

OVERVIEW

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- FY24 Program Results
- Debrief on Projects not Funded
- FY25 Grants Strategy





GRANTS PROGRAM

The Discretionary Grants Program is a service housed at the Office of the City Manager that supports City departments in securing grant funds and state and federal appropriations

Secure Funding

- Reducing the burden on the General Fund
- Replacing project debt with grant funding
- Reducing the cost of City programs and services
- Establishing Strategic Partnerships to reduce match pressure

Build Capacity

- Training grant writers, administrators, and project managers
- Supporting City departments with grant project administration
- Supporting project development to make them "fundable"





GRANTS PROGRAM

Existing relationships with Federal Funding Agencies:





FY24 PROGRAM RESULTS

(Records: 8/31/24)

FY24 Goal: \$50,000,000

Funding Secured: \$100,469,662 City Match: \$6,390,093 (6.36%)

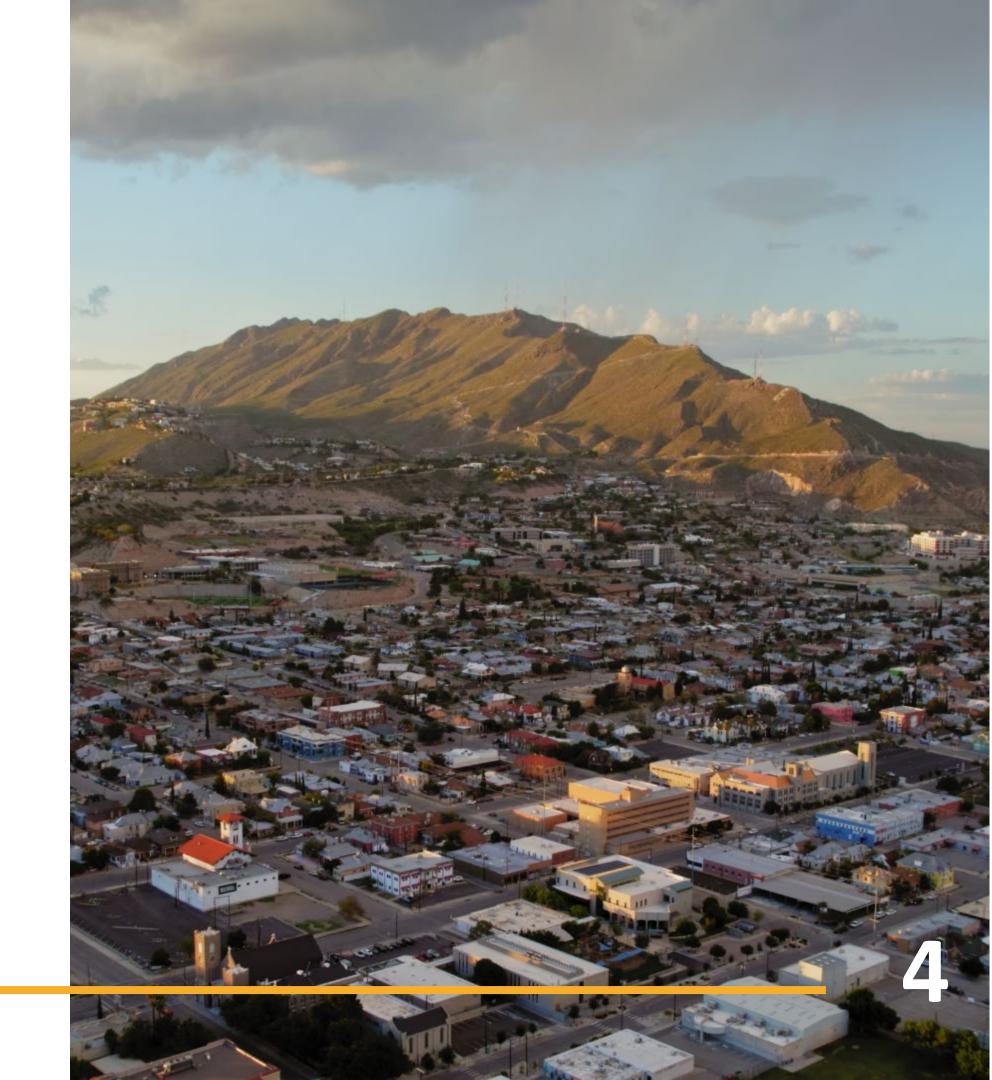
Projects: 29

Grants Pending: \$56,719,600

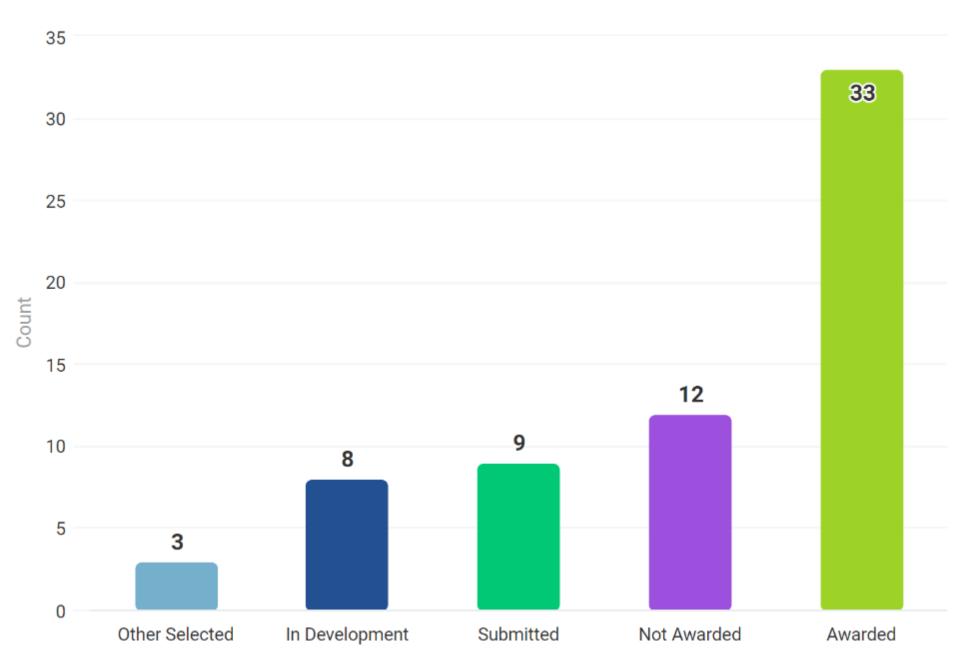
City Match: \$2,374,055 (5.8%)

Projects: 9





FY24 PROGRAM RESULTS Monday.com Results Dashboard



Grants Win Rate: 73.3%

- Projects have minimal match requirements
- \$11.7 million in matching funds from partners in FY24
- Projects citing Council-approved planning documents were the most competitive

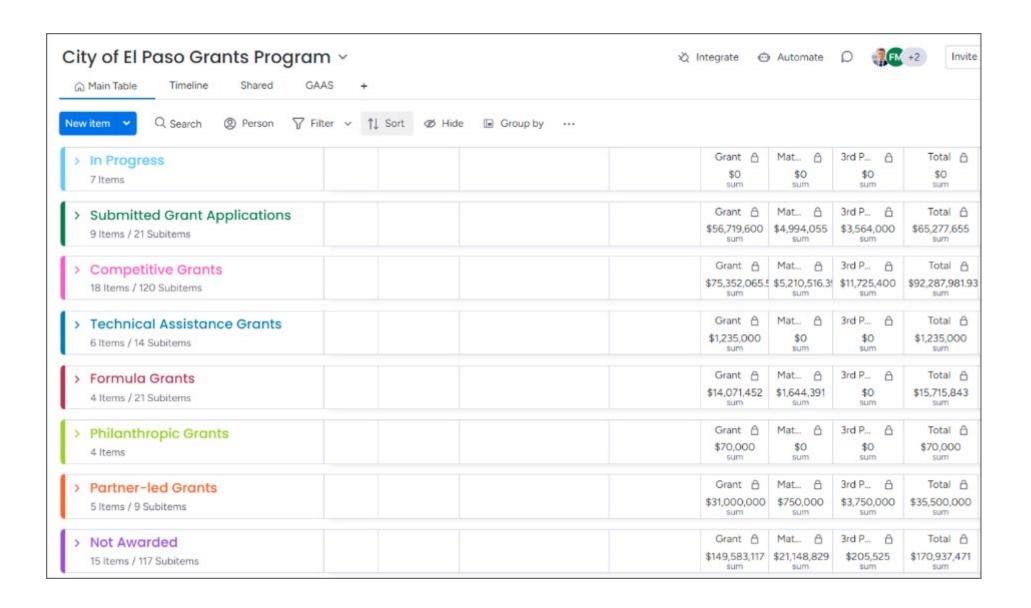
<u>Downtown + Uptown Plan</u>: \$17.9 million <u>Vision Zero El Paso Action Plan</u>: \$9.9 million

Airport Capital Improvement Plan: \$14.3 million Bridges Capital Improvement Plan: \$5.1 million



FY24 PROGRAM RESULTS

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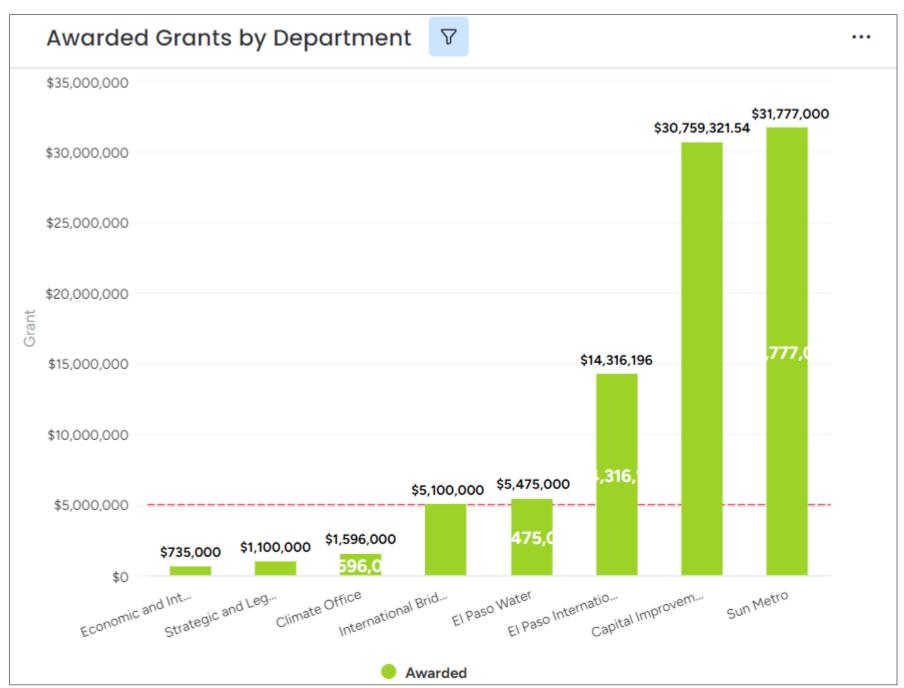
Types of Grants Secured

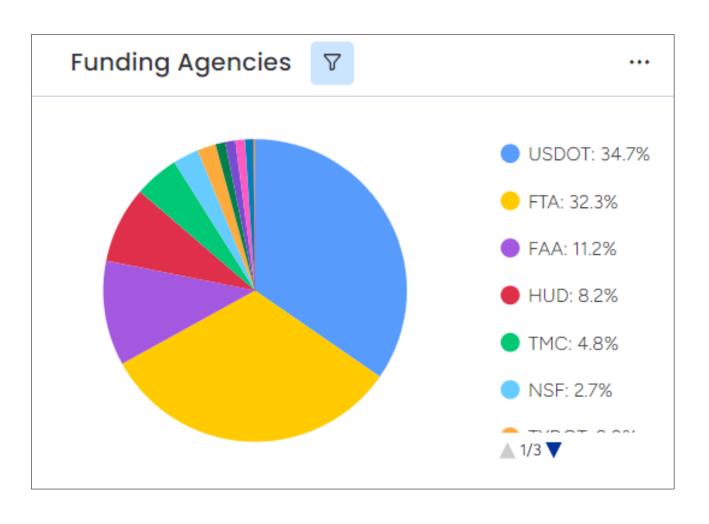
- Discretionary
- Formula
- Technical Assistance
- Partner-led
- Philanthropic



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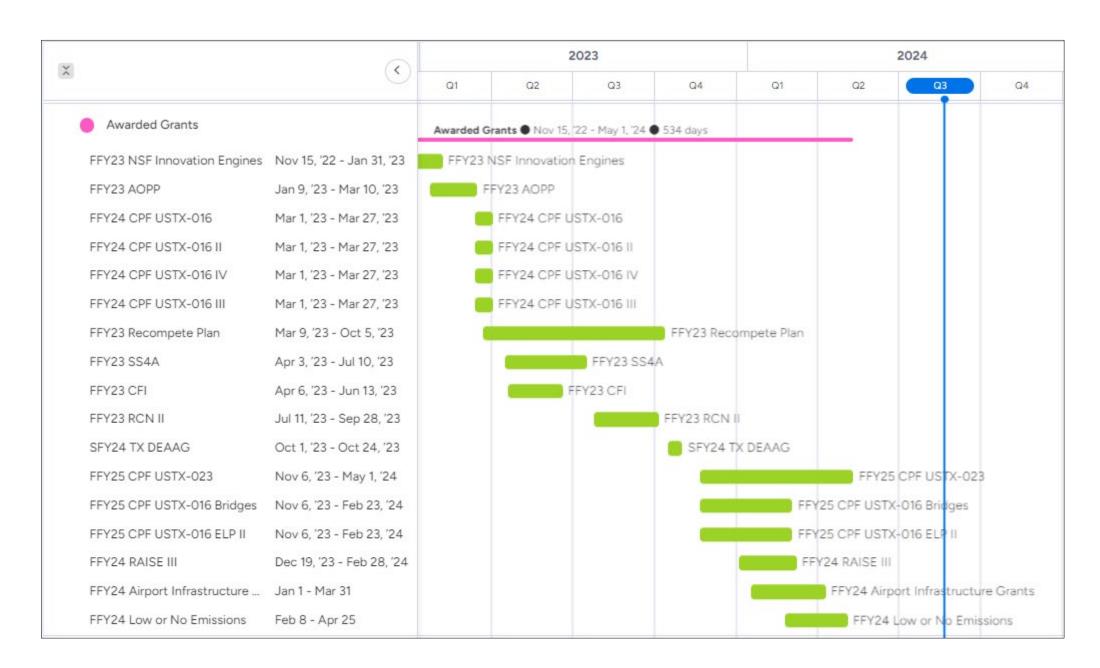






PROGRAM RESULTS

Monday.com Application Timeline Dashboard



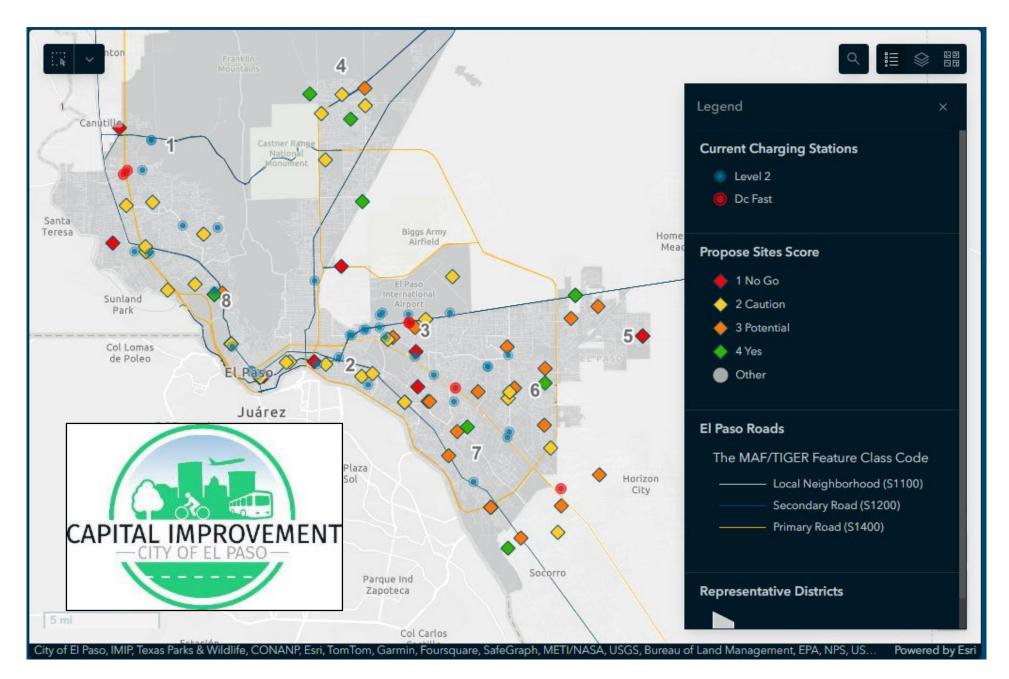
Grant Project Management

- Grant application benchmarks are available on Monday.com Dashboards
- Dashboards available to the public (links):
 <u>Grant Applications Dashboard</u>
 <u>Win Rate Dashboard</u>
 <u>Department Results Dashboard</u>
 <u>Application Timeline Dashboard</u>



EV CHARGERS NETWORK GRANT

\$15 million matched by \$3.75 from EPEC Network for public EV charging stations



Project Status

- EV station sites are under review (Sep 24)
- Agreement with FHWA in progress (Dec 24)
- Grant will fund operations and maintenance for 5 years (including replacement)
- Partnering with EV service vendors can sustain the infrastructure beyond 5 years



INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES

Paso del Norte and Stanton International Bridges Feasibility Study

Scope of work: comprehensive evaluation for traffic, safety, and capacity improvements

Grant: \$2 million

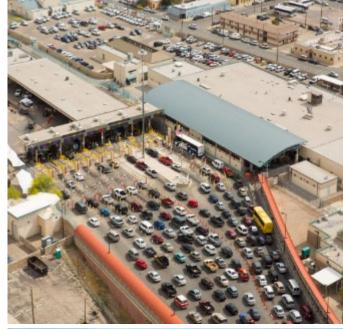
Match: N/A

Ysleta Port of Entry Engineering Design Project

Scope of work: comprehensive evaluation for traffic, safety, and capacity improvements

Grant: \$3 million

Match: N/A









SUN METRO

FY2024 Sun Metro Bus Replacement and Facility Enhancement Project

Scope of work: Purchase 32 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses and 4 canopies

Grant: \$30,597,000 **Match:** \$2,303,000

State: \$2,700,400

TVC Fund for Veteran's Assistance

Scope of work: provide free transit services for veterans, surviving spouses, and dependents

Grant: \$100,000

Match: N/A









EL PASO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

FAA Airport Improvement Grants BIL

Scope of work: The improvements include reconstruction and rehabilitation of the general aviation ramp, U.S. Customs ramp, heavy ramp and corporate hangar taxilane

Grant: \$10.6 million **Match:** \$1.6 million

Terminal Bridge Reconstruction Project

Scope of work: Remove and replace

Terminal Drive Bridge

Grant: \$850,000 **Match:** \$212,500









ECONOMIC & INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Business One-Stop Shop (BOSS)

Development Project

Scope of work: funding will be utilized to establish the BOSS (capital projects)

Grant: \$500,000

Match: N/A

BOSS Philanthropy Grants

Kauffman Foundation: \$25,000

Wells Fargo Foundation: \$25,000

National League of Cities: \$20,000



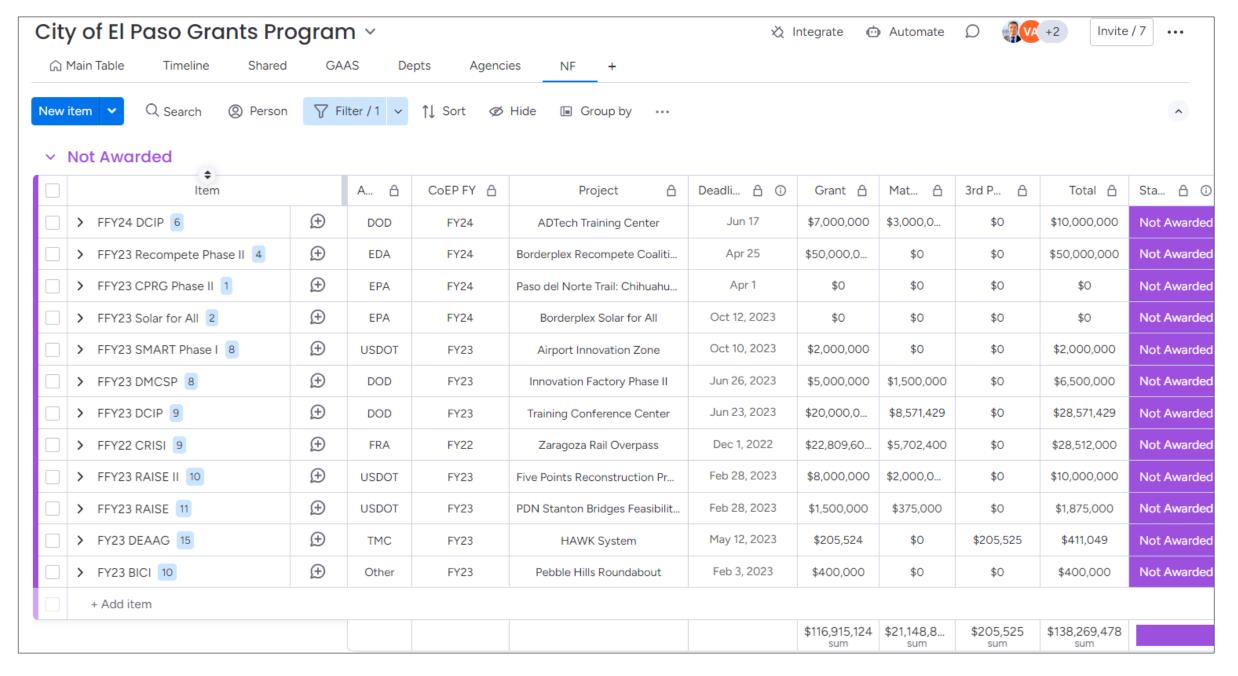






PROJECTS NOT FUNDED

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Lessons Learned

- Project scope of work should be better aligned to funding programs
- Focus on projects with completed planning and design documents
- Improve relationships with federal and state funding agencies



EDA RECOMPETE PILOT

Phase II Finalist – Not Awarded \$50M

Next Steps

- Next round of applications in May 2025
- 114 partners have been contacted
- Alternate funding opportunities identified

Application Resubmission

- Only \$187 million awarded by EDA out of \$1 billion authorized
- City retains Phase II status in Round 2
- Need to consolidate links to Advanced Manufacturing District (AMD), Build Back Better, and NSF Innovation Eng. grants







Training

- Aerospace
- Defense
- Manufacturing
- IT and AI
- Healthcare Tech
- Cybersecurity
- Intelligent Infrastructure

Job Creation & Placement

- City of El Paso
- Workforce Solutions
 Borderplex
- Community Partners and NGOs

Wraparound Services

- Childcare
- Housing
- Transportation
- Access to existing social programs



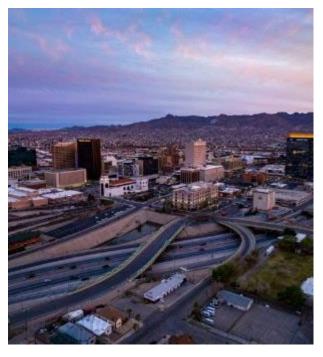
FY25 GRANTS STRATEGY

Goal: \$50 million for Federal Fiscal Year 25

Proposed Focus Areas:

- Increased Funding for Infrastructure
- Increased Public Health & Safety Resources
- Expanded Workforce Development Resources









FY25 GRANTS STRATEGY

Build Capacity and Support Departments

- More staff training and access to software
- Implementing Capital Improvement Plans (CIP)
- Implementing Department planning documents
- Grow external technical assistance (e.g., NREL)

Leverage Competitive Advantages

- Utilize City staff as subject-matter experts
- Utilize City-owned assets (land and facilities)
- Increase DC and Austin advocacy and staff access
- Apply for grants with more partners





FY25 GRANTS STRATEGY

Establish New Sources for Matching Funds

- Public, private, and philanthropic partners
- Use awarded grants as match (state-federal)
- Utilize existing bonds and special funds for match

2025 Matching Sources

- \$2M 2012 Quality of Life Bond (Modesto Gomez)
- \$5M IMPACT fund (BOSS at Airport + AMD)
- Special-purpose funds including TIRZ 5





MISSION

Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for

VISION

Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods, and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government.

VALUES

Integrity, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, People

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