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### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Federal Transit Administration** 

# **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NH-2022-008-00
Temporary Application Number	1385-2021-7
Application Name	American Rescue Plan (ARP) - 5311 (Rural/Intercity/State Admin)
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A
Original Period of Performance End Date	6/30/2029
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A

# **Part 1: Recipient Information**

# Name: TRANSPORTATION, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
1385	State Agency	NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		808591697

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	107 N MAIN ST RM 208	CONCORD	NH	033014951
Physical Address	7 HAZEN DRIVE	CONCORD	NH	03302
Mailing Address	7 HAZEN DR	CONCORD	NH	03302

### **Union Information**

There are no union contacts for this application

# **Part 2: Application Information**

# Title: American Rescue Plan (ARP) - 5311 (Rural/Intercity/State Admin)

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NH-2022- 008-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	6/1/2021	6/1/2021	No

### **Application Executive Summary**

This application is to request Section 5311 Rural Area American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funds apportioned to the State of New Hampshire in the amount of \$915,050.

Purpose: The purpose of this award is to provide the state of New Hampshire and its subrecipients operating assistance for the rural transit assistance (RTAP) for New Hampshire and its subrecipients.

Activities to be performed: Funds will used to cover eligible operating expenses such as salaries, personal protection equipment, and enhanced cleaning in relation to COVID-19 guidelines in order to continue transit operations and state administration as follows:

- Project #1 provides operating assistance to New Hampshire's rural transit providers in the amount of \$219.566.
- Project #2 provides operating assistance to support intercity bus service in the amount of \$617,296
- Project #3 provides \$29,275 for state administration.
- Project #4 provides operating assistance to support intercity bus service in the amount of \$43,913

Expected outcomes: Continued safe and effective operation with transit service for rural areas of New Hampshire.

Intended Beneficiaries: New Hampshire State transit agencies and citizens in the rural and non-urbanized areas of New Hampshire.

Subrecipient activities: Five rural agencies will receive operating assistance, along with one intercity transit provider.

#### Rural providers:

- Advance Transit
- Southwestern Community Services
- Community Action of Belknap-Merrimack County
- Tri-County Community Action Program
- VNA @ HCS

### Intercity provider:

- Concord Coach Lines

Activities in this grant began on July 1, 2021 and will continue through the Period of Performance End Date. Per ARP, the grant requests 100% federal share and the activities in this application are not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The Recipient (NHDOT) 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.

NHDOT executed the FY22 Certifications and Assurances in TRAMS on 3/11/22. The NHDOT is current

with all Civil Rights Requirements and FTA annual certifications. All administrative and statutory requirements have been met in accordance with the §5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas, as articulated in FTA Circular 9040.1G.

### Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

#### Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annija

#### 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*: Indirect costs will be applied to expenses incurred by NHDOT, for state administration including payroll and fringe benefits. NHDOT's approved rate is 10%, which is based on a pre-determined rate rather than being de minimus. Approval occurred on 8/11/2021 via FHWA.

#### Requires E.O. 12372 Review

Yes, this application requires E.O. 12372 Review

State Application ID: 1385

Date Received by State: 6/9/2021 8:00 PM EDT

### **Delinquent Federal Debt**

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

# **Application Point of Contact Information**

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Ryan	Bartlett	Transportation Program Specialist	ryan.bartlett@dot.gov	(617) 494- 3940

# **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$292,754
5311 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$617,296
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0

State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$910,050

# **Application Budget**

Project Number		Budget Ite	em	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NH-2022-008- 01-00	300- 00 (300- A1)	OPERATING AS	SSISTANCE	\$219,566.00	\$0.00	\$219,566.00	0
NH-2022-008- 01-00		30.09.08 OP	ER RELIEF - ERATING SIST - 100% I Share	\$219,566.00	\$0.00	\$219,566.00	0
NH-2022-008- 02-00	634- 00 (634- A3)	INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTAT		\$617,296.00	\$0.00	\$617,296.00	0
NH-2022-008- 02-00		30.09.08 OP	ER RELIEF - ERATING SIST - 100% I Share	\$617,296.00	\$0.00	\$617,296.00	0
NH-2022-008- 03-00	610- 00 (610- A2)	STATE / PROGR ADMINISTRATION		\$29,275.00	\$0.00	\$29,275.00	0
NH-2022-008- 03-00		11.80.00 PR	ATE OR OGRAM MINISTRATION	\$29,275.00	\$0.00	\$29,275.00	0
NH-2022-008- 04-00	634- 00 (634- A4)	INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTAT		\$43,913.00	\$0.00	\$43,913.00	0
NH-2022-008- 04-00		30.09.08 OP	ER RELIEF - ERATING SIST - 100% I Share	\$43,913.00	\$0.00	\$43,913.00	0

# **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

# **Part 3: Project Information**

# **Project Title: Rural Transit Providers ARP**

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
NH-2022-008-01-00	1385-2021-7-P1	7/2/2021	7/1/2021	6/30/2029

### **Project Description**

This project is requesting \$219,566 in Section 5311 funding for New Hampshire Rural transit providers.

#### **Project Benefits**

This funding will provide immediate assistance to rural transit providers across the State of NH to sustain operations. This project will assist NH's rural public transportation providers, all of which are struggling to provide services and maintain staff levels during the COVID-19 crisis. Perhaps most crucially, ARP funding provides relief from the local match requirement at a time when traditional sources of local match are increasingly uncertain.

#### **Additional Information**

None provided.

#### **Location Description**

This projects supports rural transit providers statewide.

## **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name
330000	New Hampshire

# **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative
New Hampshire	2	Ann M Kuster
New Hampshire	1	Chris Pappas

# **Program Plan Information**

#### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project 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	\$219,566
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$219,566

# **Project Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity	
NH-2022-008-01- 00	300-00 (300- A1)	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	<u> </u>	\$219,566.00	\$0.00	\$219,566.00	0
NH-2022-008-01- 00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$219,566.00	\$0.00	\$219,566.00	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	

OPERATING
ASSISTANCE (300-00)

# EMER RELIEF - OPERATING OPERATING
ASSISTANCE ASSISTANCE

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### **Extended Budget Description**

The New Hampshire DOT is requesting \$219,566 for the state's Rural transit providers. This project will support operating assistance for the following Rural providers:

Advance Transit

Southwestern Community Services

Community Action of Belknap-Merrimack County

Tri-County Community Action Program

VNA @ HCS

Funds will be used for all operating activities (net fare revenues), 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 and leave for an employee to receive the vaccine and recover from potential side effects. Per ARP, the grant requests 100% federal share and the activities in this application are not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

### 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 (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$219,566
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$219,566

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2021	Anticipated start date.
End Date	6/30/2029	Anticipated end date.

# **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	

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	\$219,566.00	\$219,566.00

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
NH-2022-008-02-00	1385-2021-7-P2	7/2/2021	5/1/2022	5/30/2029

#### **Project Description**

NH DOT is requesting \$617,296 of its ARP 5311(f) apportionment for Intercity transit providers.

#### **Project Benefits**

This project will benefit the three routes serviced by Concord Coach. There was a suspension of services during the start of COVID and these funds will be used to restore service on the same routes that were operational prior to the pandemic.

- 1) Berlin, NH to North Conway, NH This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Berlin and North Conway, connecting to existing Concord, NH service to Boston's South Station and Logan Airport.
- 2) Littleton, NH to Concord, NH -This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Littleton, NH, and Concord, NH.
- 3) North Conway, NH to Concord, NH This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Memorial Day and Columbus Day, and then Fridays and Sundays only between Columbus and Memorial Days.

### **Additional Information**

This project services various rural locations in NH, with a primary consideration for connecting residents to the national intercity network via Boston's South Station.

#### **Location Description**

This project services various rural locations in NH, with a primary consideration being connecting residents to the national intercity network via Boston's South Station.

# **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name
330000	New Hampshire
330070	Boston, MANHRI
331890	Manchester, NH
332600	Nashua, NH-MA
250070	Boston, MANHRI

# **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative
New Hampshire	2	Ann M Kuster

New Hampshire	1	Chris Pappas
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# **Program Plan Information**

### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project 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	\$617,296
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$617,296

# **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budget Ite	m	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NH-2022-008-02- 00	634-00 (634- A3)	INTERCITY E TRANSPORT		\$617,296.00	\$0.00	\$617,296.00	0
NH-2022-008-02- 00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$617,296.00	\$0.00	\$617,296.00	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**

NH DOT is requesting \$617,296 of its 5311(f) ARPA allocation for New Hampshire Intercity transit providers.

Intercity provider: Concord Coach Lines

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Concord Coach Lines operated three subsidized routes in NH: 1) Berlin, NH to North Conway, NH, 2) North Conway, NH to Concord, NH, and 3) Littleton, NH to Concord, NH. Services were designed to connect to unsubsidized connecting services from Concord, NH to Boston's South Station and Logan Airport. There was a suspension of services during the start of COVID and these funds will be used to restore service on the same routes that were operational prior to the pandemic.

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 and leave for an employee to receive the vaccine and recover from potential side effects.

### 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 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$617,296
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$617,296

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start date	5/1/2022	Anticipated start date
End Date	5/30/2029	End date based on anticipated burn rate of funds, which may vary due to pandemic effects.

### **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	

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	\$617,296.00	\$617,296.00

# **Project Title: State Administration of ARP Funding**

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
NH-2022-008-03-00	1385-2021-7-P3	7/2/2021	7/1/2021	6/30/2029

### **Project Description**

NHDOT's requests \$29,275 - 10% of the Section 5311 apportionment for NH State Administrative services. This includes indirect costs applied toward payroll and fringe benefits associated with TA provided by NHDOT staff for this grant.

#### **Project Benefits**

This project will utilize 10% of the apportioned ARP 5311 funding for State Administrative funds that will support the NHDOT administer the ARP funding for rural providers; to be 100% fully funded by the FTA. There will be no state or local matching funds.

### Additional Information

None provided.

#### **Location Description**

The NH DOT is based out of the capital city of Concord, NH in Merrimack County.

# **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name	

330000	New Hampshire

# **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative
New Hampshire	2	Ann M Kuster

# **Program Plan Information**

### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project 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	\$29,275
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$29,275

# **Project Budget**

Project Number Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity	
NH-2022-008- 03-00	610- 00 (610-	STATE / PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION	\$29,275.00	\$0.00	\$29,275.00	0

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NH-2022-008- 03-00		11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	\$29,275.00	\$0.00	\$29,275.00	0

## **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity	y Line Item: 11.80.00 - STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	
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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 funding. This ALI does not exceed the maximum of 10% of the state's ARP apportionment in the amount of \$29,275 from the ARP apportionment of \$292,754. State Administrative funds; 100% Federally Funded. Indirect costs will be applied to this line item.

### 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	\$29,275
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$29,275

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2021	Anticipated start date.
End Date	6/30/2029	Anticipated end date.

# **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	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
STATE / PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION (610- 00)	11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	0	\$29,275.00	\$29,275.00

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
NH-2022-008-04-00	1385-2021-7-P4	12/22/2021	5/1/2022	5/30/2029

### **Project Description**

This project requests Section 5311 Rural Area American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funds apportioned to the State of New Hampshire in the amount of \$43,913 (15% of the rural apportionment allocated.)

#### **Project Benefits**

This project will benefit the three routes serviced by Concord Coach. There was a suspension of services during the start of COVID and these funds will be used to restore service on the same routes that were operational prior to the pandemic.

- 1) Berlin, NH to North Conway, NH This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Berlin and North Conway, connecting to existing Concord, NH service to Boston's South Station and Logan Airport.
- 2) Littleton, NH to Concord, NH -This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Littleton, NH, and Concord, NH.
- 3) North Conway, NH to Concord, NH This project entails one southbound and one northbound trip per day between Memorial Day and Columbus Day, and then Fridays and Sundays only between Columbus and Memorial Days.

#### **Additional Information**

This project services various rural locations in NH, with the primary consideration being connecting residents to the national intercity network via Boston's South Station.

#### **Location Description**

This project services various rural locations in NH, with the primary consideration being connecting residents to the national intercity network via Boston's South Station.

# **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name
330000	New Hampshire
	Boston, MANHRI
331890	Manchester, NH
332600	Nashua, NH-MA
250070	Boston, MANHRI

# **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative
New Hampshire	2	Ann M Kuster
New Hampshire	1	Chris Pappas

# **Program Plan Information**

### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: This project 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	\$43,913
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$43,913

## **Project Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity	
NH-2022-008-04- 00	634-00 (634- A4)	INTERCITY B TRANSPORT		\$43,913.00	\$0.00	\$43,913.00	0
NH-2022-008-04- 00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$43,913.00	\$0.00	\$43,913.00	0

# **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity	Line Item: 20.00.09	EMED DELIEE	- OPERATING ASSIST	100% End Share
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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**

NHDOT is requesting \$43,913 - 15% of the rural apportionment to support one intercity provider, Concord Coach Lines. This project will assist the intercity bus provider with operating expenses with 100% ARP funds.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Concord Coach Lines operated three subsidized routes in NH: 1) Berlin, NH to North Conway, NH, 2) North Conway, NH to Concord, NH, and 3) Littleton, NH to Concord, NH. Services were designed to connect to unsubsidized connecting services from Concord, NH to Boston's South Station and Logan Airport. There was a suspension of services during the start of COVID and these funds will be used to restore service on the same routes that were operational prior to the pandemic.

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 and leave for an employee to receive the vaccine and recover from potential side effects.

### 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 (ARPA)	5311-10	20509	\$43,913
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0

State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$43,913

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	5/1/2022	Anticipated start date.
End Date	5/30/2029	End date based on the anticipated burn rate of funds, which may vary due to pandemic effects.

# **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	

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	\$43,913.00	\$43,913.00

# **Part 4: Fleet Details**

No fleet data exists for this application.

# **Part 5: FTA Review Comments**

# **FTA Comments for DOL**

### Comment By Ryan Bartlett

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**DOL Review for Information** 

#### Date

#### 4/8/2022

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#### Comment

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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, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF

Recipient ID: 1385

UEI:

DUNS: 808591697

### **Application Information**

Federal Award Identification Number: NH-2022-008-00

Application Name: American Rescue Plan (ARP) - 5311 (Rural/Intercity/State Admin)

Application Start Date: N/A

Original Award End Date: 6/30/2029

Current Award End Date: N/A

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Activities in this grant began on July 1, 2021 and will continue through the Period of Performance End Date. Per ARP, the grant requests 100% federal share and the activities in this application are not required to be programmed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

The Recipient (NHDOT) 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.

NHDOT executed the FY22 Certifications and Assurances in TRAMS on 3/11/22. The NHDOT is current with all Civil Rights Requirements and FTA annual certifications. All administrative and statutory requirements have been met in accordance with the §5311 Formula Grants for Rural Areas, 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).

<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 using Pre-Award Authority.

### **Application Budget**

Total Application Budget: \$910,050.00

Amount of Federal Assistance Obligated for This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$910,050.00

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): \$910,050.00

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	\$292,754
5311 (f) - Inter City Bus (ARPA)	5311-10D	20509	\$617,296
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$910,050

(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, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF