

## Application

<b>Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)</b>	MN-2023-020-00
<b>Temporary Application Number</b>	6688-2023-1
<b>Award Name</b>	5311(c) ARPA for Operating Assistance
<b>Application Status</b>	Final Concurrence / Reservation
<b>Application Budget Number</b>	0

<b>Period of Performance Start Date</b>	N/A
<b>Original Period of Performance End Date</b>	3/30/2026
<b>Current Period of Performance End Date</b>	N/A Revision #: N/A

### Part 1: Recipient Information

**Name: LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE**

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
6688	Indian Tribe	LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE	EBFFR37CPL55	066511122

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	190 SAILSTAR DR NW	CASS LAKE	MN	56633
Physical Address	190 SAILSTAR DR NW	CASS LAKE	MN	56633
Mailing Address	190 SAILSTAR DR NW	CASS LAKE	MN	56633

### Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

### Part 2: Application Information

## Title: 5311(c) ARPA for Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
MN-2023-020-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 5	5/24/2023	5/24/2023	No

### Application Executive Summary

This is an FFY2021 Section 5311(c) ARPA funding application in the amount of \$103,660.00 representing 100% federal share of the total eligible amount. This application utilizes ARPA funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

The Leech Lake Transportation Program (LLTP) will use the funds for operating assistance to provide public transportation on Leech Lake Indian Reservation from July 01, 2023 to June 30, 2024. LLTP will operate two deviated routes five days a week and seven direct response routes six days a week. LLTP will provide individuals and families with transportation to destinations within the external boundaries of the Reservation and to the cities of Bemidji and Grand Rapids where passengers can access specialty goods and services not available in their local communities.

LLTP will help individuals and families reduce transportation barriers to economic opportunities and increase access to health & wellness programs, quality nutrition, social interactions and cultural & religious activities.

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.

Attached document includes: ARPA Apportionment Table

### 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 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:* Indirect costs will be applied to this application at the rate of 24.42%. The Indirect

Cost Rate was approved by the U.S. Department of Interior (DOI) on 1/04/2022. A copy of the Indirect Cost Proposal is included in this application. The Indirect cost rate will be applied to the applicable activity line descriptions included the approved Indirect Cost Proposal.

**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.

## **Award Description**

**Purpose**

The Leech Lake Transportation Program (LLTP) will use the total FY21 section 5311(c) ARPA apportionment of \$103,660 to continue operating public transportation services on the Leech Lake Indian Reservation from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Reliable transportation services are integral for the community to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus by providing increased access to health and wellness centers, daily nutrition, and household sanitation supplies.

Operating assistance will be used primarily to fund driver wages, fringe benefits, fuel, and applicable indirect costs. The total cost of this project is \$103,660. The Federal share is 100%.

**Activities to be performed:**

LLTP will provide public transportation to destinations within the Leech Lake Indian Reservation and up to 25 miles beyond the exterior boundaries.

LLTP will operate two Deviated Routes to destinations beyond the exterior boundaries of the Reservation. One route will travel from the interior of the Reservation to the city of Bemidji (MN). The other travels from the interior of the Reservation to the city of Grand Rapids (MN). Both destinations are considered regional activity centers where Reservation citizens can access specialty services, municipal offices, and economic opportunities that are not available in their local communities.

The deviated service is provided Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Each route offers a morning and afternoon departure.

Additionally, LLTP will operate seven Direct Response Routes (Dial-A-Ride) to destinations within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation and up to 25 miles beyond. The direct response service is provided Monday through Saturday between the hours of 5:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

LLTP shall maintain and report service data, specific to each mode, to the National Transit Database (NTD): Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPTs), Vehicle Revenue Hours (VRHs), Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRMs), and Vehicles Operated in Maximum Service (VOMS).

LLTP shall submit, in TrAMS, the required Milestone Progress Reports (MPRs) and Federal Financial Reports (FFRs) for this award when due.

**Expected outcomes:**

This project will help individuals and families reduce transportation barriers and achieve the following benefits:

- Improved access to high quality food and nutrition
- Expanded employment and educational opportunities
- Enhanced participation in health and wellness programs
- Increased access to goods and specialty services
- Extended contact with family and social groups
- Participation in cultural and religious activities

Additionally, this project will help the community prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus by assuring regular access to the benefits listed above.

**Intended beneficiaries:**

This project will benefit residents and families that live on the Leech Lake Indian Reservation. As of the 2020 Decennial Census, approximately 11,400 people reside on the Leech Lake Reservation. According to the U.S. Census Bureau's 2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates Reservation families consist of 4,400 Households.

The median age of the Reservation population is 38.4 years. Children under 18 represent 28.3% of the total population. 19.9% of the population is over 65.

The Reservations average family size is 3.36 and the median household income is just under \$56,000 compared to \$70,000 in the U.S. overall.

18.8% of the Reservation population is at or below the poverty level and 41.7% percent of households with children in the home are low income.

According to the LLTP 2020 Transportation Development Plan 44% of transit users have no access to vehicles, 35% cannot or do not drive, and 25% use the transit service to save money.

**Subrecipient Activities:**

"None."

**Application Point of Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
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Mike	Jones	Interim Transportation Operations Coordinator	mike.jones@llojibwe.net	(218) 210-3793

**Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$103,660
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
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Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$103,660</b>

**Application Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
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MN-2023-020-01-00	600-00 (600-A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS		\$103,660.00	\$0.00	\$103,660.00	1
MN-2023-020-01-00		30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$103,660.00	\$0.00	\$103,660.00	1

## Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

## Part 3: Project Information

### Project Title: FY21 5311(c) ARPA Operating Assistance

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MN-2023-020-01-00	6688-2023-1-P1	5/24/2023	7/1/2023	6/30/2024

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### **Additional Information**

#### **Location Description**

Project activities will take place within the exterior Boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation (Leech Lake) and up to 25 miles beyond. Leech Lake is located in North Central Minnesota in the State's 8th Congressional District.

The Reservation's exterior boundaries encompass 864,158 acres within the counties of Beltrami, Cass, Itasca and Hubbard.

Leech Lake is divided into three representative districts. District I in the East, District II in the south and District III in the west. The population is dispersed between 17 main villages and rural housing locations scattered throughout each district. The Tribal Government headquarters is located in the City of Cass Lake.

The City of Cass Lake is the Reservation's main hub of economic activity and employment. The Reservation's municipal offices, health and wellness programs, early childhood center, community college, food market, and Casino are located in Cass Lake.

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

<b>UZA Code</b>	<b>Area Name</b>
270000	Minnesota

### **Congressional District Information**

<b>State</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Minnesota	8	Pete Stauber

### **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

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

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

**Extended Budget Description**

This budget activity includes \$103,660 in FY21 Section 5311(c) ARPA Funds for operating assistance. Operating funds will cover expenses for existing service incurred beginning July 01, 2023 until June 30, 2024. Operating costs include driver wages, fringe benefits, fuel, and office/ sanitation supplies. This operating assistance will overlap with grants MN-2020-044-00, MN-2022-020-00, and MN-2022-028-00. Undertakings are consistent with allowable activities outlined in C9040.1G, page III-11.

No STIP Required.

**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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Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2023	Operating Expenses begin to incur July 1,2023.
End Date	6/30/2024	Operating Assistance fully expensed June 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	5/27/2023



## Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

## Part 5: FTA Review Comments

### FTA Comments for DOL

**Comment By** Colin Korst

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Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 5/31/2023

Comment 5311 Special Waiver for Tribal Transit Funds. No DOL Certification Required.