

Clean air and clean water do not stop at city limits or county lines. Neither does the need for jobs, a thriving economy and sustainable transportation and living choices for people and businesses in the region. Voters have asked Metro to help with the challenges and opportunities that affect the 25 cities and three counties in the Portland metropolitan area.

A regional approach simply makes sense when it comes to providing services, operating venues and making decisions about how the region grows. Metro works with communities to support a resilient economy, keep nature close by and respond to a changing climate. Together we're making a great place, now and for generations to come.

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Investing for great communities

The three types of planning activities eligible for these grants are:

- **strategies for short term action** near-term actions in a catalytic action plan that could create development in less than five years
- **strategies for policy development** long-term actions in strategic or master plans that will result in development in five to 10 years
- **visioning** a plan to work with the community to create a vision for community's future.

With the fourth cycle in 2015, Metro's community planning and development grant program will have invested more than \$19 million since 2006 to help local communities:

- remove barriers to development
- leverage additional resources
- attract a variety of partners across the region
- create positive effects in their communities
- create opportunities for underserved and underrepresented populations
- produce innovative best practices that can be shared in with other communities.

	Project priorities	Year	Total awarded	Number of projects funded
Cycle 1	Concept planning for areas recently brought into the urban growth boundary	2006	\$6.2 million	25
Cycle 2	Community and economic development inside the urban growth boundary	2010	\$3.7 million	17
Cycle 3	Community and economic development inside the urban growth boundary, with 50 percent for new urban areas and urban reserves.	2013	\$4.5 million	19
Cycle 4	Community and economic development inside the urban growth boundary, with 25-30 percent for new urban areas and urban reserves.	2015	\$4.76 million proposed	16
			\$19 million	77



2015 Community Planning and Development Grants

Since 2006, Metro has distributed more than \$14 million to support local efforts to plan for growth and community development.

The Portland metropolitan region is home to dozens of unique communities, each with its own goals for the future and its own challenges meeting those goals. And as the region grows and contemplates new urban areas, local governments want to be prepared for the investments and actions that new development requires.

Metro established the Community Planning and Development Grant program in 2006 to help local communities do the hard work of thinking forward: planning for development, investment and collaboration that help create great places all over the region.

Every few years, the Metro Council distributes community planning and development grants. Funded by a regional construction excise tax, these grants are critical planning resources that help communities revitalize existing neighborhoods and plan for the development of new urban areas. Local governments (cities and counties) can apply, either solely or in partnership with other government entities, non-profit organizations or businesses.

Three previous cycles of grant making have made a big difference for communities across the region. These grants help cities and counties create investment strategies, solve code discrepancies, strengthen

partnerships among local governments, engage communities traditionally underrepresented in planning efforts and attract significant amounts of private investment and in-kind resources for projects.

Why are these grants important for the region's goals?

This fall, the Metro Council will decide whether to expand the region's urban growth boundary to accommodate expected household and job growth through 2035. Best evidence indicates that local communities have the right strategies, plans and developable land inside the existing boundary to accommodate expected growth – but public and private partnerships are needed to bring those plans to fruition.

The community planning and development grant program is one of the Metro Council's best tools to help communities achieve their visions, reflecting the council's belief in investing to support communities, create housing and jobs opportunities and improve people's lives throughout the region.

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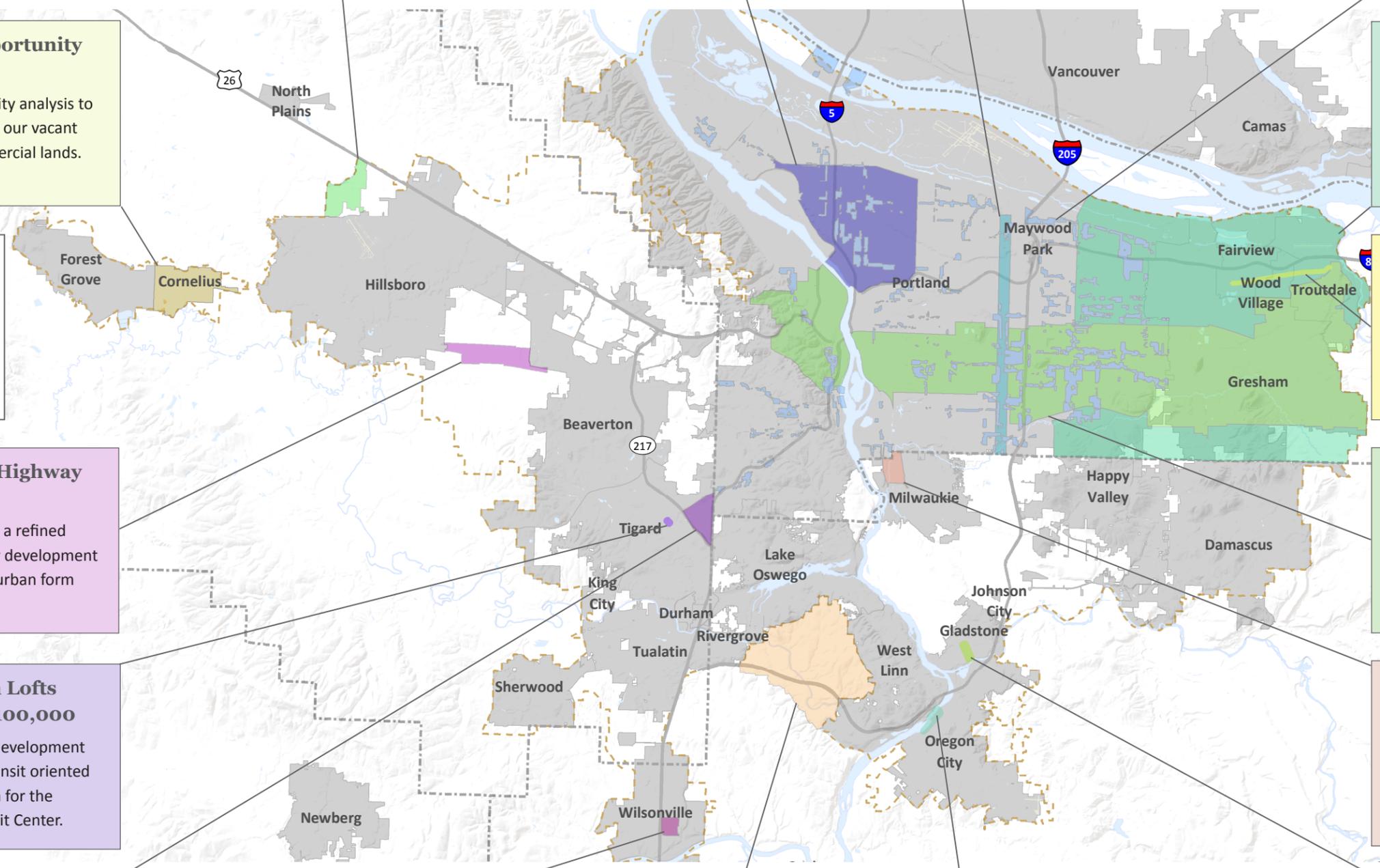
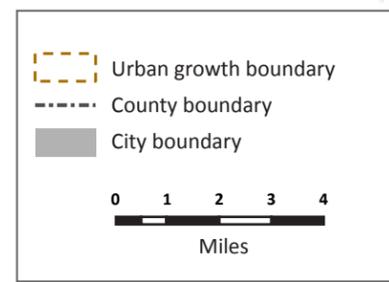
Jackson Areas School Employment Subarea | \$195,000
 For City of Hillsboro to increase the area's development-readiness by completing an economic, social, environmental, and energy analysis, developing comprehensive and implementation plans.

North/Northeast Community Development: Pathway 1000 Initiative | \$250,000
 For City of Portland to plan to create at least 1,000 new affordable homes – for sale and rent – and affordable commercial space in the next 10 years.

82nd Avenue Study: Understanding Barriers to Development and Design | \$362,500
 For City of Portland to enhance employment and mixed-use development readiness on Northeast 82nd Avenue in five key areas along the corridor.

Improving Multi-Dwelling Development | \$310,500
 For City of Portland to reduce barriers to better quality multi-dwelling development and healthy neighborhoods through improved regulations.

Cornelius Economic Opportunity Analysis | \$40,000
 To develop an economic opportunity analysis to identify appropriate employers for our vacant and available industrial and commercial lands.



Moving to Permanent Housing | \$75,000
 For Multnomah County to site a local shelter, preferably in a building where service agencies are already providing assistance, in order to address the effects of homelessness on local families.

Halsey Corridor Economic Development Study | \$100,000
 For City of Fairview to create an economic development analysis to complement and update the existing Halsey Conceptual Design Project and to build upon the East Metro Connections Plan.

Building Healthy Connected Communities Along the Powell-Division Corridor | \$1,485,566
 For cities of Portland and Gresham to maximize the benefit of the bus rapid transit investment by promoting district design and jumpstarting catalytic development.

North Milwaukie Industrial Redevelopment Plan | \$250,000
 To develop and implement redevelopment-based strategies to enhance economic opportunities, increase job creation and investment, and ensure a framework for quality development.

Aloha Town Center / TV Highway TOD Plan | \$400,000
 For Washington County to develop a refined concept plan to reduce barriers for development and redevelopment and foster an urban form supportive of high capacity transit.

Downtown Tigard Urban Lofts Development Project | \$100,000
 To create a concept plan and pre-development feasibility work for a mixed-use transit oriented urban loft development and a plan for the reconfiguration of the Tigard Transit Center.

Tigard Triangle Walkable Suburban Development | \$145,250
 To investigate walkable mixed use development feasibility within the Tigard Triangle that leads to tools to facilitate such development.

Wilsonville Town Center Master Plan | \$320,000
 To establish a strategy for policy development and future investment in the district and build an implementation strategy to meet local town center redevelopment and activity goals.

Stafford Area Preliminary Infrastructure Feasibility | \$170,000
 For Clackamas County to build common understanding of the potential demands urban growth will have on the sewer, water, stormwater and transportation systems in the area and neighboring cities.

Willamette Falls Legacy Project | \$550,000
 For City of Oregon City to pursue a development opportunity study and refined master plan for the former Blue Heron Paper Mill to spur development at Willamette Falls.

Gladstone Downtown Revitalization Plan | \$150,700
 To create a master plan and implementation strategy that identifies economic and developmental challenges and opportunities facing the city.