Tucson High-Capacity Transit Project
Tucson, Arizona
Small Starts Project Development
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The City of Tucson (City) proposes to implement an approximately five-mile-long bus rapid transit (BRT) project between the Tohono T’adai Transit Center in northern Tucson and the Ronstadt Transit Center in Downtown Tucson. Further details of the project alignment and configuration are to be determined. The project’s current estimated capital cost is between $117 million and $137 million, and the CIG amount to be requested is still to be determined. The City believes that the project will improve transit reliability in this already high-ridership corridor, benefit a highly transit dependent corridor population, and support economic and transit-oriented development.

The City anticipates that a locally preferred alternative (LPA) will be selected by November 2023 and adopted into the fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan during the Fall of 2023. The City further anticipates completion of NEPA by Mid-2024, with receipt of a Small Starts construction grant by early 2026, and the initiation of revenue service in early 2028.