



First Mile Last Mile Connections Grant 2019-2021 Application

Program Goals

Improve the beginning or end of an individual trip to public transit services.

Study and evaluate how different first mile last mile solutions affect access to public transportation services.

Project Title

Re-Claiming the pedestrian walkway to transit

Project Summary

Currently Greenwood Ave N is a 5-lane arterial street with varying speed limits and discontinuous sidewalks. Parked cars and overgrown vegetation force people who are taking transit to walk or roll along the edge of the sidewalk parking that is too close and dangerously close to traffic that moves upwards of 40 mph. While sidewalks have been added to both sides of the street north and south of N 112th Street, there remains a gap in continuous sidewalk, safe walking space, or safe crossings to access the #5 bus line, one of the busiest buslines in the city and soon to be upgraded to the Rapid Ride J-line.

This project would cut back overgrown vegetation that blocks passage on existing sidewalk, physically delineates the walking space to bus stops, and where possible, re-organizes perpendicular parking that encroaches into the pedestrian right-of-way.

Lead Organization

Urban Space for People/Greenwood-Phinney Greenways

Federal Tax ID Number

83-0525892

DUNS Number

This information should match the financial information in question 16.

Dollar Amount of Grant Request for 2019-2021

\$500,000.00

Total Project Cost

\$480,500.00

Local Match

\$0.00

Percentage of Project Total Cost

State Legislative District(s)

32

County/Counties

King

List each of the project partners that will have a role in the project. Describe their role and their type of organization.	
Project Partner Name Ballard Tree Service	Type of Organization (i.e. tribe, public sector, private sector) Private sector
Role Hedge-trimming	
Project Partner Name SDOT	Type of Organization (i.e. tribe, public sector, private sector) City Department
Role Wheel stop installation along low-cost walkway.	
Project Partner Name Urban Space for People	Type of Organization (i.e. tribe, public sector, private sector) Private sector Consultant
Role Project Management	
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Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code
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Billing Contact	Billing Contact Phone Number		Billing Contact Email	

Qualitative Description of Needs (25 points)

1. *Describe the first-last mile to transit service you propose:*

- a. *Service and/or facilities you will provide.* Examples include: active transportation facilities (e.g. bicycle lockers and racks), bike share, carpool, demand response transportation, education, deviated fixed route transit, incentives, marketing, paratransit, parking management, ridehail, shuttle, transit pass subsidies, vanpool, vanshare. Please note that emergency or guaranteed ride home services and expanding single occupancy vehicle parking are not eligible.
- b. *Location and/or first-last mile service area*
- c. *Existing transit service your service connects to*
- d. *Transportation gap your proposal is intended to address*

Improve transit access from N 112th St to N 130th St for Compass Housing, senior centers, school children, library patrons, commuters and people accessing the Greenwood business district to the south. We propose to create a physically delineated walking space to safely access the Route 5 bus line, one of the busiest transit corridors in the city. By trimming overgrown vegetation, physically delineating walking space, and re-organizing perpendicular parking, safe and accessible routes to transit stops are created.

Discussion of Benefits (20 points)

2. *Describe how the proposed services will be open & accessible to the public in an equitable manner.* Include any grant eligibility requirements
Project improvements will create a defined and continuous walking/rolling corridor that is open to all including Compass Housing residents and Seniors residing in facilities along Greenwood Ave N.
3. *Describe the benefits this project would provide.* Discuss how the project will improve connections to public transportation, market potential, enhance access to destinations.
Currently there is no continuous way to safely access bus stops along Greenwood Ave N between N 112th and N 130th Streets. Pedestrians, scooters and bikes are forced onto a narrow street edge next to high speed traffic which discourages transit use for many. People must take adjacent neighborhood streets as far as the block containing the bus stop before coming out to Greenwood Ave N where the stop is located. Crossing the street is impossible for anyone who is unable to run between gaps in traffic. A physically delineated, continuous walkway, would be safer for everyone and encourage those who find the the round about route inconvenient.

Social Justice/Equity (20 points)

4. *How does the project advance efficiencies in, accessibility to, or coordination of transportation services provided to persons with special transportation needs?* Provide information about how your project provides equal opportunities to disadvantaged populations, including: persons with disabilities, low-income populations, veterans, persons over 65 and over 85 years of age.
A continuous and physically delineated walkway would allow Access drivers to drop off close to senior housing. Residents of Compass Housing will have a safe way to walk or roll to nearby transit stops

Goals and Metrics (15 points)

5. *How will your organization measure whether the project is successful and improves the efficiency and effectiveness of getting to fixed route public transportation?* Describe the quantitative and qualitative measures.
As part of your measures, you must select at least one of the following:
- Change in transit ridership
 - Number of first-last mile trips provided
 - Number of passenger miles via first-last mile service provided
- Once transit service is somewhat back to normal, it will be possible to count trips by residents of nearby facilities and the surrounding neighborhood via survey.

Wages and Healthcare (10 points)

6. *Organization size.* Do you have 50 or more full-time employees based in Washington state?
☐ Yes
☐ No
7. *Minimum Wage.* Does your organization provide a minimum wage for employees and independent contractors?
☐ Yes: \$ 50 per hour for independent contractors
☐ Yes, for employees only: \$
☐ No
8. *Healthcare.* Does your organization provide healthcare benefits to your employees and independent contractors?
☐ No
☐ No, but provide additional compensation to employees and independent contractors for healthcare
☐ Yes, included in hourly wage compensation for employees and independent contractors
☐ Yes, included in employee benefits package for employees and independent contractors
☐ Other: There is one owner of this consulting/management business

Readiness to Proceed (10 points)

9. *Discuss readiness to proceed.* Describe:

a. When the project would introduce service to the public, and

b. How the project could provide preliminary performance data (change in transit ridership, number of first-last mile trips provided, etc.) by December 31, 2020.

The project will be ready to proceed upon award. The project will attract more people walking to transit as soon as safe space is created once the hedges are trimmed and wheel stops installed.

Preliminary transit use data will be collected at beginning of award period then again a 2 months after the walkways are complete or when transit service is restored to pre Covid-19 levels

10. *Identify the project staff for this project and their technical capacity.* What type of experience do these individuals have with service delivery and grant management?

Robin Randels—Urban Space for People had managed a wide range of grants—large and small—for pedestrian infrastructure and safety.

Ballard Tree Service has ISA-certified arborists with 30 years experience. They provide budget-friendly tree care and tree maintenance services in Seattle, WA and across the Puget Sound. From tree planting to demolition and tree removal.

Greenwood Phinney Greenways and urban Space for People have worked extensively with SDOT to calm traffic

11. *Milestones and activities.* Describe the major milestones for the project, including project start, provision of public service, public events, anticipated measurement activities, progress reports, completion date, etc.

Milestone 1—Preliminary survey on transit use taken

Milestone 2—Neighborhood project notification flyers distributed

Milestone 3—Hedges and overgrown vegetation removed or trimmed

Milestone 4—Wheel stops installed to prevent encroachment from parked cars

12. *Project Budget.* Describe each project element and its cost details. These may include marketing, staff time, services, acquisition, incentives, etc.

Hedge trimming— \$ 5000.00

Project management— \$ 5000.00

Wheel-stop installation by SDOT— \$ 300,000.00

Walkway marking and signage— \$ 6000.00

Celebration— \$ 1000.00

Flyers and printing— \$ 1000.00

Miscellaneous expenses— \$. 500.00

13. *Project Partners.* List any planned project partners (including sub-recipients and/or contractors), by name or by type. Describe the role of your project partners, if awarded.

Ballard Tree Service—Hedge and tree trimming

SDOT—Wheel stop installation to define walking/rolling space

Urban Space for People—Project Management

Other Questions (No points)

14. *Scalability.* Describe how the project could proceed with more or less funding than the amount requested. How could the project scale?

This project would benefit from the installation of a full traffic signal at either N 120th or N 122nd Street as there is no safe place to cross Greenwood Ave N. Able bodied people sometimes make risky crossings when they see the bus coming and run across between light cycles.

15. Fill in the appropriate milestone for your project (e.g., project start, various project elements, planning dates, completion date). In the last column, enter specific descriptions about the activity.

Milestone	Date	Activity
1—	7/24/2020	Preliminary survey on transit use

Readiness to Proceed (10 points)		
2—	8/14/2020	Neighborhood project notification flyers distributed
3—	9/11/2020	Clear pedestrian right-of-way of overgrown hedges
4—	10/9/2020	Wheel stops installed to prevent encroachment from parked cars
5—	11/30/2020	Follow-up survey
Ready!	6/30/2020	We are ready to begin upon award of grant funding

Financial Information

16. Complete the following information for this project.

Project Element		Budget
TOTAL PROJECTED COST		
Source of Local Match:		
LOCAL MATCH TOTAL		
LOCAL MATCH PERCENT		
	GRANT REQUEST AMOUNT	

Application Authority

17. This application must be certified by someone authorized or delegated to sign contracts on behalf of your organization, such as General Manager or CEO. Applications submitted without the checkbox selected will be rejected by WSDOT and will not be considered for grant funding.

 I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information in this application is true and accurate.

Name

Title

Date