

Buses and Bus Facilities Program Grant

This is only a summary; applicants should not rely on it to meet application requirements. Study the full grant opportunity announcement before applying for any federal grant.

Program Description – Funds to assist in the financing of buses and bus facilities capital projects, including replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing or leasing buses or related equipment, and rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing or leasing bus-related facilities.

Opportunity Numbers – FTA-2025-007-TPM-BUS		Agency – DOT/Federal Transit Administration	
Proposal Deadline: July 14, 2025		FTA will make selections within 75 days of deadline.	BCA Required: No
Available Funding: \$398,103,239 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum Award: \$39,810,323 No Minimum Award A minimum of 15% of awarded funds will go to projects located in rural areas		NOFO & Related – https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358956 FTA - Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program	
Award/Obligation Deadline: FTA will rate projects higher if the grant can be obligated within 12 months of the project selection announcement.		Eligible Activities: Capital projects to replace, rehabilitate, purchase, or lease buses and related equipment, or to rehabilitate, purchase, construct, or lease bus-related facilities.	
Eligibility: States, local governments, and federally recognized Indian tribes. Eligible subrecipients are all otherwise eligible recipients and private nonprofit organizations engaged in public transportation.		Required Cost Share: Maximum Federal share is 80%. Federal share is 85% for transit buses that are compliant with the Clean Air Act or are accessible to people with disabilities. The Federal share is 90% for equipment and components of facilities related to low- or zero-emission buses or are to make the facility accessible to people with disabilities.	

Criteria		
(Address each of the evaluation criteria as described in the NOFO Section 6)		
Demonstration of Need	Demonstration of Benefits	Planning and Local/ Regional Prioritization
Local Financial Commitment (Project Scalability)	Project Implementation Strategy (Partnership Provision)	Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity
Additional Considerations		
Opportunity Zones	Cost-Effective Vehicle Procurements	Strengthen U.S. Vehicle Manufacturing Industry
Benefits for Families and Communities		Buy America

Additional Applicant Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must have sufficient legal, financial, and technical capabilities. Except for projects proposed by Indian tribes, all projects in rural areas* must be submitted by a State either individually or as part of a consolidated State application. States and other eligible applicants may also submit consolidated applications for projects in urbanized areas. The same project may not be submitted in multiple applications.

* (The term "rural area" means an area encompassing a population of less than 50,000 people that has not been designated in the most recent decennial census as an "urbanized area" by the Secretary of Commerce.)

Eligible Project Costs:

Purchasing, leasing, or rehabilitating buses regardless of propulsion type or emissions. Purchasing, leasing, rehabilitating, or constructing bus-related facilities and equipment, regardless of propulsion type or emissions.

Application Contents and Format:

A complete proposal submission consists of two forms and any supporting attachments: SF-424, Supplemental Form.