

Bistate Sustainable Reinvestment Corridor
Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Pre-Submittal Workshop
January 10, 2024
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

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so that we may have an accurate record of attendance.*

Creating opportunity through sustainability and mobility

Independence Ave, State Ave and adjacent neighborhoods form a **corridor of opportunity** that builds on the strengths and capacities of current and future residents, businesses and communities by connecting them through **comprehensive, sustainable infrastructure, community services and mobility options** to open access to the greater Kansas City region.

Theory of Change

- *New Federal infrastructure funding provides a generational opportunity to invest in **coordinated, comprehensive** transportation, housing, workforce, broadband, green infrastructure, public safety and economic development strategies to support **equitable growth and redevelopment** of promising but disadvantaged neighborhoods along the Independence and State corridor.*
- *New resources will **accelerate implementation** of **extensive community-based plans** that have already been conducted throughout the corridor.*
- ***Focused investment** along and connected to this corridor will enhance its capacity to catalyze growth and opportunity throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area using **sustainable strategies**.*

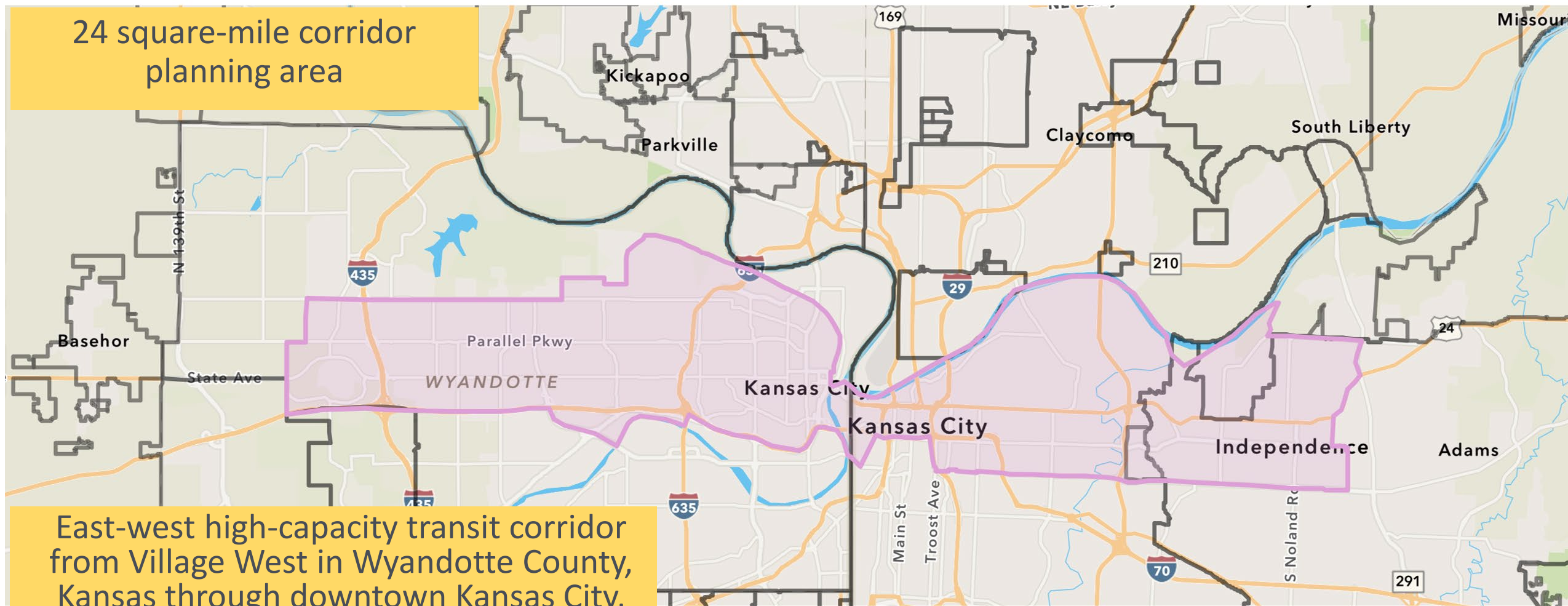
Project Overview

- U.S. DOT Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program; \$7M total project cost
- Partnership includes MARC; KCATA; City of Kansas City, MO; Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas; City of Independence, MO

Accelerate implementation and demonstrate potential of integrated investments in **zero-emission transit, green infrastructure, affordable housing, workforce development, childcare access and other basic services** to enhance neighborhood vibrancy, affordability, equity and connectivity as a model for other corridor-based programs.

Study Area

24 square-mile corridor
planning area



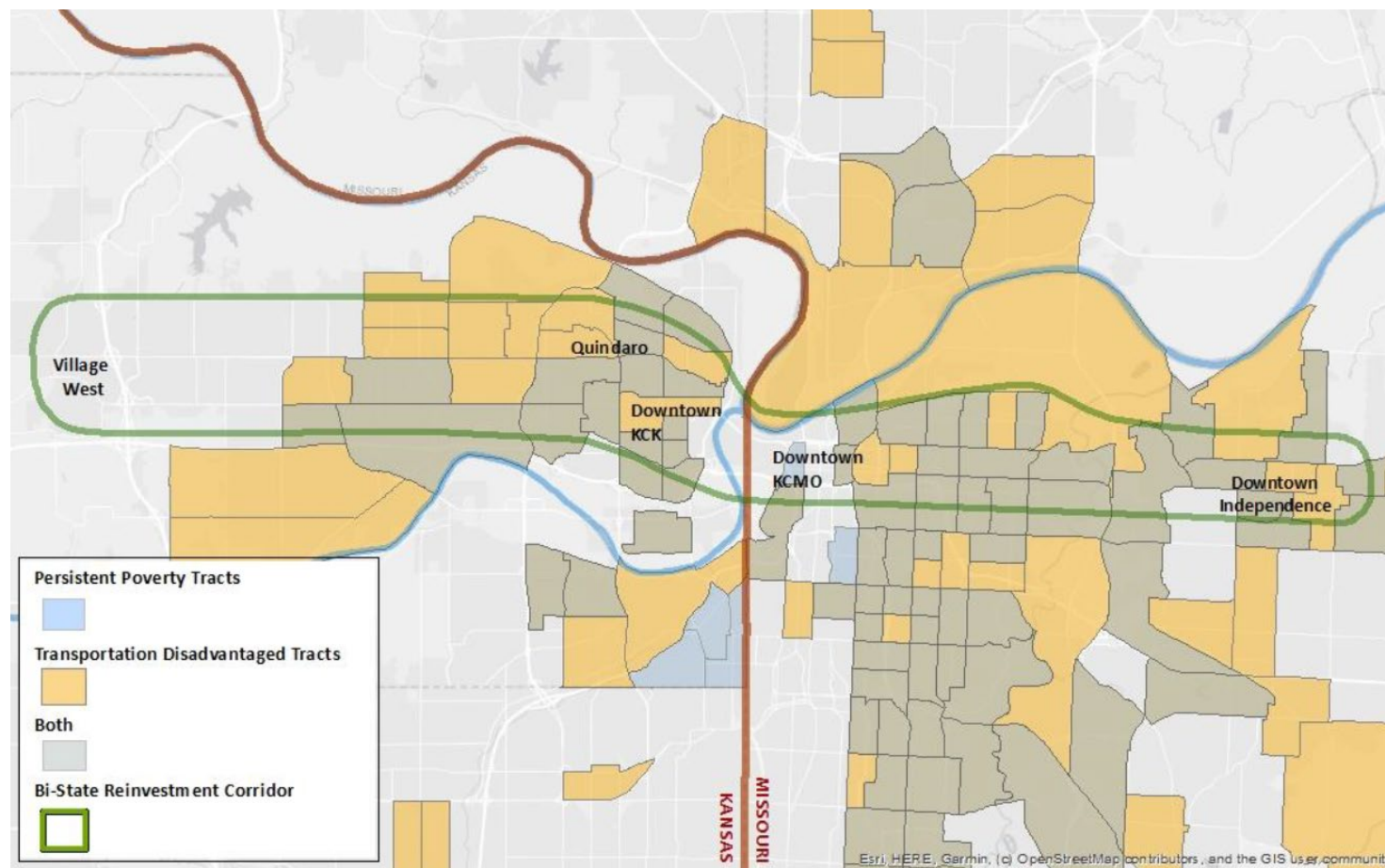
East-west high-capacity transit corridor
from Village West in Wyandotte County,
Kansas through downtown Kansas City,
Missouri to Independence, Missouri

Transportation Disadvantaged Communities

One of the outcomes of the project is enhanced access to opportunities, especially for disadvantaged but promising communities.

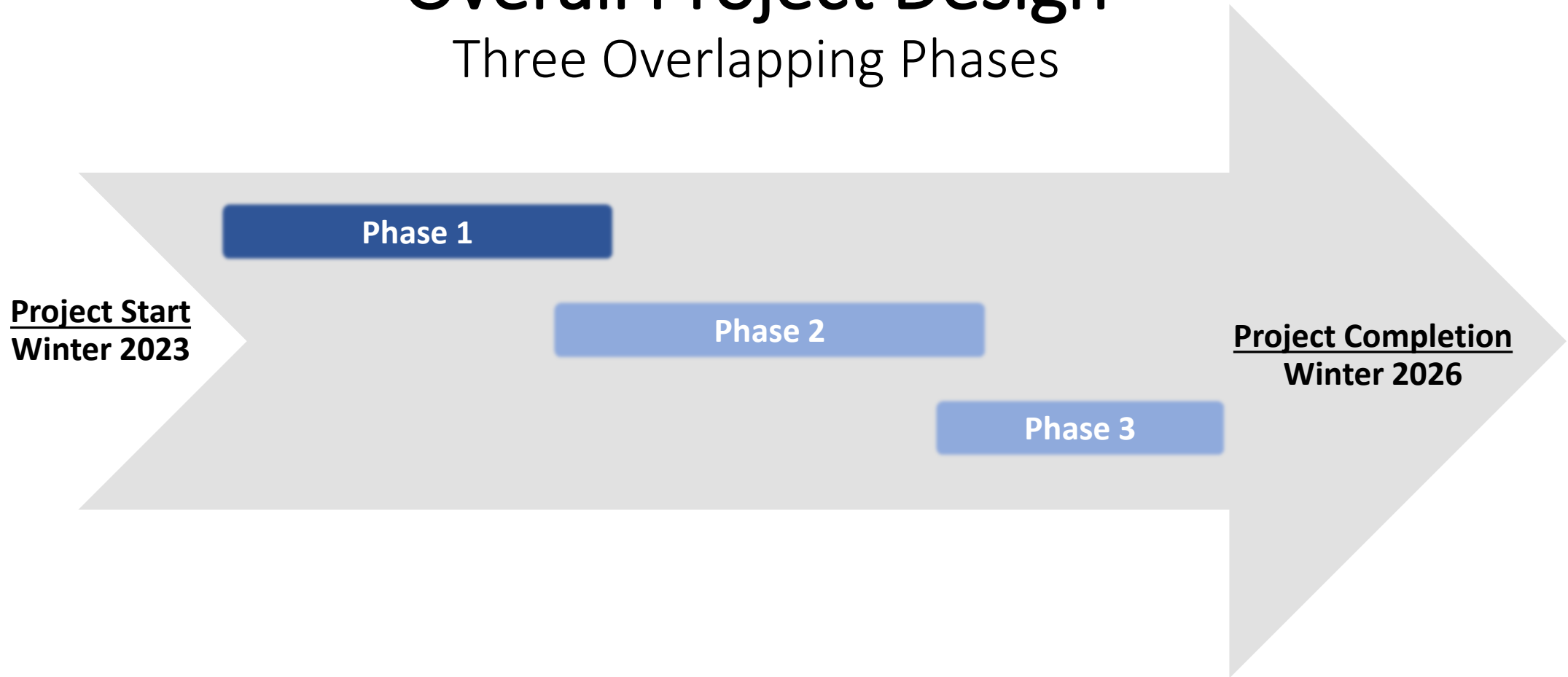
More than 68% of the planning area includes Census tracts designated as:

- Areas of Persistent Poverty and/or
- Historically Disadvantaged Communities.



Overall Project Design

Three Overlapping Phases



Phase 1 Anticipated Outcomes

- Community Engagement Initiated and Sustained
- Conceptual Feasibility Study
- Initiate preliminary National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) work
- Funding Alternatives report
- Partnership Opportunities report
- Initiate Small Starts Rating development for transit elements, as appropriate
- Develop Corridor Action Plan (i.e., Project Development Plan), to document the Phase 1 process, summarize the findings of reports developed during Phase 1, and outline implementation recommendations.

Community Engagement

- Grassroots & Grass Tops
- Respect and build on extensive planning in corridor
- Increase civic capacity for sustainable redevelopment
- Plan with, not for, communities

Procurement Process & Key Dates

- RFQ released December 19, 2023
- Questions relayed to sbur@marc.org no later than 5:00 PM Central, January 4, 2024
- Pre-Submittal Workshop to occur January 10, 2024
- Q&A posted January 12, 2024
- Submittals due no later than 5:00 PM Central, January 26, 2024
- Short-List Notification to occur on January 30, 2024 **NEW**
- Short-List Interviews to occur February 6, 2024
- Selected Consultant Notification via email prior to MARC Board meeting on February 27, 2024 **NEW**
- Formal negotiations to begin after MARC Board Approval to enter into contract with selected consultant **NEW**
- Notice to Proceed provided after MARC Board Approval

Submittals

To be eligible for consideration, consultants must submit 1 (one) electronic copy of the response to the RFQ (15MB max) via email to Selina Zapata Bur at sbur@marc.org no later than **5:00 PM Central Time, January 26, 2024**. Late submittals will not be considered and will not be opened.

Submittals are not to exceed 10 (ten) single-sided **8.5 x 11** pages to the following specifications:

- Times New Roman font
- 12pt font, single-spaced
- The proposal cover does not count towards the 10-page limit. Tabs do count towards the 10-page limit. **NEW**
- Reference RFQ for additional specifications.

DBE Requirement

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal: 22%

Compliance with the DBE goal for this project follows MARC's DBE program administration. *NEW*
DBEs should be certified under the Missouri Regional Certification Committee (MoDOT, KCMO, KCATA, Bi-state, Lambert Airport StI) and/or KDOT/KS.

- MRCC directory link: <https://www6.modot.mo.gov/MRCC/Home/PublicSearch>
- KDOT DBE Directory <https://www.ksdot.gov/divadmin/civilrights/>

Out of state DBE's will be assessed on a case-by-case basis based on MARC's review. For review of DBEs not already certified by MRCC nor KDOT, please contact sbur@marc.org as soon as possible and prior to proposal submission for review.

Evaluation Criteria

Submittals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Proposed project approach (20%)
- Demonstrated understanding, expertise, and success in areas noted in the list of items to be included above (20%)
- Key personnel expertise, availability, and capability (25%)
- Past performance/references (minimum of three (3) verifiable references) (10%)
- Familiarity with local communities along the corridor and/or similar communities (25%)

Relevant Links and Contact

Link to RFQ

<https://www.marc.org/document/rfq-bi-state-sustainable-reinvestment-corridor>

Link to where full Q&A will be posted

<https://www.marc.org/about-marc/funding-and-rfps>

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Q&A