



FTA & Region V News, Updates and Guidance

Kelley Brookins, Regional Administrator

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FTA Mission, Vision, Values



Mission

Improve America's Communities through Public Transportation



Vision

A Better Quality of Life for All Built on Public Transportation Excellence

Values

Service

Provide reliable, transparent, responsive, and anticipatory services to meet stakeholder needs

Integrity

Commitment to the highest professional and ethical standards

Innovation

Foster new ideas, concepts, and solutions for improved outcomes

Sustainability

Optimize decisions, resources, and systems to make long-term positive impacts on the environment, infrastructure, and safety

Equity

Remove barriers for systemically underserved communities to access all aspects of economic, social, and civic life



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Federal Transit Turns 60

2024



Overview

- DOT/FTA Updates
- Region V Grant Activities and State Accomplishments
- News from FTA



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FTA Acting Administrator

Veronica Vanterpool

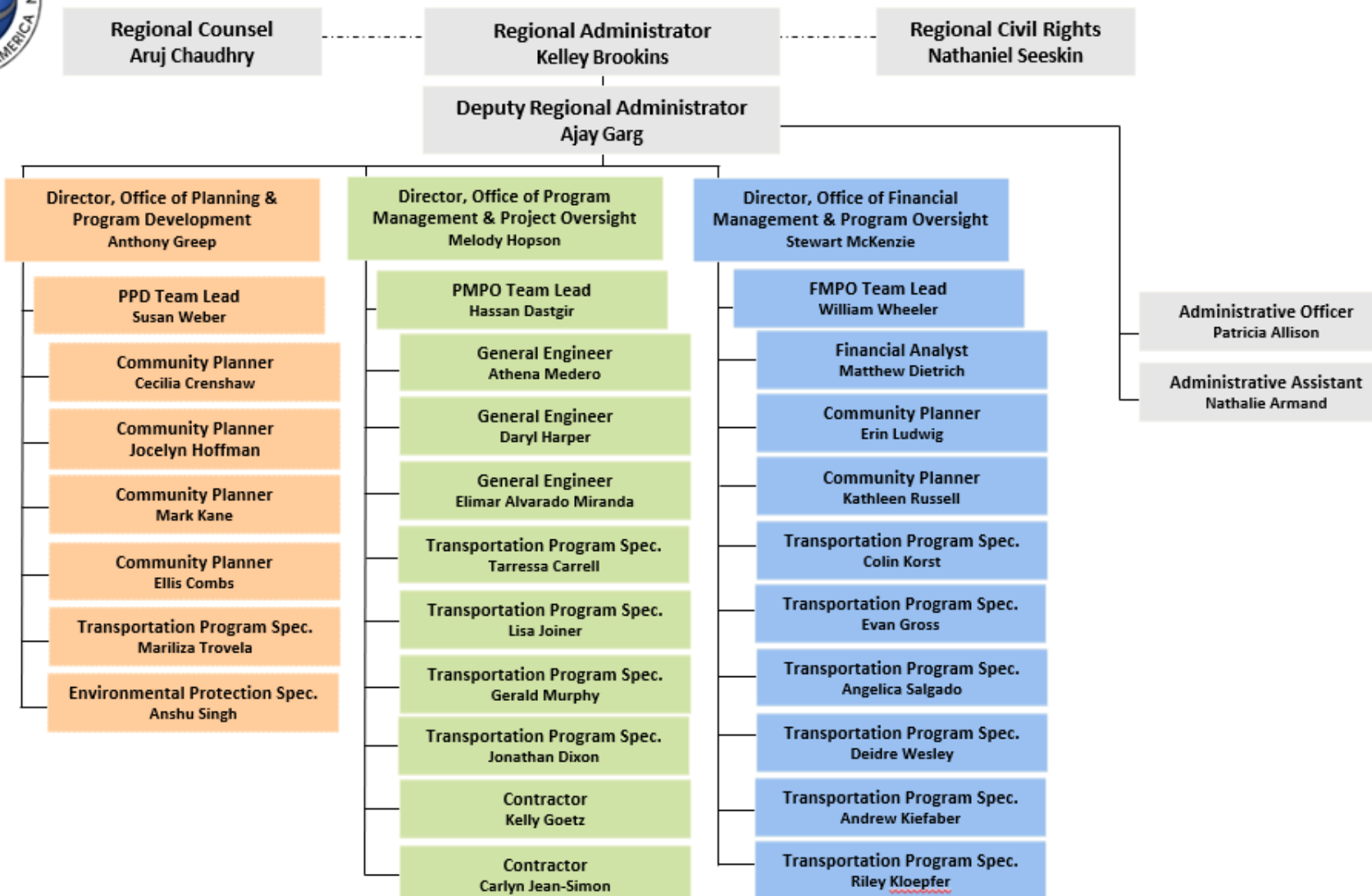
- Assumed Role February 24, 2024
- Served as Deputy Administrator for 2 ½ years
- First joined FTA as Senior Advisor in August 2021.



FTA Region V Staff



Federal Transit Administration Region V Organizational Chart





DOT / FTA Updates

President's FY 2025 Budget

- The FY 2025 Budget requests **\$17.0 billion** for FTA, along with **\$4.3 billion** in advance appropriations provided by BIL, for total budgetary resources of **\$21 billion**.
- The FY 2025 request will advance public transportation in America's communities by focusing on four key priorities aligned with the DOT Strategic Plan:
 - Safety,
 - Transformation,
 - Climate and Sustainability
 - Equity
- These priorities will ensure the safety of transit, transform the transit industry, improve racial equity, mitigate the climate crisis, and support equitable economic growth in urban, suburban, and rural communities across the country.



President's FY 2025 Budget – Key Components

- Transit Formula Grants: **\$14.3 billion**
- Capital Investment Grants (CIG): **\$4 billion**
 - \$1.6 billion in advance appropriations
- Transit Research: **Not included in FY 2025 budget**
- Technical Assistance and Training: **\$8 million**
- Advanced Appropriations
 - **\$950 million** for State of Good Repair grants
 - **\$1.1 billion** for Low or No Emission grants
 - **\$50 million** for Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities
 - **\$350 million** for All Stations Accessibility Program competitive grants
 - **\$50 million** for grants for the purchase of electric or low-emitting ferries
 - **\$200 million** for grants to States to provide basic essential ferry service in rural areas

President's FY 2025 Budget – Comparison to FY 2024

Administration's budget request - \$16.8 billion

➤ 1% decrease over 2024

➤ Formula Grants for transit: \$14.3 billion

➤ 4.7% increase over 2024

\$4 billion for new CIG Projects

➤ 6.3% decrease over 2024

\$2.05 billion for Transit Infrastructure

➤ 20.9% decrease over 2024

\$0 for FTA's Research Program, not included in FY 2025 budget

President's FY 2025 Budget – Policy Proposals

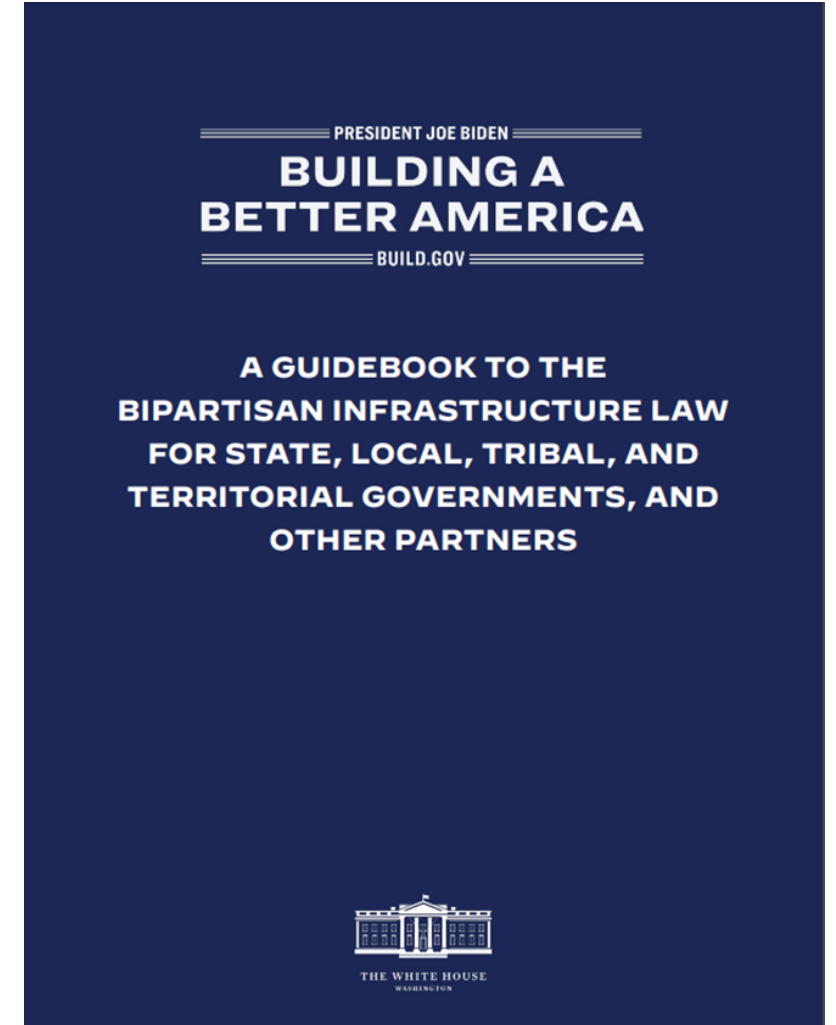
- Improving access to Federal funding:
 - FTA proposes a provision to improve Tribal transit agencies' access to competitive bus funding **by supporting a 100 percent Federal share** for Tribal applicants to the Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Grants Program. Additionally, FTA proposes provisions to improve access to the Rural Formula and Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funding **by waiving the match requirement for rural, Tribal, and nonprofit providers**. These provisions support the Department's Equity goal by making it easier for communities to access available Federal funding.

President's FY 2025 Budget – Policy Proposals

- **Allow transit agencies to purchase real property**
 - FTA proposes a provision to enable transit agencies to purchase real property outside an existing transit corridor to support transit agencies' efforts to plan for future needs.
- **Encourage standardized purchases of low and no emission buses**
 - This new provision would give FTA the flexibility to incentivize standardization in the purchase of low and no emission buses, with a goal of more efficient and economical vehicle production costs.
- **Support funding for micromobility systems**
 - This new provision would enable FTA grant recipients to directly fund shared micromobility systems, or those that use small, low-speed, human- or electric-powered transportation devices, including bicycles, scooters, and other small, lightweight wheeled conveyances, that are shared among users. By improving access to transit, shared use micromobility can reduce transportation emissions while improving equitable access to transportation.

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Resources

- [White House Guidebook to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Governments and Other Partners](#)
- [USDOT Funding and Financing Opportunities](#)
- [List of Upcoming USDOT NOFOs](#)
- [FHWA Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Technical Assistance / Local Support](#)



DOT Programs

- **Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)**
 - \$1.8 Billion – Capital and Planning Projects
 - **Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG)**
 - INFRA: \$2.7 billion – Capital Projects
 - Mega: \$1.7 billion – Capital Projects
 - Rural: \$780 million – Capital Projects
 - **Reconnecting Communities**
 - \$3.3 billion – Capital and Planning Projects
 - **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)**
 - \$64 million – Planning and Demonstration First Round
- [Key Notices of Funding Opportunity | US Department of Transportation](#)

USDOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

Eligible Activities

- Any - ▼

Eligible Applicants

- Any - ▼

Agency/Office

- Any - ▼

Transportation Type

- Any - ▼

Match Waiver

- Any - ▼

Rural Set-Aside

- Any - ▼

Tribal Set-Aside

- Any - ▼

Status

- Any - ▼

Keywords

Apply

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Agency/Office ⌵	Program Name And Description ▼	Transportation Type(s)
USDOT / Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	<p>Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration Program</p> <p>The Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration program supports the implementation of proven operational and material innovations in surface transportation.</p>	Roadway
USDOT / Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	<p>Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)</p> <p>ATIIP is a new competitive grant program that focuses on building networks of connected bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements, including to better connect trail networks between communities.</p>	Bike/Ped Roadway
USDOT / Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	<p>Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Mobility Deployment</p> <p>The Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Mobility Deployment program, also known as ATTAIN, supports the implementation and operation of mobility-focused transportation technologies.</p>	Bike/Ped Roadway Transit
USDOT / Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)	<p>Aircraft Pilots Workforce Development Program</p> <p>The Aircraft Pilots Workforce Development Program supports pilot and aerospace system training, research, and development.</p>	Air

[USDOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard](#)

Federal Interagency Thriving Communities Network



Thriving Communities Program

- On April 15, 2024, U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg announced \$23.6 million in cooperative agreements.
- The awarded National Capacity Builders will support a total of 52 communities in 35 states and the Regional Capacity Builders will support 60 communities in 7 states.
- A total of 112 communities will receive support through the second round of the program, bringing the total number of communities supported to 176 across the two program years.



TCP SNAPSHOT

Thriving Communities Program

- **Shared Principles:**
 - Scale for Impact
 - Build Community Wealth
 - Center the Power of Community
 - Meet Areas of Greatest Need
 - Expand Access and Participation
 - Diversify Knowledge

**Whole of Government Approach to
Federal Coordination of Place Based
Technical Assistance**



Thriving Communities – Michigan

- **RTA of Southeast Michigan – Complete Neighborhoods**
 - The lack of accessible, reliable, and affordable transportation options in Metro Detroit limits residents' ability to access job opportunities, essential services, education, and healthcare. The Regional Transit Authority will use TCP support to advance projects for which the organization has applied for funding, undertake project development and design activities, identify other funding opportunities, and refine its 15 grant proposals. With assistance from TCP, the transit authority will meaningfully engage the community to develop climate justice metrics to improve access to green spaces and invest further in net zero-emissions.
- **City of Buchanan, Michigan – Networked Communities**
 - Seeking support to advance its Downtown Infrastructure Project, with a specific focus on the Redbud Trail. TCP participation will equip the community and organization with core competencies that enhance grant readiness, increase technical proficiency, and facilitate access to funding sources. Capacity building will ensure streamlined resource allocation, relieving staff's burden, and support sustainable community development, aligning with broader goals for a prosperous, resilient small town.

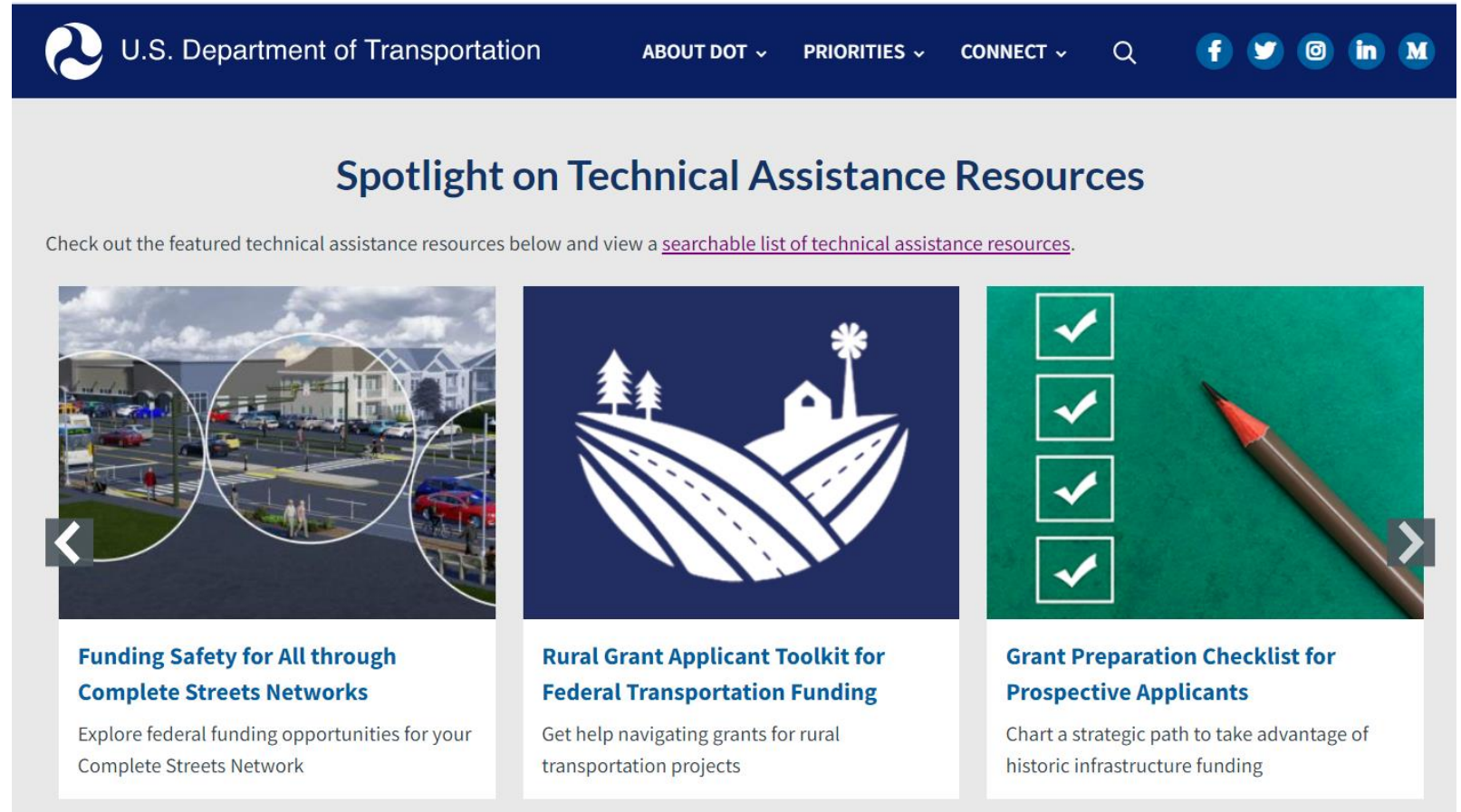
FTA Discretionary Grant Programs

- All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP)
- Areas of Persistent Poverty Program (AoPP)
- Capital Investment Grants (CIG)
- Electric or Low-Emitting Ferry Pilot Program
- Ferry Service for Rural Communities
- Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program
- Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility (ICAM)
- Low- or No-Emission Grant Program
- Mobility, Access, & Transportation Insecurity: Creating Links to Opportunity Demonstration Research Program
- Passenger Ferry Grant Program
- Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning
- Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program
- Public Transportation on Indian Reservations (Tribal Transit) Program
- Rail Vehicle Replacement Program

[Grant Programs | FTA \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fta.dot.gov/grant-programs)

DOT Navigator

- [Utilizing DOT Data for Stronger Grant Applications](#)
- [Benefit Cost Analysis for DOT Discretionary Grant Applications](#)
- [Rural Grant Applicant Toolkit](#)



The screenshot shows the DOT Navigator website interface. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the U.S. Department of Transportation logo and name, followed by navigation links for 'ABOUT DOT', 'PRIORITIES', and 'CONNECT', and a search icon. Social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube are also present. The main content area features a 'Spotlight on Technical Assistance Resources' section. Below the title, a text prompt encourages users to check out featured resources and view a searchable list. Three resource cards are displayed in a carousel format, each with a unique image and descriptive text.

U.S. Department of Transportation

ABOUT DOT ▾ PRIORITIES ▾ CONNECT ▾

Spotlight on Technical Assistance Resources

Check out the featured technical assistance resources below and view a [searchable list of technical assistance resources](#).

Funding Safety for All through Complete Streets Networks
Explore federal funding opportunities for your Complete Streets Network

Rural Grant Applicant Toolkit for Federal Transportation Funding
Get help navigating grants for rural transportation projects

Grant Preparation Checklist for Prospective Applicants
Chart a strategic path to take advantage of historic infrastructure funding

<https://www.transportation.gov/dot-navigator>

Competitive Application Tips

Application clearly defines transportation **problem** and why your project is the **solution**

Application **tells a story** about the transportation challenges and details local, regional, or national **impacts**

Projects that align with the Merit Criteria and include **data-driven**, reasonable and justifiable **outcomes**

Projects that emphasize improved access to **safe, reliable, and affordable** transportation, particularly for underserved communities

Projects that explicitly consider **climate change** and **racial equity** throughout the project life cycle

Project demonstrates a **reasonable schedule** and timeline to **start and complete** the project

[USDOT Project Readiness Checklist](#)

Notice of Funding Opportunities

- Enhancing Mobility Innovation Notice of Funding
- [Fiscal Year 2024 Enhancing Mobility Innovation Notice of Funding | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)
- **Date Posted:** July 1, 2024
- **Date Closing:** August 30, 2024
- **Details:** The main purpose of this opportunity is to enhance mobility innovation for transit under the Public Transportation Innovation Program (49 U.S.C. 5312). FTA seeks projects that advance emerging technologies, strategies, and innovations and produce knowledge of national significance that advances the transit industry in the United States.

Notice of Funding Opportunities

- Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility (CCAM) National Technical Assistance Center
- [Competitive Funding Opportunity: Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility \(CCAM\) National Technical Assistance Center – 2024 NOFO | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)
- **Date Posted:** July 1, 2024
- **Date Closing:** August 30, 2024
- **Details:** The main purpose of the CCAM TA Center is to promote and facilitate human services transportation, public transit, and non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) coordination that advances people's access to everyday destinations.

Notice of Funding Opportunities

- Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP)
- <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/reconnecting/rcp-announcement>
- **Date Posted:** July 3, 2024
- **Date Closing:** September 30, 2024
- **Details:** U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg announces a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the third round of the Department's popular Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program, with the FY24 NOFO containing FY24-26 funding of more than \$600 million available for both capital construction and community planning grants.

Notice of Funding Opportunities

- **Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program**
- [FY 2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity: Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)
- **Date Posted:** August 15, 2024
- **Date Closing:** November 13, 2024
- **Details:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the opportunity to apply for \$9,169,076 in competitive grants for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Public Transportation on Indian Reservations (Tribal Transit) Program

Region V State Accomplishments & Grant Activities



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Michigan Accomplishments



FTA Acting
Administrator
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Visits
Detroit
Department of
Transportation
and
Ann Arbor Area
Transportation
Authority

Low or No Emission Program in Michigan FY 2024

Transit Agency	Project	Award Amount
Detroit Department of Transportation	Replace buses with hybrid electric and hydrogen fuel cell electric buses; supports a hydrogen fueling station and a worker training program on zero-emission technologies, resulting in better jobs, cleaner air and more reliable bus service	\$30,794,240
Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority	Buy new hydrogen fuel cell and low-emission diesel-electric hybrid buses to replace older diesel buses and a mobile hydrogen station	\$25,000,000

For more information on the competitive Section 5339 selections, visit FTA's Website
<https://www.transit.dot.gov/lowno>



BATA Facility



Project Goals:

- Address critical regional workforce housing needs.
- Connecting people to more readily available transportation options.
- Improve health outcomes for the households served.
- Relieve traffic congestion in job centers like downtown Traverse City and the South Airport Road corridor.
- Reduce workforce transportation and housing costs.

Project Costs:

- More than \$90 million combined
- Transit Phase: \$29.6 million
- Residential Phase: \$65 million

Region V Grant Activity FY 2024

FY 2024 Grant Awards (as of 8/8/24)		
	# Grants	\$ Obligated
FTA FY24 Total	1,170	\$8.96B
Region V FY24 Total	137	\$976M
Michigan FY24	13	\$39.4M

Michigan Bus & Bus Facilities Infrastructure Investment Program FY 2024

Section 5339 (b) Funds Awarded

FTA (Total)	\$1.5B
Region V Portion of FTA Total	\$64.79M
<i>Michigan Total</i>	<i>\$16.79M</i>

For more information on the competitive Section 5339 selections, visit FTA's Website:
<https://www.transit.dot.gov/bus-program>



Bus & Bus Facilities Infrastructure Investment Program in Michigan FY 2024

Transit Agency	Project	Award Amount
Harbor Transit Multi-Modal Transportation System	Design and construction of a multi-modal system operations center to accommodate the transition to a zero-emission fleet, with fueling and charging equipment, vehicle maintenance infrastructure, as well as electric vans and charging stations. The new facility will also accommodate administration and workforce training facilities for regional transit providers.	\$16,252,400
Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi	Buy an ADA-compliant, clean-diesel bus to replace an outdated diesel-powered vehicle	\$539,750

Michigan Low or No Emission Vehicle Program FY 2024

Section 5339 (c) Funds Awarded

FTA (Total)

\$1.1B

Region V Portion of FTA Total

\$178.71M

Michigan:

\$55.79M

Discretionary Projects in Michigan FY 2024

Transit Agency/Program	Project	Award Amount
Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services – Congressionally Directed	Infrastructure Improvements	\$1,200,000
City of Battle Creek – Congressionally Directed	Capital Investment for the Startup of the Transportation Authority of Calhoun County	\$1,500,000
Interurban Transit Partnership – Congressionally Directed	The Rapid Silver Line Station Enhancement Project	\$500,000

Coronavirus Relief Programs: Michigan

- **Region V Apportionment:**
 - **\$3.1B CARES Act (2020 to date)**
 - Michigan share: \$350M
 - \$335M expended (94%)
 - **\$1.1B CRRSSA Act (2021 to date)**
 - Michigan share: \$144M
 - \$118M expended (82%)
 - **\$2.9B ARP (2021 to date)**
 - Michigan share: \$290M
 - \$202M expended (69%)

News from FTA

Oversight



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Transit Administration

FY 2024 Triennial Reviews

Recipient	Timeline
Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Final Report was issued July 8th
City of Niles	Site visit July 16 th -17 th
Central County Transportation Authority	Site visit August 13 th -14 th
Twin Cities Area Transportation Authority	Site visit September 16th –18th

ECHO Reviews

2023 COVID-19 Financial Spot Reviews CLOSED

**Suburban Mobility Authority
for Regional Transportation (SMART)**

Detroit Transportation Corporation



FY 2024 Tribal Assessments

2024 Tribal Assessments

None in Michigan this Fiscal Year

Transit Safety & Oversight (TSO): What's New?

- Rail Transit Roadway Worker Protection Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Published March 2024
- Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans and National Public Transportation Safety Plan Final Updates Published April 2024
- Recipient Survey Conducted May 2024 by the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP) Technical Assistance Center (TAC)
- FTA Suicide and Mental Health Crisis Intervention on Transit Webinar held May 2024
- Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS) Meeting Held June 24 – 25, 2024
- New FTA Technical Resources on Assaults on Transit Worker Data Reporting Published
- Fatigue Resources for Transit Operations Website Launched
- FTA Safety Management Systems in Practice Workshops Held
- De-Escalation Training Resource Directory Published
- Transit Customer Assault Prevention Resources Website Launched

Transit Safety & Oversight (TSO): What's New?

- Proposed General Directive: Required Actions Regarding Assaults on Transit Workers
- State Safety Oversight Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Issued
- Transit Worker Hours of Service and Fatigue Risk Management Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Issued
- Proposed Changes to PTSCTP Requirements Issued August 14th
- National Public Transportation Safety Plan

• *For more information on Transit Safety and Oversight, please go to*

- <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/transit-safety-oversight-tso>



Transit Asset Management – What’s New

- TAM Data Summary: A Snapshot of Asset-Related Data Reported to the National Transit Database Published March 2024
- Integrating TAM Data into National Transit Database (NTD) Reporting Webinar Held April 2024
- FTA hosted the 16th TAM Roundtable as an in-person event on July 30-31, 2024, in Chicago, IL. The TAM Roundtable included professional staff from across the country who are directly involved in the management of transit capital assets.
- A new version of the TAMPLATE will be available in August 2024
- The Intro to Transit Asset Management course has been revised and will be offered in September 2024.



Sign up to subscribe to receive correspondence from the TAM Program, including announcements for peer learning offerings at

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOTFTA/subscriber/new?topic_id=USDOTFTA_72

For more information on Transit Asset Management, please visit the TAM Resource Table Website at

[Transit Asset Management Resource Table | FTA \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fta.dot.gov/tam-resource-table)



Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – What's New

DOT issued DBE Final Rule (April 2024)

- Streamlining the DBE certification and eligibility process
- Adjusting the personal net worth cap for inflation for small business owners, including excluding retirement assets from the calculation
- Formalizing guidance establishing successful COVID-19 flexibilities, such as virtual on-site visits, to conserve certification and firm resources
- Modernizing the rules for counting participation by DBE material suppliers expediting interstate reciprocity
- Expanding reporting requirements to DOT

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – What's New

Tiered System for FTA Grant Recipients Starting FY 2025

- Tier I Recipients: FTA grant recipients who award more than \$670,000 in FTA funds annually in 3rd party contracts are subject to all provisions
- Tier II Recipients: FTA grant recipients who award \$670,000 or less in FTA funds annually are subject to a subset of provisions, such as the reporting requirements and the small business element

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – What's New

➤ Notable changes and updates in the 2024 Final Rule

○ Data Collection & Reporting

- The Uniform Report, which captures contracting data, now collects information on individual DBEs and contracts
- Recipients are now required to submit their bidders lists
- UCPs are now required to include more information on certification and decertification in their annual report to DOT

○ DBE Performance Plans on Design-Build Contracts

- Prime bidders on race-conscious design-build contracts are now allowed to submit a plan for bringing on DBEs throughout the life of the project to meet the DBE goal
- Prime bidders are no longer required to list all commitments at the bid stage

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – What's New

➤ Notable changes and updates in the 2024 Final Rule

○ DBE Credit/Counting Updates

- There are both clarifications and changes to how recipients and primes count DBE participation
- Affects counting for regular dealers, material suppliers, distributors, manufacturers, and more

○ Monitoring & Prompt Payment Language

- The requirements for prompt payment and return of retainage have been clarified and the language is strengthened and expanded, but the requirements have not changed
- DOT's expectations for monitoring are codified

Office of Civil Rights Contact

- Region V Civil Rights Officer, Nathaniel Seeskin nathaniel.seeskin@dot.gov
- Please contact Nate for the following types of Civil Rights communications:
 - **Civil rights questions**
 - **Technical assistance inquiries**
- When sending a message include your **agency name, TrAMS ID, and the topic area of your communication in the subject line.**

Office of Civil Rights Support Contact

- Please utilize FTACivilRightsSupport@dot.gov for the following types of Civil Rights communications:
 - **Corrective action submittals**
 - **Oversight related Technical assistance inquiries**
 - **Plans, goals and report reviews and technical assistance**
- When sending a message to FTACivilRightsSupport@dot.gov, include your agency name, TrAMS ID, and the topic area of your communication in the subject line.

Procurement Updates

- **Procurement System Review Program Training Module**
- Cost and Price Analysis
 - define price and cost analysis;
 - discuss key regulations and guidance pertaining to cost and price analysis;
 - describe the importance of conducting an independent cost estimate;
 - outline the process of completing an independent cost estimate;
 - describe the steps of a price analysis versus a cost analysis;
 - describe how to document cost analysis and negotiations; and
 - compare types of contracts.

- **PSR/FMO Workshops Held in Chicago and Cincinnati, 2024**

Procurement Updates

NTI In Person Procurement Courses Resumes

- The National Transit Institute, at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, was established under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 to develop, promote, and deliver training and education programs for the public transit industry.
- Training is provided for several transit program areas:

Transit Planning
Transit Construction
Transit Management & Operations
Project Management
Risk Assessment for Transit Capital Projects
Transit Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment

Procurement Levels I, II, and III
NTI Reporting Requirements
Title VI, ADA
Public Involvement in Transit Decision Making
Violence in the Transit Workplace

Want to host an NTI class? Apply at
<https://go.rutgers.edu/NTIHostReqForm>



OTrak Recipient Access Update

- The **Oversight Tracking System (OTrak)** is FTA's official system of record for program oversight data for FTA staff, contractors, and recipients.
- **Starting in 2024, FTA recipients now have access to the OTrak system** to view program review reports and submit information directly to FTA. FTA recipients receiving any of the following reviews will use OTrak to respond to their findings and corrective actions:

- **Comprehensive Reviews**

- Triennial Review (TR)
- State Management Review (SMR)
- Combined TR/SMR

- **Procurement System Reviews (PSRs)**

- Full Scope
- Follow-Up
- Focus Review

- OTrak FAQs can be found here: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/OTrak>



TrAMS Update

- **FY 2024 Year End Close**
- September 23, 2024, at 8:00 pm (EST)
- New Awards and Amendments must be obligated/awarded prior to TrAMS close
- Budget Revisions must be approved, and all financial transactions completed prior to TrAMS close (including scope transfers for TrAMS grants and FPC transfers for TEAM grants)
- All new awards, amendments and budget revisions must be in an “Active” status to continue making drawdowns in ECHO**

ECHO Drawdowns Update

- ECHO Closes:
 - **Wednesday September 25th**
at 2:00 pm (EDT)
 - No drawdowns
- ECHO reopens:
 - **Tuesday October 8th** at 2:00
pm (EDT)

Certifications and Assurances

- C&A's **must** be pinned electronically in TrAMS by the Authorizing Official (AO) and Attorney
- If a recipient uploads a hard copy, it must also include a justification as to why it can't PIN electronically
 - Inconvenience is not a valid reason
- Set-up your AO and Attorneys in TrAMS now to avoid delays in grant award
- Reference the Buy America landing page for a variety of resources including includes updated memos, presentations, and waivers: [Buy America | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)
- Please consult with your Region 5 Program Manager for specific BABA language and questions

Resources

- Program Oversight

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/regulations-and-guidance>

- FY2024 Comprehensive Review Guide

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-programs/safety/fy24-comprehensive-review-contractors-manual>

- Transit Asset Management

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM/>

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- National Rural Transit Assistance Program

<https://www.nationalrtap.org/>

- Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP>

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Thank you!



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