

To: Municipalities & Agencies

From: Sue Serino, Dutchess County Executive/DCTC Chairperson

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Subject: Call for Transportation Planning Support

I am pleased to announce that the [Dutchess County Transportation Council \(DCTC\)](#) is accepting applications for transportation planning support for its Unified Planning Work Program ('Planning Program'). The Planning Program serves as our annual statement of work, showing the federally funded planning activities we will carry out during the State Fiscal Year.

We are requesting applications from municipalities or agencies seeking assistance to address transportation issues within their community or area of responsibility. Proposed planning studies must directly relate to the transportation system and focus on one or more of the following issues (see our current long-range transportation plan, [Moving Dutchess Forward](#), for more information):

- **Expanding access** to basic needs destinations, especially via walking, bicycling, and transit.
- **Removing barriers** to access, especially for equity focus areas and populations, or areas with high housing cost burdens.
- **Improving safety** at high-crash or high-risk locations for people driving, walking, and bicycling.
- **Improving reliability** of corridors, transit service, and/or walking and bicycling networks, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and building resiliency.

Depending on the scope and subject matter, some studies may require consultant services, while others may be completed by DCTC staff and/or member agencies. For a sample of typical planning studies, please see our previous [Publications](#). Proposals will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, with consideration of staff capacity, facility owner priorities, and funding availability. Note that engineering-level studies, including engineering surveys or detailed design, are not eligible.

Submissions are due by **Monday, September 14, 2026, at 4 pm**. Completed applications and supporting documents should be emailed to the DCTC at dctc@dutchessny.gov. A fillable application form and Planning Guidance document can be found on our website under Announcements (dutchessny.gov/dctc). Please contact Mark Debald (mdebald@dutchessny.gov) or Emily Dozier (edozier@dutchessny.gov) at the DCTC for more information or questions about this opportunity.