

MTP Policy Bundle Fact Sheet – Round 5

Who is eligible to apply for the Policy Bundle/TDCs?

The following entities are eligible to apply:

- Cities
- Counties
- Independent School Districts
- North Texas Tollway Authority
- Texas Department of Transportation
- Transit Agencies

Must my entity complete a new application?

Yes, all entities must complete a new application every round and submit all required documentation.

How many TDCs will be available?

Each round, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) team reviews federal funding availability for the upcoming round and determines the number of Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) to be allocated to all qualifying entities. The distribution of TDCs for Round 5 is by population and point tier.

Agency Size population	Baseline Tier up to 19 points	Advantage Tier 1 20-29 points	Advantage Tier 2 30+ points
Small pop. up to 200,000	500,000	750,000	1,000,000
Medium up to 800,000	1,000,000	1,500,000	2,000,000
Large over 800,000	1,500,000	2,250,000	3,000,000

When can I request an application?

Applications are available when the round opens. To sign up before the round opens to receive an application, use the "Request an Application" link on the <u>Policy Bundle website</u>. Your name will be added to an email list and an application will be sent once the round opens.

How long do we have to use any TDCs awarded?

TDCs will be available to programs through the TIP team throughout two fiscal years following RTC approval as opportunities arise. Entities participating in this round will have two years from the date of the award to add new projects to the TIP. Entities must work with NCTCOG staff to allocate TDCs to an eligible project. Once projects are selected for inclusion in the TIP, entities have two years to meet the following requirements or the TDCs expire:

- Sign a TDC agreement with the Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Begin project implementation



What type of projects are eligible?

- Must be used for new projects, not previously selected projects
- Must be eligible for federal roadway or air quality funds
- Projects that improve air quality and relieve congestion, including transit improvements, bicycle and pedestrian facilities and programs, and traffic flow improvements
- Projects will be vetted against typical Regional Transportation Council selection criteria

Timeline for MTP Policy Bundle - Round 5

February 1, 2023	Round 5 applications available online	
March 31, 2023	<i>Early Deadline</i> – Applications due for those requesting NCTCOG assistance	
May 31, 2023	Final Deadline – all applications due	
September 14, 2023	Regional Transportation Council approval of Policy Bundle Awards	

What is the Policy Bundle scoring process for Round 5?

First, agencies apply online. In that application process, agencies document completed actions for a minimum of 50% of the eligible policies (e.g., 10 policies for cities, 5 policies for transit agencies, etc.) Next, NCTCOG totals points awarded after certifying documentation to determine the TDC tier. Finally, TDCs are awarded by population and points.

