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### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Federal Transit Administration** 

# **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NE-2024-019-00
Temporary Application Number	6955-2024-1
Award Name	Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	4/30/2026		
Current Period of Performance End Date	4/30/2026	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A
Budget Period End Date	4/30/2026

# **Part 1: Recipient Information**

Name: OMAHA TRIBE OF NE						
Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI		DUNS	
6955	Indian Tribe	OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA	MQS9H	LF9TWQ4	118683309	
Location Ty	/pe	Address	City	State	Zip	
Mailing Add	ress	P.O. BOX #368	MACY	NE	68039	
Physical Add	dress	911 N MAIN RD	MACY	NE	68039	

### **Union Information**

# **Part 2: Application Information**

# Title: Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NE-2024- 019-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 7	4/5/2024	4/5/2024	No

#### **Application Executive Summary**

This application is to request Section Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska under UZA: 310000 in Federal FY 2024 (\$636,952).

Activities to be performed:

Buy (2) two Replacement vans: \$160,000.

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000 Operating Assistance: \$426,952

Pre-award Authority was selected because Omaha Tribe has incurred expenses in the approximate amount of \$202,609 from 10-1-23 to 06/30/24.

#### Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

### Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

### Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

### **Pre-Award Authority**

This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

### Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is directly allocated these funds and is eligible to apply for and receive these funds directly.

### Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

### Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

*Indirect Rate Details*: Omaha Tribe of Nebraska current IDC rate is at 25.13%. FY24 approved letter is attached to this grant.

#### Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

### **Delinquent Federal Debt**

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

# **Award Description**

### **Purpose**

This application is to request Section Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska under UZA: 310000 in Federal FY 2024 (\$636,952).

The Tribe is using Federal funds at the 100:0 match ratio for the time period of 10/01/2023 to 09/30/2025.

There is no Local Match requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #8 Matching Requirements.

### Activities to be performed:

Buy (2) two Replacement vans: \$160,000.

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000 Operating Assistance: \$416,952

### **Expected outcomes:**

Buy (2) two Replacement vans: \$160,000!

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000 Operating Assistance: \$416,952

#### Intended beneficiaries:

Specifically, the Omaha Tribe's transit service, Omaha Tribal members and surrounding rural riders.

### **Subrecipient Activities:**

None

# **Application Point of Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
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Kelleen	Broxterman	Grants Management Specialist	kelleen.broxterman@dot.gov	

# **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$636,952
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0

State	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$636,952

### **Application Budget**

Project Number		Budget	ltem	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2024-019-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PRO	GRAM COSTS	\$636,952.00	\$0.00	\$636,952.00	2
NE-2024-019-01- 00		11.12.15	BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	\$160,000.00	\$0.00	\$160,000.00	2
NE-2024-019-01- 00		11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	0
NE-2024-019-01- 00		30.09.01	UP TO 100% FEDERAL SHARE	\$416,952.00	\$0.00	\$416,952.00	0

### **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

# **Part 3: Project Information**

# Project Title: Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
NE-2024-019-01-00	6955-2024-1-P1	5/13/2024	10/1/2023	1/31/2026

### **Project Description**

Purpose: The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska will utilize this award to maintain existing transit services on the reservation.

This application is to request Section 5311 funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska for FFY 2024 in the amount of \$636,952.

Activities to be Performed: Funds will be used to cover eligible operating expenses such as driver salaries and fuel, purchasing Two (2) VANs, and preventive maintenance.

Expected Outcomes: Funding will permit the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska to continue to provide service to tribal area. Intended Beneficiaries: Omaha Tribe Public transit riders.

Sub-recipients: None

The Tribe is using Federal funds at the 100:0 match ratio for the time period of 10/01/2023 to 09/30/2025.

There is no Local Match requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #8 Matching Requirements.

There is no STIP requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #10. Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and/or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Requirement

#### **Project Benefits**

Our tribe is economically challenged with little commerce being conducted within the reservation. It is therefore necessary for our tribal members to travel significant distances to obtain or maintain employment. Many of our members do not have access to transportation at all or only to unreliable transportation, so there is a huge lack of transportation which represents a gaping need for transit services in this area.

Because of the isolated, rural nature of our communities, it is vital that our tribal members have access to the nearest cities for many services that are not available within our communities of Macy, Walthill, and Rosalie. Many of our tribal members lack the appropriate transportation or licensing to drive the distance to these services. The operation funding would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. The operation assistance would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. By adding two vans we would expect to only maintain, but to improve our ability to provide expanded services to our members and the public.

Although we have a medical facility on our reservation, many individuals who live in outlying rural areas need transportation to access these services. In addition, the services provided at our clinic are limited, and travel is necessary when referred out to Sioux City, or Omaha to receive expanded medical care. As stated previously, job opportunities are severely limited on the reservation, so it is critical that our members have access to employment in other communities such as Sioux City and the surrounding area. There is no grocery store or other retail outlet s within the reservation which can provide healthy alternatives for our members, so it is vital to provide access to food stored and other retail outlet for necessities.

The educational opportunities on our reservation are limited to a community college with narrow degree options and only an associated level degree. This transit enables our tribal members to continue past that level of education or to pursue expanded degree areas not offered locally.

### **Additional Information**

None provided.

### **Location Description**

TTFP funding on the Omaha Indian Reservation. Address location: 544 Skunkhollow Drive, Macy, NE 68039

### **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name	
310000	Nebraska	

# **Congressional District Information**

District	State
1	Nebraska

# **Program Plan Information**

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided Description: NA

**UPWP** 

Date: Not Provided Description: NA

Long Range Plan Date: Not Provided Description: NA

# **Project Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$636,952
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$636,952

# **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2024-019- 01-00	600- 00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$636,952.00	\$0.00	\$636,952.00	2
NE-2024-019- 01-00		BUY 11.12.15 REPLACEMENT VAN	\$160,000.00	\$0.00	\$160,000.00	2
NE-2024-019- 01-00		11.7A.00 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	0

NE-2024-019- 01-00	30.09.01 FE	TO 100% DERAL ARE	\$416,952.00	\$0.00 \$416,952.00	0
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## **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - UP TO 100% FEDERAL SHARE				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL	OPERATING	0

**ASSISTANCE** 

### **Extended Budget Description**

(600-00)

The Tribal Transit funds in the amount of \$306,346.00 are being requested for operating assistance to support OTPT services for the Tribe's service year 10/01/2023 - 09/30/2025.

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### Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

No, 3rd Party Contractors will not be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$416,952
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$416,952

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2023	Start of fiscal year for operating expenses.
End Date	9/30/2025	

### **Budget Activity Line Item: 11.7A.00 - PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

Scope Name / Code	#	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS)	0

### **Extended Budget Description**

Preventative Maintenance is being requested for the OTPT service fleet. It will cover maintenance of the vehicles, excluding fuel, and for mechanic salaries. The FY 2024 10/01/2024- 09/30/2025.

### Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$60,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$60,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	6/30/2024	We are putting out a Job advertisement for the OTPT's garage mechanic. We are trying to open up on the weekends for our vehicles to be worked on during this time. Vehicles need to be serviced every week for different purposes.
End Date	9/30/2025	To keep a vehicle mechanic on hand for our vehicles to be maintained.

### Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.15 - BUY REPLACEMENT VAN

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.12.15	BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	BUY REPLACEMENTS - CAPITAL BUS	2

### **Extended Budget Description**

Purchase replacement vans. The useful miles for the vehicles to be replaced was 4 years, or 100,000 miles. We will use these vehicles for backup vehicles in certain cases, such as if the newer vehicles are getting maintenance. The useful life of the new vehicles are 4 years or 100,000 miles.

Original Grant # - Year - Vehicle Make - Model - VIN - Condition - Mileage - Useful life 2022 Chevy Express Vin#1GAZGNFP4N1242952 - Fair - 168,331 miles, 4 years of useful life - Inservice date Aug-2022.

2019 FORD TRANSIT Vin# 1FBZX2ZM6KKB05450 - Bad engine wear - Mileage 213,196 - 4 Years useful - Inservice date Aug 15, 2020.

### Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$160,000
Local			\$0

Local/In-Kind	\$0
State	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$160,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	8/15/2024	Purchase replacement vans. The useful miles for the vehicles to be replaced was 4 years, or 100,000 miles. We will use these vehicles for backup vehicles in certain cases, such as if the newer vehicles are getting maintenance. The useful life of the new vehicles are 4 years or 100,000 miles.
		START RFP PROCESS
CONTRACT AWARD DATE	10/15/2024	
INITIAL DELIVERY DATE	10/15/2025	
End Date	12/15/2025	INITAL END DATE
CONTRACT CLOSE DATE	1/31/2026	

### **Project Environmental Findings**

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

### **Class Level Description**

Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

### **Categorical Exclusion Description**

Type 07: Acquisition, installation, rehabilitation, replacement, and maintenance of vehicles or equipment, within or accommodated by existing facilities, that does not result in a change in functional use of the facilities, such as: equipment to be located within existing facilities and with no substantial offsite impacts; and vehicles, including buses, rail cars, trolley cars, ferry boats and people movers that can be accommodated by existing facilities or by new facilities that qualify for a categorical exclusion.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	8/12/2024

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.12.15	BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	2	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00

### Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

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Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	8/12/2024

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	0	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00

Finding: Class	II(c) - Categorical	Exclusions	(C-List)
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#### **Categorical Exclusion Description**

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date Description	Date	
Class IIc CE Approved	8/12/2024	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity Amount	Total Eligible Cost
	Number		Amount	Cost

## **Part 4: Fleet Details**

No fleet data exists for this application.

## **Part 5: FTA Review Comments**

### **FTA Comments for DOL**

### Comment By Kelleen Broxterman

Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 8/12/2024

Comment Sending to DOL for information.

### **Application Review Comments**

### Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	8/12/2024
Project Title	Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant
Project Number	NE-2024-019-01-00
Comment	The proposed acquisition activity to purchase replacement vehicles is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(7).

### Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	8/12/2024
Project Title	Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant
Project Number	NE-2024-019-01-00
Comment	The proposed preventative maintenance activities on vehicles are found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(7).

### Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment	Environmental Findings
Type	Environmental Findings

Date	8/12/2024
Project Title	Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant
Project Number	NE-2024-019-01-00
Comment	The proposed operating assistance activity is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(4).