

State Match Advantage for Rural Transportation (AZ SMART) Fund Program

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AZ SMART Eligibilities

Eligible Uses include:

- Reimburse up to 50% of grant development and submission costs of a federal grant application. Limited to:
 - Counties with population of less than 100,000 and
 - Cities/towns with population of less than 10,000
- Match for a federal grant
- Reimbursement for design and other engineering services that meet federal standards for projects eligible for a federal grant

Eligible applicants are ADOT, all cities/towns and counties outside of Maricopa and Pima Counties, and Gila Bend in Maricopa County

Federal Grants associated with Funding Requests

Grant Program	Brief Description/ Program Goals	Eligible Applicants	Eligible Projects
Railroad Crossing Elimination Program	To improve American rail infrastructure to enhance rail safety, improve the health and safety of communities, eliminate highway-rail and pathway-rail grade crossings that are frequently blocked by trains, and reduce the impacts that freight movement and railroad operations may have on underserved communities.	State governments, Political subdivisions of states, Tribal governments, Unit of local governments or group of local governments, public port authority, MPO, and a group of eligible entities.	FRA has a strong interest in promoting grade separations, closing crossings through track relocation, and corridor-wide grade crossing improvements that maximize the safety and efficiency of the U.S. rail network. Highway-rail grade crossing accidents, together with accidents caused by trespassing along the railroad right-of way
Local and Regional Project Assistance (RAISE)	The RAISE program is a competitive grant program for investments in surface transportation infrastructure that will have a significant local or regional impact.	States, a unit of local government, a public agency or publicly chartered authority, a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, a Federally recognized Indian Tribe or a consortium of such Indian Tribes, a transit agency, and a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities	Highway, road, bridge, public transportation, passenger and freight rail, port infrastructure, replace/rehabilitate a culvert, prevent stormwater runoff to improve habitat for aquatic species, any other surface transportation infrastructure project the Secretary considers to be necessary

City of Casa Grande

Project: Burris Rd; Clayton Rd - Kortsen Rd

AZ SMART Request will fund DOES for:

- Reconstruction of Burris Rd
- Project will:
 - provide a 4-lane divided median roadway, with a bridge spanning over the UPRR tracks.
 - Additional study after the reconstruction of Burris Rd will guide the City on the use of roundabout intersection designs on both the north and south side of the UPRR tracks.
 - Will serve as the primary circulation route to relieve SR 387
 - Provide access to interstate 8 and Interstate 10 without traveling through Casa Grande
- Applicant intends to pursue the Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant in 2026 for construction.

ADOT

**AZ SMART
Request:**

**\$4,375,000
for DOES**

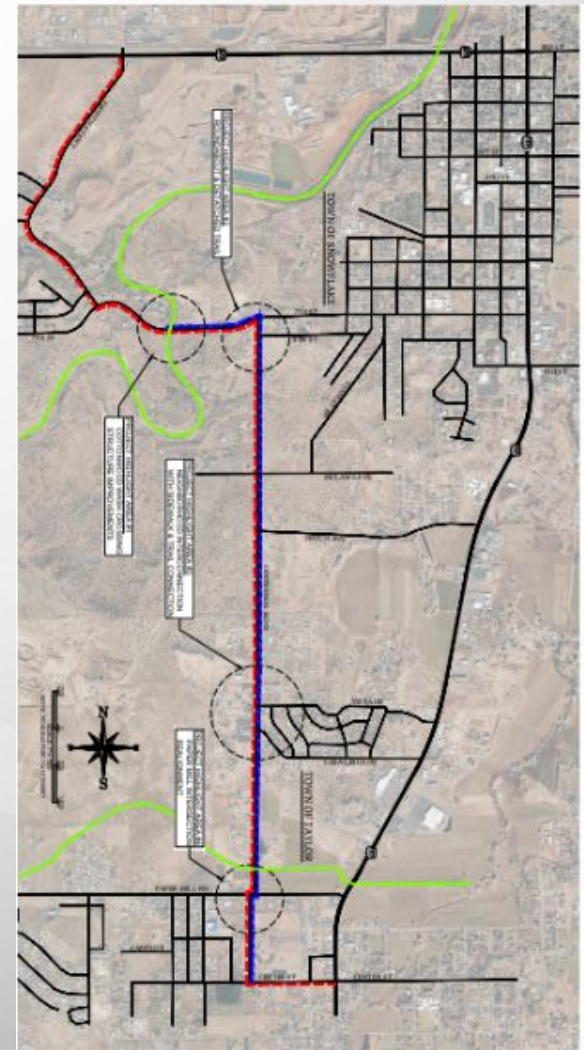


Town of Taylor

Project: Centennial Blvd Improvements

AZ SMART Request will fund DOES for:

- Centennial Blvd Improvements
- Project will:
 - Enhance resiliency and mobility of Centennial Blvd.
 - Improve the connection between the Town of Taylor and the Town of Snowflake
 - Install wider shoulders and sidewalks
 - Replace the low water crossing on 7th St
 - Installation of a roundabout at the intersection of 7th St and Centennial Blvd
 - Realignment of the intersection of Papermill Rd and Centennial Blvd.
- Applicant intends to pursue the RAISE Grant in 2026 for construction.



Application Summary

Description	City of Casa Grande	Town of Taylor
Application Summary		
AZ SMART Category	Munis Over 10K	Munis Under 10K
COG/MPO	SCMPO	NACOG
Project Type	Road Reconstruction	Road Improvements
Project Name	Burris Rd, Clayton Rd to Kortsen Rd	Centennial Blvd Improvements
Project Limits	Burris Rd, from Clayton Rd to Kortsen Rd, to include up to 500' of length on all legs of crossroad intersections.	Centennial Blvd from Center Street to 7th Street, and 7th Street from Centennial Blvd to Frontier Pkwy .
All in Applicant ROW?		
Application Received	7/18/2024 11:20:24	7/25/2024 14:29:36
AZ SMART Request		
Federal Grant	Rail - Railroad Crossing Elimination Program	RAISE
Federal Grant phase	Construction	Construction
GDS requested	\$0	\$0
DOES requested	\$4,375,000	1,150,000
Match Requested	0	0
Applicant Match	\$0	\$0
Applicant Match %*	0%	0%
Project Partners*	0	0
Federal Grant Submission	Applicant or consultant will submit directly	Applicant or consultant will submit directly
Federal Grant Application Year	2026	2026
Federal Grant Project administration	Be a direct recipient if allowed in the NOFO	Be a direct recipient if allowed in the NOFO
Cost Estimate Documentation (attached with application)		
Estimates in YOЕ	No	Yes
Source of estimates	Developed by an engineering consultant	Developed by an engineering consultant

City of Douglas wins RAISE grant!

COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Recipient	City of Douglas
Location	City of Douglas, AZ: Arizona
Project Type	Capital
Urban or Rural	Rural
RAISE Grant Funding	\$23,518,381
Construction Start (estimate)	April 2028
Area of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Community Designation? Yes	

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
DOUGLAS on \$23.5 mil
RAISE grant!**

* Estimated construction start date provided by Recipient

AZ SMART Award Rescission

- Board awarded \$214K in April 2024 for DOES
- Applied for RAISE federal grant prior to AZ SMART
- Awarded RAISE grant for \$23,518,381 for same scope

As of 8/31/2024

Cumulative AZ SMART Fund Report

	ADOT	Muni < 10K	Muni 10K+	County < 100K	County 100K+
	ARS§28-339 F.5	ARS§28-339 F.4	ARS§28-339 F.3	ARS§28-339 F.2	ARS§28-339 F.1
Total Revenue					
Legislative Appropriations /1	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000
Interest Earnings to Date	\$ 855,485	\$ 855,402	\$ 855,725	\$ 855,783	\$ 855,774
Total Revenues	\$ 13,355,485	\$ 13,355,402	\$ 13,355,725	\$ 13,355,783	\$ 13,355,774
Total Approved (Set Aside, Underway and Expended)					
Grant Development		\$ 4,600		\$ 50,000	
Match Awards	\$ 4,121,724	\$ -	\$ 5,930,405	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 4,242,642
Design & Engineering	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 8,578,490	\$ 6,525,707	\$ 4,241,199	\$ 6,060,000
Miscellaneous/Overhead	\$ 100,000				
Total	\$ 7,971,724	\$ 8,583,090	\$ 12,456,112	\$ 7,591,199	\$ 10,302,642
Available for Awards	\$ 5,383,761	\$ 4,772,312	\$ 899,613	\$ 5,764,584	\$ 3,053,132
Pending Requests					
Grant Development		\$ -		\$ -	
Match Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Design & Engineering	\$ -	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 4,375,000	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ -	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 4,375,000	\$ -	\$ -
After Approval of Pending Requests	\$ 5,383,761	\$ 3,622,312	\$ (3,475,387)	\$ 5,764,584	\$ 3,053,132

Douglas rescission will increase
available amount to \$1,113,613

Possible Actions

- Motion to rescind 4/19/2024 design award to the City of Douglas for the Avenue G; 2nd Street - 14th Street in the amount of \$214,000.
(requested \$214,000)
- Approval of the City of Casa Grande application for the reconstruction of Burris Rd; Clayton Rd - Kortsen Rd up to \$899,613 that is available in the Munis over 10K category.
- Approval of \$1,150,000 for the Town of Taylor application for Centennial Blvd Improvements.