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Sec. 4a. 19 V.S.A. § 38 is amended to read:	
§ 38. TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES GRANT PROGRAM	
(a), (b) [Repealed.]	
(c) The Transportation Alternatives Grant Program is created. The Gran	ıt
Program shall be administered by the Agency, and shall be funded in the	
amount provided for in 23 U.S.C. § 133(h), less the funds set aside for the	
Recreational Trails Program. Awards shall be made to eligible entities as	
defined under 23 U.S.C. § 133(h), and awards under the Grant Program shall	1
be limited to the activities authorized under federal law and shall not exceed	l
\$300,000.00 per grant allocation.	
(d) Eligible entities awarded a grant must provide all funds required to	
match federal funds awarded for a Transportation Alternatives project. All	
grant awards shall be decided and awarded by the Agency.	

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(f)(1) In fiscal years 2018 and 2019, all Grant Program funds shall be reserved for municipalities for environmental mitigation projects relating to stormwater and highways, including eligible salt and sand shed projects.

(2) In fiscal years 2020 and 2021, Grant Program funds shall be awarded for any eligible activity and in accordance with the priorities established in subdivision (4) of this subsection.

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(3) In fiscal year 2022 and thereafter, \$1,100,000.00 50 percent of Grant Program funds, or such lesser sum if all eligible applications amount to less than \$1,100,000.00 50 percent of Grant Program funds, shall be reserved for municipalities for environmental mitigation projects relating to stormwater and highways, including eligible salt and sand shed projects and the balance of Grant Program funds shall be awarded for any eligible activity and in accordance with the priorities established in subdivision (2) of this subsection. (4)(2) Regarding Grant Program funds awarded in fiscal years 2020 and 2021, and the balance of Grant Program funds not reserved for environmental mitigation projects in fiscal year 2022 and thereafter, in In evaluating applications for Transportation Alternatives grants, the Agency shall give preferential weighting to projects involving as a primary feature a bicycle or pedestrian facility. The degree of preferential weighting and the circumstantial factors sufficient to overcome the weighting shall be in the complete discretion of the Agency.

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