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#### U.S. Department of Transportation

#### Federal Transit Administration

# **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	AZ-2023-044-00
Temporary Application Number	7206-2023-1
Award Name	Pascua Yaqui Tribe FY2021 5311 Tribal Transit Formula, Capital 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	6/30/2026
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A

Budget Period Start Date	N/A
Budget Period End Date	6/30/2026

# Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: PASCUA YAQUI TRIBE							
Recipient ID Recipient OST Type R			<b>Recipient Alias</b>	UEI	EI DUNS		
7206	206 Indian Tribe		Pascua Yaqui Tribe	Z6S8EJ465CM5	0	078987765	
Location Type	e	Address		City	State	Zip	
Location Type Headquarters	e		ino De Oeste	City Tucson	State AZ	<b>Zip</b> 85746	
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# **Union Information**

# **Part 2: Application Information**

# Title: Pascua Yaqui Tribe FY2021 5311 Tribal Transit Formula, Capital and Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
AZ-2023- 044-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 9	6/26/2023	6/26/2023	No

#### Application Executive Summary

This application is to request FY2021 Tribal Formula Funds apportioned to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$68,782.

This request is made as part of the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula Apportionment (49 USC 5311(C)).

Funds will be used to support contracted services provided by the City of Tucson Sun Tran bus route number 29 to the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo for the period of January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026, and for Capital Projects for the installation of two passenger shelters. The estimated cost per 18' Tucson Sierra Non-Advertising Transit Shelter is \$11,245. The shelters and the 88" benches are prefabricated and will be installed on a concrete pad designed to ADA standards.

Federal Funds: Operating Assistance, FY2021 5311 Tribal Transit Formula Funds apportioned to Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$46,292. Local Match: \$0 Local Sales Tax Total Project Cost: \$46,292.

Federal Funds: Capital, FY2021 5311 Tribal Transit Formula Funds apportioned to Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$22,490. Local Match: \$0 Local Sales Tax Total Project Cost: \$22,490.

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 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.

# **Award Description**

#### Purpose

The purpose of this grant for \$68,782 in Section 5311(c) Public Transportation on Indian Reservations for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe is to provide operating funds for its contract with the City of Tucson, Sun Tran Bus Services, the greater Tucson area for the period of January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026, and to complete capital projects.

#### Activities to be performed:

This application to request FY2021 Section 5311 Tribal Formula Funds Operating assistance apportioned to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$68,782. This request is made as part of the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula Apportionment (49 USC 5311(C)).

Funds will be used to: 1. Support contracted services provided by the City of Tucson Sun Tran bus route number 29, from Casino del Sol through the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo to downtown Tucson, AZ for the period of January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026, and for 2. Capital Projects to install two passenger shelters.

#### **Expected outcomes:**

This transit service will benefit approximately 6,000 tribal members on the remote reservation of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, the majority of who are low-income. Transportation services provide access to employment, medical appointments, educational training, grocery stores, and other important meetings and tasks. Additionally, the funds will allow for the installation of two passenger shelters.

#### Intended beneficiaries:

In accordance with the Justice40 Initiative, the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo (Reservation) is a disadvantaged community. Per the 2020 U.S. Census, up to 30% of residents live below 100% of the poverty level and the Median household income is only \$13,093. This is far below the State and National average which are at \$61,520 and \$64,949 respectively. Many of the residents have limited or no access to transportation except for the Sun Tran bus service to get to medical appointments, employment sectors, education, grocery stores, or other important venues. The area is considered a food desert due to the lack of access to grocery stores. Additionally, up to 32% of the Tribal residents are Food Stamp recipients, which is almost three times the State of Arizona rate of 11.2%. The EPA's Environmental Justice Screen (EJScreen) ranks the area in the 94 percentiles in the USA with regards to various socioeconomic indicators.

Project funding will be used to contract with the City of Tucson for Sun Tran bus services. The City will utilize funds to support Sun Tran and their salaries and benefits for transit staff, fuel costs, uniform purchases, and vehicle insurance. The City of Tucson has provided free fares during the Covid-19 Pandemic and will need the funds provided by PYT to help defray expenses. The free fares have greatly benefited our entire community for work, medical and other needs.

The need for the bus shelters cannot be understated. The Pascua Yaqui Pueblo is located in the Sonoran

Desert and has very limited shade canopy. With climate change projected to increase the heat index, the proposed capital improvements will provide a safe haven for area residents and improve access to transportation for the elders and disabled population.

#### **Subrecipient Activities:**

None

# **Application Point of Contact Information**

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# **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$68,782
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$68,782

# **Application Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity	
AZ-2023-044-01- 00	600-00 (600-A1)	OTHER PROG	RAM COSTS	\$68,782.00	\$0.00	\$68,782.00	3
AZ-2023-044-01- 00		11.32.10	ACQUIRE - BUS PASSENGER SHELTERS	\$22,490.00	\$0.00	\$22,490.00	2
AZ-2023-044-01- 00		30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310	\$46,292.00	\$0.00	\$46,292.00	1

### **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

# **Part 3: Project Information**

### Project Title: Pascua Yaqui Tribe FFY21 5311 Tribal Transit Formula, Capital and Operating Assistance

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
AZ-2023-044-01-00	7206-2023-1-P1	6/26/2023	1/1/2023	6/30/2026

#### **Project Description**

The Pascua Yaqui Tribe requests FFY2021 Section 5311 Tribal Formula Funds Operating assistance apportioned to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$68,782. This request is made as part of the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Formula Apportionment (49 USC §5311(C)).

The grant will provide funding for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe's contracted transportation services (\$46,292) provided by the City of Tucson Sun Tran bus route number 29, from Casino del Sol through the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo to downtown Tucson, Arizona and for Capital Projects (\$22,490) to install two passenger shelters within the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo.

#### **Project Benefits**

The project will provide continued operation of transit service to the Pascua Yaqui Pueblo. The project will benefit underserved Tribal community members, including elder and disabled population, currently commuting to and from the remote Pascua Yaqui reservation via Sun Tran Bus Services. Tribal members utilize the transportation service to get to work, educational facilities, medical appointments, retail and food industry, and other important meetings and tasks in the City of Tucson, AZ. In April 2023 Sun Tran Route 29 had an average of 22 passengers per hour and we want to continue to encourage more people to utilize this service and increase overall ridership. The Capital Projects: installation of two passenger shelters will benefit all transportation users by providing a safe place to access the transportation services.

#### Additional Information

Additionally, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe (PYT) has established a Park & Drive site at Casino Del Sol to promote the environment, and allow residents to leave their vehicle on the reservation and hop on the bus as needed. PYT is also hosting bicycle events that promote the last mile efforts when they utilize the Sun Tran system. These efforts will benefit the environment and the community at large by encouraging alternative modes of transportation.

#### **Location Description**

Located SW of Tucson, Arizona

# **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name
040000	Arizona
040720	Tucson, AZ

### **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative
Arizona	3	Raul M Grijalva
Arizona	3	Raul M Grijalva

### **Program Plan Information**

#### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: The Small Area Transportation Study Update to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe Long Range Transportation Study approved by Tribal Council in 2018 calls for transit improvements that include bus stop upgrades on Ignacio Baumea Rd. that include upgrades to existing bus stops. This would include bus pullout, bus shelters, amenities, sidewalk and street lighting in accordance with ADA standards. The FFY21 grant funds will allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to complete the improvements.

#### UPWP

Date: N/A Description: N/A

#### Long Range Plan

Date: N/A Description: N/A

## **Project Control Totals**

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Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$68,782

## **Project Budget**

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AZ-2023-044-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$68,782.00	\$0.00	\$68,782.00	3
AZ-2023-044-01-		11.32.10 ACQUIRE -	\$22,490.00	\$0.00	\$22,490.00	2

00	P	BUS PASSENGER SHELTERS			
AZ-2023-044-01- 00	30.09.02 S	SLIDING SCALE (5311 DR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	\$46,292.00	\$0.00 \$46,292.00	1

### **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.32.10 - ACQUIRE - BUS PASSENGER SHELTERS				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.32.10	ACQUIRE - BUS PASSENGER SHELTERS	ACQUISITION - BUS STATIONS/TERMINALS	2

#### **Extended Budget Description**

5311 Capital funds will allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to install two bus passenger shelters: One will be located on Tetakusim Road /Camino De Oeste in front of the Pascua Yaqui Health Center, the second will be located at Ignacio Baumea Road. The two 18' Transit Shelters will have a powder coat finish and will be anchored to the existing concrete pad. The transit shelter will also include an 88" bench with three seat delineators. Estimated cost per Transit Shelter is \$11,245.

Federal Funds: Capital, FY2021 5311 Tribal Transit Formula Funds apportioned to Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Arizona, in the amount of \$22,490.

Local Match: \$0 Local Sales Tax Total Project Cost: \$22,490.

#### 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 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$22,490
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$22,490

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Installation of Bus	1/15/2024	Initiate installation of bus passenger shelters (1 Calle

Passenger Shelters (2)		Tetakusim, and 2 at Ignacio Baumea).
End Installation of Bus Passenger Shelter	1/31/2025	Passenger shelters installed at two sites: (Calle Tetakusim and Ignacio Baumea Road)

#### Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.02 - SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

#### **Extended Budget Description**

Section 5311 Operating Assistance will provide funding for the Tribe's transit contract with the City of Tucson for Sun Tran Bus Services. The Pascua Yaqui Tribe Reservation is located in a remote area of Southwest of the City of Tucson, Arizona. Public transportation via Sun Tran Bus is the only form of transportation for many of our tribal members to access employment, medical and educational and retail establishments.

#### 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 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$46,292
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$46,292

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	1/1/2023	Furnish transportation for approximately 6,000 tribal community members on the PYT reservation.
End Date	6/30/2026	Furnish transportation for approximately 6,000 tribal community members on the PYT reservation.

### **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	8/31/2023	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	1	\$46,292.00	\$46,292.00

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

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#### **Categorical Exclusion Description**

Type 09: Assembly or construction of facilities that is consistent with existing land use and zoning requirements (including floodplain regulations) and uses primarily land disturbed for transportation use, such as: buildings and associated structures; bus transfer stations or intermodal centers; busways and streetcar lines or other transit investments within areas of the right-of-way occupied by the physical footprint of the existing facility or otherwise maintained or used for transportation operations; and parking facilities.

Date Description	Date	
Class IIc CE Approved	8/31/2023	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.32.10	ACQUIRE - BUS PASSENGER SHELTERS	2	\$22,490.00	\$22,490.00

# Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

# Part 5: FTA Review Comments

# **FTA Comments for DOL**

Comment By	Phil Yue
Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
Date	9/20/2023
Comment	Department of Labor (DOL) certification is not required. It is for informational purposes— as with regular Section 5311 Program applications.