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U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	MA-2021-022-00
Temporary Application Number	1349-2021-2
Application Name	MassDOT Section 5311 FFY'21 CRRSAA Act
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A
Original Period of Performance End Date	3/1/2024
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: Transportation, Massachusetts Executive Office Of

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	Recipient DUNS
1349	State Agency	MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	824848659

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
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City	Fitchburg

State	Massachusetts
Zipcode	01420
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Fax	
E-mail	
Website	
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Address 2	
City	Greenfield
State	Massachusetts
Zipcode	01301
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Website	

Part 2: Application Information

Title: MassDOT Section 5311 FFY'21 CRRSAA Act

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
MA-2021-022-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	1/24/2021	1/24/2021	No

Application Executive Summary

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While FTA is making this award, we are in the process of reviewing documentation furnished in response to possible questioned costs and unauthorized use of FTA funded assets associated with MassDOT's BusPlus program. Should questioned costs, improper management of the program and/or misuse of FTA funded assets be determined, corrective action(s) may be taken, repayment of previously dispersed funds may be required, and a return of funds may be processed. MassDOT must ensure that the private operators adhere to the terms and conditions of their Bus Plus Program Service and Maintenance Agreements and any Service and Maintenance Agreement Extensions, including but not limited to the following:

- Operator agrees to operate Coach(es) for regularly scheduled regional (intercity & commuter) bus service only. The use of Coaches for charter, sightseeing, special, contract, and other non-regularly scheduled route purposes is prohibited
- The coaches may not be used for third-party contracts of any sort unless MassDOT Rail and Transit Division gives advance approval in writing
- Operator agrees to operate the Coach(es) in accordance with the requirements applicable to a "carrier" set forth in the BusPlus+ Program Guidance

MassDOT is current with all Civil Rights submissions. The FY21 Certifications and Assurances were executed in TrAMS on 3/4/2021. All administrative and statutory requirements have been met in accordance with the §5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program, as articulated in FTA Circular 9040.1G.

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 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 is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

Indirect Rate Details: MassDOT's Indirect Cost Rate for FY21 is .81% which is used for the Administration Scope (610-00) for MassDOT transit division salaries. The approved letter, dated November 13, 2020, is

attached in the Recipient Organization profile.

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 (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$7,261,894
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
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MA-2021-022-	610- STATE / PROGRAMS	\$726,189.00	\$0.00	\$726,189.00	0

01-00	00 (610-A3)	ADMINISTRATION				
MA-2021-022-01-00		11.80.00 STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	\$726,189.00	\$0.00	\$726,189.00	0
MA-2021-022-01-00	634-00 (634-A2)	INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION	\$1,089,284.00	\$0.00	\$1,089,284.00	0
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MA-2021-022-01-00		30.09.08 EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share-Basil S. Kinton dba Coach Co.	\$131,718.00	\$0.00	\$131,718.00	0

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: MassDOT Section 5311 FFY21 CRRSAA Act- Operating, Intercity and Admin

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MA-2021-022-01-00	1349-2021-2-P1	2/3/2021	1/20/2020	3/1/2024

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Project Benefits

This project provides operating assistance to three non-urbanized RTAs for operations throughout the entire service area and Berkshire Regional Transit Authority, a partially non-urbanized RTA. Intercity bus projects will be used to subsidize operating costs for rural routes.

Additional Information

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Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
250000	Massachusetts

Congressional District Information

State	District	Representative
Massachusetts	1	Richard E Neal
Massachusetts	3	Niki Tsongas
Massachusetts	4	Joseph P Kennedy
Massachusetts	5	Katherine M Clark
Massachusetts	6	Seth Moulton
Massachusetts	7	Michael E Capuano
Massachusetts	8	Stephen F Lynch
Massachusetts	9	William R Keating

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: In accordance with the CRRSAA Act, 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

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Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share
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Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	0

Extended Budget Description

Funds will be used for all operating assistance for Berkshire Regional Transit Authority (BRTA), Franklin Regional Transit Authority (FRTA), Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) and Nantucket Regional Transit Authority (NRTA) in the amount of \$5,466,421. Funds will be used for all operating activities (net fare revenues) incurred January 20, 2020 forward for demand response, ADA Paratransit, Fixed Route and Shuttle Services. Operating expenses include costs necessary to operate, maintain, and manage a public transportation system including driver salaries, fuel, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies and administrative leave for employees put on leave due to reductions in service or leave required for a quarantined worker.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$5,446,421
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$5,446,421

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	1/20/2020	Operating costs that have occurred since 1/20/20.
End Date	1/19/2024	Operating costs ended.

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

Scope Name / Code	Line	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
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		Item #			
INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION (634-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE		0

Extended Budget Description

Greyhound Bus Lines - Financial assistance based on revenue miles and net deficit of operations for rural services.

Funds will be used for all operating activities (net fare revenues) to include costs necessary to operate, maintain, and manage a public transportation system including driver salaries, fuel, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies and administrative leave for employees put on leave due to reductions in service or leave required for a quarantined worker.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$216,672
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$216,672

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	4/1/2020	For service operated starting April 1, 2020.
End Date	5/31/2020	For service operated ending 5/31/2020.

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share-Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc.

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

Financial assistance based on revenue miles and net deficit of operations for rural services.

Funds will be used for all operating activities (net fare revenues) incurred January 20, 2020 forward. Operating expenses include costs necessary to operate, maintain, and manage a public transportation

system including driver salaries, fuel, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies and administrative leave for employees put on leave due to reductions in service or leave required for a quarantined worker.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$553,730
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$553,730

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	1/20/2020	For service operated starting on 1/20/2020.
End Date	5/31/2020	For service operated ending 5/31/20.

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

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

Financial assistance based on revenue miles and net deficit of operations for rural services.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$41,643
Local			\$0

Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$41,643

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	6/1/2020	For service operated starting 6/1/20.
End Date	8/31/2020	For service ending 8/31/20.

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share-C & J Bus Lines

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

Financial assistance based on revenue miles and net deficit of operations for rural services.

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$145,521
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$145,521

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	5/1/2020	Service start date 5/1/20.
End Date	6/30/2020	For service operated ending 6/30/20.

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.08 - EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share-Basil S. Kinton dba Coach Co.

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

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

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

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$131,718
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$131,718

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	1/20/2020	For service operated starting 1/20/20.
End Date	5/31/2020	For service operated ending 5/31/20.

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.80.00 - STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

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

Extended Budget Description

MassDOT hereby requests ten (10%) percent of the total FFY'21 CRRSAA Act statewide allocation (\$726,189) for State Administration. These funds will be used to support staff salaries, planning activities, and technical assistance. Currently, there are no plans for a federal procurement to hire 3rd party contractors. However, in the future, 3rd Party Technical Assistance may be needed.

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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Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$726,189

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	5/3/2021	Administration may start on 5/3/21.
End Date	3/1/2024	Admin to end 3/1/2024.

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
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Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

FTA Comments for DOL

Comment By Ryan Bartlett

Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
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Date	4/7/2021
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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: Transportation, Massachusetts Executive Office Of

Recipient ID: 1349

DUNS No: 824848659

Application Information

Federal Award Identification Number: MA-2021-022-00

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MassDOT 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.

While FTA is making this award, we are in the process of reviewing documentation furnished in response to possible questioned costs and unauthorized use of FTA funded assets associated with MassDOT's BusPlus program. Should questioned costs, improper management of the program and/or misuse of FTA funded assets be determined, corrective action(s) may be taken, repayment of previously dispersed funds may be required, and a return of funds may be processed. MassDOT must ensure that the private operators adhere to the terms and conditions of their Bus Plus Program Service and Maintenance Agreements and any Service and Maintenance Agreement Extensions, including but not limited to the following:

- Operator agrees to operate Coach(es) for regularly scheduled regional (intercity & commuter) bus service only. The use of Coaches for charter, sightseeing, special, contract, and other non-regularly scheduled route purposes is prohibited
- The coaches may not be used for third-party contracts of any sort unless MassDOT Rail and Transit Division gives advance approval in writing
- Operator agrees to operate the Coach(es) in accordance with the requirements applicable to a "carrier" set forth in the BusPlus+ Program Guidance

MassDOT is current with all Civil Rights submissions. The FY21 Certifications and Assurances were executed in TrAMS on 3/4/2021. All administrative and statutory requirements have been met in accordance with the §5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program, as articulated in FTA Circular 9040.1G.

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

Indirect Costs: This award is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

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

Pre-Award Authority: This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

Application Budget

Total Application Budget: \$7,261,894.00

Amount of Federal Assistance Obligated for This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$7,261,894.00

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): \$7,261,894.00

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 (CRRSAA)	5311-9A	20509	\$7,261,894
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$7,261,894

(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, Massachusetts Executive Office Of