

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	CA-2024-030-00
Temporary Application Number	6900-2023-3
Award Name	Quechan Indian Tribe, FY 2021 Tribal Transit Formula, ARP Act, Operating Assistance
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2024		
Current Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2024	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A		
Budget Period End Date	12/31/2024		

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: QUECHAN INDIAN TRIBE

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
6900	Indian Tribe	Quechan Indian Tribe	CUSXZCJV3XK5	073364358

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	350 Picacho Rd	Winterhaven	CA	92283
Physical Address	350 PICACHO RD	WINTERHAVEN	CA	92283
Mailing Address	P.O. BOX 1899	YUMA	AZ	85366

Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

Part 2: Application Information

Title: Quechan Indian Tribe, FY 2021 Tribal Transit Formula, ARP Act, Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
CA-2024-030-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 9	5/31/2023	5/31/2023	No

Application Executive Summary

This application is to request FY2021 Tribal Transit Formula ARP Acts fund apportioned to the Quechan Indian Tribe, California, in the amount of \$29,000.

Per the ARP Act, the grant requests a 100% federal share. This application utilizes ARP Act funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. The application scope of work includes Operating from January 20, 2020.

The project aims to allocate \$29,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act's Federal Transit Administration COVID-19 funds to support the payroll of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program (TTP). The funds are intended to provide financial relief and assistance to the Quechan TTP, which the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted. The Quechan Tribal Transit Program is crucial in providing transportation services to the Quechan Tribe and the surrounding Reservation community. However, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused a decline in ridership and revenue, creating financial challenges for the Quechan TTP. This funding allocation seeks to mitigate the adverse effects of the COVID-19 pandemic by ensuring the continued operation and stability of the Quechan TTP. The \$29,000 will be directed explicitly to the payroll expenses of Quechan TTP. This allocation will help cover Tribal employee wages, benefits, and associated costs, ensuring that the Quechan TTP retains its workforce and continues providing essential transportation services to the Reservation community. By supporting the Quechan TTP's payroll, this project will have several positive impacts. Firstly, it will help sustain employment opportunities for the Quechan TTP's staff, allowing them to maintain their livelihoods during these challenging times. Secondly, it will ensure the uninterrupted operation of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program, allowing Reservation residents to access necessary services, including healthcare, education, employment, and other essential destinations. The project will be implemented in close coordination with the Quechan Tribal Council and relevant federal authorities responsible for overseeing the disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act funds. Transparency and accountability will be paramount throughout the process to ensure the appropriate and efficient utilization of the allocated funds. Overall, this project represents a vital step in supporting Quechan Tribal Transit and its employees and safeguarding the transportation needs of the Quechan Indian Tribe and the broader Reservation community. The project aims to strengthen the Quecahn TTP financial position and contribute to the Reservation's post-pandemic recovery efforts by utilizing the American Rescue Plan Act funds for payroll support.

Quechan Indian Tribe agrees that if it received Federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Act (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.

Federal Funds: Operating Assistance, FY2021 5311 Tribal Formula ARP Act funds apportioned to Quechan Indian Tribe, California, in the amount of \$29,000.

Local match: \$0
Total Project Cost: \$29,000.

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 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

This project aims to alleviate the financial burdens faced by the Quechan Tribal Transit Program and its Tribal employees due to the pandemic. It aims to strengthen the Tribe's financial position, retain its workforce, and ensure the availability of reliable transportation services for the Reservation community. By utilizing the American Rescue Plan Act funds for this purpose, the project contributes to the broader goal of recovery and resilience in the face of the COVID-19 crisis.

Activities to be performed:

These activities are intended to support the payroll of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program and ensure the efficient and effective utilization of the allocated funds. Through proper planning, coordination, and monitoring, the project aims to provide financial assistance and sustain essential transportation services for the Quechan Tribe and the Reservation community.

Expected outcomes:

The project aims to provide financial stability to the Quechan Tribal Transit Program by allocating \$29,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act's Federal Transit Administration COVID-19 funds. As a result, the Quechan Tribe will be better equipped to meet its payroll obligations and maintain the employment of its

Tribal workforce, ensuring their financial security during the pandemic. These outcomes are contingent upon successful project implementation, guidelines adherence, and efficient utilization of the allocated funds. The Tribe's effective coordination, communication with stakeholders, and diligent monitoring of activities will be crucial in achieving these expected outcomes.

Intended beneficiaries:

The project's intended beneficiaries encompass various individuals and entities within the Reservation community. By supporting the payroll of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program and ensuring the continuity of transportation services, the project aims to enhance the well-being, mobility, and opportunities available to the Reservation community members and contribute to their overall quality of life.

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 (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$29,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$29,000

Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
CA-2024-030-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$29,000.00	\$0.00	\$29,000.00	1
CA-2024-030-01-	30.09.08 EMER	\$29,000.00	\$0.00	\$29,000.00	1

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RELIEF -
OPERATING
ASSIST -
100% Fed
Share

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: FFY 21 5311 Quechan Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARP)

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
CA-2024-030-01-00	6900-2023-3-P1	5/31/2023	7/1/2023	12/31/2024

Project Description

The project's ultimate goal is to provide financial support to Quechan Tribal Transit Program, ensuring the stability of their operations and the continued provision of transportation services to the Quechan Tribe community. By allocating the funds to payroll, the project aims to sustain the employment of Quechan Indian Tribal Transit Program staff, maintain essential services, and enhance the well-being and mobility of the Reservation community members during the COVID-19 pandemic. Through effective financial management, compliance with federal regulations, and transparent reporting, the project strives to achieve its objectives and contribute to the overall resilience and accessibility of the Quechan Tribe transportation system within the Reservation community.

Project Benefits

The project benefits the Quechan Tribe community by ensuring reliable Tribal transportation services, promoting financial stability for the Quechan Tribal Transit Program, enhancing Tribal employee well-being, and supporting Reservation economic growth. It contributes to the overall well-being, mobility, and opportunities available to the Reservation community members, improving their quality of life.

Additional Information

n/a

Location Description

The Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation currently occupies a portion of the Tribe's ancestral territory in California and Arizona. The Reservation encompasses 45,000 acres and is bisected on the south by Interstate 8 (I-8), and Imperial Irrigation District's All-American Canal runs from its northeast to southwest corners.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
043930	Yuma, AZ--CA

Congressional District Information

District	State
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Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: n/a

UPWP

Date: Not Provided

Description: n/a

Long Range Plan

Date: Not Provided

Description: n/a

Project Control Totals

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Local/In-Kind			\$0
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State/In-Kind			\$0
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Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$29,000

Project Budget

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CA-2024-030-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$29,000.00	\$0.00	\$29,000.00	1
CA-2024-030-01-00	30.09.08 EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	\$29,000.00	\$0.00	\$29,000.00	1

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
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

Extended Budget Description

The extended budget description reflects a comprehensive allocation of \$29,000 to cover the Quechan Tribal Transit Program payroll expenses, administrative costs, compliance requirements, and contingencies. It ensures that the funds are utilized efficiently and effectively, supporting the stability and functioning of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program while adhering to the guidelines set forth by the American Rescue Plan Act and the Federal Transit Administration. The majority of the budget, \$24,000, is allocated to cover the wages of Quechan Tribal Transit Program employees. This ensures that Tribal employees receive their salaries promptly and allows them to continue their dedicated service to the Reservation community. An additional \$4,000 is allocated for Tribal employee benefits, which include health insurance coverage, retirement contributions, and other related benefits. To comply with Tribal payroll regulations, \$1,000 is allocated for payroll taxes. This ensures appropriate taxes are deducted and remitted per the relevant laws and regulations.

Federal Funds: Operating Assistance, FY2021 Tribal Formula ARP Act funds apportioned to Quechan Indian Tribe, CA, in the amount of \$29,000.

Local match: \$0

Total Project Cost: \$29,000.

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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5311 -Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARPA)	5311-10C	20509	\$29,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$29,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2023	The requested funds will help to partially offset the payroll of the Quechan Tribal Transit Program employees and associated costs.
End Date	12/31/2024	The project will be completed on 12/31/2024.

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	6/5/2027

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.08	EMER RELIEF - OPERATING ASSIST - 100% Fed Share	1	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00

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 2/21/2024

Comment Department of Labor (DOL) certification is not required. It is for informational purposes—as with regular Section 5311 Program applications.

Application Review Comments

Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type Pre-Award Manager Returns Application

Date 6/6/2023

Comment return to the tribe, it is missing FY2023 C&A (both pinning & hardcopies)

Application Review Comments

Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Project Overview
Date	2/8/2024
Project Title	FFY 21 5311 Quechan Tribal Transit Program Formula (ARP)
Project Number	CA-2024-030-01-00
Comment	TTP grant application does not require STIP plan.