



# Revitalizing Main Streets



## About the Program:

As part of Colorado's COVID-19 Recovery Plan, the Revitalizing Main Streets (RMS) Program was made possible through a \$30 million allocation from the state legislature to help communities across the state implement transportation-related projects that improve safety and yield long-term benefits to community main streets. The program also provides an opportunity for communities to find innovative ways to reuse public spaces and to help businesses reopen safely. When defining a "main street," CDOT is aiming to support areas in or adjacent to community-focused, downtowns where people work, dine, and shop. These routes help form a specific region's identity and act as the major economic hub in many towns and cities across Colorado.

## Grant Applications:

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is launching this grant program with two separate applications:

### Grant Opportunity 1: Larger Safety Infrastructure Grants (\$22M available statewide)

Applicants may be awarded up to \$2 million to improve user safety along urban arterials or "main street" corridors. Applicable roadways must be non-freeway corridors that accommodate multiple modes of transportation. This program includes both safety and economic recovery goals that:

- Reduce fatal and serious injury crashes on the region's transportation system;
- Improve transit access and multimodal mobility;
- Support the development of connected urban/employment centers and multimodal corridors;
- Provide safe access to opportunity and mobility for residents of all ages, incomes and abilities;
- Help communities adjust to the "new normal" travel patterns caused by COVID-19; and
- Play an important and immediate role in job creation/retention and small business investment.

### Grant Opportunity 2: Small Multimodal & Economic Resiliency Projects (\$8M available statewide)

Applicants may be awarded up to \$150,000 per project to support infrastructure projects that provide improved spaces for mobility, community activities and economic development in the wake of the COVID-19 emergency. This program includes both multimodal mobility and economic recovery goals that include:

- Encouraging active, multimodal transportation;
- Promoting public health and safety by encouraging social distancing and/or providing publicly available PPE and sanitation stations;
- Improving equity and public space access for low-income and disadvantaged users; and
- Expanding economic opportunity and development in a regionally-equitable way.

## Applicant Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must be eligible to be direct recipients of federal transportation funds. These include local governments, CDOT, and other governmental agencies. Nonprofits and transportation management associations/organizations are not directly eligible applicants for projects however they may partner with a governmental agency. *Note: Private, for-profit companies (e.g., contractors, suppliers, or consultants) are not eligible.*