

Item 4

Title VI Report

PRESENTER: DOUG BURTON, TPO STAFF

ACTION: MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE TITLE VI REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization

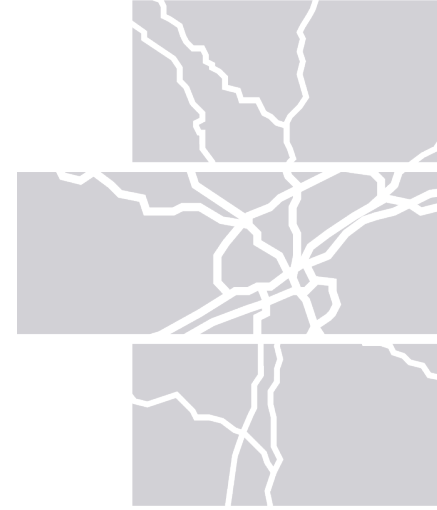
Federal Transit Administration

Title VI Report 2023



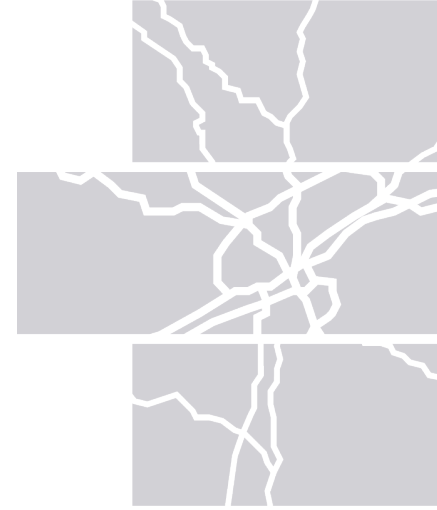
Title VI Report purpose

- Required - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding.
- FTA requires a Title VI report every 3 years.
- Focuses on federal transit funding, however, TPO must consider Title VI outreach & impacts in all federally & state funded projects.
- Similar to a desk audit and looks back over last 3 years.
- Require Boards to endorse the Report (9 years ago).
- Link to Draft Title VI Report Included on Agenda.
- Also required to meet Title VI requirements with funding received from TDOT (separate Report).



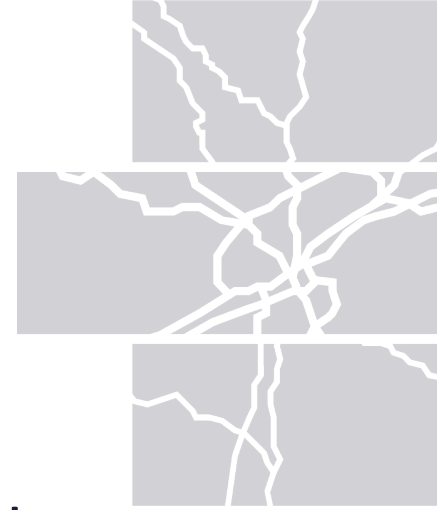
Title VI Report Covers

- Title VI is part of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 that prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin.
- Environmental Justice - protections to minorities and low income persons.

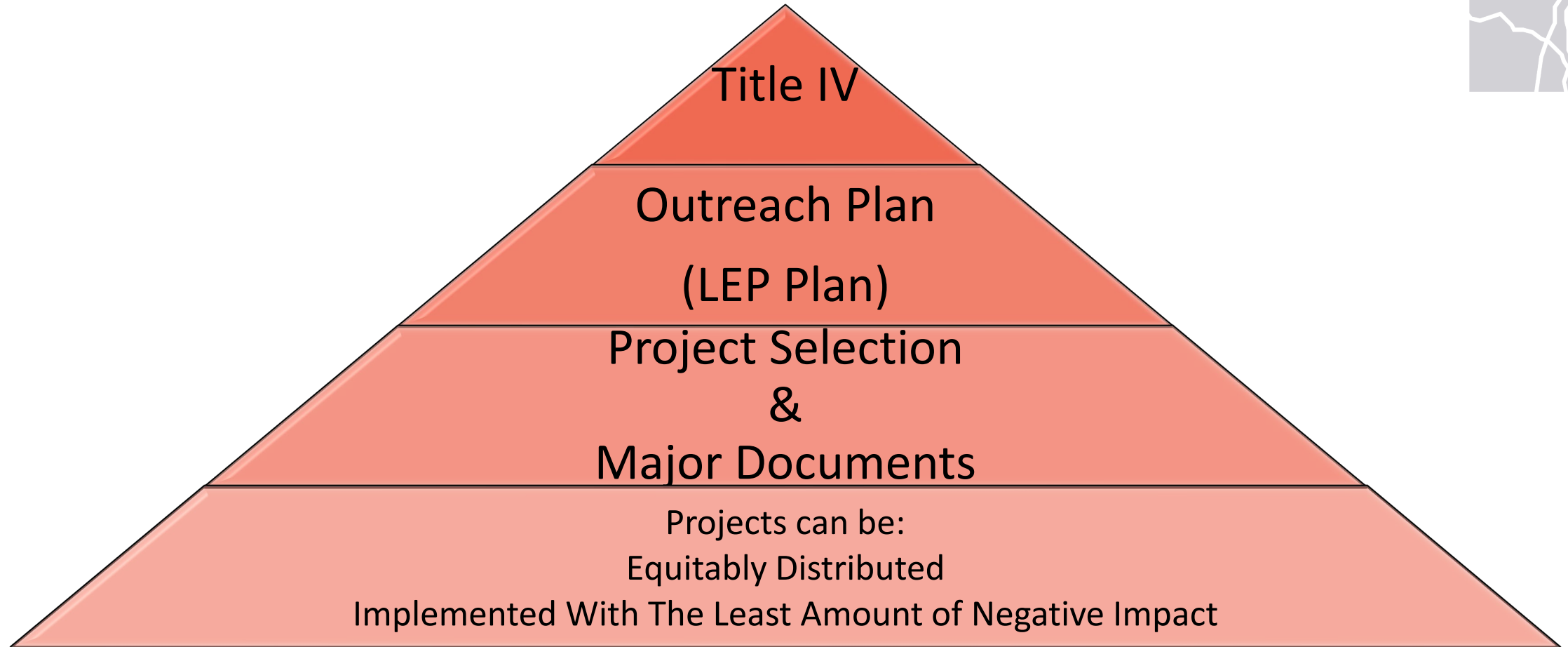
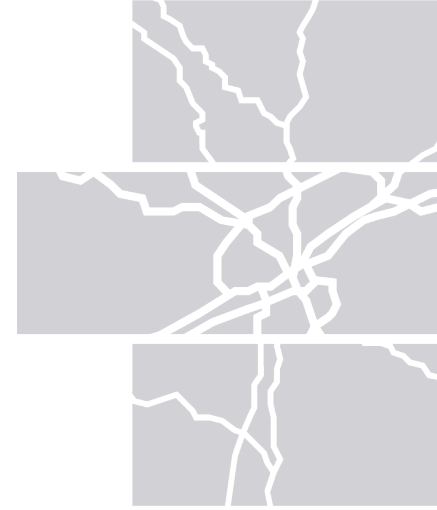


What Does FTA Want The TPO Executive Board to Know?

- Post Title VI notices (locations).
- Have a complaint procedure. Any person who believes he or she has been aggrieved by any unlawful discrimination under Title VI may file a complaint with the TPO or FTA (list of complaints (none)).
- The Board must consider racial make up of non-elected committees.
- Must consider using targeted outreach activities.
- Monitor demographics
- Monitor funding distribution, project impacts

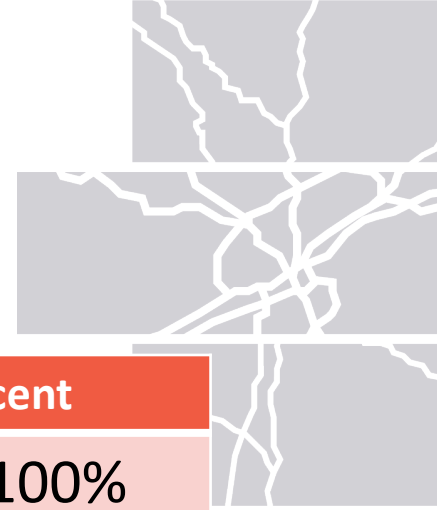


Interrelatedness of Processes & Plans



Title VI Demographic Data Summary

Will differ from local data



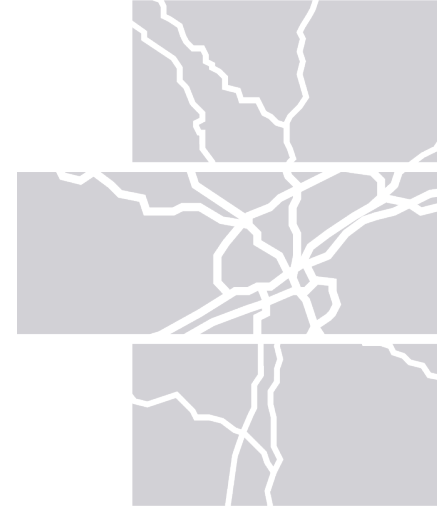
TPO Planning Area (2020-2023)	Population	Percent
Total Population	724,809	100%
Total White Population	615,385	84.9%
Total Minority Population	109,424	15.1%
Total Black/African American Population	46,950	6.5%
Total American Indian/Alaska Native	1,830	0.3%
Asian	12,691	1.7%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	340	0.05%
Some Other Race (Alone)	1,363	0.2%
Two Or More Races	15,387	2.1%

Other Title VI Demographic Data

- Total Hispanic or Latino Population = 4.3%
- Total Population (Age 5+) That Speak Some Other Language Other Than English & Speak English Less Than Very Well = 2.2%
- Total Population (Age 5+) That Speak Spanish & English Less Than Very Well = 1.3%
- Total Persons Below Poverty = 13.8%

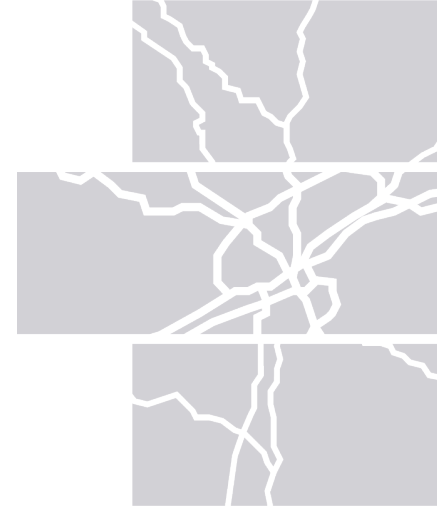
Proactive Public Involvement Process

- Public Involvement Plan: Outreach Plan (2021)
- Required notices, comment periods, & meeting policies.
- Toolbox of outreach strategies & methods to use
 - Surveys, online/social media outreach, targeted ads.
 - Project Advisory Committees. Example MAC.
 - Pop-up events/open houses, co-host meetings with partners.
 - Conduct community conversations, Speaker Series.
 - Work with organizations, non-profits, human service agencies.
 - Work with our jurisdictions.
 - Offer Language/Interpreter/Translation services.

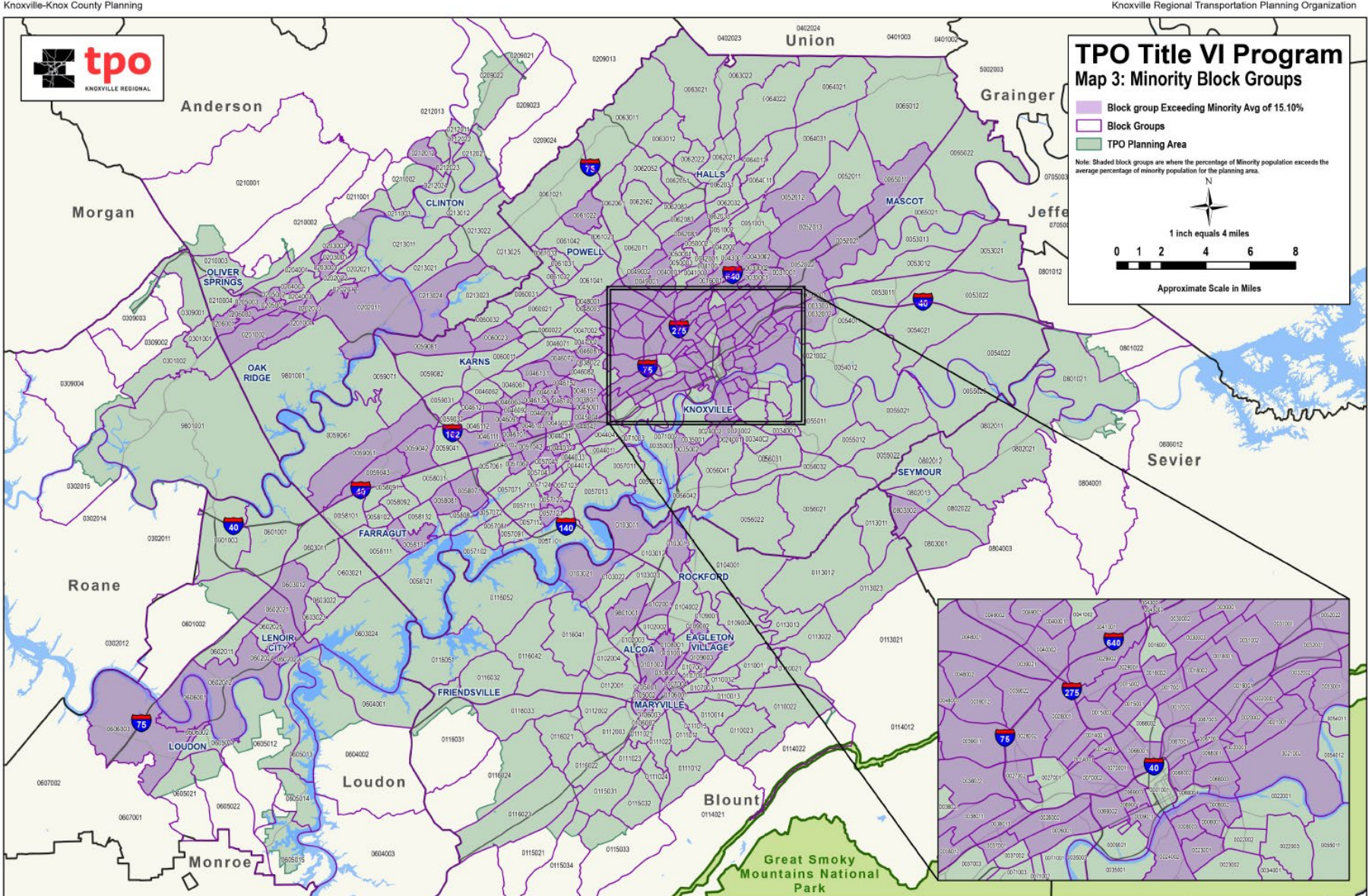


Examples of Title VI Efforts Monitoring Through Data & Mapping

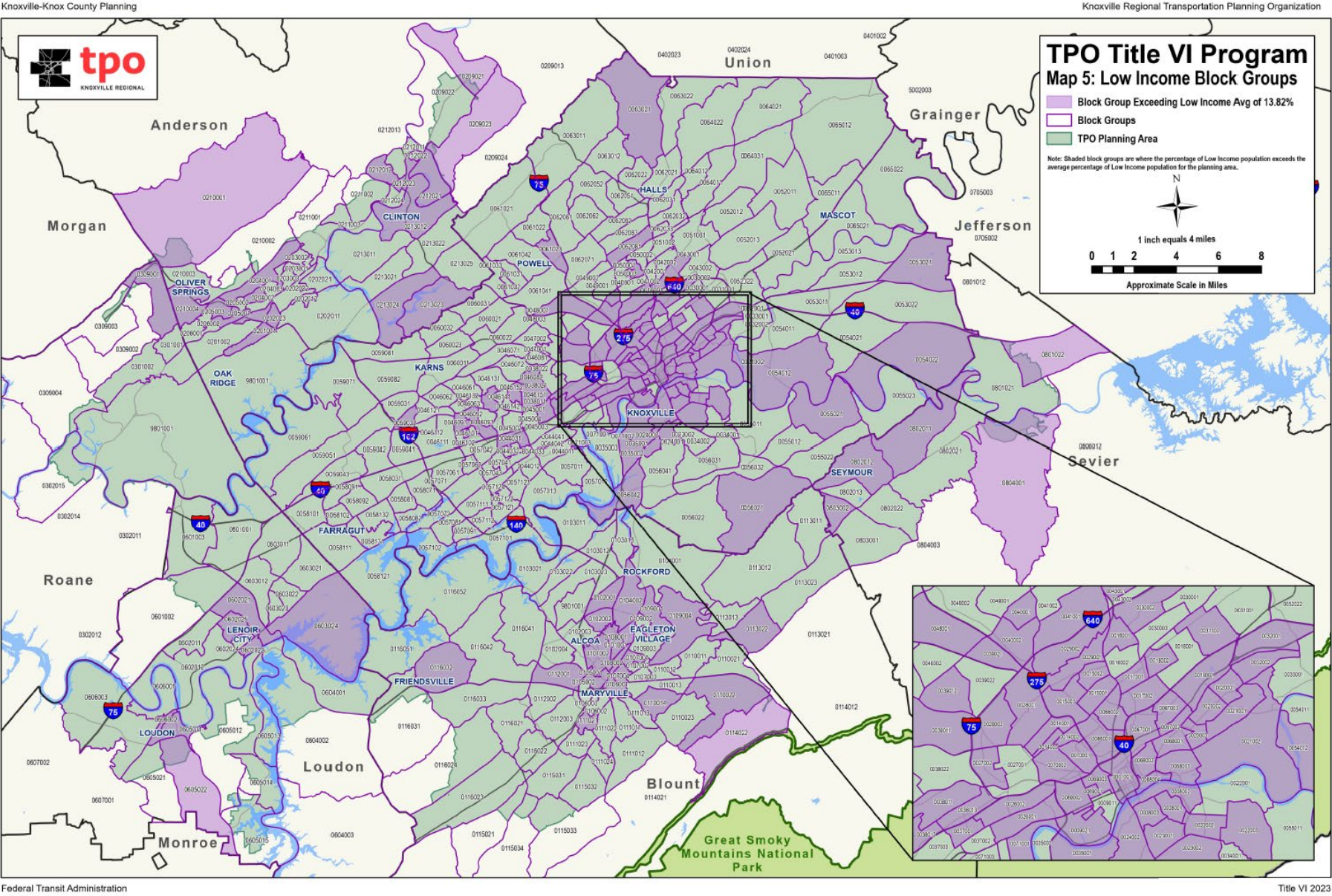
- TPO collects Census data & prepares Title VI maps.
 - Minority, Low-Income, LEP, Hispanic.
- Mobility Plan - have started using a Priority Populations Map (core).
- Monitor federal/state funds invested in transit and/or transportation.
- Map TIP & Mobility Plan projects overlayed on to Title VI maps.
- Assist our transit agencies with Title VI data, mapping, monitoring, etc. (KAT, Knox Co. CAC Transit, ETHRA).



Title VI – Minority Map



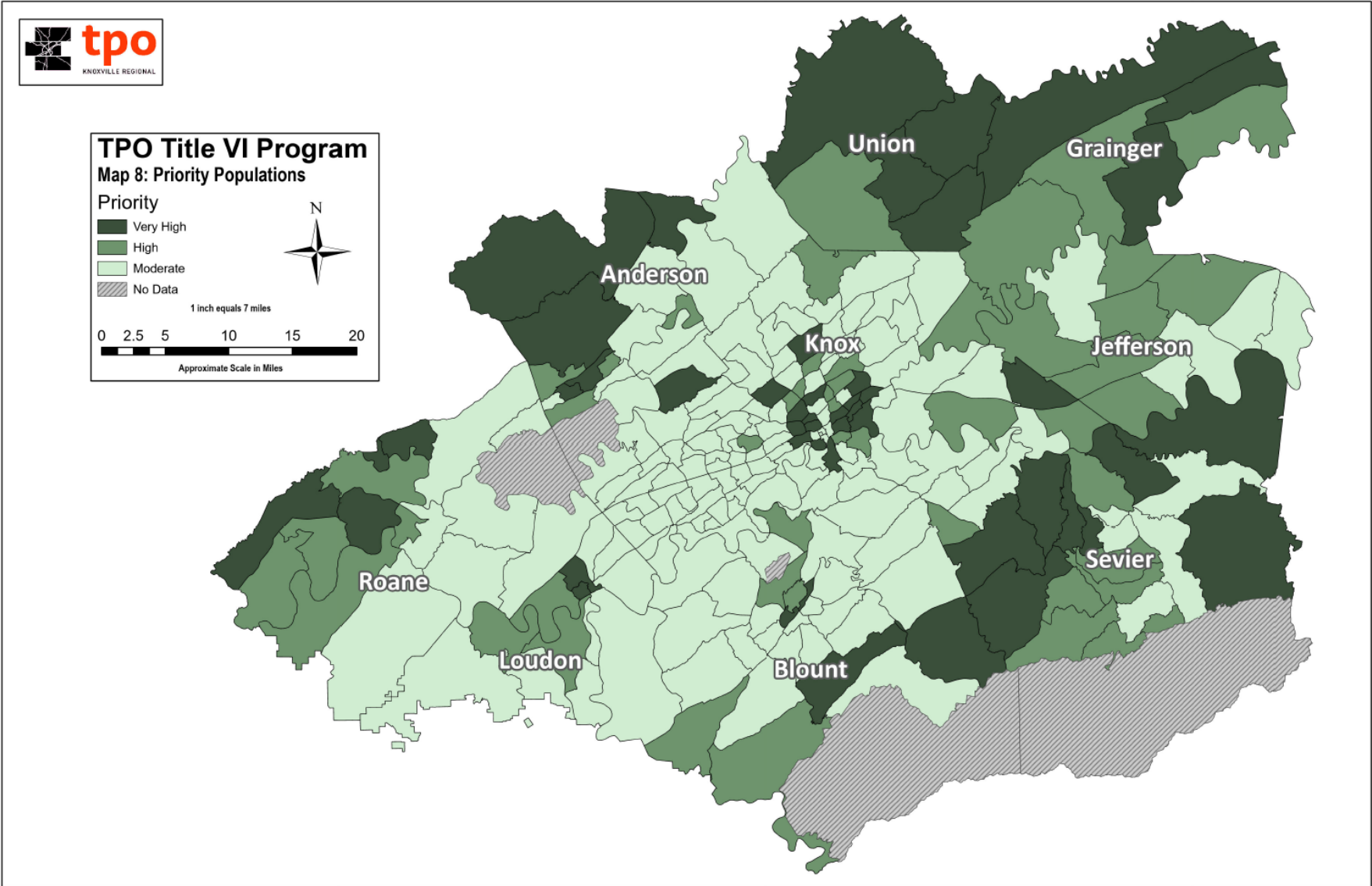
Title VI – Low Income Population Map



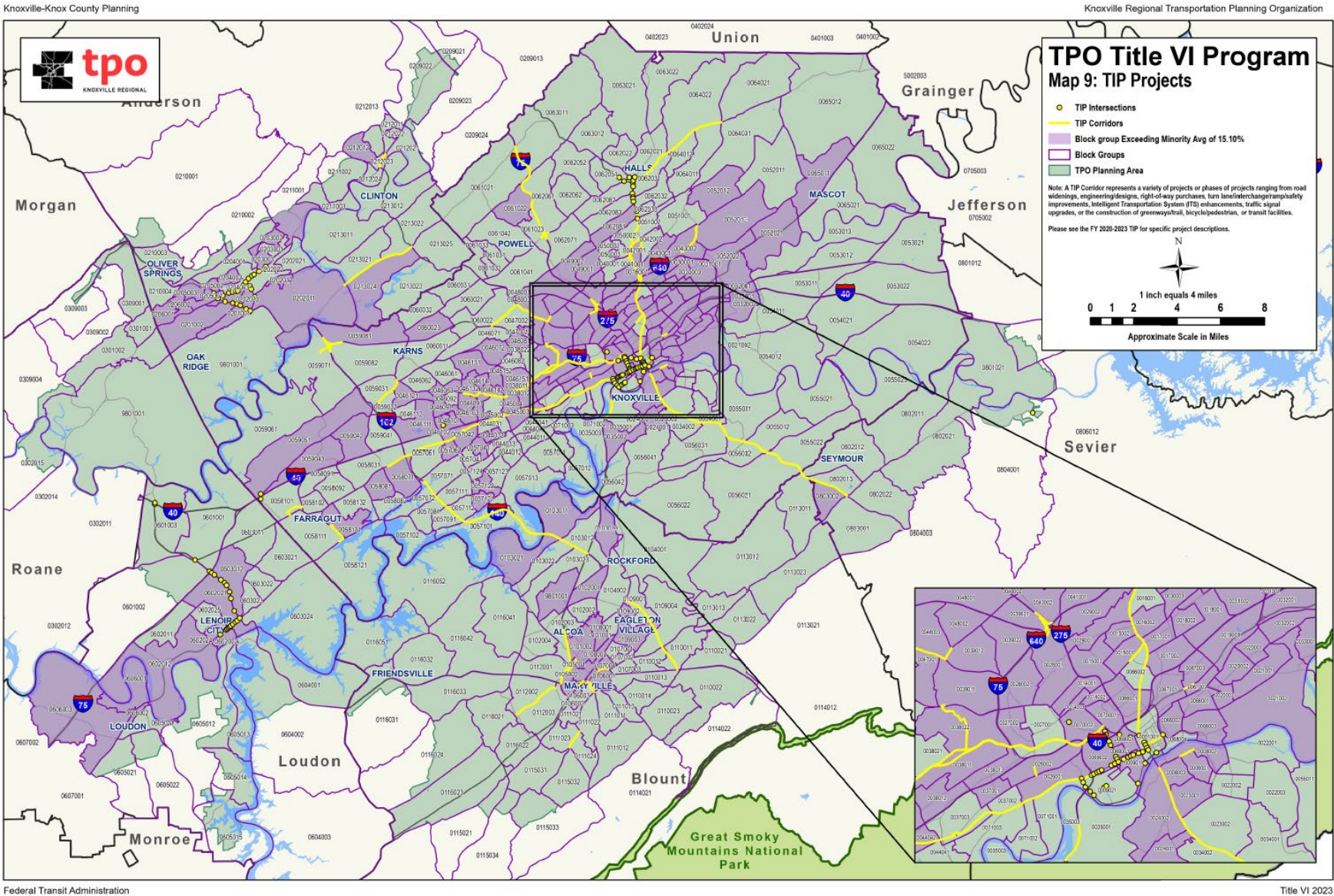
Priority Populations Map

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Title VI Map – TIP Projects



Questions?

**Need Motion Recommending Approval
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