

**Federal Transit Administration Grants**

**FY2025 Request: \$36,822,000**

**Reference No: 30643**

**AP/AL:** Allocation

**Project Type:** Equipment / Commodities

**Category:** Transportation

**Location:** Statewide

**House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2029

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**Appropriation:** Statewide Federal Programs

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Competitive grants from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), administered by the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF), used to purchase transit vehicles for elderly and disabled travelers, and cover operating expenses of transit operators.

<b>Funding:</b>	<b>FY2025</b>	<b>FY2026</b>	<b>FY2027</b>	<b>FY2028</b>	<b>FY2029</b>	<b>FY2030</b>	<b>Total</b>
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$36,822,000	\$36,822,000	\$36,822,000				\$110,466,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$36,822,000</b>	<b>\$36,822,000</b>	<b>\$36,822,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$110,466,000</b>

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ongoing
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

- Sec14 Ch1 SLA2023 P98 L17 HB39 \$31,989,500
- Sec11 Ch1 SLA2022 P100 L10 HB281 \$26,670,000
- Sec8 Ch1 SLA2021 P84 L18 HB69 \$35,260,012
- Sec5 Ch8 SLA2020 P68 L23 HB205 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch3 SLA2019 P8 L23 SB19 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch19 SLA2018 P11 L13 SB142 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch1 SLA2017 P9 L13 SB23 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch2 SLA2016 P18 L7 SB138 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch38 SLA2015 P17 L14 SB26 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P64 L28 SB119 \$10,000,000
- Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P81 L5 SB18 \$9,000,000
- Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P137 L18 SB160 \$9,000,000
- Sec1 Ch5 SLA2011 P102 L23 SB46 \$9,000,000
- Sec7 Ch43 SLA2010 P38 L31 SB230 \$9,000,000
- Sec1 Ch15 SLA2009 P22 L27 SB75 \$9,000,000
- Sec13 Ch29 SLA2008 P161 L20 SB221 \$9,000,000
- Sec4 Ch30 SLA2007 P105 L12 SB53 \$9,000,000

There is also a small grant to the State for administering the program. Match for pass-through grants is 9.03 percent - 43.14 percent and is provided by the grantee. Match for the planning and

administrative grant is 20 percent, provided by the State.

**Project Description/Justification:**

This program provides federal funding from the FTA to implement and maintain coordinated public transportation throughout Alaska.

Recipients of the funds described in items two to six below must apply to the DOT&PF transit planning office and compete statewide. Applications are solicited and then reviewed by a committee of transit-oriented Alaskans from the State, local governments, and the public. The applications are scored with an emphasis on coordinated transportation, where opportunities to leverage related services are recognized.

Funds are used for the following activities:

- 1) State program administration - federal funds are provided to administer the program.
- 2) Project Administration - DOT&PF passes through these funds to public transit systems. These funds require a 9.03 percent local match and are used for administrative overhead such as the transit system director’s salary, office expenses, insurance, advertising, and planning.
- 3) Capital Funding - Capital expenses include funding for the purchase of vehicles, communication systems, dispatching systems, maintenance, buildings, and shelters. Capital funding requires a 9.03 percent local match for public transit and 20 percent match for human services. Capital funds are available to both public and private nonprofit organizations. In addition to the formula funding, substantial capital discretionary funds are regularly noticed by FTA on a competitive basis.
- 4) Jobs Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) funding - Included in the Rural Transit Appropriation formula, these funds are used to offset a community’s cost of providing transportation for low-income people to and from work.
- 5) Operating Expenditures - This category includes the cost of fuel, driver salary, dispatcher, and other associated costs. These funds require a 43.14 percent local match.
- 6) Purchase of Services - These funds are provided to private nonprofit and public organizations for the purchase of transportation services.
- 7) Training and Technical Assistance (no match required)

A local government may purchase public transportation services from private companies.

Bus and Bus Facilities (formula 5339a)	\$ 4,180,000
Bus and Bus Facilities, Rural and Small Urban (5339b)	\$ 6,000,000
Enhanced Mobility for Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities	\$ 450,000
FTA LoNo Emissions-Electric Buses and Charging Stations	\$ 10,212,000
Rural Transit and Rural Transit Assistance Program	<u>\$ 15,980,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 36,822,000</b>