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U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NC-2022-036-00
Temporary Application Number	1005-2022-9
Application Name	ARP Section 5311 Rural Transit Operating Assistance
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A
Original Period of Performance End Date	3/30/2029
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: TRANSPORTATION, NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF					
Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS	
1005	State Agency	NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	TPF3F49RKAZ3	948614169	

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Part 2: Application Information

Title: ARP Section 5311 Rural Transit Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NC-2022- 036-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	3/29/2022	3/29/2022	No

Application Executive Summary

This is an FFY 2021 Section 5311 ARP funding application for North Carolina DOT in the amount of \$18,226,140, representing 100% federal share of the total eligible amount. This application utilizes ARP funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. The application scope of work includes categories for the subrecipients of NCDOT statewide: \$9,893,876 in operating funds, \$495,553 in capital funds, \$209,718 in RTAP ARP funds, \$5,839,739 in Intercity Bus funds, \$1,787,254 in state admin funds. Purpose: The purpose of this award is to provide the state of North Carolina and its subrecipients operating assistance, eligible capital projects, and for the rural transit assistance program (RTAP) for the state and its subrecipients.

Expected Outcomes: Continued safe and effective operation of transit services for rural areas of North Carolina.

Intended Beneficiaries: North Carolina State transit agencies and citizens in the rural and non-urbanized areas of the state.

Subrecipient Activities: Several rural agencies will receive operating assistance, along with three intercity bus operators. Several rural agencies will receive capital funding for the purchase of equipment eligible for ARP.

The Recipient certifies that it, and its subrecipients and contractors that are providers of public transportation, have not furloughed any employees since March 27, 2020 (the enactment date of the CARES Act).

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, the project(s) in this application is/are not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan, Statewide Transportation Plan, or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The operating expenses requested in this application were determined by a formula allocation based on the three factors: 1) amount of CARES funding allocated to subrecipients, 2) the normal 5311 formula allocation and 3) the amount of operating funds requested by the subrecipient. North Carolina DOT understands that the expenses requested in this application are subject to review for their reasonableness as part of the agency's next Triennial/State Management Review.

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 not using Pre-Award Authority.

Does this application include suballocation funds? Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

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

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Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$14,043,104
5311 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$4,183,036
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0

Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$O
Total Eligible Cost	\$18,226,140

Application Budget

Project Number		Budget	t Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NC-2022-036- 01-00	114- 00 (114- A2)	BUS: SUPPC FACILITIES	ORT EQUIP AND	\$495,553.00	\$0.00	\$495,553.00	181
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11///////	CQUIRE - ADP ARDWARE	\$269,373.00	\$0.00	\$269,373.00	77
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11.42.20 S	CQUIRE - MISC UPPORT QUIPMENT	\$226,180.00	\$0.00	\$226,180.00	104
NC-2022-036- 01-00	300- 00 (300- A1)	OPERATING	ASSISTANCE	\$9,893,876.00	\$0.00	\$9,893,876.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		30.09.08 O	MER RELIEF - PERATING SSIST - 100% ed Share	\$9,893,876.00	\$0.00	\$9,893,876.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00	610- 00 (610- A4)	STATE / PRO ADMINISTRA		\$1,787,253.00	\$0.00	\$1,787,253.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11.80.00 P	TATE OR ROGRAM DMINISTRATION	\$1,787,253.00	\$0.00	\$1,787,253.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00	634- 00 (634- A5)	INTERCITY E		\$1,656,704.00	\$0.00	\$1,656,704.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		30.09.08 <mark>O</mark> A	MER RELIEF - PERATING SSIST - 100% ed Share	\$1,656,704.00	\$0.00	\$1,656,704.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00	635- 00 (635- A3)	RURAL TRAI ASSISTANCE		\$209,718.00	\$0.00	\$209,718.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		43.50.01 T	RAINING	\$209,718.00	\$0.00	\$209,718.00	0
NC-2022-036-	634-	INTERCITY E	BUS	\$4,183,036.00	\$0.00	\$4,183,036.00	0

02-00	00 (634- A6)	TRANSPO	RTATION				
NC-2022-036- 02-00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$4,183,036.00	\$0.00	\$4,183,036.00	0

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: ARP Section 5311

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
NC-2022-036-01-00	1005-2022-9-P1	5/11/2022	3/2/2022	6/30/2024

Project Description

This is a FFY 2021 ARP Section 5311 application in the amount of \$18,226,140 (100% Federal Share) for total award, This application utilizes ARP ACT funding for operating, capital, RTAP, intercity bus and state administration to help respond to and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. This application is programmed to provide immediate funds for subrecipients with a secondary process to award remaining funds to address additional needs. Due to the changing nature of the current public heath emergency, this will provide maximum flexibility to NCDOT.

North Carolina DOT has developed a program of projects consistent with its documented State Management Plan that has been updated to accommodate ARP funds. That POP has been attached to this application.

In relation to intercity bus, the entire funding amount allocated to 5311(f) has been utilized in this application.

Project Benefits

This project enables rural transit provides to continue operating adjusting transit services as needed to aid communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes necessary trips to work and medical appointments. Such services such as meal delivery and and other critical services as needed may be provided during this time. This project also provides for extra maintenance of transit buses including sanitizing, modifications for social distancing and driver and other staff personal protective devices. Other benefits are the provision of salaries for staff on administration leave, agency administration and continued connections for travelers between rural areas.

Additional Information

None provided.

Location Description

This project will occur statewide.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
North Carolina	1	G. K Butterfield
North Carolina	2	Renee L Ellmers
North Carolina	3	Walter B Jones
North Carolina	4	David E Price
North Carolina	5	Virginia Foxx
North Carolina	6	Mark Walker
North Carolina	7	David Rouzer
North Carolina	8	Richard Hudson
North Carolina	9	Robert Pittenger
North Carolina	10	Patrick T McHenry
North Carolina	11	Mark Meadows
North Carolina	12	Alma S Adams
North Carolina	13	George Holding

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project(s) includes only operations, planning and/or capital projects, with no substantial functional, location, or capacity change. Therefore, per ARP requirements, no Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) documentation is needed.

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 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$14,043,104
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0

Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$14,043,104

Project Budget

Project Number		Budg	get Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NC-2022-036- 01-00	114- 00 (114- A2)	BUS: SUF AND FAC	PPORT EQUIP ILITIES	\$495,553.00	\$0.00	\$495,553.00	181
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11.42.07	ACQUIRE - ADP HARDWARE	\$269,373.00	\$0.00	\$269,373.00	77
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11.42.20	ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	\$226,180.00	\$0.00	\$226,180.00	104
NC-2022-036- 01-00	300- 00 (300- A1)	OPERATI	NG ASSISTANCE	\$9,893,876.00	\$0.00	\$9,893,876.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$9,893,876.00	\$0.00	\$9,893,876.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00	610- 00 (610- A4)	STATE / F ADMINIS ⁻	PROGRAMS IRATION	\$1,787,253.00	\$0.00	\$1,787,253.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	\$1,787,253.00	\$0.00	\$1,787,253.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		INTERCIT TRANSPO	TY BUS DRTATION	\$1,656,704.00	\$0.00	\$1,656,704.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$1,656,704.00	\$0.00	\$1,656,704.00	0
NC-2022-036- 01-00	635- 00 (635- A3)	RURAL T ASSISTAI	RANSIT NCE PROGRAM	\$209,718.00	\$0.00	\$209,718.00	0
NC-2022-036-		43.50.01	TRAINING	\$209,718.00	\$0.00	\$209,718.00	0

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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
INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION (634-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	0

Extended Budget Description

NCDOT is applying for \$5,839,739 in operating assistance for ARP 5311(f) Intercity Bus Operating Assistance that includes \$4,183,036 in ARP 5311(f) and \$1,656,704 in ARP 5311.

These are three projects included in the Program of Project and they are awarded to Greyhound Lines, and Barons Bus Inc and Trolley's Inc. The attached Program of Projects to this application details funding for each of the three intercity bus providers.

7/1/2022-6/30/2024

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$1,656,704
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$1,656,704

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2022	
End Date	6/30/2024	

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.42.07 - ACQUIRE - ADP HARDWARE				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS: SUPPORT EQUIP AND FACILITIES (114-00)	11.42.07	ACQUIRE - ADP HARDWARE	ACQUISITION OF BUS SUPPORT EQUIP/FACILITIES	77

Extended Budget Description

Subrecipients will purchase the following from this ALI:

City of Rocky Mount - (14) Automatic Vehicle Locators, (14) Automated Passenger Count systems, (14) Automated Voice Annunciation units (useful life of 7 years)

Robeson County - security camera system (useful life is 7 years)

Yancey County - replacement radios (useful life of 6 years) and computers for vans and offices (useful life of 5 years)

Craven County - (27) mobile radio systems (useful life life of 6 years), a wheelchair securement training table, (5) hard-drive replacement for cameras (useful life of 7 years), and a contactless fare collection system (useful life of 7 years)

All useful life information is found within the descriptions of the specific items above.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$269,373
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$269,373

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	3/3/2022	
End Date	6/30/2023	

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.42.20 - ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS: SUPPORT EQUIP AND FACILITIES (114- 00)	11.42.20	ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	ACQUISITION OF BUS SUPPORT EQUIP/FACILITIES	104

Extended Budget Description

NCDOT subrecipients will purchase the following misc equipment with funds from this ALI. Choanoke County - (5) Safety Lift Guards, (1) Driver Training TV and Mount, (25) HEPA Air Filtration Systems (useful life is 7 years), (25) Driver Protection Barriers Union County - (12) Vehicle Wraps with COVID Message Martin County - (13) COVID-19 Bus/Van Barriers, (13) Bus/Van Air Filtration Units (useful life is 7 years) McDowell County - Plexiglass driver shields for LTVs Mitchell County - (10) driver barriers Useful life for all of these items are 5 years, unless otherwise noted in the line item above.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$226,180
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$226,180

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	3/3/2022	
End Date	6/30/2023	

Budget Activity Line Item: 43.50.01 - TRAINING				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (635-00)	43.50.01	TRAINING	RURAL TRANSIT ASST PROGRAM	0

Extended Budget Description

North Carolina Department of Transportation will use funds for training, technical assistance and conference workshops. The Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) provides a source of funding to assist in the design and implementation of training and technical assistance projects and other support services tailored to meet the specific needs of transit operations in non-urbanized areas. The department received and annual allocation of these funds to develop and implement training and technical assistance programs in conjunction with the administration of the CTP program.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$209,718
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0

Other Federal	Ş	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	S	\$0
Adjustment	Ś	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	:	\$209,718

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	3/3/2022	
End Date	6/30/2023	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
STATE / PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION (610-00)	11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	STATE / PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	0

Extended Budget Description These funds will be used to support administration of ARP 5311 funding. This ALI does not exceed the maximum of 10% of the state's ARP apportionment.

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item? No, 3rd Party Contractors will not be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$1,787,253
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$1,787,253

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	3/3/2022	
End Date	6/30/2023	

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity

OPERATING	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING	OPERATING	0
ASSISTANCE (300-00)	30.09.00	ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	ASSISTANCE	0

Extended Budget Description

This grant will use \$9,893,876 in ARP funding for rural operating assistance for 31 transportation providers for the period of March 3, 2022 thru June 30,2023. Funds are being programmed to provide immediate funds for subrecipients. Due to the changing nature of the current public health emergency, this will provide maximum flexibility to NCDOT. See the attached Program of Projects for listing of each subrecipient and the award amount detail.

3/2/2022-6/30/2023

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$9,893,876
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$9,893,876

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	3/2/2022	
End Date	6/30/2023	

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 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
Date	Description

Date

Class IIc CE Approved

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300- 00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	0	\$9,893,876.00	\$9,893,876.00

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

Class Level Description

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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 offsite 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	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
BUS: SUPPORT EQUIP AND FACILITIES (114-00)	11.42.07	ACQUIRE - ADP HARDWARE	77	\$269,373.00	\$269,373.00

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

Class Level Description

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Date Description	
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Date

Class IIc CE Approved

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
BUS: SUPPORT EQUIP AND FACILITIES (114- 00)		ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	104	\$226,180.00	\$226,180.00

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

Class Level Description

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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	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (635-00)	43.50.01	TRAINING	0	\$209,718.00	\$209,718.00

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

Class Level Description

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Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code Line Item Line Item Name Quantity FTA Amount Total Eligible

	Number			Cost
STATE / PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION (610-00)	11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	0	\$1,787,253.00 \$1,787,253.00

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

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Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION (634-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	0	\$1,656,704.00	\$1,656,704.00

Project Title: ARPA Intercity Bus Funds						
Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date		
NC-2022-036-02-00	1005-2022-9-P2	6/2/2022	7/1/2022	6/30/2024		

Project Description

This project contains only the ARPA Intercity Bus Funds in the amount of \$4,183,036

Project Benefits

This project will assist the three intercity bus providers with operating expenses with this funding. These operators provide statewide service for intercity bus.

Additional Information

None provided.

Location Description

This is a statewide project.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code

Area Name

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
North Carolina	1	G. K Butterfield
North Carolina	2	Renee L Ellmers
North Carolina	3	Walter B Jones
North Carolina	4	David E Price
North Carolina	5	Virginia Foxx
North Carolina	6	Mark Walker
North Carolina	7	David Rouzer
North Carolina	8	Richard Hudson
North Carolina	9	Robert Pittenger
North Carolina	10	Patrick T McHenry
North Carolina	11	Mark Meadows
North Carolina	12	Alma S Adams
North Carolina	13	George Holding

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project(s) includes only operations, planning and/or capital projects, with no substantial functional, location, or capacity change. Therefore, per ARP requirements, no Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) documentation is needed.

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 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$4,183,036
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0

Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$4,183,036

Project Budget

Project Number		Budget It	em	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NC-2022-036- 02-00	634- 00 (634- A6)	INTERCITY TRANSPOR		\$4,183,036.00	\$0.00	\$4,183,036.00	0
NC-2022-036- 02-00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$4,183,036.00	\$0.00	\$4,183,036.00	0

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	
INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION (634-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	0	

Extended Budget Description

NCDOT is applying for \$5,839,739 in operating assistance for ARP 5311(f) Intercity Bus Operating Assistance that includes \$4,183,036 in ARP 5311(f) and \$1,656,704 in ARP 5311.

These are three projects included in the Program of Project and they are awarded to Greyhound Lines, and Barons Bus Inc and Trolley's Inc. The attached Program of Projects to this application details funding for each of the three intercity bus providers.

7/1/2022-6/30/2024

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$4,183,036
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0

State	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$4,183,036

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2022	
End Date	6/30/2024	

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 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	Date
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	Holly Liles
Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
Date	6/16/2022
Comment	

Application Review Comments

Comment By	Holly Liles
Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/2/2022
Comment	The ARP Intercity bus funds (\$4,183,036) needs to be in a separate project by itself.

Part 6: Agreement

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

GRANT AGREEMENT (FTA G-29, October 1, 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(29), 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: TRANSPORTATION, NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF

Recipient ID: 1005

UEI: TPF3F49RKAZ3

DUNS: 948614169

Application Information

Federal Award Identification Number: NC-2022-036-00

Application Name: ARP Section 5311 Rural Transit Operating Assistance

Application Start Date: N/A

Original Award End Date: 3/30/2029

Current Award End Date: N/A

<u>Application Executive Summary:</u> This is an FFY 2021 Section 5311 ARP funding application for North Carolina DOT in the amount of \$18,226,140, representing 100% federal share of the total eligible amount. This application utilizes ARP funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. The application scope of work includes categories for the subrecipients of NCDOT statewide: \$9,893,876 in operating funds, \$495,553 in capital funds, \$209,718 in RTAP ARP funds, \$5,839,739 in Intercity Bus funds, \$1,787,254 in state admin funds.

Purpose: The purpose of this award is to provide the state of North Carolina and its subrecipients operating assistance, eligible capital projects, and for the rural transit assistance program (RTAP) for the state and its subrecipients.

Expected Outcomes: Continued safe and effective operation of transit services for rural areas of North Carolina.

Intended Beneficiaries: North Carolina State transit agencies and citizens in the rural and non-urbanized areas of the state.

Subrecipient Activities: Several rural agencies will receive operating assistance, along with three intercity bus operators. Several rural agencies will receive capital funding for the purchase of equipment eligible for ARP.

The Recipient certifies that it, and its subrecipients and contractors that are providers of public transportation, have not furloughed any employees since March 27, 2020 (the enactment date of the CARES Act).

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, the project(s) in this application is/are not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan, Statewide Transportation Plan, or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The operating expenses requested in this application were determined by a formula allocation based on the three factors: 1) amount of CARES funding allocated to subrecipients, 2) the normal 5311 formula allocation and 3) the amount of operating funds requested by the subrecipient. North Carolina DOT understands that the expenses requested in this application are subject to review for their reasonableness as part of the agency's next Triennial/State Management Review.

Research and Development: This award does not include research and development activities.

Indirect Costs: This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

<u>Suballocation Funds</u>: Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

Pre-Award Authority: This award is not using Pre-Award Authority.

Application Budget

Total Application Budget: \$18,226,140.00

Amount of Federal Assistance Obligated for This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$18,226,140.00

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): \$18,226,140.00

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)

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$14,043,104
5311 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$4,183,036
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$18,226,140

(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:

TRANSPORTATION, NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF