



Grants For Transit

Minnesota Public Transit Conference

October 26th



Options to Explore

- Federal Grants
 - New and Existing Programs
- State Grants
- Foundations/Other Organizations

Think Beyond Transportation and Build Partnerships



Federal Opportunities

- Older Grant Programs:
 - No/Low Emission Vehicles Program
 - Bus and Bus Facilities Competitive Program
 - Capital Investment Grants (CIG)
 - Tribal Transit Competitive Program
 - Innovative Coordinated Access/Mobility

Program Name	Agency Name	Funding Amount
Urbanized Area Formula Grants	Department of Transportation	\$33,390,947,107
State of Good Repair Grants	Department of Transportation	\$21,640,412,832
Capital Investment Grants	Department of Transportation	\$8,000,000,000
Low or No Emission (Bus) Grants	Department of Transportation	\$5,624,550,890
Formula Grants for Rural Areas	Department of Transportation	\$4,109,463,374
Bus and Bus Facilities Formula Grants	Department of Transportation	\$3,161,294,400
Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities	Department of Transportation	\$2,193,105,343
Ferry Service for Rural Communities **	Department of Transportation	\$2,000,000,000
Bus and Bus Facilities Competitive Grants	Department of Transportation	\$1,966,392,169
All Stations Accessibility Program	Department of Transportation	\$1,750,000,000
Rail Vehicle Replacement Grants **	Department of Transportation	\$1,500,000,000
Metropolitan Transportation Program	Department of Transportation	\$799,441,834
Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants **	Department of Transportation	\$500,000,000
Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula	Department of Transportation	\$183,250,437
Statewide Transportation Planning	Department of Transportation	\$167,001,389

Public Transportation Discretionary Grant Programs

Urbanized Area Passenger Ferry Program	Department of Transportation	\$150,000,000
Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program	Department of Transportation	\$137,437,828
Research, Development, Demonstration and Deployment Projects (Less Set Aside)	Department of Transportation	\$132,218,677
Rural Transportation Assistance Program	Department of Transportation	\$91,552,911
Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development	Department of Transportation	\$68,864,631
Public Transportation Technical Assistance and Workforce Development	Department of Transportation	\$61,978,167
Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Competitive	Department of Transportation	\$45,812,610
Transit Cooperative Research Program	Department of Transportation	\$34,432,315
Pilot Program for Enhanced Mobility	Department of Transportation	\$24,102,620
National Rural Transportation Assistance Program	Department of Transportation	\$13,743,783
TOTAL - PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION		\$87,746,003,317

[NEW] Safe Streets and Roads for All (discretionary)

Purpose	Support local initiatives to prevent transportation-related death and serious injury on roads and streets (commonly referred to as “Vision Zero” or “Toward Zero Deaths” initiatives).
Funding	\$5.0B (FY 22-26) in advance appropriations from the GF
Eligible entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPO • Political subdivision of a State (e.g., local governments) • Tribal government
Eligible projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive safety action plan (planning grant) • Planning, design, and development activities for infrastructure projects and other strategies identified in a comprehensive safety action plan
Other key provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets aside not less than 40% of total funding each FY for planning grants. • Requires considering, among other factors, the likelihood of a project significantly reducing or eliminating fatalities and serious injuries involving various road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists, and commercial operators.

[NEW] PROTECT Grants (discretionary)

Purpose	Planning, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk coastal infrastructure
Funding	\$1.4 B (FY 22-26) in Contract Authority from the HTF
Eligible entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State (or political subdivision of a State) • MPO • Local government • Special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function • Indian Tribe • Federal land management agency (applying jointly with State(s)) • <i>Different eligibilities apply for at-risk coastal infrastructure grants</i>
Eligible projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highway, transit, intercity passenger rail, and port facilities • Resilience planning activities, including resilience improvement plans, evacuation planning and preparation, and capacity-building • Construction activities (oriented toward resilience) • Construction of (or improvement to) evacuation routes
Other key provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Federal share if the eligible entity develops a resilience improvement plan (or is in a State or area served by MPO that does) and the State or MPO incorporates it into its long-range transportation plan • May only use up to 40% of the grant for construction of new capacity

[NEW] Local and Regional Project Assistance Program* (discretionary)

Purpose	Projects with a significant local or regional impact that improve transportation infrastructure
Funding	\$7.5 B (FY 22-26) in advance appropriations from the GF
Eligible entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State (and DC) • Territory • Local government • Public agency or publicly chartered authorities established by one or more States • Special purpose district or public authority with transportation function • Federally-recognized Indian Tribe • Transit agency
Eligible projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highway/bridge projects eligible under title 23 • Public transportation projects • Passenger or freight rail projects • Port infrastructure investments • Surface transportation components of an airport • Projects for investment in surface transportation facilities on Tribal land • Projects to replace or rehabilitate a culvert or certain projects to prevent stormwater runoff • Any other surface transportation projects considered necessary to advance program goals

* Codifies the existing Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program previously established through appropriations acts (and formerly known as TIGER and BUILD).



Strengthening Mobility & Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART)

- RECIPIENTS (A) A State; (B) a political subdivision of a State; (C) a Tribal government; (D) a public transit agency or authority; (E) a public toll authority; (F) a metropolitan planning organization; and (G) a group of two or more of these eligible entities
- ELIGIBLE USES In general, a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation grant may be used to carry out a project that demonstrates at least one of the following: Coordinate Automation Connected Vehicles; Intelligent, sensor-based infrastructure; Systems integration; Commerce delivery and logistics; Leveraging use of innovative aviation technology; Smart grid; Smart technology traffic signals.



Advanced Transportation Technologies & Innovative Mobility Deployment

- **RECIPIENTS:** State or local government, a transit agency, metropolitan planning organization, or a multi-jurisdictional group or a consortia of research institutions or academic institutions. The term multi-jurisdictional group means any combination of State governments, local governments, metropolitan planning agencies, or transit agencies that have signed a written agreement to implement the advanced transportation technologies deployment initiative across jurisdictional boundaries.
- **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The program will make competitive grants to deploy, install, and operate advanced transportation technologies.
- **ELIGIBLE :** should improve safety, mobility, efficiency, system performance, intermodal connectivity, and infrastructure return on investment



Carbon Reduction Program

- **RECIPIENTS:** States (including District of Columbia)
- **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The Carbon Reduction Program will provide formula grants to States to reduce transportation emissions or the development of carbon reduction strategies.
- **ELIGIBLE USES:** States may use Carbon Reduction Program funds for projects that support the reduction of transportation emissions, including: the construction, planning, and design of trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation; public transportation projects; and congestion management technologies.



2022 RAISE Grants for Minnesota

- RAISE AWARD AMOUNT: \$9,514,984

APPLICANT: BOIS FORTE BAND OF CHIPPEWA

STATE: MINNESOTA RURAL

Project Description: The project will construct a transit facility for the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa using a design that includes parallel parking to maximize the use of the space that will include a bus wash, a mechanics work bay with a lift, and solar power generation system.

- RAISE AWARD AMOUNT: \$12,000,000

APPLICANT: HENNEPIN COUNTY

STATE: MINNESOTA URBAN

Project Description: The project will construct turn lanes, bus only lanes, remove a lane, provide ADA upgrades (pedestrian ramps and APS push button stations), and pave new surface along the Lake Street corridor in Minneapolis.



2022 RAISE Grants for Minnesota

- RAISE AWARD AMOUNT: \$15,000,000

APPLICANT: CITY OF PLYMOUTH

STATE: MINNESOTA URBAN

Project Description: The project will reconstruct a segment of Highway 55 by adding two new in-line bus platforms, constructing one mile of new multi-use path, adding a new at-grade trail railroad crossing, a new pedestrian refuge on Highway 55, and a new roundabout at South Shore Drive and 10th Avenue North. It will also realign County Road 73, construct a bicycle station and e-bike/e-scooter charging area at Station 73, and make stormwater improvements.



2022 NO-Low Emission Vehicles Grants for Minnesota

- **SouthWest Transit** \$8,127,891

SouthWest Transit, which serves the southwest Minneapolis suburban cities of Chaska, Chanhassen and Eden Prairie will receive funding to buy battery electric buses and charging equipment to replace vehicles that have exceeded their useful life. SWT has set a goal to switch over its express and microtransit fleets to electric vehicles over the next 20 years.

- **Chippewa Tribe-White Earth Band of Chippewa Indians** \$3,607,642

White Earth Public Transit will receive funding to build a new bus facility and office space in Waubun. The facility will include a passenger terminal as well as bus storage and maintenance, improving the efficiency and reliability of transit service.



NO-Low Emission Vehicles Grants for Minnesota

- **Minnesota Department of Transportation** \$3,414,680

The Minnesota Department of Transportation will receive funding to buy battery electric buses and charging equipment to replace buses that are part of four rural transit fleets. MnDOT will provide training for transit workers throughout the transition, part of its goal to help improve the overall state of good repair for the state's transit fleet and achieve its greenhouse gas reduction goals.

- **Prairie Island Indian Community** \$1,616,426

The Prairie Island Indian Community in Red Wing will receive funding to buy seven battery-electric buses and charging equipment and train transit workers to operate and maintain vehicles powered with new technologies. The buses will replace vehicles that had reached their useful life and help the tribe achieve its net zero-emission goals, which it plans to achieve through conservation, energy efficiency, renewable energy generation and vehicle electrification.



NO-Low Emission Vehicles Grants for Minnesota

Bois Forte Band of Chippewa \$739,500

The Bois Forte Band of Chippewa will receive funding to buy propane-fueled buses to replace diesel buses to improve the efficiency of its Big Woods Transit fleet and minimize negative environmental impacts in the Arrowhead region of northern Minnesota. The buses will lessen idle time in cold weather, reduce fuel cost, and by emitting less carbon dioxide than gasoline, reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



Resources For Accessing IIJA Funds

- <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/BUILDING-A-BETTER-AMERICA-V2.pdf>
- <https://www.whitehouse.gov/build/>
- <https://www.whitehouse.gov/build/technical-assistance-guide/>
- BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GUIDE

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BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:

Keyword(s):

Opportunity Number:

CFDA:

OPPORTUNITY STATUS:

- Forecasted (1)
- Posted (5)
- Closed (45)
- Archived (201)

FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:

- All Funding Instruments
- Grant (6)

ELIGIBILITY:

- All Eligibilities
- City or township governments (1)
- County governments (1)
- Individuals (1)
- Native American tribal governments

- AGENCY: [X] All Department of Transportation

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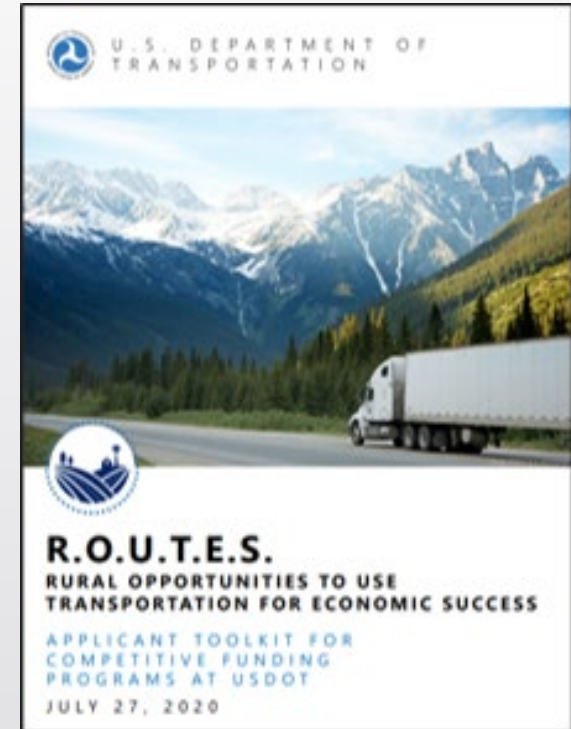
DATE RANGE:

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Opportunity Number	Opportunity Title	Agency	Opportunity Status	Posted Date	Close Date
693JJ322NF00009	Bridge Investment Program - Planning, Bridge Projects, and Large Bridge Projects	DOT-FHWA	Posted	06/10/2022	
2023TTPSF	2023 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund	DOT-FHWA	Forecasted	06/07/2022	
2022TTPSF	2022 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund	DOT-FHWA	Posted	06/07/2022	09/15/2022
693JJ322NF5202-2022	Administration of the Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program (DDETFP) Local Competition at Designated Institutions of Higher Education	DOT-FHWA	Posted	06/09/2022	07/11/2022
693JJ322NF5201-2022	Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program (DDETFP) Graduate Fellowship	DOT-FHWA	Posted	06/09/2022	07/25/2022
DOT-SS4A-FY22-01	Safe Streets and Roads for All Discretionary Grant Program	DOT-DOT X-50	Posted	05/16/2022	09/15/2022

Federal Grants

- The R.O.U.T.E.S. grant applicant toolkit provides applicants with a roadmap and an overview of USDOT funding programs and opportunities.
- The toolkit includes specific tips on applying as a smaller applicant entity.
- The R.O.U.T.E.S. website hosts videos describing the toolkit and a PDF of the toolkit.
- www.transportation.gov/rural/grants/toolkit



Grants Learning Center

- [Grants 101](#) Basics about the grant lifecycle & management
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State of Minnesota

- Welcome to MN Grants! <https://mn.gov/grants/topics/>
- This website provides a single entry point to State of Minnesota grant opportunities.
- Grant seekers can search for grant opportunities by state agency or by subject area by following the appropriate link. Please read grant announcements carefully as some state grant opportunities are only open to certain types of organizations, such as units of government.
- Grant managers: information about managing state grants, including the appropriate use of state grant funds, can be found at the Office of Grants Management web site: <http://mn.gov/admin/government/grants/>



Foundations

- Minnesota Council of Nonprofits <https://www.minnesotanonprofits.org/resources-tools/resources-by-topic/fundraising-grantseeking/foundations-grantwriting>
- A nonprofit foundation is an organization that supports charitable acts for the good of the nonprofit sector and the constituencies nonprofits serve. Foundations grant nonprofit organizations funding for general or operating support, or for program development or project support.
- There are three basic types of foundations: community, corporate and private foundations.
- Some foundations will grant funding to a broad range of missions and causes, while others may be more limited to specific nonprofit missions or organizations located in a specific geographic location.



Foundations

- There are three main ways that Foundations focus their grantmaking:
 1. by geography
 2. by activity area (ie. environment), and/or
 3. by constituency served (ie. youth).
- In Minnesota, there are approximately 1,500 active foundations and corporate giving programs that provide grantseekers with a wide variety of funding interests from which to apply. Grantseekers are responsible for developing a persuasive proposal that can not only stand up to questions and scrutiny but effectively fits the interests and guidelines of the funder to which it is sent.

Think Creatively!

- Look for Partners
- Work with Local Governments
- Stay on top of announcements for funding opportunities
- IIJA is a 5-Year Authorization – think ahead
- Use Consultants
- Search for Technical Assistance

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