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Department of Transportation
SB-24-13335 - Grant Award – Agreement
E-Bike Incentive Pilot Program

PRESENTED BY
Director Corren Johnson

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW



- BCDOT administered voucher pilot program
- Residents will apply for and receive before purchase at *approved vendors*
- Budget is \$75,000 for up to 50 participants
- \$750 for standard applicants and \$2,000 for income-qualified applicants
- 50% of program funds are reserved for income-qualified applicants



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PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Medicaid



SNAP or TANF



Baltimore City residency:

- At time of application
- Current driver's license, non-driver ID, or recent utility bill with applicant's name and address accepted as proof of residency

Income-Qualified applicants:

- Residents considered low-income
- Proof of SNAP, TANF, or Medicaid enrollment is required



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PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- Applications will be completed online and housed on an “E-Bike Incentive Program” page on the BCDOT website
- DOT will attend community engagement events to raise awareness of the program and help residents apply
- Extra outreach/partnership with organizations and agencies to reach the income-qualified applicants
- Voucher recipients will be selected through a lottery and will be notified via e-mail
- Once approved and notified, recipients can go to the approved vendors for purchase of an e-bike



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ELIGIBLE PURCHASES

- **Class 1, class 2, and class 3 e-bikes will be eligible for purchase according to Maryland law**
 - Class 1: e-bikes equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 mph;
 - Class 2: e-bike equipped with a motor that provides assistance whether or not the rider is pedaling the bicycle (throttle) and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 mph; and
 - Class 3: e-bike equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 28 mph.
- **Bike locks, helmets and adaptive devices for persons with disabilities will also be eligible for purchase using the vouchers**



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VENDOR COORDINATION

- Three vendors, located in Baltimore City who perform on-site-bike maintenance, are participating
- Separate grant agreements are being executed for each vendor
- Established a voucher/customer verification and redemption process to support the reimbursement process
- Costs above the approved voucher amount are the responsibility of the customer

VENDOR NAME	VENDOR ADDRESS
Baltimore Bicycle Works	1813 Falls Rd, 21201 518 E Belvedere Ave, 21212
Trek Bicycle Baltimore	1414 Key Hwy, 21230 3220 St Paul St, 21218
Joe's Bike Shop	723 S Broadway B, 21231 5813 Falls Rd, 21209



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PROGRAM GOALS

- Replace some driving trips with e-cycling trips
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Increase e-bike ownership, particularly among low-income residents
- Encourage healthy, active lifestyles
- Increase transportation options for Baltimore City residents



Thank you!



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