Federal Transit Administration Grants | **FY2027 Request: $20,757,800** | **Reference No: 30643**

AP/AL: Allocation
Category: Transportation
Location: Statewide
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2026 - 06/30/2031
Appropriation: Statewide Federal Programs

Project Type: Equipment / Commodities

House District: Statewide (HD 1 - 40)
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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:
Competitive grants from the Federal Transit Administration, administered by the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF), used to purchase transit vehicles for elderly and handicapped transportation and cover operating expenses of transit operators.

Funding:	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2032	Total
1002 Fed Rcpts	$20,757,800	$20,757,800	$20,757,800				$62,273,400
Total:	$20,757,800	$20,757,800	$20,757,800	$0	$0	$0	$62,273,400

☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☑ Ongoing
0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment ☐ Mental Health Bill

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:
Sec1 Ch12 SLA2025 P9 L27 SB57 $18,225,323
Sec1 Ch8 SLA2024 P18 L4 SB187 $36,822,000
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 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to implement and maintain coordinated public transportation throughout Alaska.

Recipients of the funds described in items two through 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 Administration. Federal funds for administering the program.
2) Project Administration. The DOT&PF passes through these funds to public transit systems. Funds require a 9.03 percent local match and are used for administrative overhead such as transit system director's salary, office expenses, insurance, advertising, and planning.
3) Capital Funding: For vehicles purchases, 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 service. Both public and private nonprofit organizations are eligible. Substantial capital discretionary funds are regularly noticed by the 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.