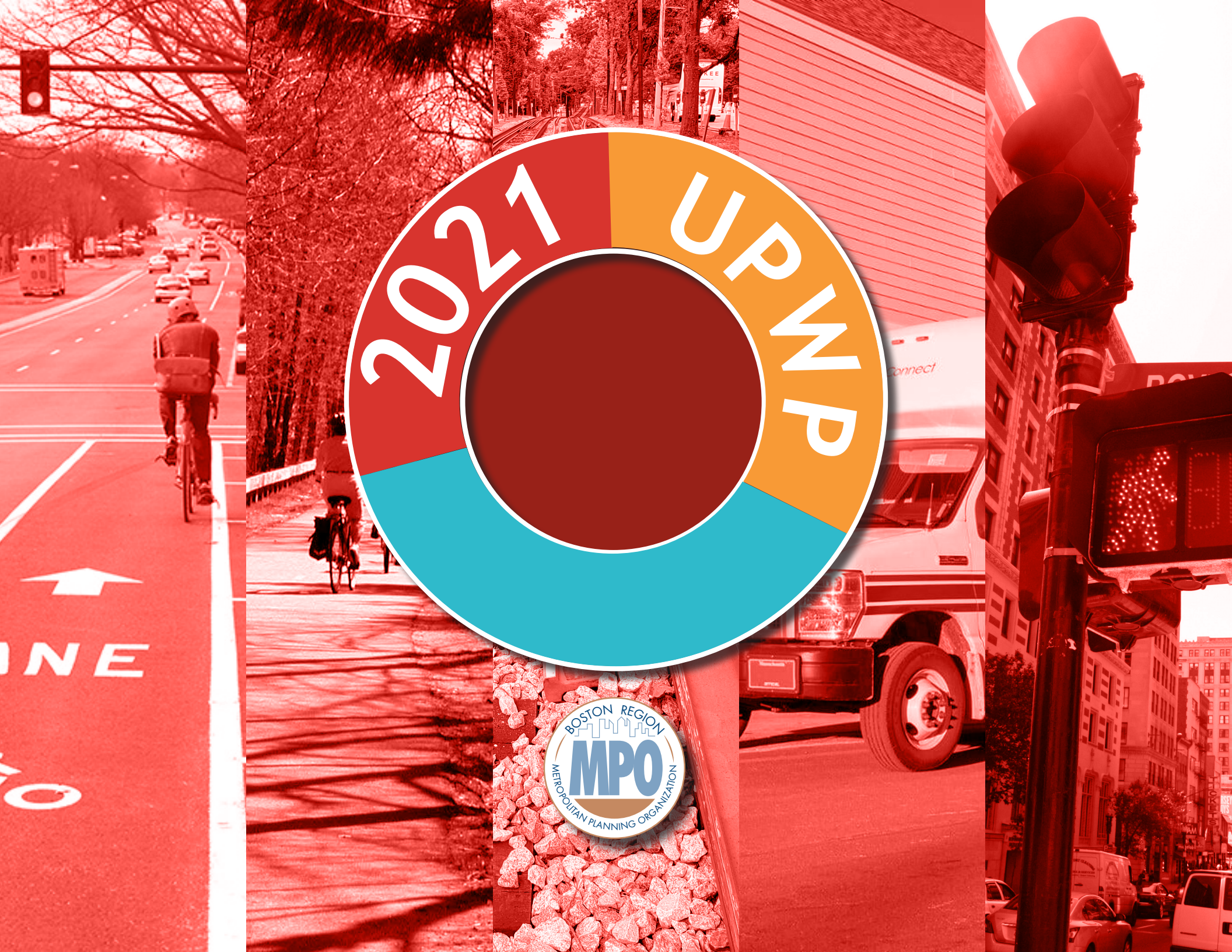


# 2021 UPMP



# What is the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)?

The [UPWP](#) programs the budget for the annual activities of the [Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization \(MPO\)](#):

- [Core MPO activities](#)
- [New studies](#)
- [Technical assistance](#)

# What does the UPWP help the MPO to accomplish?

The UPWP supports several activities:

- **Gathering** data about the Boston region's transportation system, new technologies, regulations, and user preferences
- **Identifying** the needs of transportation system users
- **Developing** project concepts for improving roadway corridors, intersections, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, and transit systems with the goal of creating communities that are safe, accessible, walkable, bikeable, and resilient
- **Anticipating** trends shaping the transportation industry to help the MPO better understand the relationships between transportation and other planning issues, such as land use and climate change

We are always looking for ideas and input. [Propose a study and let us know your issue or idea.](#)

# What is an MPO?

MPOs, or metropolitan planning organizations, are federally required regional planning entities that engage government representatives, elected officials, transportation agencies, residents, and other stakeholders in a collaborative and transparent public process to



- Develop a vision in the Long-Range Transportation Plan for multimodal transportation in the region



- Distribute federal funds to construction projects that support the vision through the Transportation Improvement Program



- Carry out multimodal transportation planning at a regional scale through the Unified Planning Work Program

# What are some of the recent UPWP-funded studies?

## The Boston Region MPO's Vision

The Boston Region MPO envisions a modern, well-maintained transportation system that supports a sustainable, healthy, livable, and economically vibrant region. To achieve this vision, the transportation system must be safe and resilient; incorporate emerging technologies; and provide equitable access, excellent mobility, and varied transportation options.



[Transit Signal Priority Guidebook](#)



[Route 16 Priority Corridor Study, Chelsea and Everett, Massachusetts](#)



[Operating a Successful Community Shuttle Program Guidebook](#)



[Pedestrian Report Card Assessment Interactive Database](#)

Past studies are available in our [Publications Archive](#).

# How can the MPO help you with technical assistance?

Our team of transportation planners and engineers has expertise in a broad range of transportation topics and can offer technical assistance to address various transportation concerns, such as traffic operations, bicycle and pedestrian access, livability, parking, transit service planning, and bus stop locations.



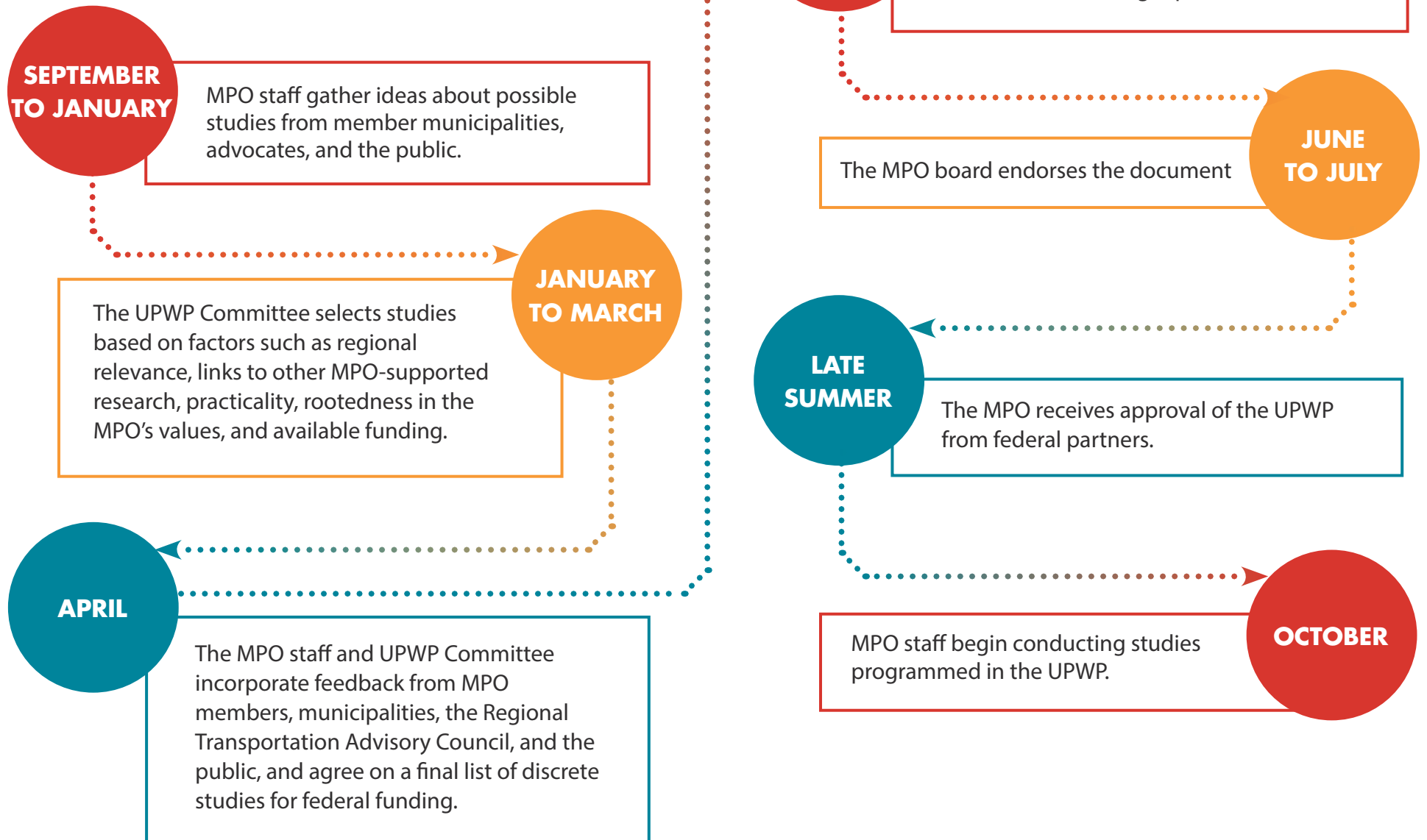
Community Transportation Technical Assistance: Staff can provide recommendations to municipalities ranging from traffic calming and intersection redesign to pedestrian circulation and bicycle accommodation. For more information, please contact Mark Abbott at 857-702-3641 or [mabbott@ctps.org](mailto:mabbott@ctps.org).

Regional Transit Service Planning Technical Assistance: Regional transit authorities, transportation management associations, the **Metropolitan Area Planning Council's subregions**, and municipalities, can receive recommendations for improving ridership, optimizing routes, and making transit service more cost-effective. For more information, please contact Paul Christner at 857-702-3707 or [pchristner@ctps.org](mailto:pchristner@ctps.org).

Studies with large scopes or regional relevance can be considered as discrete studies in the UPWP.

# How is the UPWP developed?

The UPWP Committee, a subcommittee of the [MPO board](#), oversees the development process, selects studies, and invites the public to submit feedback before the plan is finalized. The development of the UPWP takes place each year:



# How can I get involved?

Provide feedback on the list of proposed studies: Let us know your thoughts during the plan development and public comment periods.



**SUBMIT A COMMENT**

Post a comment in the [comment form](#) on the MPO website.

**KEEP UP-TO-DATE**

Subscribe to the [MPO's email list](#), and follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [LinkedIn](#) at [@BostonRegionMPO](#).

**CHAT WITH STAFF**

MPO staff regularly attends outreach events. Check the [MPO's meeting calendar](#) to find an event that is convenient for you.

**ATTEND AN MPO OR UPWP COMMITTEE MEETING**

Observe the MPO in action and express your views at the MPO board and committee meetings. Find meeting notices on the [MPO's meeting calendar](#).

**INVITE US OVER**

Reach out to Kate White, Public Outreach Coordinator, at [kwhite@ctps.org](mailto:kwhite@ctps.org) or 857.702.3658, if you would like MPO staff to visit or attend your meeting to discuss transportation issues that are important to you.

**JOIN OUR ADVISORY COUNCIL**

[The Regional Transportation Advisory Council](#), a voting member of the MPO, is an independent body that brings public viewpoints and advice on transportation policy and planning to the MPO. Contact Matt Archer, Transportation Planner, at [marcher@ctps.org](mailto:marcher@ctps.org) or 857.702.3708, to learn more about becoming a member.

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