

Low- or No-Emission 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.

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| Opportunity Numbers – FTA-2025-008-TPM-LWNO | Agency – DOT/Federal Transit Administration | |
| Proposal Deadline: July 14, 2025 | FTA will make selections within 75 days of deadline. | BCA Required: No |
| Available Funding: \$1,105,512,334 A minimum of 25% of the funds awarded will go to low-emission projects that are not zero emission. | NOFO & Related – https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/358957 FTA - Low or No Emission Grant Program - 5339(c) | |
| 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 purchase or lease zero-emission or low-emission transit buses; and acquire, construct, rehabilitate, and lease required supporting facilities such as recharging, refueling, and maintenance facilities. | |
| Eligibility: States, local governments, and federally recognized Indian tribes. | Required Cost Share: 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 | | |
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| (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. All applicants proposing a zero-emission project, including tribes requesting less than \$1 million, are required by law to submit a Zero-Emission Fleet Transition Plan.

Eligible Project Costs:

Purchasing or leasing low-emission and zero-emission buses; acquiring low- or zero-emission buses with a leased power source; leasing, constructing, or rehabilitating public transportation facilities and related equipment to accommodate low- or zero-emission buses.

Application Contents and Format:

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

* (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.)