

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Transportation

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Program Name: Metro & Statewide Planning Grants-Section 5303 & 5304

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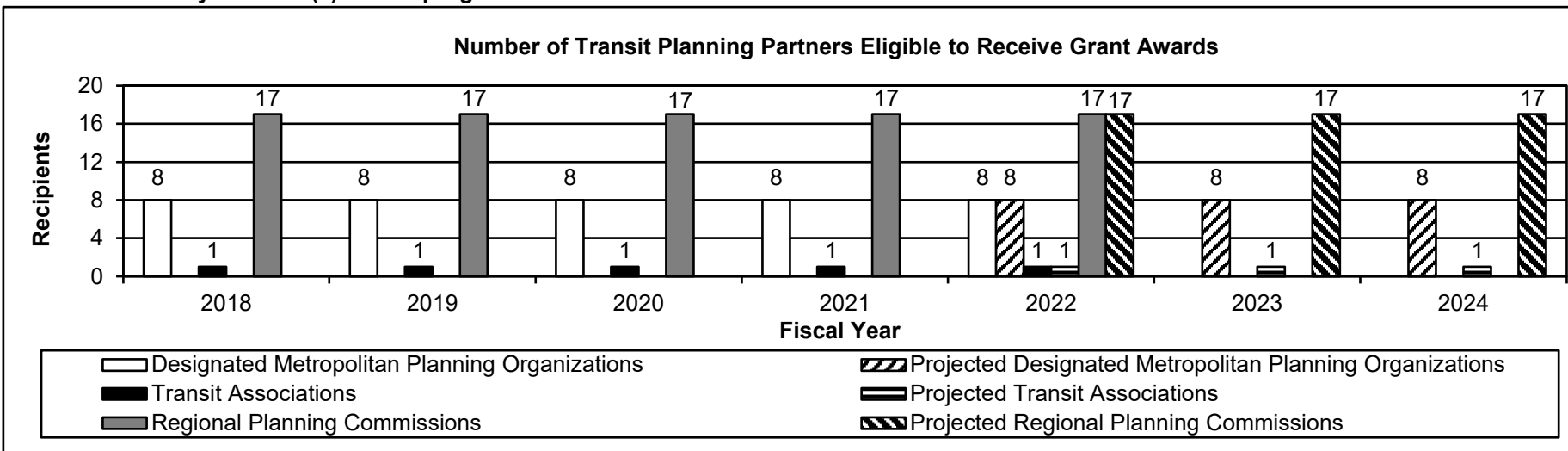
1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Service - providing outstanding customer service, delivering efficient and innovative transportation projects and operating a reliable transportation system

1b. What does this program do?

This program allows for statewide transit planning and technical assistance activities grants for transit's partners which can be used for planning support, research and technical studies related to public transportation. Regional Planning Commissions (RPC) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) utilize Section 5304 funds for updates to the Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plans. These plans are updated every five years. These plans must be updated to allow subrecipients to apply for FTA Section 5310 funding within each area.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



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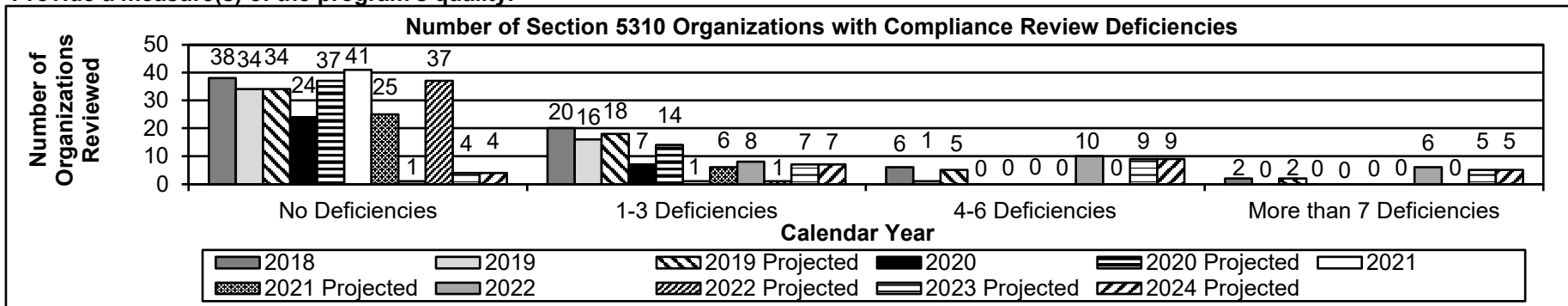
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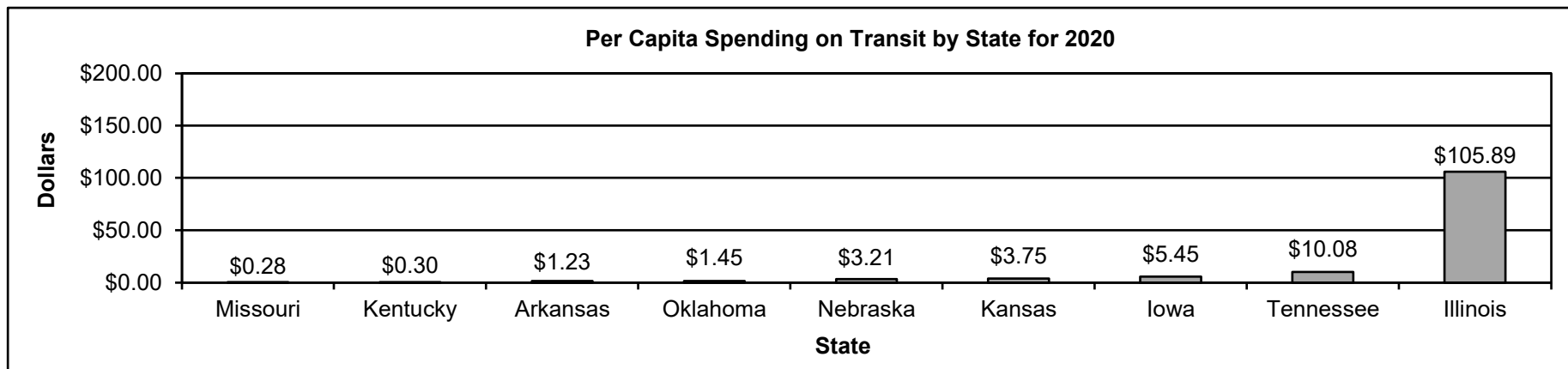
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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



The Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 formula grants provide capital and operating assistance to transportation service providers serving the mobility needs of senior citizens and/or persons with disabilities in Missouri's urban and rural areas of the state. A deficiency is a violation of a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) or state requirement, which requires corrective action by a pre-determined date in order to maintain eligibility for transit funding programs. The 2023 and 2024 projections are based off an approximate 10 percent reduction from the prior year of deficiencies in any category greater than no deficiencies.



Per capita spending was calculated by dividing the state's transit funding by the state's population. Data is obtained through the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Survey for State Funding for Public Transportation published in June of 2022.

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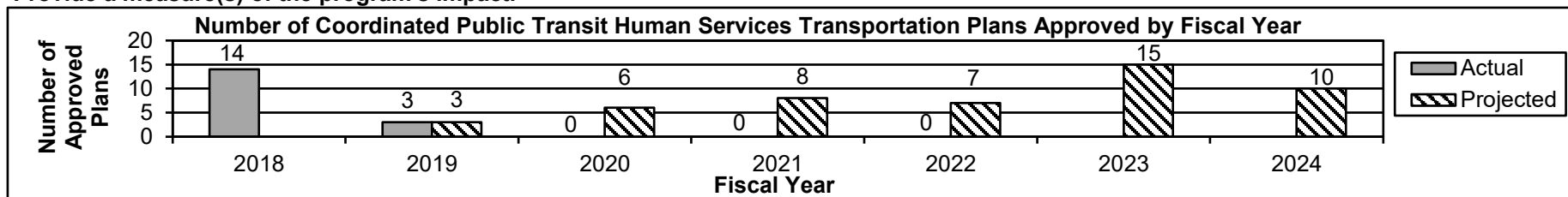
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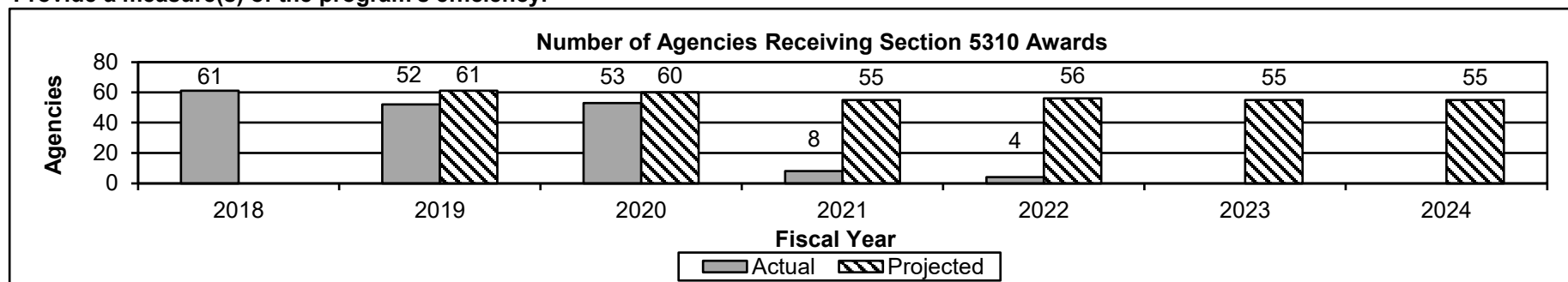
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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



The Section 5303 program is directly tied to the Section 5310 program. Federal transit law, as amended by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) transportation act, requires that projects selected for funding under the Section 5310 program be included in a locally developed, coordinated public transit human services transportation plan and the plan be developed and approved through a process that includes participation by seniors, individuals with disabilities, representatives of public, private and nonprofit transportation, human services providers and other members of the public. The plans identify the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, seniors and people with low incomes; provide strategies for meeting local needs; and prioritize transportation services and projects for funding and implementation. Local plans may be developed on a local, regional or statewide level. The plans approved are for both rural and metropolitan planning organizations as well as the Missouri Public Transit Association. Plans are updated once every five years. The number of plans approved in 2018 is high because the majority of the plans approved came up for renewal in this year. The 2023 and 2024 projections are based on the number of plans due for renewal.

2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



Agencies participating in the Section 5310 program are required to participate in a coordinated public transit human services transportation plan. Section 5304 planning funds are used to develop coordinated plans that include projects applied for by Section 5310 sub-recipients. Participating agencies are required to renew their plans once every three years. Due to staffing shortages, Section 5310 application cycles for fiscal year 2021 and 2022 were delayed. The 2023 and 2024 projections are based off of the average number of agencies receiving awards from fiscal year 2018 to 2020.

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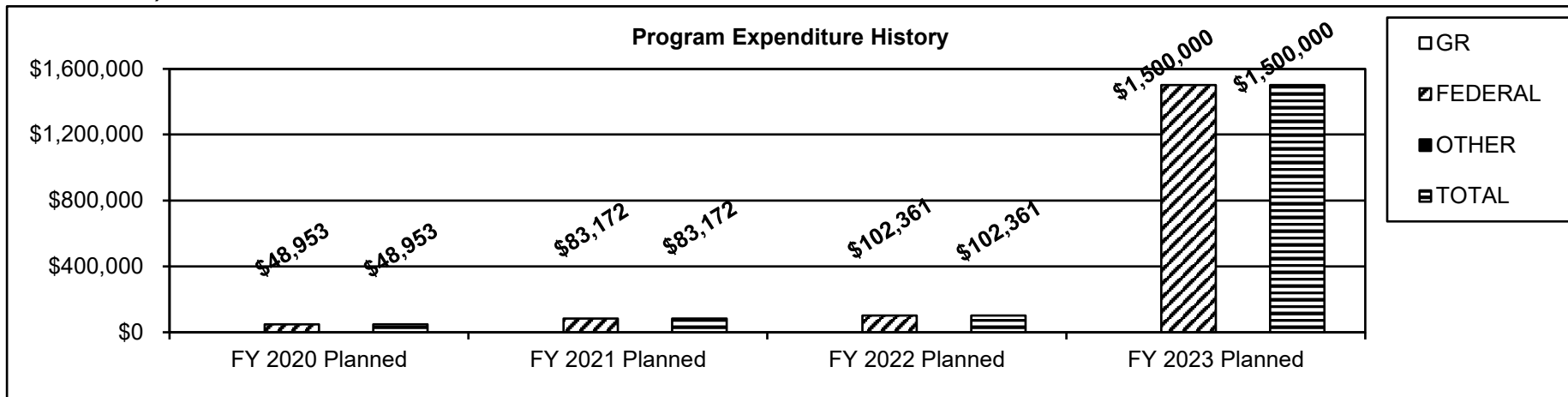
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

N/A

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

Title 49 USC 5303, Title 49 5304 and 33.546, RSMo.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

Yes, 20 percent of project funds must be non-federal matching funds.

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) are required before federally funded highway and transit projects in metropolitan areas may proceed.