



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Announcement of Fiscal Year 2026 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program Project Selections

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of project selections and implementation guidance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the award of \$388,279,883 for 34 projects under the FY 2026 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (Bus Competitive Program). This notice provides administrative guidance on project implementation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for information regarding applying for the funds or program-specific information. A list of Regional Offices can be found at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/about/regional-offices/regional-offices>. For all other questions, contact Kirsten Wiard-Bauer, Office of Program Management, at ftalownobusnofo@dot.gov or (202) 366-2053. A TDD is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5339(b)) authorizes FTA to make competitive grants for the Bus Competitive Program.

Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5338(a)(2)(M)) authorized \$408,223,797 in FY 2026 funds for the Bus Competitive Program after an oversight takedown.

On May 15, 2025, FTA published a joint Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcing the availability of approximately \$398 million in FY 2025 Bus Competitive Program funds and approximately \$1.10 billion in Low or No Emission (Low-No) Program funds (90 FR

20737). FTA is electing to select additional projects from this NOFO using FY 2026 Bus Competitive Program funds, as well as available prior year funds. These funds will provide financial assistance to states and eligible public agencies to replace, rehabilitate, purchase, or lease buses, vans, and related equipment; and for capital projects to rehabilitate, purchase, construct, or lease bus-related facilities. In response to the NOFO, FTA received 479 eligible project proposals requesting approximately \$6.8 billion in Federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO.

Based on the criteria in the NOFO, FTA is funding 34 projects, as shown in Table 1, for a total of \$388,279,883. A minimum of 15 percent of the amount made available for the Bus Competitive Program is set aside for projects located in rural areas, which is reflected in FTA's joint selections across FY 2025 and FY 2026. A statutory cap of 10 percent for any one applicant in the Bus Competitive Program is reflected as well.

Recipients selected for competitive funding are required to work with their FTA Regional Office to submit a grant application in FTA's Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) for the projects identified in the attached table to quickly obligate funds. A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TrAMS application. Grant applications must include only eligible activities applied for in the original project proposal.

When the allocated amount is less than the requested amount, recipients must reduce scope or scale the project so that a complete phase or a usable segment of the originally proposed project is implemented. Amounts may be reduced because they were capped or scaled due to more funding being requested than available, ineligible expenses may have been removed from the funded project scope, or funding was allocated for only the low-emission elements of a mixed-emission project. In all such cases where the amount allocated is less than the amount

requested, the recipient should work with its Regional Office to reduce the scope appropriately.

Recipients may also provide additional local funds to complete a proposed project.

Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than Friday, February 20, 2026. Pre-award costs are incurred at your own risk, and the announcement that a project was selected does not guarantee that FTA will, in fact, obligate a grant for the funding. FTA is not required to reimburse pre-award costs if you do not receive an obligated grant or if the obligated grant is less than anticipated and is inadequate to cover all pre-award costs. Eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon planning and environmental requirements having been met, among other factors. For more about FTA's policy on pre-award authority, please see the current FTA Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/apportionments>.

Post-award reporting requirements include submission of Federal Financial Reports and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMS (see FTA Circular 5010.1F). Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant. FTA emphasizes that recipients must follow all third-party procurement requirements set forth in Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5325(a)) and described in the FTA Third Party Contracting Guidance Circular (FTA Circular 4220.1G).

Funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2029.

TECHNICAL REVIEW AND EVALUATION SUMMARY: The FTA assessed all project proposals that were submitted under the FY 2025 Buses and Bus Facilities Program and the Low-No Program competition. For information on the evaluation criteria, please refer to Federal Register Notice (91 FR 1856): <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2026/01/15/2026-00643/announcement-of-fiscal-year-2025-grants-for-buses-and-bus-facilities-program-and-fiscal-year-2025>.

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TABLE 1
FY 2026 BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES PROJECT SELECTIONS
 (Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.)

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project Description	Award
AK	Manokotak Village	D2026-BUSC-100	Purchase expansion bus	\$205,000
AK	University of Alaska Fairbanks	D2026-BUSC-101	Expand and rehabilitate maintenance facility	\$5,440,000
CA	Antelope Valley Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-102	Construct operations and maintenance facility	\$16,640,000
CA	City of Santa Ana	D2026-BUSC-103	Rehabilitate and replace bus infrastructure	\$3,472,000
CA	Foothill Transit	D2026-BUSC-104	Construct a mobility hub	\$20,800,000
CA	Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District	D2026-BUSC-105	Relocate bus transit center	\$25,600,000
CA	Orange County Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-106	Purchase safety and security equipment for bus facilities	\$960,000
CA	San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS)	D2026-BUSC-107	Construct bus transit center	\$14,680,000
DE	Delaware Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-108	Rehabilitate buses	\$14,260,000
FL	City of Gainesville	D2026-BUSC-109	Purchase replacement buses, construct bus transfer station, and improve bus stops	\$10,263,750
FL	Florida Department of Transportation obo Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX)	D2026-BUSC-110	Purchase replacement buses	\$9,270,640
HI	Honolulu Department of Transportation Services	D2026-BUSC-111	Purchase replacement buses and related equipment	\$11,569,965

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IA	Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-112	Expand bus facility	\$20,000,000
IL	Springfield Mass Transit District	D2026-BUSC-113	Construct bus fueling station	\$6,733,300
LA	New Orleans Regional Transit Authority (NORTA)	D2026-BUSC-114	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate two operations and maintenance facilities	\$27,200,000
MD	Maryland Transit Administration obo Transit Services of Frederick County	D2026-BUSC-115	Purchase replacement vehicles	\$336,000
MI	Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-116	Purchase new bus facility	\$7,220,095
MO	Kansas City Area Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-117	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate bus facility	\$13,333,000
NC	City of Durham	D2026-BUSC-118	Purchase replacement buses	\$6,142,400
NC	Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority dba GoTriangle	D2026-BUSC-119	Expand and rehabilitate operations and maintenance facility	\$17,718,750
NC	Town of Chapel Hill	D2026-BUSC-120	Purchase replacement vehicles and safety training equipment	\$8,802,268
ND	North Dakota Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-121	Purchase replacement buses	\$5,070,000
NV	Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada	D2026-BUSC-122	Purchase replacement buses and related equipment	\$8,843,449
NY	Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA)	D2026-BUSC-123	Construct bus maintenance, storage, and administrative facility	\$28,800,000

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NY	New York City Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-124	Construct and rehabilitate bus stops	\$10,000,000
NY	Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-125	Rehabilitate three bus facilities	\$21,600,000
OR	Salem Area Mass Transit District	D2026-BUSC-126	Construct bus transit center	\$3,000,000
PR	Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority obo Municipality of Aguada	D2026-BUSC-127	Purchase expansion buses and rehabilitate bus terminal	\$2,477,341
PR	Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority obo Municipality of San German	D2026-BUSC-128	Purchase expansion buses and construct bus stops	\$1,182,550
TN	City of Clarksville	D2026-BUSC-129 and D2026-BUSC-130	Construct bus transit center	\$16,000,000
VA	Petersburg Area Transit	D2026-BUSC-131	Purchase replacement buses and construct operations and maintenance facility	\$23,820,750
VA	Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads	D2026-BUSC-132	Purchase replacement buses	\$10,620,000
WA	Kitsap County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority (DBA Kitsap Transit)	D2026-BUSC-133	Construct bus driver training facility	\$15,000,000
WA	Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe	D2026-BUSC-134	Purchase replacement buses and construct bus facility	\$1,218,625
Total				\$388,279,883