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

#### **Federal Transit Administration**

# **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	TN-2024-041-00
Temporary Application Number	1007-2024-2
Award Name	FFY2024 5311 Rural
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	3/30/2036		
Current Period of Performance End Date	3/30/2036	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A
Budget Period End Date	3/30/2036

## **Part 1: Recipient Information**

# Name: TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
1007	State Agency	TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	ML56NPH3NFF9	878297712

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Mailing Address	505 DEADRICK ST STE 800	NASHVILLE	TN	37243
Physical Address	505 DEADERICK ST	NASHVILLE	TN	37243

### **Union Information**

There are no union contacts for this application

## **Part 2: Application Information**

Title: FFY2024 5311 Rural

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
TN-2024- 041-00	Final Concurrence /	Grant	Region 4	2/9/2024	2/9/2024	No

#### **Application Executive Summary**

**Application Executive Summary** 

This is a FFY2024 Section 5311 application in the federal amount of \$23,505,105, including Section 5311, Rural Technical Assistance Program, and Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program funds. This grant is a partial obligation of the FFY2024 Apportionment, which totals a federal amount of \$29,130,876. Of the \$23,505,105 obligated in this grant, Tennessee included the full Appalachian apportionment amount of \$991,765 and \$165,000 of the RTAP funds. Of the remaining funds, \$4,151,394 of Section 5311 will be amended into this grant upon completion of the Intercity Bus Needs Assessment, while \$1,176,228 of State Administration and \$298,149 of RTAP funds will be obligated by TDOT in a separate, future grant.

Under the advisement of FTA Region 4 Staff, this grant has been split into two projects, as detailed below: 1007-2024-2-P1: FFY2024 Section 5311 & RTAP with a Budget of \$22,348,340 in 5311 and \$165,000 in RTAP

1007-2024-2-P2: FFY2024 Section 5311 Appalachian with a Budget of \$991,765 in 5311 Appalachian

TDOT has withheld 15% of the FFY2024 Section 5311 apportionment while completing a 5311(f) Intercity Bus Needs Assessment. Following the comprehensive intercity bus consultation TDOT will amend this grant to add those funds based on the report recommendations.

This grant will provide funds to nine (9) rural public transportation systems for transportation in non-urban areas and two (2) rural transit-intensive agencies. The Appalachian funds are allocated to agencies serving Appalachian areas based on the 2010 Census. TDOT used the existing performance-based formula for the 5311 FFY2023 allocation. Factors for the formula include the 2010 Census non-urbanized population, public ridership, and public revenue miles.

The Operational Expenses requested in this application were determined by subrecipient budgeting processes. TDOT and its subrecipients understand that the expenses requested in this application are subject to review for their reasonableness as part of TDOT's State Management Review

The Recipient agrees that if it receives Federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or through a pass-through entity through the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, a different Federal agency, or insurance proceeds for any portion of a project activity approved for FTA funding under this Grant Agreement, it will provide written notification to FTA, and reimburse FTA for any Federal share that duplicates funding provided by FEMA, another Federal agency, or an insurance company.

TDOT will ensure that all vehicles purchased are accessible, purchased from an FTA approved TVM, and reported to FTA within 30 days after contract is signed.

TDOT will check the current listing of Transit Vehicle Manufacturers (TVM) to ensure each is listed as a certified TVM in compliance with FTA regulations.

TDOT will follow all 3rd party procurement policies as defined in C4220. 1F (Third Party Contracting Guidance).

All subrecipients will follow useful life standards as defined in the TDOT State Management Plan.

TDOT will ensure contractors procured will not be on the FTA Suspension and Debarment list.

Recipients receiving grant awards over \$25,000 from FTA or any other Federal agency after October 1, 2010, must comply with the Federal Financial Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) sub-award reporting requirements.

The FFY2022 5311 Program of Projects (POP) is attached. Funds are allocated to 11 public agencies in the following categories: Project Administration, Capital, Operating, and RTAP.

#### 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 the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

#### 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 does not include an indirect cost rate.

Indirect Rate Details: N/A

#### 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**

The purpose of this award is to provide the state of Tennessee and its subrecipients operating assistance, eligible capital projects, and for the rural transit assistance program (RTAP) to assist the state and its subrecipients in providing public transportation in the rural and non-urbanized areas of Tennessee.

#### Activities to be performed:

Funds will be used to cover eligible operating expenses for rural and non-urbanized public transportation. Funds will also be used to cover eligible capital expenses such as the purchase of passenger vehicles,

support equipment, preventative maintenance, and mobility management programs. Funds will also be used for training and technical assistance.

#### **Expected outcomes:**

Continued safe and effective operation of transit services for rural areas of Tennessee, including Appalachian areas.

#### Intended beneficiaries:

State transit agencies and citizens in the rural and non-urbanized areas of the state.

#### **Subrecipient Activities:**

Funds are allocated to 11 public agencies in the following categories: Project Administration, Capital, Operating, and RTAP.

## **Application Point of Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
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## **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$23,505,105
Local			\$8,628,228
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$8,628,229
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$40,761,562

### **Application Budget**

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
TN- 2024- 041-01- 00	648- 00 (648- A1)	APPALACHIAN DEV PUB TRANSIT ASSIST	\$991,765.00	\$988,674.00	\$1,980,439.00	0
TN- 2024-		11.12.02 BUY REPLACEMENT 35-	\$4,127.00	\$1,032.00	\$5,159.00	0

041-01- 00			FT BUS				
TN- 2024- 041-01- 00		30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$987,638.00	\$987,642.00	\$1,975,280.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	111- 00 (111- A4)	BUS - RC	LLING STOCK	\$435,824.00	\$101,737.00	\$537,561.00	2
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35- FT BUS	\$337,649.00	\$84,412.00	\$422,061.00	1
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.13.04	BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	\$98,175.00	\$17,325.00	\$115,500.00	1
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	116- 00 (116- A5)	SIGNAL & EQUIPME	& COMM ENT (BUS)	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$40,000.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.62.20	PURCHASE MISC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$40,000.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		OTHER ( (BUS)	CAPITAL ITEMS	\$2,117,957.00	\$529,488.00	\$2,647,445.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$1,500,757.00	\$375,188.00	\$1,875,945.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.7L.00	MOBILITY MANAGEMENT (5302(A)(1)(L))	\$617,200.00	\$154,300.00	\$771,500.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	119- 00 (119- A6)	Bus Asso Improvem	ciated Transit nents	\$64,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$80,000.00	15
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.92.08	PURCHASE SIGNAGE	\$64,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$80,000.00	15
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	300- 00 (300- A8)	OPERAT	ING ASSISTANCE	\$14,250,579.00	\$14,250,560.00	\$28,501,139.00	0

TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		30.09.01 UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$14,250,579.00	\$14,250,560.00	\$28,501,139.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	620- 00 (620- A2)	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	\$5,447,980.00	\$1,361,998.00	\$6,809,978.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.79.00 PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	\$5,447,980.00	\$1,361,998.00	\$6,809,978.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	635- 00 (635- A3)	RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$165,000.00	\$0.00	\$165,000.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		43.50.01 TRAINING	\$165,000.00	\$0.00	\$165,000.00	0

### **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

## **Part 3: Project Information**

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Project Number Temporary Project Number		<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
TN-2024-041-01-00	1007-2024-2-P1	7/3/2024	7/1/2024	12/31/2025

#### **Project Description**

This grant will provide funds to five (5) rural public transportation systems and two (2) rural transitintensive agencies for transportation in non-urban Appalachian areas, based on the 2020 Census.

#### **Project Benefits**

The funds in this project will benefit transit agencies and citizens as it funds continued safe and effective operation of transit services for rural Appalachian areas of Tennessee.

#### **Additional Information**

None provided.

#### **Location Description**

The seven (7) rural transit agencies supported by this project provide public transportation in all 52 Appalachian-designated counties of the state.

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

UZA Code	Area Name	
470000	Tennessee	

## **Congressional District Information**

District	State
1	Tennessee
3	Tennessee
4	Tennessee
5	Tennessee
9	Tennessee
2	Tennessee
6	Tennessee
7	Tennessee
8	Tennessee

## **Program Plan Information**

#### STIP/TIP

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

**UPWP**Date: N/A
Description: N/A

### Long Range Plan

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

## **Project Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$991,765
Local			\$494,337
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$494,337
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$1,980,439

## **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budg	et Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
TN-2024-041- 01-00	~ ~	APPALAC TRANSIT	CHIAN DEV PUB ASSIST	\$991,765.00	\$988,674.00	\$1,980,439.00	0
TN-2024-041- 01-00		11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	\$4,127.00	\$1,032.00	\$5,159.00	0
TN-2024-041- 01-00		30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$987,638.00	\$987,642.00	\$1,975,280.00	0

### **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.02 - BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
APPALACHIAN DEV PUB		BUY	BUY REPLACEMENTS - BUS	
TRANSIT ASSIST (648- 00)	11.12.02	REPLACEMENT 35- FT BUS	APPALACHIAN	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Pigeon Forge Mass Transit will purchase a replacement 35FT rubber-tire replica trolley. The ALI is for a 35FT bus because this is a rubber tire replica trolley that measures more than 30FT long because of the decorative cow catcher in the front. The vehicle is a medium-duty bus, which has a UL of 7 years, 200,000 miles in TNs State Management Plan. 1% of the vehicle will be paid from the Appalachian ALI in Project 1007-2023-8-P2 and 99% will be paid from the 5311 Capital ALI in Project 1007-2023-8-P1. Both ALIs will utilize the 80/10/10 match level. Useful life will be 7 years or 200,000 miles.

Replacement vehicle 2009 DoubleK Main Street Replica Trolley, VIN 4UZAB0DT4ACAP6077, 244,277 miles

Subrecipient will purchase the vehicles through an FTA-compliant procurement process. The subrecipient will own, operate, and procure vehicles under this grant. TDOT, the pass-through entity, will maintain satisfactory continuing control by requesting and keeping on file all title records, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration. Vehicle information and records will be maintained and updated through the TDOT Perpetual Vehicle Inventory. Also, the subrecipient will be required to: have an approved Maintenance Plan and submit annual inspection sheets as well as maintenance logs. In addition, TDOT will ensure that specific procurement steps and policies are followed as required in the State Management Plan including pre-approval of asset specifications, independent cost estimates, RFP, and selected bidder. The vehicle purchased on this ALI will be ADA accessible.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$4,127 \$516
Local			\$516

Total Eligible Cost	\$5,159
Adjustment	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
State	\$516
Local/In-Kind	\$0

Milestone Name Est. Completion Description		Description
RFP/IFB Issue Date	9/30/2024	RFP release for purchase of vehicles with options to purchase additional vehicles over a specified period.
Contract Award Date	11/30/2024	Award vehicle contract
PO Issued to Vendor	11/30/2024	Issue Purchase Order
Vehicle Delivery Date	12/31/2025	Vehicle delivered.
Contract Completion	12/31/2025	Contract Complete.

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Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
APPALACHIAN DEV PUB TRANSIT ASSIST (648-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	OPERATING ASSISTANCE - APPALACHIAN	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Operating funds for Appalachian rural public agencies (not Pigeon Forge Mass Transit) for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Funds will be used by grantees for salary, wages, benefits, payroll taxes, travel and training, professional fees, licenses and insurance, administrative expenses, postage and shipping, equipment rental and maintenance, printing and publications, conferences and meetings, telephone, occupancy, rent, utilities, supplies, administrative expenses, fuel and oil, maintenance and repairs, uniforms, D&A testing, other direct costs, indirect costs, and other non-personnel expenses.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$987,638
Local			\$493,821
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$493,821
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$1,975,280

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Operating activities begin.
End Date	6/30/2025	Operating activities complete.

### **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 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	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
APPALACHIAN DEV PUB TRANSIT ASSIST (648-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	0	\$987,638.00	\$1,975,280.00

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	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
APPALACHIAN DEV PUB TRANSIT ASSIST (648-00)	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	0	\$4,127.00	\$5,159.00

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
TN-2024-041-02-00	1007-2024-2-P2	7/3/2024	6/1/2023	12/31/2025

#### **Project Description**

This grant will provide funds to nine (9) rural public transportation systems for transportation in non-urban areas and two (2) rural transit-intensive agencies. The purpose of this award is to provide the state of Tennessee and its subrecipients operating assistance, eligible capital projects, and for the rural transit assistance program (RTAP) to assist the state and its subrecipients in providing public transportation in the rural and non-urbanized areas of Tennessee.

#### **Project Benefits**

The funds in this project will benefit transit agencies and citizens as it funds continued safe and effective operation of transit services for rural areas of Tennessee

#### **Additional Information**

None provided.

#### **Location Description**

The eleven (11) rural transit agencies supported by this project provide public transportation in all 95 counties of the state

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

UZA Code	Area Name
470000	Tennessee

## **Congressional District Information**

District	State
1	Tennessee
3	Tennessee
4	Tennessee
5	Tennessee
9	Tennessee
2	Tennessee
6	Tennessee
7	Tennessee
8	Tennessee

## **Program Plan Information**

STIP/TIP

Date: N/A Description: N/A

**UPWP** 

Date: N/A Description: N/A

Long Range Plan

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

## **Project Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$22,513,340
Local			\$8,133,891
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$8,133,892
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$38,781,123

## **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	111- 00 (111- A4)	BUS - ROLLING STOCK	\$435,824.00	\$101,737.00	\$537,561.00	2
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		BUY 11.12.02 REPLACEMENT 35- FT BUS	\$337,649.00	\$84,412.00	\$422,061.00	1
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.13.04 BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	\$98,175.00	\$17,325.00	\$115,500.00	1
TN- 2024-	116- 00	SIGNAL & COMM EQUIPMENT (BUS)	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$40,000.00	0

041-02- 00	(116- A5)						
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	·	11.62.20	PURCHASE MISC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$40,000.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	117- 00 (117- A7)	OTHER ( (BUS)	CAPITAL ITEMS	\$2,117,957.00	\$529,488.00	\$2,647,445.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$1,500,757.00	\$375,188.00	\$1,875,945.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.7L.00	MOBILITY MANAGEMENT (5302(A)(1)(L))	\$617,200.00	\$154,300.00	\$771,500.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	119- 00 (119- A6)	Bus Asso Improvem	ciated Transit nents	\$64,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$80,000.00	15
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.92.08	PURCHASE SIGNAGE	\$64,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$80,000.00	15
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	300- 00 (300- A8)	OPERAT	ING ASSISTANCE	\$14,250,579.00	\$14,250,560.00	\$28,501,139.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$14,250,579.00	\$14,250,560.00	\$28,501,139.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	620- 00 (620- A2)	PROJEC	T ADMINISTRATION	\$5,447,980.00	\$1,361,998.00	\$6,809,978.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		11.79.00	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	\$5,447,980.00	\$1,361,998.00	\$6,809,978.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00	635- 00 (635- A3)	RURAL T ASSISTA	RANSIT NCE PROGRAM	\$165,000.00	\$0.00	\$165,000.00	0
TN- 2024- 041-02- 00		43.50.01	TRAINING	\$165,000.00	\$0.00	\$165,000.00	0

### **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.13.04	BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	BUY EXPANSION - CAPITAL BUS	1

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Southeast TN HRA will purchase an additional deviated fixed route bus to expand services and maximize the use of their fleet. The additional vehicle will meet growing demand on the route and increase frequency.

This ALI will utilize the 80/10/10 match level. Useful life will be 5 years or 150,000 miles.

Subrecipient will purchase the vehicles through an FTA-compliant procurement process. The subrecipient will own, operate, and procure vehicles under this grant. TDOT, the pass-through entity, will maintain satisfactory continuing control by requesting and keeping on file all title records, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration. Vehicle information and records will be maintained and updated through the TDOT Perpetual Vehicle Inventory. Also, the subrecipient will be required to: have an approved Maintenance Plan and submit annual inspection sheets as well as maintenance logs. In addition, TDOT will ensure that specific procurement steps and policies are followed as required in the State Management Plan including pre-approval of asset specifications, independent cost estimates, RFP, and selected bidder. The vehicle purchased on this ALI is ADA accessible.

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

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

Propulsion	Fuel Type	Vehicle Condition	Vehicle Size (ft.)
N/A	Gasoline	New	<30FT

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$98,175
Local			\$8,662
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$8,663
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$115,500

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
RFP/IFB Issue Date	6/1/2023	TDOT issued ITB for Statewide Contract for FTA transit vehicles.

Contract Award Date	9/30/2023	TDOT awards contracts to vehicle vendors
Issue Purchase Order	10/31/2024	Issue Purchase Order to Vendor
Final Delivery Date	6/30/2025	Vehicle delivered.
Contract Completion Date	6/30/2025	Contract complete

#### **Budget Activity Line Item: 11.79.00 - PROJECT ADMINISTRATION**

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
PROJECT ADMINISTRATION (620-00)	11.79.00	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Funds will be used by grantees for salary, wages, benefits, and payroll taxes for administrative staff, administrative leave for administrative staff, travel and training, professional fees, licenses and insurance, administrative expenses, equipment rental and maintenance, printing and publications, conferences and meetings, telephone, occupancy, rent, utilities, supplies, advertising, other direct costs, indirect costs, and administrative expenses including incidental costs associated with operating and maintaining administrative premises. The inclusion of travel, licensing, and advertisement are for activities that pertain to the administration of the transit program (versus the operation of programs, which are covered by similar language in the Operating ALI).

Grantees with sales tax exemptions will attempt to remove all sales tax from reimbursement requests; however, the reimbursement of sales tax when exempted is allowed.

Grantees will attempt to remove all late fees from reimbursement requests; however, the reimbursement of late fees is allowed.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$5,447,980
Local			\$680,999
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$680,999
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$6,809,978

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
End Date	6/30/2024	Project Admin activities end
Start Date	7/1/2024	Project Admin activities begin

#### Budget Activity Line Item: 43.50.01 - TRAINING

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (635-00)	43.50.01	TRAINING	RURAL TRANSIT ASST PROGRAM	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Funds to be used by all grantees of the program for receiving and/or accessing training or technical assistance, including travel related to conference, meeting, & training attendance, registration for in-person training, and training materials.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$165,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$165,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	RTAP activities begin
Project Status Check	1/30/2025	Training status check in
End Date	6/30/2025	RTAP activities end

#### Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.02 - BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35- FT BUS	BUY REPLACEMENTS - CAPITAL BUS	1

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Pigeon Forge Mass Transit will purchase a replacement 35FT rubber-tire replica trolley. The ALI is for a 35FT bus because this is a rubber tire replica trolley that measures more than 30FT long because of the decorative cow catcher in the front. The vehicle is a medium-duty bus, which has a UL of 7 years, 200,000 miles in TNs State Management Plan. 1% of the vehicle will be paid from the Appalachian ALI in Project 1007-2024-2-P1 and 99% will be paid from the 5311 Capital ALI in Project 1007-2024-2-P2. Both ALIs will utilize the 80/10/10 match level.

Replacement vehicle 2009 DoubleK Main Street Replica Trolley, VIN 4UZAB0DT4ACAP6077, 244,277 miles.

Subrecipient will purchase the vehicles through an FTA-compliant procurement process. The subrecipient will own, operate, and procure vehicles under this grant. TDOT, the pass-through entity, will maintain satisfactory continuing control by requesting and keeping on file all title records, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration. Vehicle information and records will be maintained and updated through the TDOT Perpetual Vehicle Inventory. Also, the subrecipient will be required to: have an approved Maintenance Plan and submit annual inspection sheets as well as maintenance logs. In addition, TDOT will ensure that specific procurement steps and policies are followed as required in the State Management Plan including pre-approval of asset specifications, independent cost estimates, RFP, and selected bidder. The vehicle purchased on this ALI will be ADA accessible.

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

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

Propulsion	Fuel Type	Vehicle Condition	Vehicle Size (ft.)
N/A	Gasoline	New	35FT

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$337,649
Local			\$42,206
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$42,206
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$422,061

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
RFP/IFB Issue Date	9/30/2024	RFP release for purchase of vehicles with options to purchase additional vehicles over a specified period.
Contract Award Date	11/30/2024	Award vehicle contract
PO Issued to Vendor	11/30/2024	Issue Purchase Order
Vehicle Delivery Date	12/31/2025	Vehicle delivered.
Contract Completion	12/31/2025	Contract Complete.

#### Budget Activity Line Item: 11.62.20 - PURCHASE MISC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
SIGNAL & COMM EQUIPMENT (BUS) (116-00)	11.62.20	PURCHASE MISC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	AQUISITIO	N 0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

UCHRA will utilize the funds to pay annual software and maintenance dues for the deviated fixed route CAD/AVL, real time bus tracking, a white label consumer app to track the bus, automatic passenger counters, and annunciators. UCHRA conducted an FTA-compliant procurement for Information Technology Services for its deviated fixed route service in the spring of 2022. The vendor that was

awarded the bid for the Request for Proposal for ITS Services was Passio Inc. TDOT reviewed and approved the procurement to ensure compliance with local, state and federal purchasing rules and guidelines. The contract was for 5 years ending in 2027.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$32,000
Local			\$4,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$4,000
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$40,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Activities begin
Project Status Check	12/31/2024	Project status check-in
End Date	6/30/2025	Contract complete

#### **Budget Activity Line Item: 11.92.08 - PURCHASE SIGNAGE**

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
Bus Associated Transit Improvements (119-00)	11.92.08	PURCHASE SIGNAGE	ACQUISITIO	N 15

#### **Extended Budget Description**

UCHRA will utilize these funds to purchase and install 15 signs on vehicles. TDOT does not anticipate the purchase of items over \$5,000 in value at this time. Any items with value over \$5,000 identified during the execution of the activities under this ALI will be included via budget revision (actual value and useful life).

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$64,000
Local			\$8,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$8,000
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0

Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$80,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Purchase signage activities begin
Issue PO	11/30/2024	Signage installation PO issued
End Date	6/30/2025	Purchase signage activities end

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

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS) (117-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS)	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Funds will be used by grantees for eligible Preventive Maintenance activities in State Fiscal Year 2025 ( July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025). Preventive Maintenance activities include activities, supplies, materials, labor, services, and associated costs for the maintenance of transit vehicles and equipment. Grantees do not anticipate the purchase of items over \$5,000 in value at this time. Any items with value over \$5,000 identified during the execution of the activities under this ALI will be included via budget revision (actual value and useful life).

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$1,500,757
Local			\$187,594
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$187,594
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$1,875,945

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Preventive Maintenance activities begin
End Date	6/30/2025	Preventive Maintenance activities end

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.7L.00 - MOBILITY MANAGEMENT (5302(A)(1)(L))					
Scope Name / Code	Line Item	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity	

OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS) (117-00)

11.7L.00 MOBILITY MANAGEMENT ( 5302(A)(1)(L))

OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS)

0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Upper Cumberland Human Resources Agency (UCHRA) will utilize funds for Mobility Management activities, including salary, benefits, and administrative expenses for mobility managers.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$617,200
Local			\$77,150
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$77,150
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$771,500

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Mobility Management activities begin
End Date	6/30/2025	Mobility Management activities end

#### Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	0

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Operating funds for 10 rural public agencies (not Pigeon Forge Mass Transit) for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Funds will be used by grantees for salary, wages, benefits, payroll taxes, travel and training, professional fees, licenses and insurance, administrative expenses, postage and shipping, equipment rental and maintenance, printing and publications, conferences and meetings, telephone, occupancy, rent, utilities, supplies, administrative expenses, fuel and oil, maintenance and repairs, uniforms, D&A testing, other direct costs, indirect costs, and other non-personnel expenses.

#### 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 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$14,250,579
Local			\$7,125,280

Transportation Development Credit Adjustment	\$0 \$0
Other Federal	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
State	\$7,125,280
Local/In-Kind	\$0

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2024	Operating activities begin
End Date	6/30/2025	Operating activities end

### **Project Environmental Findings**

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

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Date Description	Date
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Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
PROJECT ADMINISTRATION (620-00)	11.79.00	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	0	\$5,447,980.00	\$6,809,978.00

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RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (635-00)	43.50.01	TRAINING	0	\$165,000.00	\$165,000.00

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Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	1	\$337,649.00	\$422,061.00

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SIGNAL & COMM EQUIPMENT (BUS) (116-00)	11.62.20	PURCHASE MISC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	0	\$32,000.00	\$40,000.00

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Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
Bus Associated Transit Improvements (119-00)	11.92.08	PURCHASE SIGNAGE	15	\$64,000.00	\$80,000.00

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Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity FTA Amount		Total Eligible Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300- 00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	0	\$14,250,579.00	\$28,501,139.00

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Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.13.04	BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	1	\$98,175.00	\$115,500.00

### Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

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

### **FTA Comments for DOL**

Comment By	Michael Sherman
Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
Date	9/20/2024

Comment Sent to DOL for information 9/20/2024.