

Funding Programs in the New York Metropolitan Region

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How Do Funds Come Into the Region?

Major Elements of the Process

Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient
Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users
Federal Funding for Transportation Improvements

Metropolitan Planning Organization
New York Metropolitan Transportation Council

Federal Investments in Transportation Improvements

Roadway Improvements

Transit Services

Transportation Management

Metropolitan Planning Regulations

- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
- Required Products
 - ▶ Regional Transportation Plan (20 year horizon)
 - ▶ Transportation Improvement Program (minimum 4 year horizon)
 - ▶ Annual Program of Planning Activities (Unified Planning Work Program)

Structure of the MPO

New York Metropolitan Transportation Council

Council of Governments designated by the Governor in 1982

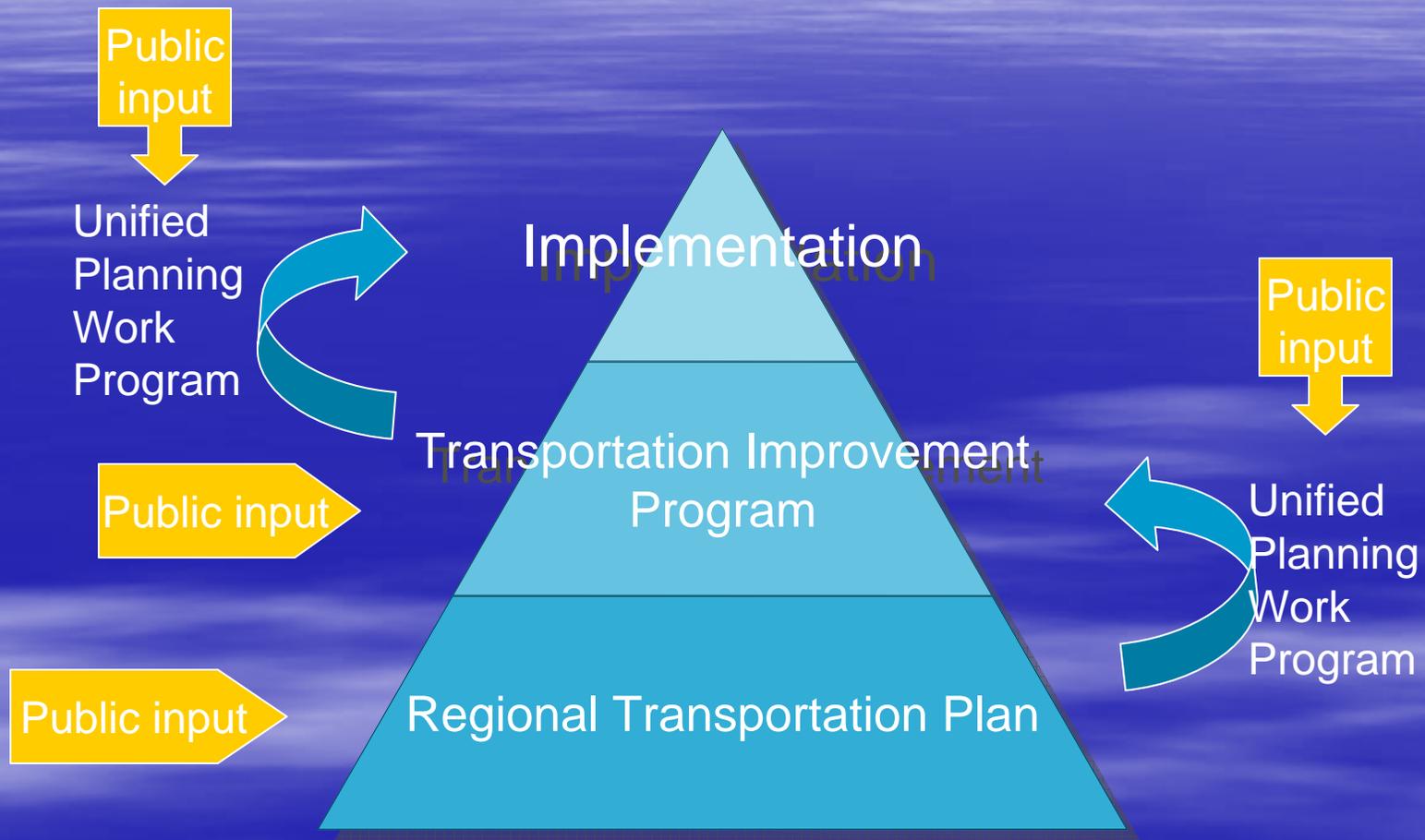
Comprised of chief elected or executive officials of nine voting members and seven advisory members

Council members supported by MPO staff

Structure of the MPO (continued)

- Council relies on four permanent committees:
 - ▶ Program, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC)
 - ▶ Transportation Coordinating Committees (TCCs)
 - New York City
 - Suburban Long Island
 - Lower Hudson Valley

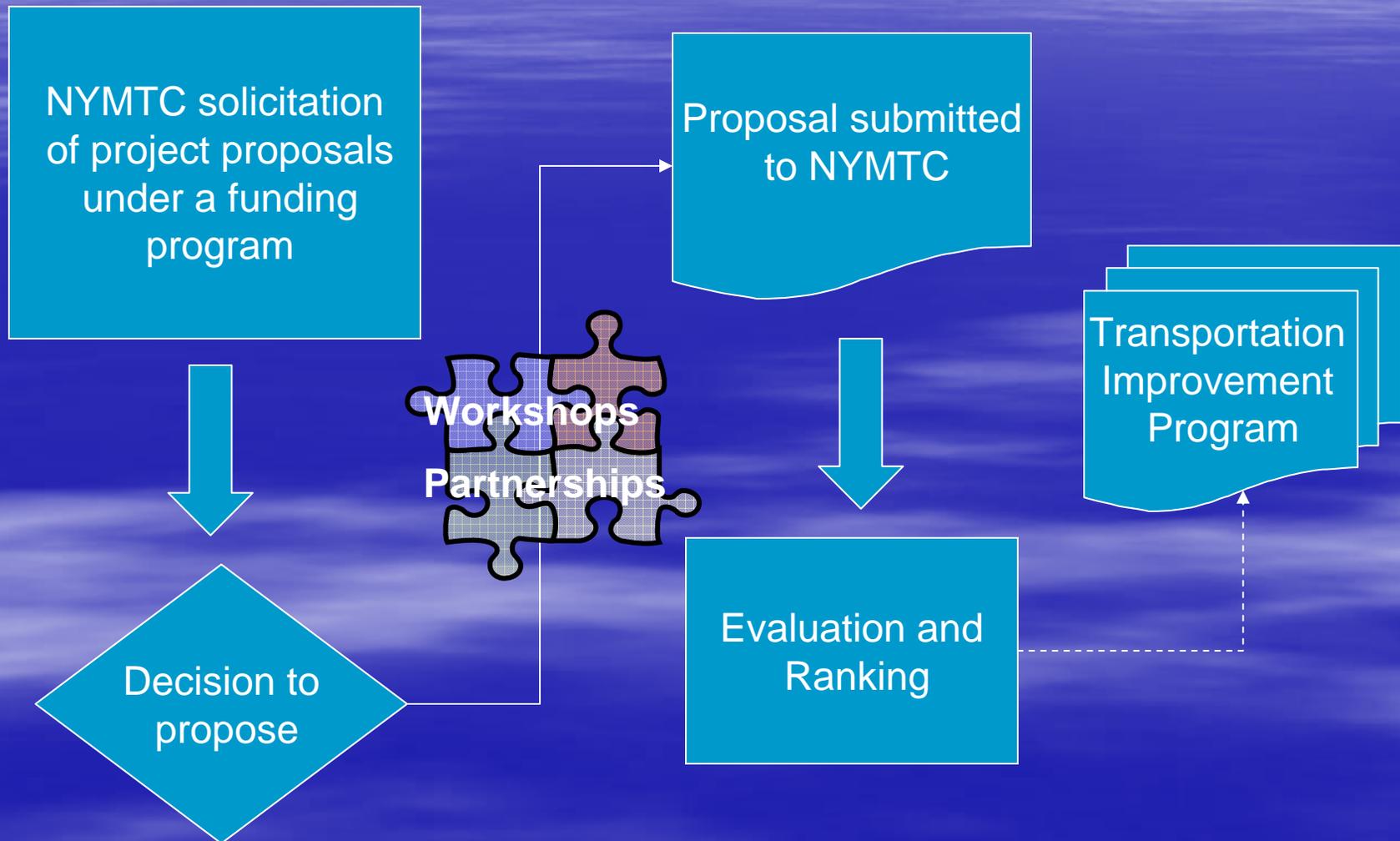
How the Process Operates



What Is a Successful Project?

- Proposed by an agency, municipality, NGO ***or some combination***
 - Defined in sufficient detail to allow for evaluation relevant to the funding program ***and*** for assessment of organizational arrangements
- Ranked sufficiently high among all proposals received
- Selected for inclusion in a Transportation Improvement Program

What Are the Steps to Success?



Federal Programs for Planning and Funding Greenway Projects

- Regional Transportation Plan
 - Pedestrian-Bicycle Element
 - Updated every four years
 - Next update 2009
 - County and borough-level elements
 - Updated every four years
 - Next update 2009

Federal Programs for Planning and Funding Greenway Projects

- Unified Planning Work Program (developed each fiscal year)
 - Listening sessions every three years
 - Next listening sessions in 2009
 - Specific planning projects related to greenways
 - Individual studies contained within each Work Program
 - Community planning workshops (held annually around the region)
 - Walkable communities
 - Safe Routes to Schools

Federal Programs for Planning and Funding Greenway Projects

- Transportation Improvement Program
 - Publicly solicited Federal funding programs
 - Solicited every 2-4 years, depending on program and status of Federal legislation
 - Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ)
 - Surface Transportation Program (STP)
 - Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP)
 - Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S)

Federal Programs for Planning and Funding Greenway Projects

- Where to get information:
 - NYMTC
 - NYMTC website (www.NYMTC.org) and NYMTC Notes
 - NYMTC mailings and solicitations; funding program workshops
 - Contact NYMTC staff
 - NYMTC workshops
 - Federal government
 - Federal Highway Administration website
 - Federal Register
 - Other information sources
 - New York State DOT website
 - New York City DOT and individual county websites

Questions?

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