

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	MT-2021-025-00
Temporary Application Number	5974-2021-3
Application Name	ARP Section 5311 TTP Blackfeet Tribe Transit- Capital & Operating
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A	
Original Period of Performance End Date	3/31/2022	
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A	Revision #: N/A

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION MONTANA

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	Recipient DUNS
5974	Indian Tribe	BLACKFEET TRIBE	038284670

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	AGENCY SQ	BROWNING	MT	594170000
Physical Address	AGENCY SQ	BROWNING	MT	59417
Mailing Address	AGENCY SQUARE, P. O. BOX 850	BROWNING	MT	59417

Union Information

Union Name	NO UNIONS
Address 1	
Address 2	

City	
State	
Zipcode	
Contact Name	No Unions
Telephone	
Fax	
E-mail	
Website	

Part 2: Application Information

Title: ARP Section 5311 TTP Blackfoot Tribe Transit- Capital & Operating

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
MT-2021-025-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	7/20/2021	7/20/2021	No

Application Executive Summary

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The Recipient agrees that if it receives Federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or through a pass-through entity through the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, a different Federal agency, or insurance proceeds for any portion of a project activity approved for FTA funding under this Grant Agreement, it will provide written notification to FTA, and

reimburse FTA for any Federal share that duplicates funding provided by FEMA, another Federal agency, or an insurance company.

Per ARP and the Tribal Transit Program, the project(s) in this application is not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan, Statewide Transportation Plan, or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

Pre-Award Authority

This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is directly allocated these funds and is eligible to apply for and receive these funds directly.

Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

Indirect Rate Details: N/A

Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

Delinquent Federal Debt

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

Application Point of Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
Warren	Blackman	Transit Director	wblackman@blackfeetnation.com	(406) 338-5604
Eboni	Younger-Riehl	Transportation Program Specialist	eboni.younger-riehl@dot.gov	(303) 362-2394

Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$141,218
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$21,813
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$163,031

Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
MT-2021-025-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$141,218.00	\$0.00	\$141,218.00	2
MT-2021-025-01-00	11.13.04 BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	\$141,218.00	\$0.00	\$141,218.00	2
MT-2021-025-02-00	600-00 (600-A2) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$21,813.00	\$0.00	\$21,813.00	1
MT-2021-025-02-00	30.09.08 EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$21,813.00	\$0.00	\$21,813.00	1

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: Capital-Rolling Stock

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MT-2021-025-01-00	5974-2021-3-P1	7/20/2021	7/1/2021	12/27/2021

Project Description

FY21 ARP 5311 TTP funding will be used to purchase 2 vehicles for expanded transit service routes. 100% federal share.

Project Benefits

The vehicles will allow the Tribal Transit Program to expand routes to include medical visits to Cut Bank, Heart Butte, Babb, St. Mary's and East Glacier, Montana. Additionally, these vehicles will allow safer travel in inclement weather because they will include snow chains for each vehicle and allow more room for passengers with disabilities.

Additional Information

None provided.

Location Description

We are located on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation in Browning, Montana.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
300000	Montana

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
Montana	1	Matthew Rosendale Sr.

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

UPWP

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

Long Range Plan

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$141,218
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0

State		\$0
State/In-Kind		\$0
Other Federal		\$0
Transportation Development Credit		\$0
Adjustment		\$0
Total Eligible Cost		\$141,218

Project Budget

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MT-2021-025-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$141,218.00	\$0.00	\$141,218.00	2
MT-2021-025-01-00	11.13.04 BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	\$141,218.00	\$0.00	\$141,218.00	2

Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.13.04 - BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.13.04	BUY <30-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION	BUY EXPANSION - CAPITAL BUS	2

Extended Budget Description

This funding will be used to purchase two ADA accessible 2WD, 2020 Starcraft buses. Both vehicles will be 14 passenger. These vehicles will allow the Tribal Transit Program to expand transit service to Cut Bank and Heart Butte. Each bus will cost \$70,609.15 and the total cost will be \$141,218.30.

The useful life is 4 years/100,000miles for both vehicles.

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

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Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0

State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$141,218

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
RFP Process	7/1/2021	
Contract Award	8/31/2021	Recipient is piggy-backing off of an Oklahoma state contract.
Initial Delivery	9/9/2021	Initial Delivery
Final Delivery	9/27/2021	Final Delivery
Contract Closeout	12/27/2021	Contract Closeout

Project Environmental Findings

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

Class Level Description

Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

Categorical Exclusion Description

Type 07: Acquisition, installation, rehabilitation, replacement, and maintenance of vehicles or equipment, within or accommodated by existing facilities, that does not result in a change in functional use of the facilities, such as: equipment to be located within existing facilities and with no substantial off-site impacts; and vehicles, including buses, rail cars, trolley cars, ferry boats and people movers that can be accommodated by existing facilities or by new facilities that qualify for a categorical exclusion.

Date	Description
	Class IIc CE Approved

Project Title: Operating Funds for ARP

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MT-2021-025-02-00	5974-2021-3-P2	8/12/2021	8/1/2021	12/31/2021

Project Description

This funding will be used for the continued operations of the Blackfeet Tribal Transit Program.

Project Benefits

This funding will allow the Tribal Transit Program to continue vital public transit services.

Additional Information

None provided.

Location Description

Browning, MT Blackfeet Indian Reservations

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
300000	Montana

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
Montana	1	Matthew Rosendale Sr.

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

UPWP

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

Long Range Plan

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

Project Control Totals

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Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

Extended Budget Description

FY21 ARP Act funds will be used to provide operating assistance for the continued operations of the Tribal Transit Program. Federal share is 100%.

Operating funds will cover expenses from August 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, including drivers' salaries and fringe benefits, fuel, oil, dispatcher salaries and fringe benefits, and licenses. This also includes paying administrative leave for operations and maintenance personnel due to reductions/suspending of service. Operating expenses are based on past operating expenses.

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

No, 3rd Party Contractors will not be used for this line item.

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Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$21,813

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start of Operating Assistance	8/1/2021	Start of Operating Assistance
End of Operating Assistance	12/31/2021	End of Operating Assistance

Project Environmental Findings

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Categorical Exclusion Description

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date	Description
	Class IIc CE Approved

Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

FTA Comments for DOL

Comment By **Eboni Younger-Riehl**

Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 8/25/2021

Comment Warren Blackman, Blackfeet Transit Director
PO Box 850

Browning, MT 59417
406-338-5604

Application Review Comments

Comment By Morgan Hecht

Comment Type Application Details

Date 8/6/2021

Requirements to Remember for: FTA-assisted vehicle purchases:
Effective November 2014, FTA recipients are required to submit, within 30 days of making an award, the name of the successful bidder and the total dollar value of the contract. Remember, only eligible TVMs may bid on FTA-assisted transit vehicle procurements. Recipients must report these vehicle purchases on the form on FTA's website:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vehicleawardreportsurvey>

As your agency undergoes the procurement process for vehicles, please ensure that you are in compliance with these requirements and verifying that any manufacturers bidding on the contract have so complied. Please find linked here a list of transit vehicle manufacturers (TVMs) that have DBE programs and goals which are FTA-approved:

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/TVM>

These TVMs are approved to bid on and be awarded FTA-assisted vehicle contracts. This list is regularly updated by FTA and should be used as reference for your upcoming vehicle purchases, but if you do not see a TVM on the list and are under the impression that it had an FTA-approved program, please contact FTA to confirm.

Requirements to Remember for: Remanufacture or Rebuilt Vehicles:

Comment

Your agency must comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations related to this project, including the accessibility specifications for transportation vehicles.

Specifically, your agency must comply with the ADA Standards for rehabilitating vans and cutaway buses. If altering or rebuilding vehicles, the vehicles must be readily accessible. (DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.75; DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.83; and DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.89.)

If a remanufactured or rebuilt vehicle will not be accessible, the grantee must submit information to FTA demonstrating that the structural integrity of the vehicle would be significantly compromised if it is made accessible. Include an appropriate structural engineering analysis. (DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.75 (c); DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.83(c) and DOT ADA Regulation 49 C.F.R. 37.89(c).)

The information provided above is intended as technical assistance and applies only to the project as described. Should the project scope change or new information on the project be provided, FTA may require a re-evaluation of the project information and require additional information. This confirmation is not an express or implied promise of project compliance with the ADA or other civil rights requirements.

Application Review Comments

Comment By Eboni Younger-Riehl

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	8/12/2021
Comment	Returning to recipient for edits and so that recipient can add an operating assistance project.

Part 6: Agreement

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION**

**GRANT AGREEMENT
(FTA G-28, February 9, 2021)**

On the date the authorized U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) official signs this Grant Agreement, FTA has obligated and awarded federal assistance as provided below. Upon execution of this Grant Agreement by the Recipient named below, the Recipient affirms this FTA Award, enters into this Grant Agreement with FTA, and binds its compliance with the terms of this Grant Agreement.

The following documents are incorporated by reference and made part of this Grant Agreement:

- (1) "Federal Transit Administration Master Agreement," FTA MA(28), February 9, 2021, <http://www.transit.dot.gov>,
- (2) The Certifications and Assurances applicable to the FTA Award that the Recipient has selected and provided to FTA, and
- (3) Any Award notification containing special conditions or requirements, if issued.

WHEN THE TERM "FTA AWARD" OR "AWARD" IS USED, EITHER IN THIS GRANT AGREEMENT OR THE APPLICABLE MASTER AGREEMENT, "AWARD" ALSO INCLUDES ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS GRANT AGREEMENT.

FTA OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY WITHDRAW ITS OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IF THE RECIPIENT DOES NOT EXECUTE THIS GRANT AGREEMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS FOLLOWING FTA's AWARD DATE SET FORTH HEREIN.

FTA AWARD

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) hereby awards a Federal Grant as follows:

Recipient Information

Recipient Name: BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION MONTANA

Recipient ID: 5974

DUNS No: 038284670

Application Information

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Application Budget

Total Application Budget: \$163,031.00

Amount of Federal Assistance Obligated for This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$163,031.00

Amount of Non-Federal Funds Committed to This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$0.00

Total FTA Amount Awarded and Obligated (in U.S. Dollars): \$163,031.00

Total Non-Federal Funds Committed to the Overall Award (in U.S. Dollars): \$0.00

Application Budget Control Totals

(The Budget includes the individual Project Budgets (Scopes and Activity Line Items) or as attached)

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Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$163,031

(The Transportation Development Credits are not added to the amount of the Total Award Budget.)

U.S. Department of Labor Certification of Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements:

Original Certification Date:

Special Conditions

There are no special conditions.

FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS

By signing this Award on behalf of FTA, I am making all the determinations and findings required by federal law and regulations before this Award may be made.

FTA AWARD OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT

Awarded By:

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Contact Info:
Award Date:

EXECUTION OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT

Upon full execution of this Grant Agreement by the Recipient, the Effective Date will be the date FTA or the Federal Government awarded Federal assistance for this Grant Agreement.

By executing this Grant Agreement, the Recipient intends to enter into a legally binding agreement in which the Recipient:

- (1) Affirms this FTA Award,
- (2) Adopts and ratifies all of the following information it has submitted to FTA:
 - (a) Statements,
 - (b) Representations,
 - (c) Warranties,
 - (d) Covenants, and
 - (e) Materials,
- (3) Consents to comply with the requirements of this FTA Award, and
- (4) Agrees to all terms and conditions set forth in this Grant Agreement.

Executed By:

BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION MONTANA