



# TPF EXCELLENCE AWARDS PROGRAM

2023

For more than 45 years, the Federal Highway Administration’s (FHWA) Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Program has enabled public and private entities to collaboratively conduct cutting-edge transportation research. Through the TPF Program, participants are able to pool funds and expertise to develop innovative solutions at a lower cost while extending the reach and impact of their research.

The upcoming TPF Excellence Awards will recognize outstanding TPF studies that have made significant impacts toward advancing national research efforts in the areas of safety, economic growth, equity, and/or transformative climate solutions. The future award will highlight the importance of meaningful collaboration and partnership in transportation research. Administered through a partnership between FHWA and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), the biennial TPF Excellence Awards will recognize two TPF studies, with at least one led by a State department of transportation.

## AWARD TIMELINE



## AWARD CYCLE

The award cycle will begin every other January with the TPF Excellence Awards task force soliciting project nominations for outstanding collaborative research efforts.

# FACT SHEET



## WHERE AND WHEN WILL THE AWARDS BE PRESENTED?

The awards will be presented at the annual summer AASHTO Research Advisory Committee meeting.

## HOW SHOULD ENTRIES BE SUBMITTED AND WHAT IS THE SUBMISSION FORMAT?

Nominations can be submitted via email to [TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov](mailto:TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov). Nominations will be received starting 09/11/2023.

Nominations should be limited to two pages and follow the provided template. The nomination template as well as other supporting materials will be available on the [TPF Website](#). A panel of judges, changed for every award cycle, will review the submitted nominations.



## DO YOU WANT TO SHOWCASE AND GAIN RECOGNITION FOR YOUR GREAT RESEARCH? SUBMIT A NOMINATION!

Highlight the great work achieved through the TPF Program and gain national recognition by submitting a nomination!

Nominations will be accepted through the end of October 2023.

### WHO CAN NOMINATE A TPF STUDY?

Anyone can submit a TPF study nomination for the TPF Excellence Awards.

### HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

For any questions about the upcoming TPF Excellence Awards, please contact [TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov](mailto:TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov).

## CRITERIA FOR SUBMISSION AND SELECTION

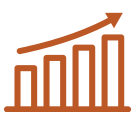
Nominations can be submitted for TPF studies that meet the following qualifications:



The nominated TPF study must be completed and have a posted **final report by June 30** of the year submitted.



The submission should follow the **nomination template**.



The results from the nominated TPF study have led to **measurable benefits** for the transportation industry.



The project addresses a **demonstrated need or problem** related to the **transportation industry**.

### Other criteria to be considered include:

- Demonstrates strong collaboration between study participants.
- Illustrates how the research adds value to the transportation industry.
- Describes the research's utility to transportation partners.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit <https://www.pooledfund.org>.

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