

Pennsylvania Community Transportation Initiative (PCTI) – Project Selection Criteria

A 10-step evaluation is provided below. Please use this criterion when evaluating each application.

1. **Integration of land use and transportation decision making.** Is this linkage strong, moderate or absent?
2. **Collaboration with stakeholders.** Does the proposed project demonstrate regional or multi-municipal cooperation?
3. **Demonstration of Smart Transportation Themes?** For each theme, to what degree does the project demonstrate the themes? Provide an assessment of high (strongly demonstrates the theme), medium (demonstrates the theme), or low (does not demonstrate the theme) and provide a brief explanation.
 - Money counts
 - Leverage and preserve existing investments
 - Choose projects with high value/price ratio
 - Safety always and maybe safety only
 - Look beyond level-of-service
 - Accommodate all modes of travel
 - Enhance local network
 - Build towns not sprawl
 - Understand the context; plan and design within the context
 - Develop local governments as strong land use partners
4. **Readiness for implementation.** If the proposed project is a construction project, when can it be ready for letting?
5. **Readiness for implementation.** If the proposed project is a planning study, when can it be initiated?
6. **Leverage of other projects or funding.** Does the proposed project leverage other projects or leverage funding for other projects by PennDOT, other state agencies, local governments, and/or community-based organizations?
7. **Consistency.** Is the proposed project consistent with and supportive of local and regional plans and initiatives? (Please describe.)
8. **Reasonableness of cost.** Is the cost of the proposed project reasonable?
9. **Teachability.** Can the proposed project provide learning opportunities for municipalities and implementers?
10. **Success Factor.** Is there sufficient support (responsible financial plan, project champion) to see this project through to fruition?