

City of Fort Worth, Texas
TPW Trinity Metro Bus Pad
Recovery Plan

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
2025 Report

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Executive Summary

The City of Fort Worth (COFW) has identified priority projects to be funded by the Revenue Recovery Provision provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Several capital improvement projects in the Transportation Public Works Department, deferred and suspended due to the loss of revenue as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic, have been reinstated. Among them is a citywide bus pad improvement project aimed at enhancing the durability and performance of high-traffic transit stops. These improvements will extend and improve service reliability for transit users across Fort Worth.

Uses of Funds

Expenditure Category: 2.22-Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety

Design and construction for this project are complete. Construction was completed on October 26, 2024

The cost of the construction project was \$800,564.52, and the scope included the following work:

Improving bus transit facilities throughout the City of Fort Worth, such as constructing new sidewalks, ADA ramps, bus pads, curbs, and gutters. After the completion of the pads, Trinity Metro came back to install amenities such as benches, shelters, informational displays, and lighting to improve safety.

Promoting equitable outcomes

As a part of this project, the City of Fort Worth is planning to improve pedestrian access to transit facilities throughout the City of Fort Worth.

- a. Goals: to improve access to transit facilities throughout the City of Fort Worth. This project will serve the entire community.
- b. Awareness: The City created a website for the Trinity Metro Bus Pads project that includes elements like details of scope, an opportunity to provide surveys/feedback and comments, and prioritization of the elements that the community wants to see as a part of this project. The website has been updated periodically to provide the latest updates about the project.
- c. Access and Distribution: The improvements will be accessible and beneficial for all users throughout the project limits. They will also improve safety and accessibility for pedestrians of all groups.
- d. Outcomes: This project will increase safety for pedestrians and provide improved access to transit facilities and more mobility options for the residents of Fort Worth.

Community Engagement

The City created a website for the Trinity Metro Bus Pads project that includes elements like details of scope, an opportunity to provide surveys/feedback and comments, and prioritization of the elements that the community wants to see as a part of this project. The website has been updated periodically to provide the latest updates about the project.

Labor Practices

In compliance with other federal regulations, notice of projects was posted, as well as any available job opportunities. Design contracts were executed, and the construction contract was executed with language regarding hiring practices, wages, etc.

We hired local engineers and local contractors for the project. The engineering/contracting firms met City requirements for Minority/Women Business Equity goals for the project. This will provide jobs to minority and women business enterprises, giving them a chance to improve the community.

The engineering firm was selected from a list of pre-qualified firms approved for effective and efficient delivery of this type of project.

Use of Evidence

Trinity Metro intends to improve bus stops throughout the city. In collaboration with Trinity Metro, the City of Fort Worth provided design services and project management services for the bus pad portion of the improvements. Trinity Metro has selected the locations based on usage. Trinity Metro also hired a consultant to assess ADA compliance, slab thickness, and other criteria of the selected sites. The ARPA funds were used to construct the bus pads for the bus shelters and benches.

Performance Report

The City has already hired an engineering firm to complete the design of the project. Trinity Metro had already performed the site selection based on ridership and hired a consulting firm to assess the site for ADA compliance, slab thickness, and other criteria. The design of the project is complete, and construction of the project is complete.

The City monitored safety and operations during construction. The City's inspectors supervised the construction and ensured the contractor complied with the regulations.

City's Transportation Management department will be monitoring usage of the project infrastructure after the construction is complete. The performance will be evaluated based on the use, accessibility, and safety of the new/upgraded facilities.