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Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NE-2022-021-00
Temporary Application Number	6955-2022-2
Application Name	Omaha Tribe of Nebraska FY 2021 ARP Section 5311 Transit PM and Operating Assistance
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A	
Original Period of Performance End Date	9/30/2024	
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A	

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA				
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6955	Indian Tribe	OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA		118683309

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	101 MAIN ST	MACY	NE	68039
Physical Address	101 MAIN ST	MACY	NE	68039
Mailing Address	P.O. BOX #368	MACY	NE	68039

Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

Part 2: Application Information

Title: Omaha Tribe of Nebraska FY 2021 ARP Section 5311 Transit PM and Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NE-2022- 021-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	11/29/2021	11/29/2021	No

Application Executive Summary

This is an FFY 2021 Section 5311 ARP funding application under the State of Nebraska UZA (310000) for the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska in the amount of \$358,526 representing 100 % federal share of the total eligible amount. This application utilizes ARP funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

Purpose: The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska will utilize this award to maintain existing transit services on the reservation.

Activities to be performed:

Funds will be used to cover eligible preventive maintenance and operating expenses such as driver salaries, fuel, items having a useful life of less than one year, and vehicle preventive maintenance.

Preventive Maintenance: \$45,000 Operating Assistance: \$313,526 Application Budget Total: \$358,526

The application scope of work includes: The pre-award use of the funds incurred from 06/15/2022 to 09/30/2024 until all funds are expended.

The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska agrees 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.

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).

Per ARP, the project(s) in this application are 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 is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

Indirect Rate Details: The indirect cost approval rate is 20.60% for the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska.

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
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Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$358,526
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$358,526

Application Budget

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2022-021-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$358,526.00	\$0.00	\$358,526.00	0
NE-2022-021-01- 00		11.7A.00 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	0
NE-2022-021-01- 00		30.09.08 ARPA - OPERATING	\$313,526.00	\$0.00	\$313,526.00	0

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: Operating & Preventative Maintenance Projects

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
NE-2022-021-01-00	6955-2022-2-P1	11/29/2021	6/15/2022	9/30/2024

Project Description

FY 2021 ARP Projects TTP funds in the amount of \$358,526 will be used for operating expenses, and preventative maintenance on vehicles.

Activities to be performed:

Funds will be used to cover eligible vehicle preventive maintenance and operating expenses such as driver salaries, fuel, items having a useful life of less than one year, and vehicle preventive maintenance.

Preventive Maintenance: \$45,000 Operating Assistance: \$313,526 Application Budget Total: \$358,526

The Tribe is using Federal funds at the 100:0 match ratio for the time period of 06/15/2022 until expended

STIP

There is no STIP requirement.

Project Benefits

Our tribe is economically challenged with little commerce being conducted within the reservation. It is therefore necessary for our tribal members to travel significant distances to obtain or maintain employment. Many of our members do not have access to transportation at all or only to unreliable transportation, so there is a huge lack of transportation which represents a gaping need for transit services in this area.

Because of the isolated, rural nature of our communities, it is vital that our tribal members have access to the nearest cities for many services that are not available within our communities of Macy, Walthill, and Rosalie. Many of our tribal members lack the appropriate transportation or licensing to drive the distance to these services. The operation funding would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. The operation assistance would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. By adding two vans we would expect to only maintain, but to improve our ability to provide expanded services to our members and the public.

Although we have a medical facility on our reservation, many individuals who live in outlying rural areas need transportation to access these services. In addition, the services provided at our clinic are limited, and travel is necessary when referred out to Sioux City, or Omaha to receive expanded medical care. As stated previously, job opportunities are severely limited on the reservation so it is critical that our members have access to employment in other communities such as Sioux City and the surrounding area. There is no grocery store or other retail outlet s within the reservation which can provide healthy alternatives for our members so it is vital to provide access to food stored and other retail outlet for necessities.

The educational opportunities on our reservation are limited to a community college with narrow degree options and only an associated level degree. This transit enables our tribal members to continue past that level of education or to pursue expanded degree areas not offered locally.

Additional Information

Following up on the OTPT operations regarding coronavirus, we are writing to reiterate important information for faculty and staff members and to ask for your individual assistance during this challenging time. Although there are no coronavirus cases on the Omaha Indian Reservation to date, we all need to take seriously the OTN's urgent message that we will be most successful if we continue to prepare for and mitigate potential impacts if we support one another and work together to protect our community.

As of March 9, 2020 the Omaha Tribe Public Transit's attempts to suppress the spread of the novel coronavirus, we have seen a devastating effect on public transit use. OTPT is finding this a struggle to maintain service amid collapse in ridership. As of March 9, 2020 our ridership has decreased to 3 riders. All 3 riders work at Seaboard Triumph Foods, which is located in an infected area of Woodbury County, lowa.

Starting March 10, 2020 OTPT severely curtailed our hours, operating between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, & Friday. These days OTPT provided ridership in our communities to grocery shop, purchase home cleaning supplies, purchase home necessities, etc. We did not transport into Woodbury County, Douglas County, or Lancaster County at this time due to those counties being infected with COVID-19.

Location Description

Located at 544 Skunk Hollow drive, Macy, NE 68039 on the Omaha Indian Reservation in Macy, Nebraska.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
310000	Nebraska

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
Nebraska	1	Jeff Fortenberry

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	\$358,526
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$358,526

Project Budget

Project Number	t Number Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2022-021- 01-00	600- 00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$358,526.00	\$0.00	\$358,526.00	0
NE-2022-021- 01-00		11.7A.00 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	0
NE-2022-021- 01-00		ARPA - 30.09.08 OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$313,526.00	\$0.00	\$313,526.00	0

Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.7A.00 - PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS)	0

Extended Budget Description

Preventative maintenance is being requested for the OTPT service fleet. It will cover maintenance of the vehicles, and excluding fuel. Pre-award authority expenses in the approximate amount of \$45,000 were incurred from 06/15/2022 to 09/30/2024.

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 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$45,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$45,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start date	6/15/2022	
End Date	9/30/2024	

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	0

Extended Budget Description

The Tribal Transit funds in the amount of \$313,526 are being requested for operating to support OTPT services for the Omaha Tribe's service through the COVID-19 pandemic beginning March 6, 2020 until expended and the funding does not last.

Pre-award authority expenses in the approximate amount of \$313,526 were incurred from 06/15/2022 to 09/30/2024.

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 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$313,526
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
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State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$313,526

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	6/15/2022	
End Date	9/30/2024	

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	9/13/2022	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.08	ARPA - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	0	\$313,526.00	\$313,526.00

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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	9/13/2022

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	0	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00

Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

FTA Comments for DOL

Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
Date	9/13/2022
Comment	Activities to be performed: Funds will be used to cover eligible preventive maintenance and operating expenses such as driver salaries, fuel, items having a useful life of less than one year, and vehicle preventive maintenance. Preventive Maintenance: \$45,000 Operating Assistance: \$313,526 Application Budget Total: \$358,526

Application Review Comments

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	9/13/2022
Project Title	Operating & Preventative Maintenance Projects
Project Number	NE-2022-021-01-00
Comment	The proposed preventative maintenance activities on vehicles are found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(7).

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	9/13/2022
Project Title	Operating & Preventative Maintenance Projects
Project	NE-2022-021-01-00

Number	
Comment	The proposed operating assistance activity is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(4).