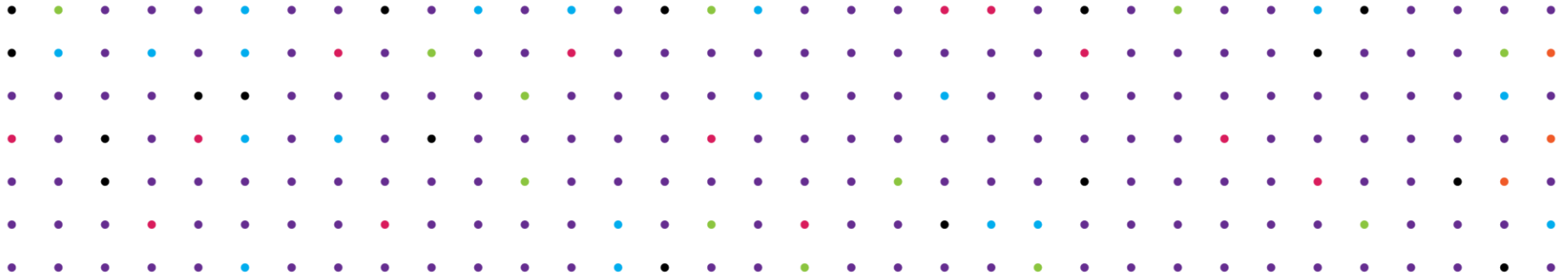
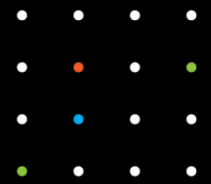


Metro Adopt-A-Bike Program

CBO Workshop



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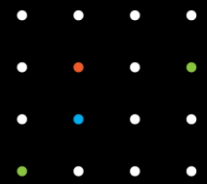


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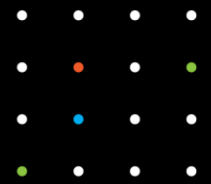
This meeting is being recorded. Video file will be posted on our website at metro.net/about/adopt-a-bike/.

Workshop Purpose



- Assist prospective applicants interested in applying to the Adopt-A-Bike Grant Program.
- Answer application questions on eligibility, the submission process, and the overall program workflow.
- Explain programmatic goals and the Metro CBO partnership process.
- **Applications are open and are due August 3rd by 5pm.**

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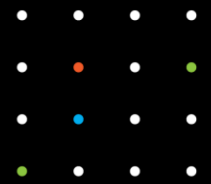
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Overview: Program Background



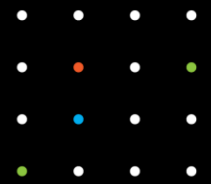
- 75% of the nearly 500 bikes transported to Metro's Lost and Found left unclaimed.
- State law requires retaining bikes for 90 days before becoming Metro property.
- In 2020, Metro Board directed staff to implement a distribution program, working with Community Based Organizations (CBOs) throughout Los Angeles County.



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Students Oswaldo Cruz (left) and Bryan Aguilar said they are happy with their bikes. Photo: Mey Mitteen.

Overview: Lessons Learned



Since the program launch in 2021:

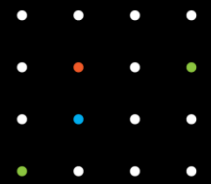
- Streamlined bicycle tracking system.
- Emergency response distribution (e.g., relief for Eaton fire victims).
- Set up a framework for CBO partner feedback to enhance workflow, including:
 - 1:1 follow-up meetings
 - Bike tagging assistance
 - Selection process
- Increased available funding amount from \$20,000 to \$35,000 per grantee annually.

Program Goals

- Provide County residents with a bicycle to increase mobility options for transportation and first- and last-mile connections to transit, with a focus on resource-challenged communities.
- Facilitate travel to work, school, or leisure activities in communities throughout the region.
- Allows unclaimed bicycles left on Metro property to be distributed to Los Angeles County residents by working with CBOs/FBOs/Non-Profit Organizations.



Funding

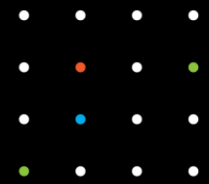


- \$35,000 available per grantee per year. Two-year term limit.
- Reimbursement basis.
- Expenses include bike parts, transportation, storage, labor, helmets, and other miscellaneous items.
- Grantees are encouraged to invoice Metro monthly.



Jack, 11, excited to receive a new bike after losing home in Altadena fire.

Eligibility Requirements

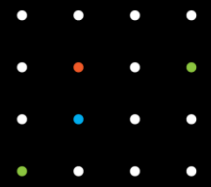


- Must be a registered charity and/or have a 501c3 status.
- Prioritize and maintain equity goals.
- Experience working with communities facing disparities in mobility options, health outcomes, and access to opportunities to support a thriving life.
- Must have capacity for regional bicycle distribution, storage, and transportation.
- Outreach and marketing plan to promote program awareness in the community.
- Safety plan to ensure the well-being of bicycle recipients.



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Equity

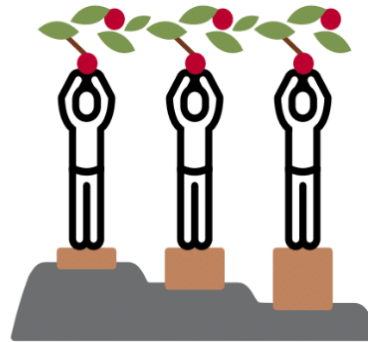


- Ensuring equity is the focus of bicycle redistribution.
- Prioritize assisting high-need communities who lack mobility options, access to opportunity and experience disparate health outcomes.
- Populations served may include those facing housing insecurity, people of color, and low-income.
- Refer to Metro Equity Information Hub for more information.

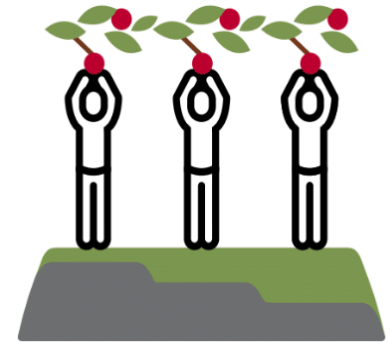
Equality is not the same as equity, and ultimately we're striving for justice.



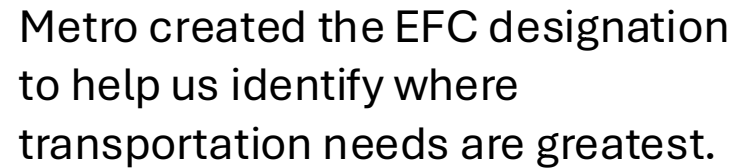
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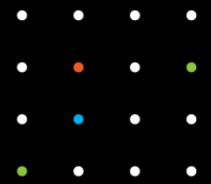
JUSTICE



- Low-income households,
- Black, Indigenous, and other People of Color (BIPOC) residents, and
- Households with no access to a car.

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Partnering



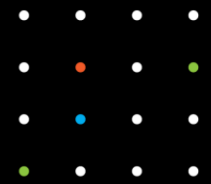
- CBOs will have the opportunity to apply to the grant in partnership with other organizations.
- Should the lead organization choose to do so, this will allow for:
 - Greater collaboration efforts to build the community, and
 - Greater sharing of resources and expertise.



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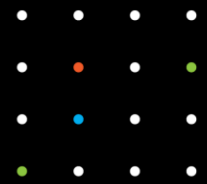
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Scoring



Categories	Points	Focus
General Information	10	CBO's name and contact information. CBO's background and vision.
Workplan	25	Demonstrates an understanding of the proposal and project goal.
Project Feasibility	30	Provides an understanding of financial capabilities and provides a cost breakdown.
Equity	35	Application is innovative, demonstrates a need for bicycles and identifies a targeted audience.
Passing Score	70 / 100	Minimum Eligibility Requirements

Application

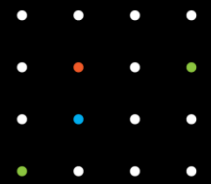


- Application provides program context, guidelines, and requirements.
- Six sections:
 1. General Information
 2. Supplemental Questions
 3. Budget
 4. File Upload Requirement
 - Expense Outline and Action Step Timeline
 - Include descriptive statement for Expense Outline.
 5. Ethics Disclosure
 6. Thank You
- Last two sections not scored, but sixth section is an opportunity to share your expectations or anything else.



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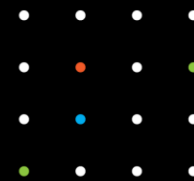
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Timeline

- Applications Open: Monday, June 1st
- Applications Due: Monday, August 3rd by 5 pm
- Grant Awardee Kick-Off: Fall 2026
- Cycle 3: November 2026 – October 2028

Questions



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