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PIEDMONT TRIAD REGIONAL COUNCIL

Executive Committee

Agenda

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

12:00 noon

1398 Carrollton Crossing Drive, Kernersville, NC 27284

Item

ZOOM

Executive Committee
Please join my meeting from your device.
<https://zoom.us/j/97334803681>
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Meeting ID: 973 3480 3681

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Katie Mitchell
Clerk to the Board

A. Call to Order, Welcome, Moment of Silence, and Pledge of Allegiance

Mark Richardson
Chair

B. Action Items

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| 1) Request for approval of October 2, 2024
PTRC Executive Committee Minutes (attachment) | Mark Richardson
<i>Chair</i> |
| 2) Request for authorization to accept \$100,000
In DWS funds as part of National Dislocated
Worker Grant funding | Wendy Walker-Fox
<i>WED Director</i> |
| 3) Request for authorization of receipt of \$862,040
in BJA funds to implement Triad Transitions
Housing Demonstration Project | Wendy Walker-Fox'
<i>WED Director</i> |
| 4) Request for approval to submit grant request to
Great Trails State Grant Program | Jesse Day
<i>Reg. Planning Director</i> |
| 5) Request for authorization to apply for and
accept a Brownfield Assessment Coalition grant | Jesse Day
<i>Reg. Planning Director</i> |

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Pleasant Garden
Ramseur
Randleman
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Stokesdale
Stoneville
Summerfield
Swepsonville
Thomasville
Tobaccoville
Trinity
Troy
Village of
Alamance
Walkertown
Wallburg
Walnut Cove
Wentworth
Whitsett
Winston-Salem
Yadkinville
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6) Request for approval to enter into contract with Stokes County in the amount of \$39,500 **Jesse Day**
Reg. Planning Director

7) Request for authorization to apply for and Accept an Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant through NCDOT in amount of \$200,000 **Jesse Day**
Reg. Planning Director

C. New Business

Mark Richardson
Chair

D. Informational Items

E. Executive Director's Report

Matthew Dolge
Executive Director

F. Around the Region

At this time, Board members are asked to discuss any upcoming events or informational items that pertain to their local government or region.

Mark Richardson
Chair

G. Chairman's Remarks and Announcements

Mark Richardson
Chair

- 1) PTRC Executive Committee Meeting**
Wednesday, December 4, 2024 12noon (Lunch 11: 30a.m) **Hybrid**
- 2) PTRC Board of Delegates Meeting- Awards Presentation**
Wednesday, December 18, 2024 12noon (Lunch 11: 30a.m) **Hybrid**
- 3) 2024/2025 PTRC Meeting Dates**

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Wendy Walker-Fox, Workforce and Economic Development Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Division of Workforce Solutions (DWS) National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG) – NC Hurricane Helene Disaster Recovery

North Carolina Department of Commerce Division of Workforce Solutions recently received conditional approval of \$10 million in National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG) funding for NC Hurricane Helene Disaster Recovery. The initial award amount distributed was \$2 million in Dislocated Worker Grant funding.

The Piedmont Triad Regional Workforce Development Board (PTRWDB) was the recipient of \$100,000 of those funds to provide employment and training services in Forsyth, Surry, and Yadkin Counties. These three counties have been determined as areas within our region adversely affected by Hurricane Helene, which has been declared a major disaster.

PTRWDB is one of 7 Workforce Development Boards receiving this funding for the period of October, 2024 to October, 2026.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Authorization to accept \$100,000 in DWS Dislocated Worker Grant funds as a part of the National Dislocated Worker Grant funding for NC Hurricane Helene Disaster Recovery resources in Forsyth, Surry, and Yadkin Counties.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Wendy Walker-Fox, Workforce and Economic Development Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY 24 Smart Reentry: Housing Demonstration Award

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) has made available funding through its FY24 SMART Reentry: Housing Demonstration Program. The funds are intended to be used to enhance or implement evidence-based activities or services to improve reentry and reduce recidivism by expanding and/or increasing access to housing for people who are currently or formerly involved in the criminal justice system. PTRC was awarded a grant in the amount of \$862,040 for our project Triad Transitions.

The purpose of Triad Transitions is to develop a comprehensive, pre-release and post-release engagement plan with the goal of providing access to secure and stable housing opportunities for offenders returning to their communities.

Project activities include:

- 1) convene a reentry task force to examine policies and practices related to housing gaps;
- 2) complete a planning and implementation guide;
- 3) produce a comprehensive evaluation tracking recidivism, housing outcomes, employment outcomes; and
- 4) successful wrap around services delivery.

Expected outcomes include: reducing barriers and promoting access to secure, stable housing opportunities.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Authorize receipt of \$862,040 in Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) funds to implement the Triad Transitions Housing Demonstration Project throughout the 12-county region.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Jesse Day, Regional Planning Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Piedmont Greenway Design and Engineering Grant Request to Great Trails State Grant Program

The PTRC planning department has been leading discussions around funding for the Piedmont Greenway with Forsyth and Guilford County parks and the Town of Kernersville on developing an application for funding to assist with design and engineering for a section of the Piedmont Greenway that connects Triad Park with downtown Kernersville.

The proposed grant request would fund up to \$880,000 of the estimated \$1.3 million design and engineering effort and would further the feasibility studies already completed over the last 10 years outlining cost and how to construct the 2.3 miles connecting downtown Kernersville with Triad Park.

What is the Piedmont Greenway? A planned 19-mile paved greenway connecting the cities of Greensboro and Winston-Salem and the towns of Kernersville, Oak Ridge and Summerfield. The trail also connects to several popular trail systems including the Mountains to Sea Trail, Salem Lake Trails, A & Y Greenway, Triad Park and the Greensboro Watershed trails.

The grant opportunity is the Great Trails State Fund, which has \$25 million for trail acquisition, planning/design, maintenance and construction of paved and unpaved trails across North Carolina. The funding is available from a one-time appropriation and is expected to be very competitive because of the broad funding categories allowed by the funds.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The Planning Department requests approval to submit the Piedmont Greenway planning and design grant request of **\$500,000** on behalf of Forsyth and Guilford County and the Town of Kernersville who will be assisting in supporting the match for the project up to \$280,000. This project is also competing for a FHWA planning grant request.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Jesse Day, Regional Planning Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Request Authorization to Apply For, and If Awarded Receive, a Grant Application to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant Program for \$1.2 million.

PTRC’s Regional Planning Department is seeking approval to apply for, and if awarded receive, a U.S. EPA Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant for \$1.2 million. PTRC would be the lead member of a regional coalition that includes the City of Eden, City of Greensboro, and Randolph County. These funds would help assess for environmental concerns in an repurpose properties, including:

- Former Draper School in Eden;
- Randleman Road Corridor;
- And other former mills in Randolph County

The above jurisdictions do not currently have access to EPA Assessment program dollars, making the priority sites particularly viable for coalition support.

PTRC has extensive Brownfields assessment experience and expertise that we are looking to build upon with this application. Prior work includes EPA Assessment grants in 2009, 2014 and 2018, as well as an active Revolving Loan Fund with \$2 million for cleanup of eligible sites. Outputs for the new Assessment work include regular community outreach events/meetings, educational presentations, cleanup planning services, and more than 60 important studies completed that are necessary for redeveloping Brownfield sites (Phase I Environmental Site Assessments, Phase II ESAs, applications to North Carolina Brownfields program, and others).

The period of performance for this grant is four years. No matching funds were required.

Applications are due November 12, 2024.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The PTRC Regional Planning Department requests authorization to apply for, and if awarded receive, a Brownfield Assessment Coalition grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for \$1.2 million.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Jesse Day, Regional Planning Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Contract for Comprehensive Parks and Outdoor Recreation Plan Stokes County

The Planning Department requests to enter into contract for planning services beginning December 2024 to complete a Comprehensive **Parks and Outdoor Recreation Plan for Stokes County**

The proposed Plan will provide the County with a number of valuable outcomes – an opportunity for the citizens of Stokes County to share their desires for additional recreational opportunities in their community; a framework of data and information to inform future investments in the County’s parks and recreation facilities; and a roadmap for making decisions regarding outdoor recreation programs and events, park site investments, greenway and blueway facilities and other capital investments. The following are key steps in the process:

- **Step1 – Demographic Analysis – through 2040**
- **Step2 – Survey of Community Recreation Needs**
- **Step3 – Existing Site Assessment – look at various County supported facilities**
- **Step4 – Community Outreach – Steering committee and public involvement**
- **Step5 – Site Specific Plan – Two PARTF ready conceptual plans**
- **Step6 – Draft Comprehensive Plan and Review/Adoption**

The work is expected to begin in December and should be completed by December 2025.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Request for approval to enter into contract with Stokes County for \$39,500 to complete the plan over the existing and future fiscal year.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

TO: Executive Committee, Piedmont Triad Regional Council
FROM: Jesse Day, Regional Planning Director
DATE: November 6, 2024
RE: Request Authorization to Apply and Receive a Grant Application to North Carolina Department of Transportation’s Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant Program.

PTRC’s Regional Planning Department is seeking approval to apply for, and if awarded receive, a NCDOT Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant for \$200,000. PTRC would be the lead member of a regional coalition that includes the Northwest Piedmont RPO, Piedmont Triad RPO, and the High Point MPO.

The N.C. Department of Transportation's Division of Aviation is launching the Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant Program to empower communities to enhance their airports and attract new businesses.

This program offers local municipalities and regional planning organizations the opportunity to develop or enhance existing comprehensive plans that leverage Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) to improve transportation options, fuel economic growth, and elevate the quality of life for residents.

The NCDOT program has \$1 million in grant funding available this year and agency staff are encouraging communities to apply for grants that can be used to create or update AAM-focused plans. Applications for the 2024 Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant Program are due by 5 p.m. Nov. 22, 2024.

The plans will help communities better position themselves for future aviation opportunities and technologies. This forward-looking investment in infrastructure development supports transportation innovation and economic prosperity across the state.

“Aviation is a gateway to North Carolina's economic growth, and this new grant program will give North Carolina communities the tools they need to leverage new technologies to enhance their local transportation ecosystems and prepare for future mobility solutions,” said Becca Gallas, NCDOT's director of Aviation. “This program is the next step in our Advanced Mobility NC plan, allowing us to continue fostering forward-thinking planning and ensuring that North Carolina remains at the forefront of mobility innovation and continues its legacy as forever First in Flight.”

The funding can be applied to various planning initiatives, including transportation needs assessments, land-use and infrastructure planning, multimodal integration planning, feasibility studies, policy and regulation alignment and public outreach efforts to engage residents in understanding the benefits of AAM.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The PTRC Regional Planning Department requests authorization to apply for, and if awarded receive, an Advanced Air Mobility Planning Grant through the North Carolina Department of Transportation in the amount of **\$200,000.00**. A **10% local** match is required. Match funding has not yet been identified, though the intent is that corporate partners would provide matching funds.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM



3508 Bush Street
Raleigh, NC 27609
919-877-5700
www.HousingBuildsNC.com

October 24, 2024

Matthew Dolge, Executive Director
Piedmont Triad Regional Council
1398 Carrollton Crossing Drive
Kernersville, NC 27284-3896

Dear Mr. Dolge:

According to our records, Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) has met all requirements to close out its 2021 Essential Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool project in Alamance County (Funding Agreement ESFRLP2121).

The thirteen (13) dwelling units rehabilitated with Program funds will enhance the lives of the occupants and the appearance of their communities. We congratulate you on this accomplishment.

No additional ESFRLP reporting is required for this project. However, ESFRLP awards are funded with Federal funds from the HOME Investment Partnerships Program; therefore, you will be required to remit and/or report specific financial information as referenced in the Financial Audit Requirements section of the Program Guidelines (PG 3.8). Accompanying this letter please find the informational sheet regarding financial audit reporting requirements. To help assure audit reporting compliance, please forward this information to the person who coordinates your annual audit.

Additionally, please note that Program records must be retained for at least five years from the date of this project closeout letter. Therefore, please retain the Program records until at least October 24, 2029 (PG 3.6).

Thank you for PTRC's part in the success of the Essential Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Handley", written over a white background.

Michael Handley
Manager of Home Ownership Rehabilitation and Compliance

cc: Mr. Drew Corbett, CD Supervisor
Ms. Nikia Beal, CD Admin Coordinator
Ms. Sarah Zinn, Housing Rehabilitation Officer, NCHFA
Mr. Mark Lindquist, Senior Program Compliance Coordinator, NCHFA



2024 Meeting Dates

1398 Carrollton Crossing Drive

Kernersville, NC 27284

12noon

PTRC Executive Committee 1st Wednesday	PTRC Board of Delegates 3rd Wednesday
January – none	January – none
February 7, 2024	February 21, 2024
March 6, 2024	March – none
April 3, 2024	April 17, 2024 – cancelled
May 1, 2024	May – none
June 5, 2024	June 19, 2024
July – none	July – none
August 7, 2024	August 21, 2024
September 4, 2024	September – none
October 2, 2024	October 16, 2024
November 6, 2024	November – none
December 4, 2024	December 18, 2024



2025 Meeting Dates
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PTRC Executive Committee 1st Wednesday	PTRC Board of Delegates 3rd Wednesday
January - none	January - none
February 5, 2025	February 19, 2025
March 5, 2025	March - none
April 2, 2025	April 16, 2025
May 7, 2025	May - none
June 4, 2025	June 18, 2025
July - none	July - none
August 6, 2025	August 20, 2025
September 3, 2025	September - none
October 1, 2025	October 15, 2025
November 5, 2025	November - none
December 3, 2025	December 17, 2025