

ARKANSAS TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) PROJECT APPLICATION -- FFY 2017

The Transportation Alternatives Program provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on and off road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities and environmental mitigation; safe routes to school projects; and projects or construction of boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways. Agencies of city, county, state or federal government and duly incorporated private/non-profit agencies, who partner with local public agencies (LPAs), can apply for these funds if access to the project by the general public is provided throughout the life of the project.

A local sponsor must provide at least 20% of the eligible project costs. Federal funds from other sources cannot be used to match these funds. This is a reimbursable program, which means once the sponsor receives an official Notice to Proceed from the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD), up to 80% of the costs directly attributable to the construction of the project can be reimbursed. The local sponsor is responsible for maintaining records and proving that expenses are legitimate and directly related to the project. This may be in the form of receipts, time sheets, etc.

****Please Note:** A resolution from the Applicant's governing body is required to be submitted with the application. A draft resolution should have been downloaded with this application.

DEADLINE for this application is Monday, May 1, 2017 at 4:00pm (CDT). Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed or eligible for funding.

If submitting this application via email (preferred), please remit to:

LFPA@ahtd.ar.gov

Be sure to attach the application and all additional attachments when submitting the email. Your email Subject should include "2017 TAP Application" along with your Agency Name and the Project Name. If more than one email will be required due to file sizes, include phrasing such as "Email 1 of 2" in the Subject line.

If submitting this application by mail or in person, please remit to:

**Arkansas State Highway & Transportation
c/o Program Management Division
P.O. Box 2261
Little Rock, AR 72203-2261**

Enclose one copy of the application and all necessary attachments in a manila envelope with your Agency's name and the Project Name printed on the outside.

You should be able to fill out and save this form using Adobe Reader, a free software for download.

If you are having trouble, please contact:

Daniel Siskowski at (501) 569-2261 or Daniel.Siskowski@ahtd.ar.gov.

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General Information

Project Name:	Craighead Forest Greenway Phase IV
Sponsor:	City of Jonesboro
Applicant Agency Type:	Local Government
Sponsor DUNS:	7 3 5 4 0 2 8 8

Primary Contact

Prefix:	Mrs.	Name:	Kimberly Marshall		
Title:	Grants Administrator				
Organization:	City of Jonesboro				
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 1845				
	<small>Street Address and/or P.O. Box</small>				
	Jonesboro	AR	72403		
	<small>City</small>	<small>State</small>	<small>Zip Code</small>		
Phone:	(870) 336-7229	Fax:	(870) 933-4626		
Email:	kmarshall@jonesboro.org				

Legislative Information

U.S. Representative District:	01
State Senator District:	20
State Representative District:	52
	(for reporting purposes only)

Project Priority

If submitting more than one application, what priority is this project?:	2
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Project Location

County: <input style="width: 600px;" type="text" value="Craighead"/>			
Metropolitan Planning Organization: <input style="width: 400px;" type="text" value="Jonesboro MPO (JATS)"/>			
Nearest Municipality: <input style="width: 500px;" type="text" value="Jonesboro"/>			
Beginning Latitude:	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="35 47 6.3N"/>	Ending Latitude:	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="35 47 47.972N"/>
Beginning Longitude:	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="90 41 13.512W"/>	Ending Longitude:	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="90 41 24.785W"/>

Property Ownership

Check all boxes that apply to your project.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Within City / County right-of-way / no acquisition required
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Within State highway right-of-way
<input type="checkbox"/>	Within Federal lands right-of-way
<input type="checkbox"/>	Within Railroad right-of-way - if yes, provide owner name: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Private Property
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Please describe: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
If Right of Way Acquisition is anticipated:	
<i>Please note: "The Uniform Act" must be followed for acquisition of any property for federally-funded projects.</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Donation Expected
<input type="checkbox"/>	Appraisal Completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase Option
<input type="checkbox"/>	Willing Seller
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase Agreement

Project Length/Width

Project Length (if applicable):	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="4,400"/>	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Linear Feet"/>
Project Width (if applicable):	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="10"/>	<input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Linear Feet"/>

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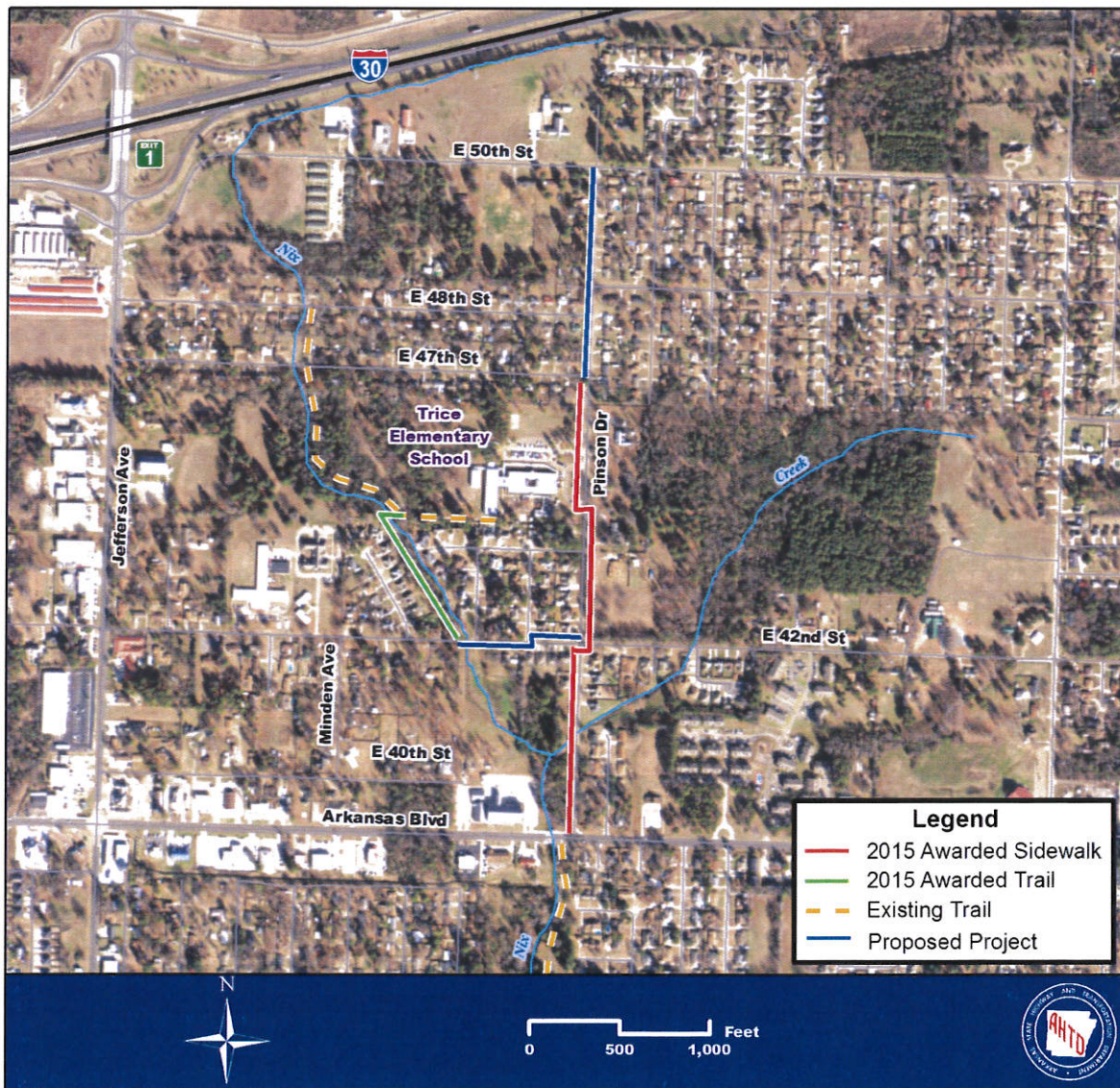
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Project Location Map(s)

Applicants must submit legible maps of the project location with this application. The map(s) should be good enough quality to be easily-reproducible and should include the following:

- Project path. The map should clearly show where the project will be located.
- North arrow
- Pertinent landmarks
- If appropriate, a Legend identifying any other items on the map (i.e. existing paths or sidewalks, previous phases of the project, etc.)

An example of a legible sketch delineating a project is shown below.



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Project Category Check all boxes that apply to best depict your project.

Trails, Bicycles, and Scenic

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non- motorized forms of transportation, including sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure, and transportation projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Construction of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities to access daily needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Construction of turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas |

Community Improvement Activities

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve roadway safety, prevent against invasive species, and/or provide erosion control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Archeological activities relating to impacts from implementation of another eligible transportation project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Streetscaping, corridor landscaping, or junk yard removal and screening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other. Please explain: |
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Project Category (cont.) **Check all boxes that apply to best depict your project.**

Environmental

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Any environmental mitigation activity, including pollution prevention and pollution abatement activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Mitigation to address storm water management, control, and water pollution prevention or abatement related to highway construction or due to highway runoff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Mitigation to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality or to restore and maintain connectivity among terrestrial or aquatic habitats |

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Projects

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Infrastructure</u> - Sidewalk improvements/traffic calming and speed reduction improvements, Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements, on-street bicycle facilities, off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities, secure bicycle parking facilities, and traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of schools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Non-infrastructure (anywhere)</u> - public awareness campaigns and outreach to press and community leaders, student sessions on bicycle and pedestrian safety, health, and environment, and funding for training, volunteers, and managers of safe routes to school programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Non-infrastructure (close to school)</u> - traffic education and enforcement within approximately two miles of a primary or middle school (grades K-8), walking school bus |

Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Eligible Projects

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Permissible uses as listed in 23 U.S.C. 206. Maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails, construction of new recreational trails, development and rehabilitation of trail side and trail head facilities and trail linkages, etc. |
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1. Please provide a detailed project overview. Identify the project limits, including street/facility name and dimensions of the project. This overview should concisely describe the project such that someone could follow along on a map. (600 character limit)

The Craighead Forest Greenway Phase IV is a continuation of the existing trail coming out of the park and will be an integral trail connecting to the Downtown District. The fourth phase of the greenway will connect to the third phase of the Greenway, which is currently in design phase, that ends at Craighead Forest and Harrisburg Roads. The trail will start on Harrisburg Road run on the southwest side of the road down to the City's Fire Station #4 ending before the widening occurs with the Harrisburg and Parker Roads Projects through AHTD.

2. What is the purpose of this project? (250 character limit)

This project is another phase to the already heavily used trail that allows residents and visitors to travel to our popular parks throughout the city. This project will allow the City to connect all the trails to the Downtown District.

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3. If a planning process has been utilized to develop this project, please describe what actions were performed (i.e. public involvement/outreach, establishment of need and demand, review process, etc.) (600 character limit)

The City hosted two public hearings requesting residents to vote on the project they like to see put in place to meet their needs. Over 109 individuals came to the meetings and this trail was ranked the third highest to be built for the City. Their outreaching concern was for the safety of their families walking, jogging and biking along South Culberhouse and Harrisburg Roads to reach the Craighead Forest Park without more traffic incidences. City officials concurred this project as one of significant priority for the area.

4. Please describe how this project will benefit the affected community(ies). If this is a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) eligible project, include what schools will benefit. (400 character limit)

Several communities would be positivity affected by the building this trail. There are at least 10,000 residents that would have direct access to Craighead Forest Park without driving to this 600 acre lake and hiking activities.

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5. Are construction plans currently available for this project? (if Yes, please include copy with application)

Yes No

If Yes, what level of plans?

Preliminary Plans Partially Complete Plans Complete Final Plans

If No, provide a brief time line from approval of funds to signed construction contract:

Once the City has been informed regarding award of funds, the construction contract will be executed in 13 months of notification:

- Selection of engineering firm within 2 months of notification
- Submission of 30% plans in the 5th month
- Submission of 60% plans in the 7th month
- Submission of 90% plans in the 9th month
- ROW will be acquired in 10th month of the year
- Request advertise to bid in the with 21 day advertise in 12th month
- Select the contractor in 12th month
- AHTD approval with execution of contract in 13th month

6. All TAP infrastructure projects will require design by a Registered Professional Engineer. Who will develop plans, specifications and cost estimates for the construction of this project? (100 character limit)

The City will hire an engineering firm to develop plans for project.

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7. State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) clearance will be required on all construction projects utilizing these Federal funds. What is the current status of SHPO clearance for this project?

- Approved Requested Have Not Requested

8. A statement from the party having maintenance jurisdiction should be submitted with the application. In the statement, describe how maintenance will be accomplished after project completion. Include who will perform maintenance, a maintenance schedule and checklist, and an inspection schedule.

9. Please describe how this project will connect to existing infrastructure; or if this is the first phase of a larger project, describe how this will connect to future infrastructure. If the proposed project is in an existing bicycle pedestrian plan, street plan, master plan or other long range plan, please identify this as well.
(600 character limit)

This greenway was designed in 2007 to add to the under utilized park located on the Crowley's Ridge. The plans were to link the city parks to different neighborhoods throughout the city. Because of the increase use of the Crieghead Forest Park, it has become paramount to connect the trails in the southern part of the City to the mid and northern portions through its existing trails in the Downtown District. Several studies performed on behalf of the City shows the need for trails by provide different alternatives for travel for those individuals without vehicles.

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10. If the entire requested amount of funding is not available and only partial funding is received, will the sponsor still be able to move forward with this project by either providing the additional funding or reducing the scope of the project?

Yes

No

11. If this project (or a phase of this project) has received Federal TAP funds previously, please describe the current status of the project(s). (250 character limit)

Currently, this project is the 4th phase of the Craighead Forest Greenway Trail that begun with Scenic Byways funding and received TAP funding for the 2nd phase. The 2nd phase will be completed in July 2017 completing the trail inside of park.

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Known Environmental Impacts

Check all boxes that apply to your project.

- Endangered Species
- Lakes / Rivers / Streams
- Relocates
- Wetlands
- Floodplain / Floodway
- Landfills
- State Park / National Forest Property
- Public Recreational Lands
- Historic Structures
- Other, please explain

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Project Construction Estimate

This form is limited to 20 items. If you will have more than 20 items, please utilize the provided Excel Sheet to submit the Project Construction Estimate.

	Item of Work	Quantity	Units	Unit Cost	Item Cost
1	See attached Spreadsheet				
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Total Estimated Project Construction Cost

Requested TAP Funds

Local Match (20% minimum)

% Federal (80% maximum)

What is the source of your matching funds?
(i.e. sales tax, turnback, bonds, etc.)

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Sponsor Authorization and Certification

(To be completed by the chief elected official of the City, the County Judge, or the CEO/CAO of the State or Federal Agency.)

By checking the box below, I attest that the information contained in this application is truthful and correct to the best of my knowledge and that the provision of false or misleading information can lead to the withdrawal of Transportation Alternatives Program funding. I do hereby certify that I will comply with all federal, state, and AHTD regulations for submittal of plans and specifications. Additionally, I certify that local matching funds are available for the project.

I AGREE

Authorized Signatory:

Prefix:	<input type="text" value="Mr."/>	Name:	<input type="text" value="Harold Perrin"/>	
Title:	<input type="text" value="Mayor"/>			
Phone:	<input type="text" value="(870) 932-1052"/>	Fax:	<input type="text" value="(870) 933-4619"/>	
Email:	<input type="text" value="hperrin@jonesboro.org"/>			

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The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (Department) complies with all civil rights provisions of federal statutes and related authorities that prohibit discrimination in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. Therefore, the Department does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, national origin, religion (not applicable as a protected group under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Title VI Program), disability, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), or low-income status in the admission, access to and treatment in the Department's programs and activities, as well as the Department's hiring or employment practices. Complaints of alleged discrimination and inquiries regarding the Department's nondiscrimination policies may be directed to Joanna P. McFadden Section Head - EEO/DBE (ADA/504/Title VI Coordinator), P. O. Box 2261, Little Rock, AR 72203, (501)569-2298, (Voice/TTY 711), or the following email address: joanna.mcfadden@ahtd.ar.gov.

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COMPLETION CHECKLIST

- General, Primary Contact, Legislative, and Project Priority Information
- Project Location, Property Ownership Checklist, and Project Length
- Project Category Checklist

Application Questions

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 1 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 7 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 8 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 3 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 9 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 4 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 10 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 11 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Question 6 | |
- Known Environmental Impacts Checklist

Estimated Project Budget

- Quantities (Reviewed)
 - Units (Reviewed)
 - Unit Costs (Reviewed)
 - Item Cost (Reviewed)
 - Total (Reviewed)
 - Requested TAP Funds (Reviewed)
 - Local Match (20% min.) (Reviewed)
- Sponsor Authorization and Certification

Attachments

- Resolution (required)
- Project Map(s) (required)
- Maintenance Statement and Schedule (required)
- Property Ownership Verification (deeds, plats, etc.)
- Proof of Community Support, if available (letters of support, petitions, surveys, etc.)
- Project Construction Plan Sheets, if available