

## Applications are now being accepted for approximately \$7.5 million in federal aid for public transportation in North Dakota

Applications for public transportation (transit) federal operating, administration and capital aid grant program in North Dakota are currently being accepted by the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT).

The 5311 CFDA No. 20.509, 5310 CDFA No. 20.513 and 5339 CDFA No. 20.526 funds are provided by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and administered by the NDDOT.

Applications are being accepted for an estimated \$7.5 million in federal transit grants. The FY 2017 Partial-Year Apportionment is available from FTA. The NDDOT will adjust the awarded amounts to qualifying public transit operators when the full year apportionment is available.

All public transit operators and providers are encouraged to apply. Individuals are not eligible for these funds. All new transit operators applying for funding should review the NDDOT Transit Grant Application Guidelines.

All applications for FTA funding will be administered through NDDOT's BlackCat Grants Software. To review the application guidelines and apply, please go to <http://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/localgov/transit-operator-portal.htm>

For more information, contact Paul Benning at [pbenning@nd.gov](mailto:pbenning@nd.gov) or (701) 328-2217 or Becky Hanson at [bhanson@nd.gov](mailto:bhanson@nd.gov) (701) 328-2542, or mail to: North Dakota Department of Transportation, Local Government Division, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505-0700

Applications from Urban Transit Providers need to coordinate their submittals through their representative Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). These applications are due to their MPOs by **April 3, 2017**.

**All applications will be accepted from Rural Transit Providers and MPOs until Monday, May 1, 2017 at 12:00 pm CDT.**

The NDDOT will consider every request for reasonable accommodation to provide:

- accommodation for people with disabilities
- language interpretation for people with limited English proficiency (LEP)
- translations of written material necessary to access NDDOT programs and information

Appropriate provisions will be considered when the Department is notified at least 15 days prior to the date application is due.

To request accommodations, contact Paula Messmer, Civil Rights Division, NDDOT, at (701) 328-2978 or [civilrights@nd.gov](mailto:civilrights@nd.gov). TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888. Additionally, the Request for Reasonable Accommodations form (SFN 60135) can be accessed at the following NDDOT website location: <http://www.dot.nd.gov/forms/sfn60135.pdf>.