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# TxDOT State Infrastructure Bank

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#### **Presenter: Dallas Teston**



Dallas Teston has worked on the team that administers the State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) program at the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the past 8 years and is currently the SIB Program Lead and a Portfolio Project Manager. Since beginning as the SIB Program Lead, the SIB team has closed over \$150 million in low-cost loans to local governments for transportation projects. Prior to TxDOT, Dallas worked in the banking and consumer finance industries totaling 15 years' experience in finance industries. Dallas was born and raised in Austin, TX, and earned an accounting degree from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina.

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#### **SIB** facts





SIB Loans



- Revolving fund All repayments go back into the SIB
- Non-federal dollars

**152 Loans** – Since inception (1997)

- Loans have ranged from \$10,000 to \$42m
- Median loan amount approximately \$1m

\$751 Million - In loans

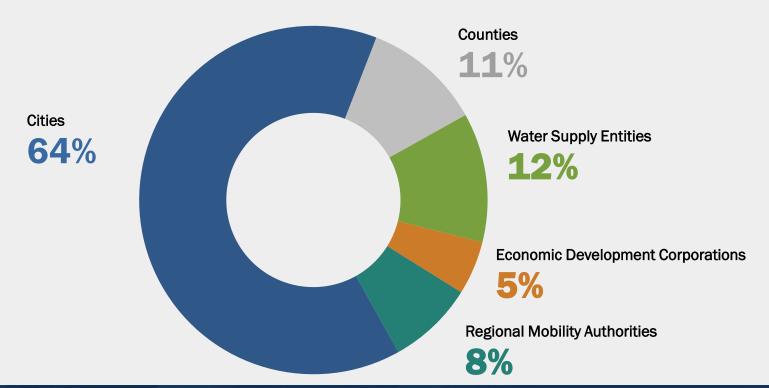
\$485 Million - Repaid

\$8 Billion - In Texas transportation projects

#### **SIB** loans

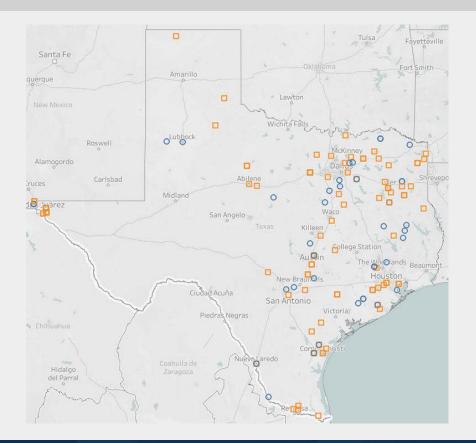


# **Borrower Type**



#### **SIB** loans around the state

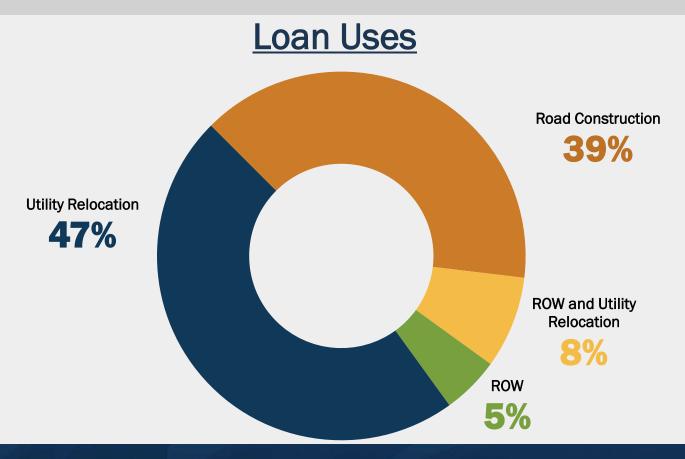






#### **SIB** loans





# **Eligibility**



#### When can a SIB loan be used for utility relocation?

- Required relocation for a TxDOT project.
- Elective relocation or other utility work ONLY when an eligible project is ALSO being done.
- CANNOT be used for a standalone utility project.

#### **Eligible projects**



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Eligible under federal highway programs.

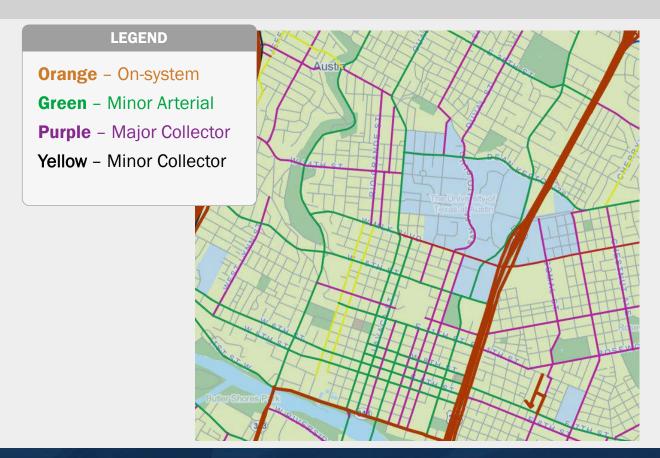
 Roadways must be functionally classified above a rural minor collector.

On- or off-system roadways can be eligible.

Generally, projects eligible under Title 23.

# **Eligibility example - city of Austin**





# **Eligibility**



#### **Eligible Uses Include\***

Utility relocation and all costs associated

Betterment

Contingency

Joint bid

**ROW** acquisition

Financial & Legal advisory fees

\*SIB funds cannot be used to reimburse prior costs.

# **Borrowing from the Texas SIB**

# **Low Cost of Borrowing**

- \$0 loan application
- \$0 closing costs
- \$0 loan handling
- Form of agreement
  - Direct loan agreement (authorized in TTC §222.0745)
  - Certificate of obligation
  - Bonds

# **Borrowing from the Texas SIB**

#### **Repayment Terms**

- Prepayments can be made at any time.
- Flexibility in repayment.
  - Most repayment frequencies acceptable.
- Deferments
  - Full deferral of principal and interest.
  - Interest only payments.
  - Interest capitalizes during deferment period.

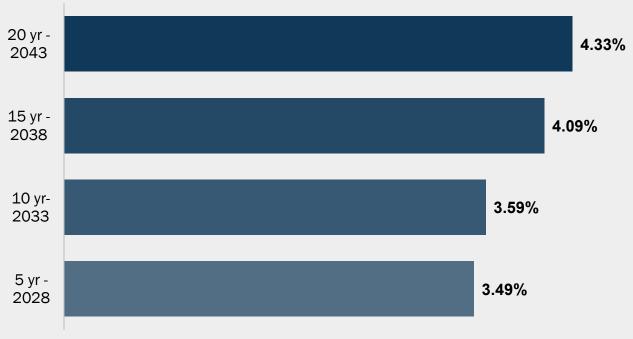
# **Borrowing from the Texas SIB**

#### **Interest Rate**

- Rate set at the time of application
- Municipal Market Data index (MMD)
- 2 main factors
  - Credit Rating
  - Term of the loan

#### **Interest rate example**





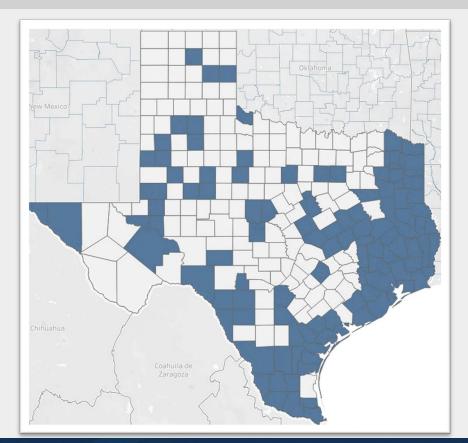
Market Rate Indications as of October 25, 2023, for AAA rated borrower. Rates change weekly, shown for illustrative purposes only.

#### **Economically disadvantaged counties (EDC)**



 114 of 254 counties are EDC for FY 2024.

 All entities in the eligible county receive interest rate discount.



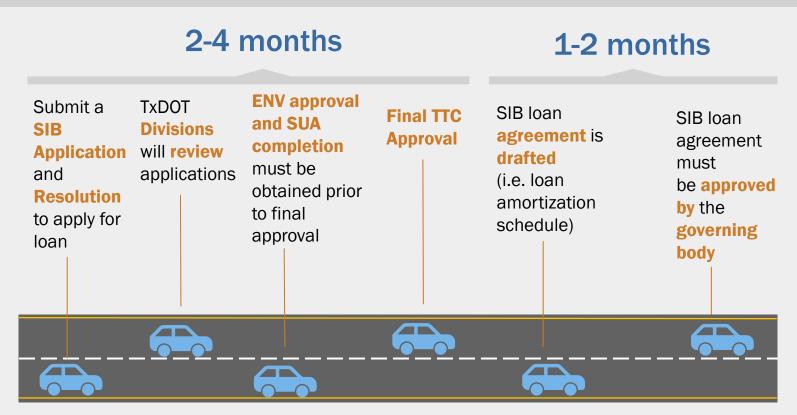
#### **Economically disadvantaged county (EDC)**

 Interest rate is reduced in basis points by the amount of the adjustment percentage.

Example –County with 95% EDC Adjustment	
SIB Interest Rate	4.09%
EDC Adjustment	<u>.95</u>
Final Rate	3.14%

# **TxDOT SIB process**



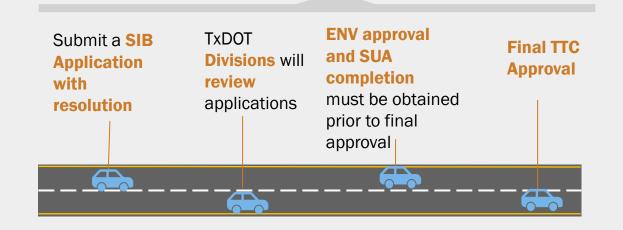


#### **TxDOT SIB process**



# **Application approval**

#### 2-4 months

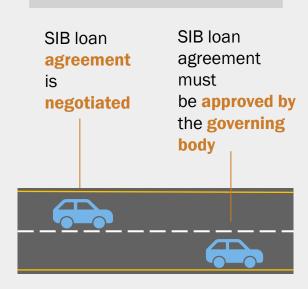


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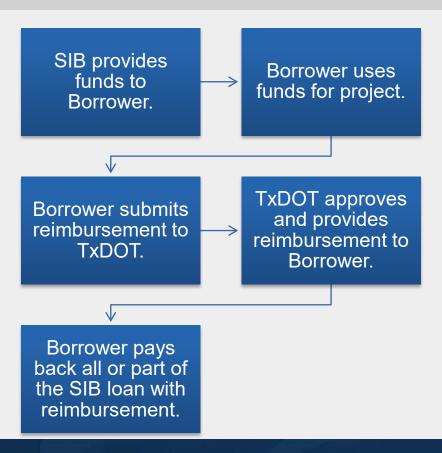
# Loan closing

#### 1-2 months



# **Reimbursement process with SIB Ioan**





#### **Key takeaways**



- SIB is a low-cost transportation financing tool.
- Available for any required TxDOT utility relocation and some non-TxDOT.
- Can pledge reimbursement to loan repayment.
- Entire process takes approximately 4-6 months.
- Transportation Commission approval is required for all applications.

#### **SIB** resources

Contact information:

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TXDOT.gov and search "State Infrastructure Bank"

- SIB Application
- General program information
  - Instructions to check eligibility
  - Informational flyers
  - Sample resolutions for the local entity



# Questions





