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P3 Snapshot: **District of Columbia**

SUMMARY OF P3 LEGISLATIVE STATUS:

Washington, DC is a broadly-enabled and active P3 market.

- 1. Does this state have broadly enabling P3 legislation?**
Washington DC allows for procurement across a wide range of infrastructure asset classes: transportation/buildings/environmental projects.
- 2. Does the state allow for **Unsolicited Proposals**?**
The District of Columbia's Office of Public-Private Partnerships may consider, evaluate and accept an unsolicited proposal for a potential project from a private entity.
- 3. What is the state's **P3 Review Process**?**
Multi-stage review: RFI, RFQ, RFP. City Council has final approval (certification of process).
- 4. Does the state have a **Centralized Agency** dedicated to P3?**
Yes. WDC OP3 - the Office of Public Private Partnerships - serves the centralized review and procurement process role for the Capitol City.
- 5. Is this a **Home Rule state**, with limitations or opportunities for P3?**
While the District operates as a home rule entity, it is important to note the oversight role of the US Congress in the governance of the District.
- 6. Does this state have programmatic requirements for P3 participation (ie MWDBE or labor)?**
The Guidelines promulgated by OP3 outline the goals and objectives for participation in P3s, encouraging local hiring and engaging the local workforce to the extent possible.
- 7. Are P3 projects in this state eligible for other financing programs?**
OP3 is eligible to draw upon financing resources, including TIFIA, PABs, and WIFIA, or the like, to provide additional leverage for financial stability and viability of a project procured through a P3 with private capital investment.
- 8. What Projects or Asset Classes are eligible for P3 in this state?**
Transportation infrastructure projects or facilities: streets; roads; highways; bridges; tunnels; parking lots or garages; public transit systems; and airports.
Municipal facilities: educational; cultural or recreational; parks; libraries; theaters; museums; convention centers; community centers; stadia; athletic facilities; golf courses.
Environmental projects: utility facilities; sewer; water treatment; stormwater management; energy producing or transmission; telecommunications; information technology; recycling; and solid waste management facilities.
- 9. Are there Projects where the P3 procurement method has been applied?**
In the works: street lighting, a police headquarters and the persistent idea of a streetcar.
- 10. What is the legislative foundation for P3s in this state?**
The District government enacted the "Public-Private Partnerships Act of 2014", effective March 11, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-228; D.C. Official Code § 2-271.01 et seq.) to enhance the future of P3s in the nation's capital.