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Achieving Affordable Transit-Oriented Development through FTA Projects and Programs

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Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)

- Transportation plays a critical role in connecting Americans and communities to economic opportunity. Public transit can spur economic activity and improve neighborhoods
- FTA supports TOD through the *TOD Technical Assistance Initiative, Pilot Program for TOD Planning, and Capital Investment Grants Program*

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TOD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INITIATIVE

TOD Technical Assistance

- FTA supports improved access to public transportation, economic opportunities, pathways to employment, and community revitalization.
- FTA provides resources and support for transit-oriented development activities and projects in local communities, **with a focus on equity and economic development.**

TOD Technical Assistance

- Three main strategic goals of the Initiative:
 - Economic Development
 - Equity and Quality of Life
 - Outreach, Education, and Facilitation

TOD Technical Assistance – Year

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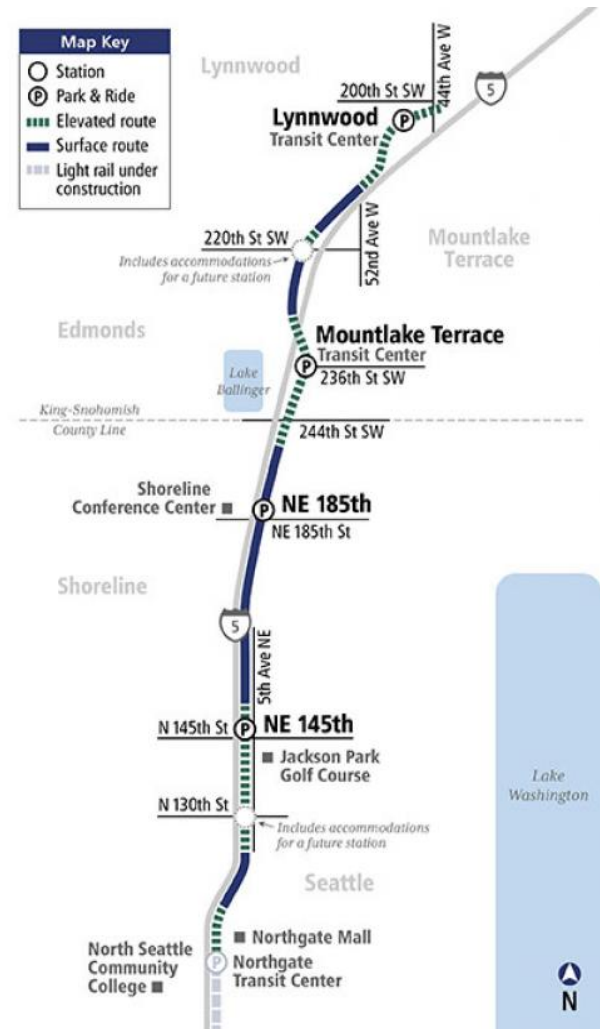
TOD Technical Assistance - Year 1

- On-site Technical Assistance Accomplished:
 - Support for existing federally-funded projects:
 - FTA New Starts (Capital Investment Grants)
 - TIGER
 - Transit Corridor or Station-Based Planning
 - Community outreach and workshops
 - Market assessments
 - Project Readiness Assessment Tool

Lynnwood, WA | Lynnwood Link LRT

Focus: Attracting development to build a dense multi-use area, while maintaining current affordability.

- TAP identified priority sites/catalytic projects and real estate initiatives that would fully leverage transit investment.
- Recommendations address city's lack of concerted strategies to preserve affordable housing and small businesses.



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PILOT PROGRAM FOR TOD PLANNING

Pilot Program for TOD Planning

- Provides funding to local communities to support comprehensive planning for transit projects in the Capital Investment Grant (CIG) program
 - Corridor based
- Seeks planning efforts that include **strategies to support housing affordability and address residential and commercial displacement** that can sometimes occur when transit capital projects are implemented

Case Study

- VTA, Santa Clara, CA: \$1,520,000
 - CIG project: BART Silicon Valley Phase II
- The TOD planning efforts include:
 - improving access to affordable housing,
 - defining multimodal access projects for station areas,
 - Schematics of TOD opportunity sites, and
 - Identifying innovative financing tools to assist in TOD implementation.

For More Information

- FTA's TOD Technical Assistance Initiative
 - www.todresources.org
- FTA's Pilot Program for TOD Planning
 - www.transit.dot.gov/TODPilot

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