose:

- 1) Following guidance in the FAST Act, consider projects and strategies that will improve resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts on the transportation system as well as reduce the vulnerability of existing transportation infrastructure to natural disasters.

#### Method:

Coordinate transportation planning with environmental partners, homeland security, disaster preparedness, and post-disaster redevelopment planning. Enhance the resiliency of the transportation system to withstand threats from man-made and natural disasters. Think long-term about how to function as a region when societal gathering patterns are disrupted by weather, disease, economic turmoil, or other regional factors.

<b>7350 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Develop a system resilience analysis framework to complement <i>ConnectRVA 2045</i>	Ongoing
2. Work with VDOT to develop a system for infrastructure assessment and prioritization	As Needed
3. Develop a watershed-based digital flood tool that will provide current information on potential impacts and priority infrastructure needs	Ongoing
4. Develop project prioritization metrics that reflect resilience and environmental factors of project development	Ongoing
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Collaborate with PlanRVA to develop a summary database of infrastructure vulnerability	Ongoing

# 7400 SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

## Task 7410 Performance Based Transportation Planning

### Purpose:

- 1) In conjunction with VDOT, establish and work towards meeting a defined set of performance measures and targets through planning and programming projects that contribute towards regional goals.
- 2) Assess progress towards meeting goals.

### Method:

PlanRVA staff will work with OIPI regarding the establishment of performance measures and targets, how Federal rules will be implemented, and will monitor established rules and any proposed changes. The RRTPO will work with FHWA, FTA, VDOT and DRPT to incorporate these new requirements into the RRTPO planning and programming process in the work program.

Develop tools and visualizations to communicate performance of the transportation network in a data-driven process. Incorporate new datasets when possible, including the FY22 adopted Regional Transportation Safety Plan.

The following products and work tasks help to meet and assess these requirements.

<b>7410 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Safety - work with the RRTPO Vision Zero Workgroup to assess regional goals and to support and coordinate with local transportation safety organizations to better support improvement of traffic safety.	Ongoing
2. Congestion Management Process – report on system reliability, such as bottlenecks and travel time data for all CMP designated roads; analysis of congested road segments for AM and PM travel time periods and identify strategies to improve or mitigate congestion.	Ongoing
3. Congestion Management Process – analyze and report on accident data for all CMP network designated roads, plus those roads functionally classified as collector and above in the Richmond region	Ongoing
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Collaborate with PlanRVA staff to develop Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) projects and programs	As Needed
2. Provide needed data to PlanRVA for use in developing CMP analysis and reporting	Ongoing

## 7400 SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7420 Financial Programming / Transportation Improvement Program

#### Purpose:

- 1) Cooperatively develop and publish the RRTPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- 2) Select TIP projects to be implemented.
- 3) Revise policies and procedures for TIP development, as needed.
- 4) Develop and manage evaluation and allocation of federal and state transportation funding.
- 5) Prepare status reports on previously authorized TIP projects.

#### Method:

PlanRVA, VDOT, and DRPT staff will jointly consult and coordinate with each other and with the RRTPO Policy Board and advisory committees to maintain the TIP as needed; monitor authorized TIP projects; revise as needed the RRTPO policies and procedures for TIP development; manage the RSTBG/CMAQ/TAP grant process; and support the Central Virginia Transportation Authority.

<b>7420 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Revise and improve the RSTBG/CMAQ Project Review, Selection, and Allocation process as needed	Ongoing
2. Support financial analysis and consideration of project impacts for the Central Virginia Transportation Authority	Ongoing
3. TIP Analysis and Maintenance	Ongoing
4. Develop tools and metrics to assist in evaluation of regionally significant projects including cost-benefit scoring and funding scenarios	Ongoing
<b>VDOT</b>	
1. Coordinate TIP project proposals for the State Highway System	Ongoing
2. Provide estimates of Federal/State funds available for TIP projects	As Needed
3. Coordinate with PlanRVA staff to develop funds allocation recommendations	Ongoing
<b>DRPT</b>	
1. Coordinate transit TIP projects and amendments	As Needed



## 7400 SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

### Task 7430 Rail, Freight and Intermodal Planning

#### Purpose:

- 1) Moving people and goods efficiently with environmentally beneficial impacts.

#### Method:

In order for Richmond to compete in the efficient movements of goods and services in the coming years, the region will need to identify, develop and implement intermodal strategies which will provide good connectivity for passenger movement, transfer of rail shipments, improved rail access for local truck shipments, expanded opportunity for air cargo movement, and alternative options of importing and exporting regional cargoes, such as by barge to the Port of Virginia's Richmond Marine Terminal. By ensuring the continued performance of the regional transportation system, the prevention of environmental degradation, while encouraging and attracting economic opportunities, the RRTPO will be promoting a high quality of life for our region.

The regional planning process can support policies that advocate investments in the rail system such as extension of sidings, crossovers, signal upgrades or grade-separation of crossings which can improve the performance of the rail system to the benefit of both passenger and freight movements.

<b>7430 Expected Results/Product:</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion Schedule:</b>
<b>RRTPO</b>	
1. Support Staples Mill Station redesign and upgrades	December 2022
2. Freight corridor data development and analysis. Investigation of best applications for freight data to support economic development.	Ongoing
3. Support implementation of I-95/RMT/Commerce Corridor Access Study	Ongoing
4. Freight and Intermodal Work Group – evaluate demand and feasibility	Ongoing
5. Richmond Area Rail Studies: Virginia State Rail Plan, Southeast High-Speed Rail (including DC2RVA: Washington to Richmond), Long Bridge / CSX plan – coordinate with DRPT on work activities	As Needed

# FISCAL YEAR 2023 RRTPO STAFFING AND BUDGET

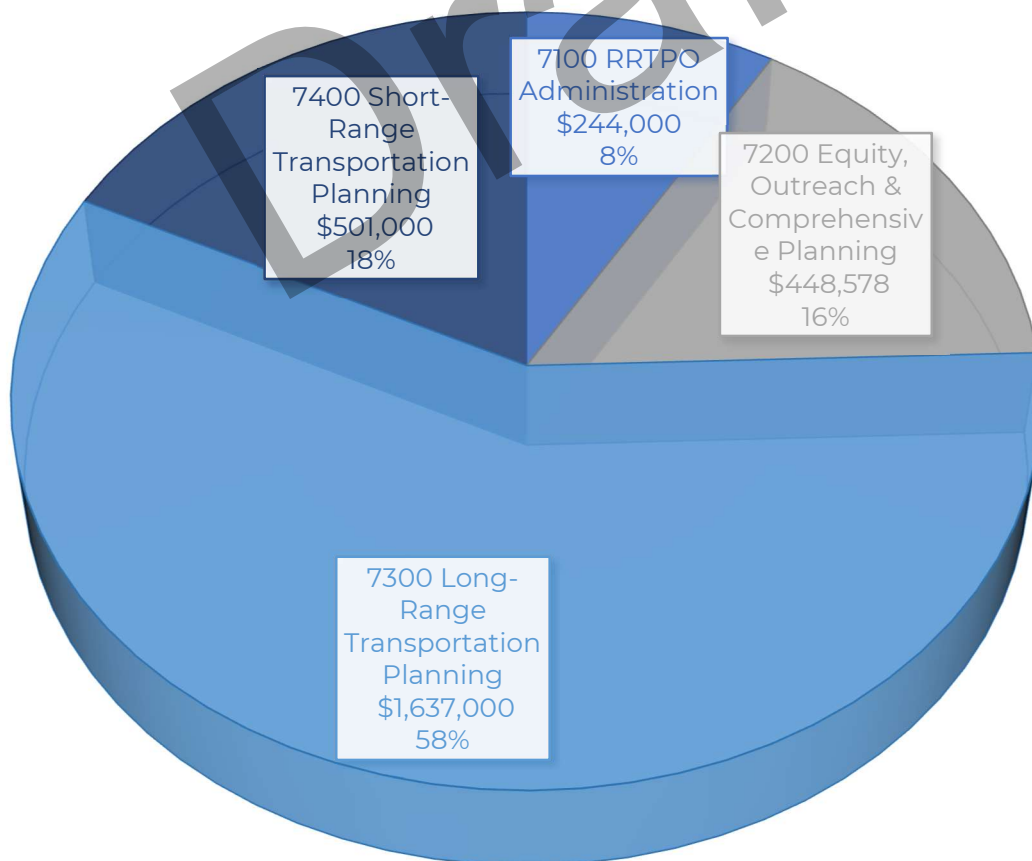
## RRTPO Staff Resources

Eleven personnel from PlanRVA are committed to full-time direct support of the tasks outlined in the FY 2023 RRTPO UPWP; another seven personnel are committed in part-time direct support. Additional personnel may be assigned to consultant-led work tasks.

Primary responsibility for the UPWP rests with PlanRVA staff. There are cases where other UPWP agencies are assigned primary responsibility for specific activities, as delineated in the task descriptions; PlanRVA will provide support for these activities. The PlanRVA Director of Transportation is responsible for overall program support and administration of RRTPO's work program tasks, as well as for interagency coordination with the other UPWP Agencies. Each staff person dedicated to direct support of the work program is charged with primary responsibility for accomplishing specific tasks or subtasks.

Figure 2 reflects the FY 2023 RRTPO budget by planning program project. On the following page, Table 3 details FY 2023 expenditures budgeted by PlanRVA on RRTPO planning projects or tasks described in this UPWP. For each planning project, total expenditures, type of fund, and federal/local matching amounts are identified.

**FIGURE 2. FY 2023 TOTAL RRTPO BUDGET BY TASK**



**TABLE 3. FY 2023 RRTPO Unified Planning Work Program**

Work Task	FY 2023 RRTPO Budget									
	PL				5303				STBG (1)	GRAND TOTAL
	Federal	State	Local	Total	Federal	State	Local	Total		
7110 MPO Prog Mgmt	\$115,200	\$14,400	\$14,400	\$144,000	\$28,800	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$36,000		\$180,000
7120 UPWP Budget & Contracts	\$35,840	\$4,480	\$4,480	\$44,800	\$15,360	\$1,920	\$1,920	\$19,200		\$64,000
7210 Public Outreach/ Equity Analysis	\$176,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$220,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$220,000
7220 Special Planning Efforts	\$176,800	\$22,100	\$22,100	\$221,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$221,000
7230 Contingency Funding	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,062	\$758	\$758	\$7,578		\$7,578
7310 Long Range Transp Pln	\$22,400	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$28,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$28,000
7315 Scenario Planning	\$168,580	\$21,073	\$21,073	\$210,725	\$168,580	\$21,073	\$21,073	\$210,725	\$243,550	\$665,000
7320 Travel Demand Model	\$58,880	\$7,360	\$7,360	\$73,600	\$14,720	\$1,840	\$1,840	\$18,400	\$200,000	\$292,000
7330 Transit	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$224,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$280,000		\$280,000
7340 Act Transp- Bike/Ped	\$161,600	\$20,200	\$20,200	\$202,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$202,000
7350 System Resiliency	\$136,000	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$170,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$170,000
7410 Perf Based Transp Plng	\$55,578	\$6,947	\$6,947	\$69,472	\$12,422	\$1,553	\$1,553	\$15,528		\$85,000
7420 Financial Prog/TIP	\$202,720	\$25,340	\$25,340	\$253,400	\$86,880	\$10,860	\$10,860	\$108,600		\$362,000
7430 Rail & Freight	\$34,560	\$4,320	\$4,320	\$43,200	\$8,640	\$1,080	\$1,080	\$10,800		\$54,000
<b>TOTAL (\$)</b>	<b>\$1,344,158</b>	<b>\$168,020</b>	<b>\$168,020</b>	<b>\$1,680,197</b>	<b>\$565,465</b>	<b>\$70,683</b>	<b>\$70,683</b>	<b>\$706,831</b>	<b>\$443,550</b>	<b>\$2,830,578</b>

(1) Previous specific STBG fund awards

## ACRONYM DEFINITIONS

Acronym	Definition
CMP	Congestion Management Process
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (federal funding)
CTAC	Community Transportation Advisory Committee, RRTPO advisory committee
CVTA	Central Virginia Transportation Authority
DRPT	Department of Rail and Public Transportation
EDAC	Elderly and Disability Advisory Committee, former RRTPO advisory committee
FAST Act	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FY / FFY	Fiscal Year / Federal Fiscal Year
GRTC	Greater Richmond Transit Company
IMR	Interchange Modification Report
LRTP	Long Range Transportation Plan
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
OIPI	Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment
PL	Planning funds (federal funding category)
PlanRVA	Richmond Regional Planning District Commission
Policy	Decision-making body of the RRTPO, composed of elected officials from nine jurisdictions
RMTA	Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority
RRTPO	Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization
RSTP	Regional Surface Transportation Program (federal funding)
RSTBG	Regional Surface Transportation Block Grant (federal funding)
RTC	Richmond / Tri-Cities MPOs
STARS	Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee, RRTPO advisory committee
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program, list of upcoming transportation projects
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program, the RRTPO annual budget and work program
VDOT	Virginia Department of Transportation
VTrans	Virginia statewide, long-range transportation plan

## **TAC AGENDA 5/10/22; ITEM 7**

### **FY21 – FY24 TIP AMENDMENT: VDOT REQUEST**

#### **Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Review and recommend to the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board request from VDOT to amend the FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add one new project.

**BACKGROUND:** The RRTPO Policy Board has received request from VDOT to amend the TIP to add one new project. The new projects are listed below, and the draft TIP pages are attached to this report.

- UPC 118148: Richmond Signal System–Phase IV – City of Richmond

**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:** This project will replace existing copper wiring with fiber optics and upgrade the traffic controllers at the relevant intersections. Staff has reviewed the exemptions. As this project consists of replacement of existing wiring and traffic control equipment, staff has identified a safety exemption for traffic control devices as applicable to this project. This exemption is noted in the draft resolution.

**TAC ACTION REQUESTED:** The following resolution is presented for TAC review and recommendation to the RRTPO for approval:

**RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board amends the FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) adding the following new project:

- UPC 118148: Richmond Signal System – Phase IV; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this project is considered exempt from conformity under provisions contained in section 93.126 of the conformity rule for Safety: Traffic control devices and operating assistance other than signalization projects.

Attachment

# FY 2021 to FY 2024 Richmond Region TPO Transportation Improvement Program

## Miscellaneous

**UPC 118148**

**Jurisdiction:** Richmond  
**Route/Street:**  
**Description:** Richmond Signal System - Phase IV  
**Scope:** Safety  
**From:** Various  
**To:** Various  
**Length:**  
**Administered By:** Locally **Regionally Significant:** No  
**MPO Note:**



### Schedule

Phase	Start	End	Status
Preliminary Engineering (PE):			
Right of Way (RW):			
Construction (CN):			

### Cost Estimates / Previous Obligations

<b>Cost Estimates</b>	
PE:	
RW:	
CN:	
<b>Total:</b>	\$5,488,000

### Goals addressed

Access	No	Congestion	Yes	Environment	Yes
Freight	No	Landuse	No	Maintenance	No
Safety	Yes	Reliability	Yes	Multimodal	No

### Federal Obligations

Phase	Fund Source	Match	Federal Obligations			
			FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
PE	AC CONVERSION	\$140,000	\$0	\$0	\$560,000	\$0
PE	CM	\$118,600	\$0	\$474,400	\$0	\$0
PE AC	AC	\$140,000	\$0	\$560,000	\$0	\$0

### Amendments

**Amd 25** 6/2/2022 Approved

1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Add PE phase to FY22 and obligate \$474,400 CMAQ funds (match \$118,600), and \$560,000 AC funds (match \$140,000). 3). Add PE phase to FY23 and obligate \$560,000 AC Conversion funds (match \$140,000).

Date Requested 3/31/2022

## FY 2021 to FY 2024 Richmond Region TPO Transportation Improvement Program

### Project Amendments - Tracking Records

Amd 25	118148	Richmond	Richmond Signal System - Phase IV
6/2/2022	Approved	1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Add PE phase to FY22 and obligate \$474,400 CMAQ funds (match \$118,600), and \$560,000 AC funds (match\$140,000). 3). Add PE phase to FY23 and obligate \$560,000 AC Conversion funds (match \$140,000). Date Requested 3/31/2022	

## **TAC AGENDA 5/10/22; ITEM 8**

### **FY21 – FY24 TIP AMENDMENTS: DRPT REQUEST**

#### **Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Review and recommend to the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Policy Board request from DRPT to amend the FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add two new projects.

**BACKGROUND:** The RRTPO Policy Board has received request from DRPT to amend the TIP to add two (2) new projects. The new projects are listed below, and the draft TIP pages are attached to this report.

- UPC CHS0004: Capital Cost of Contracting – DRPT
- UPC: HCS0002: Capital Cost of Contracting – DRPT

**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:** Staff has reviewed the potential exemptions for conformity. Cost of Capital Contracting is an FTA term for expenses for services such as vehicle maintenance and leasing. Under the mass transit list of exemptions, this type of project can be classified as either “rehabilitation of transit vehicles” or “purchase of new buses and rail cars to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansions of the fleet,” depending on the terms of the individual contract. In both cases, these projects would be exempt from conformity, and this exemption is noted in the draft resolution.

**TAC ACTION REQUESTED:** The following resolution is presented for TAC review and recommendation to the RRTPO for approval:

**RESOLVED**, that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy Board amends the FY21 – FY24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) adding the following new projects:

- UPC CHS0004: Capital Cost of Contracting
- UPC: HCS0002: Capital Cost of Contracting; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that these projects are considered exempt from conformity under provisions contained in section 93.126 of the conformity rule for mass transit.

Attachment



# FY 2021 to FY 2024 Richmond Region TPO Transportation Improvement Program

## Public Transportation

UPC CHS0004

Jurisdiction: DRPT

Route/Street:

Description: Capital Cost of Contracting

Scope: Transit

From:

To:

Length:

Administered By: DRPT

Regionally Significant:

MPO Note:

*No Image Available*

### Schedule

Phase	Start	End	Status
Preliminary Engineering (PE):			
Right of Way (RW):			
Construction (CN):			

### Cost Estimates / Previous Obligations

Cost Estimates	
PE:	
RW:	
CN:	
Total:	

### Goals addressed

Access	Yes	Congestion	No	Environment	No
Freight	No	Landuse	No	Maintenance	No
Safety	No	Reliability	Yes	Multimodal	Yes

### Federal Obligations

Fund Source	Federal Obligations			
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
FTA 5310		\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
State		\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
Local		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000

### Amendments

Amd 23 6/2/2022 Approved

1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Obligate \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY22; \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY23; and \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY24.

Date Requested 4/27/2022

# FY 2021 to FY 2024 Richmond Region TPO Transportation Improvement Program

## Public Transportation

UPC HCS0002

Jurisdiction: DRPT

Route/Street:

Description: Capital Cost of Contracting

Scope: Transit

From:

To:

Length:

Administered By: DRPT

Regionally Significant:

MPO Note:

*No Image Available*

### Schedule

Phase	Start	End	Status
Preliminary Engineering (PE):			
Right of Way (RW):			
Construction (CN):			

### Cost Estimates / Previous Obligations

Cost Estimates	
PE:	
RW:	
CN:	
Total:	

### Goals addressed

Access	Yes	Congestion	No	Environment	No
Freight	No	Landuse	No	Maintenance	No
Safety	No	Reliability	Yes	Multimodal	Yes

### Federal Obligations

Fund Source	Federal Obligations			
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
FTA 5310	\$0	\$557,000	\$600,000	\$600,000
State	\$0	\$111,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
Local	\$0	\$28,000	\$30,000	\$30,000

### Amendments

Amd 24 6/2/2022 Approved

1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Obligate \$557,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$111,000 and local match \$28,000) in FY22; \$600,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$120,000 and local match \$30,000) in FY23; and \$600,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$120,000 and local match \$30,000) in FY24.

Date Requested 4/27/2022

## FY 2021 to FY 2024 Richmond Region TPO Transportation Improvement Program

### Project Amendments - Tracking Records

Amd 23	CHS0004	DRPT	Capital Cost of Contracting
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6/2/2022	Approved	1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Obligate \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY22; \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY23; and \$400,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$80,000 and local match \$20,000) in FY24. Date Requested 4/27/2022	
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Amd 24	HCS0002	DRPT	Capital Cost of Contracting
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6/2/2022	Approved	1). This is a new project added to the TIP. 2). Obligate \$557,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$111,000 and local match \$28,000) in FY22; \$600,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$120,000 and local match \$30,000) in FY23; and \$600,000 FTA Sec 5310 funds (state match \$120,000 and local match \$30,000) in FY24. Date Requested 4/27/2022	
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## **TAC AGENDA 5/10/22; ITEM 9.**

### **2050 Socioeconomic Data Workgroup**

#### **Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

**REQUESTED ACTION:** The Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) Technical Advisory Committee local jurisdictions, VDOT, GRTC and DRPT are requested to identify one designated appointee to participate in the 2050 Socioeconomic (SE) Data Work Group to confirm Richmond/Tri-Cities (RTC) regional travel demand model inputs relating to population and employment data at the transportation analysis zone (TAZ) level. This will be used in the development of the 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) as well as the PlanRVA Scenario Planning Project. The workgroup will also have appointee from VDOT TMPD and Tri-Cities MPO. Written confirmation of appointees and contact information is requested by May 27, 2022.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

A first task in the development of the 2050 LRTP process will be to update the RTC model and the supporting SE data. The RRTPO and the Tri-Cities MPO will work closely with VDOT modeling staff to update the RTC model. The RTC model update will require a new set of horizon year (2050) population and employment data as a primary input. This work will be developed by a working group of the RRTPO Technical Advisory Committee. The establishment of this work group has occurred with the development of each LRTP Cycle and includes appointees from local government staff who are qualified to confirm the required data inputs. Locality involvement is critical to confirming population and employment data at the TAZ level. This SE Data Work Group will be convened in the mid-summer of 2022 with 2-3 expected in person or virtual meetings.

**TAC ACTION REQUESTED:** The following resolution is presented for TAC review and action:

**RESOLVED,** that the Richmond Regional Transportation Planning Organization Policy, Technical Advisory Committee, approves the establishment of the Socioeconomic Data Workgroup and designate appointees by May 27, 2022.

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## **TAC AGENDA 5/10/22**

### **TAC Future Meeting Topics\***

#### **Future Meeting Topics**

- DRPT –Virginia Statewide Rail Plan
- Scenario Planning
- CVTA Project Prioritization Updates

\*Draft: This is not a comprehensive list of considerations and is subject to change.