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U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

## Application

<b>Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)</b>	MT-2025-024
<b>Application Number</b>	MT-2025-024-00
<b>Temporary Application Number</b>	6902-2025-1
<b>Award Name</b>	FY 23/24/25 5311 Tribal Transit Formula, FY22 5311 Rural Suballocation, and FY23 Tribal Transit Competitive - Operating Assistance & Project Administration
<b>Application Status</b>	Final Concurrence / Reservation
<b>Budget Revisions</b>	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2027		
Current Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2027	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

<b>Budget Period Start Date</b>	N/A
<b>Budget Period End Date</b>	12/31/2027

## Part 1: Recipient Information

**Name: THE CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBE OF THE ROCKY BOY RESERVATION**

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
6902	Indian Tribe	CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBE	UHTLWHKJUAT9	059756981

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Physical Address	96 CLINIC RD N	BOX ELDER	MT	59521
Mailing Address	96 CLINIC RD N	BOX ELDER	MT	59521

## Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

## Part 2: Application Information

**Title: FY 23/24/25 5311 Tribal Transit Formula, FY22 5311 Rural Suballocation, and FY23 Tribal Transit Competitive - Operating Assistance & Project Administration**

Application Number	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
MT-2025-024-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 8	2/6/2025	2/6/2025	No

### Application Executive Summary

The Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy Reservation requests a total of \$860,260 from the following fund sources:

- FY23 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - \$204,419 (full apportionment, lapsing)
- FY24 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - \$171,924 (full apportionment)
- FY25 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - \$217,591 (full apportionment)
- FY22 Section 5311 Rural Area Formula for States suballocation from Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) - \$60,000 (full apportionment, lapsing)
- FY23 Section 5311 Tribal Competitive Funding - \$206,326 (full amount, Discretionary Grant ID: D2023-TRTR-108)

Assistance from this award will support the following activities for the Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program:

- Operating assistance
- Program administration

Rural Area Formula to States suballocation is subject to sliding scale match requirements and the FY22 suballocation letter from Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is attached to award documents.

Chippewa Cree Tribe is using pre-award authority starting 10/1/2023. Actual pre-award expenditures and obligations will be reported in the initial Federal Financial Report (FFR).

Supporting documentation attached in Award Documents:

- FY22 suballocation letter from MDT (PDF)
- FY24 Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement (PDF)
- FY23 Tribal Transit Program Applicant and Proposal for Discretionary Grant ID D2023-TRTR-108 (PDF)

### 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 suballocated these apportioned funds and can apply for and receive these funds directly.

**Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?**

Yes, this Grant will use Lapsing Funds.

**Will indirect costs be applied to this application?**

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

*Indirect Rate Details:* FY 2024 fixed carry forward rate of 27.37% will be applied to a base of total direct costs, less capital expenditures and passthrough funds. Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement attached to recipient profile documents.

**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 award is to provide assistance for operations and program administration of the Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program (RBTP) to the Chippewa Cree Tribe.

**Activities to be performed:**

Assistance will cover eligible costs for continued operations and program administration.

**Expected outcomes:**

Assistance will allow the Chippewa Cree Tribe to continue transit operations on its fixed route and demand response services therefore allowing access for its riders to get to employment, businesses, shopping, appointments and other daily needed activities.

**Intended beneficiaries:**

Members of the public utilizing public transit services on the Rocky Boy Reservation and surrounding local areas.

**Subrecipient Activities:**

N/A

## Application Point of Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
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## Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$593,934
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$60,000
5311 - Tribal Transit Competitive	5311-1C	20509	\$206,326
Local			\$15,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$875,260</b>

## Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
MT-2025-024-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$593,934.00	\$0.00	\$593,934.00	1
MT-2025-024-01-00	30.09.01 Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Formula)	\$593,934.00	\$0.00	\$593,934.00	1
MT-2025-024-02-00	600-00 (600-A2) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	1
MT-2025-024-02-00	11.80.00 5311 Rural Suballocation - Administration (80/20)	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	1
MT-2025-024-03-00	600-00 (600-A3) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$206,326.00	\$0.00	\$206,326.00	1
MT-2025-024-03-00	30.09.01 Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311)	\$206,326.00	\$0.00	\$206,326.00	1

Tribal Competitive)
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## Discretionary Allocations

Discretionary ID	Project Title	Amount Applied	Application Number
D2023-TRTR-108	Operating support for Tribal transit services.	\$206,326	MT-2025-024-00

## Part 3: Project Information

### Project Title: FY23/24/25 5311 Tribal Formula - Operating Assistance

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MT-2025-024-01-00	6902-2025-1-P1	2/6/2025	10/1/2024	9/30/2027

#### Project Description

This project uses 5311 Tribal Transit Program formula funds and provides operating assistance support for Chippewa Cree Tribe's Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program (RBTP) in FY25, 26, and 27.

#### Project Benefits

RBTP operates fixed route and demand response services and uses four (4) vehicles to provide over 160,000 miles of service annually for members of the public utilizing tribal transit. With assistance from this project RBTP will be able to keep the routes running, keep vehicles in a state of good repair, and continue to enhance the mobility within the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation.

#### Additional Information

*None provided.*

#### Location Description

Chippewa Cree Tribe - Rocky Boy Reservation, MT. The reservation is located in Hill and Chouteau counties in north central Montana, about 40 miles from the Canada U.S. border. Headquarters are Box Elder, MT. Areas served include the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation (Rocky Boy and Box Elder), and Havre, Montana.

## Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
300000	Montana

## Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Montana

## 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

## Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$593,934
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$593,934

## Project Budget

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
MT-2025-024-01-00	600-00 (600-A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$593,934.00	\$0.00	\$593,934.00	1
MT-2025-024-01-00	30.09.01	Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Formula)	\$593,934.00	\$0.00	\$593,934.00	1

## Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Formula)				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity

OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1
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### Extended Budget Description

The Chippewa Cree Tribe will use FY23/24/25 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Program formula funds for Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program's operating expenses from 10/1/2024 to 9/30/2027 at 100% Federal share. Operating assistance will cover at a minimum fuel, driver salaries, wages, and fringe benefits, dispatcher salaries, wages, and fringe benefits, licenses, and all other allowable costs.

### 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 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$593,934
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$593,934</b>

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2024	Start date for incurring operating expenses. This will be the initial date for pre-award authority.
End Date	9/30/2027	Final date for incurring operating expenses.

## 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	3/7/2025

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.01	Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Formula)	1	\$593,934.00	\$593,934.00

## Project Title: FY22 5311 Rural Suballocation - Program Administration

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MT-2025-024-02-00	6902-2025-1-P2	2/6/2025	10/1/2024	9/30/2025

### Project Description

This project supports program administration for Chippewa Cree Tribe's Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program (RBTP). Assistance in this project covers all eligible administration costs in FY25.

### Project Benefits

RBTP operates fixed route and demand response services and uses four (4) vehicles to provide over 160,000 miles of service annually for members of the public utilizing tribal transit. With assistance from this project, the Chippewa Cree Tribe will be able to administer the transit program and continue to enhance the mobility within the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation.

### Additional Information

Suballocation letter attached under Award Documents and Project Documents as PDF. Letter describes the suballocation amount and the match requirements for project administration by the Tribe.

### Location Description

Chippewa Cree Tribe - Rocky Boy Reservation, MT. The reservation is located in Hill and Chouteau counties in north central Montana, about 40 miles from the Canada U.S. border. Headquarters are Box Elder, MT. Areas served include the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation (Rocky Boy and Box Elder), and Havre, Montana.

## Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
300000	Montana

## Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Montana

## 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

## Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Rural Area Formula	5311-1A	20509	\$60,000
Local			\$15,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$75,000

## Project Budget

Project Number	Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
MT-2025-024-02-00	600-00 (600-A2)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	1
MT-2025-024-02-00	11.80.00	5311 Rural Suballocation - Administration (80/20)	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00	1

## Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.80.00 - 5311 Rural Suballocation - Administration (80/20)				
Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.80.00	STATE OR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	STATE / PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	1

### Extended Budget Description

The Chippewa Cree Tribe will use its FY22 5311 Rural Formula suballocation for RBTP administration

activities from 10/1/2024 to 9/30/2025.

The sliding scale match requirement is 80%/20%, Federal/local and the match requirement will be fulfilled with tribal local funds; the suballocation letter from the State of Montana is attached in Award Document.

**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	5311-1A	20509	\$60,000
Local			\$15,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$75,000</b>

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2024	Start date for incurring admin expenses.
End Date	9/30/2025	Final date for incurring admin expenses.

## Project Environmental Findings

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

#### Class Level Description

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#### 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	3/7/2025

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.80.00	5311 Rural Suballocation - Administration (80/20)	1	\$60,000.00	\$75,000.00

## Project Title: FY23 5311 Tribal Competitive - Operating Assistance

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
MT-2025-024-03-00	6902-2025-1-P3	7/18/2025	10/1/2023	9/30/2024

### Project Description

This project uses FY23 5311 Tribal Competitive funds and provides operating assistance support for Chippewa Cree Tribe's Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program (RBTTTP) in FY24.

### Project Benefits

RBTTTP operates fixed route and demand response services and uses four (4) vehicles to provide over 160,000 miles of service annually for members of the public utilizing tribal transit. With assistance from this project RBTTTP will be able to keep the routes running, keep vehicles in a state of good repair, and continue to enhance the mobility within the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation.

### Additional Information

The "FY23 Tribal Transit Program Application and Proposal File" is attached under Award Documents and under Project Documents as PDF.

### Location Description

Chippewa Cree Tribe - Rocky Boy Reservation, MT. The reservation is located in Hill and Chouteau counties in north central Montana, about 40 miles from the Canada U.S. border. Headquarters are Box Elder, MT. Areas served include the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation (Rocky Boy and Box Elder), and Havre, Montana.

## Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
300000	Montana

## Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Montana

## 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

## Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Competitive	5311-1C	20509	\$206,326
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$206,326</b>

## Project Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
MT-2025-024-03-00	600-00 (600-A3) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$206,326.00	\$0.00	\$206,326.00	1
MT-2025-024-03-00	30.09.01 Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Tribal Competitive)	\$206,326.00	\$0.00	\$206,326.00	1

## Project Budget Activity Line Items

**Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - Operating Assistance - 100% Federal Share (5311 Tribal Competitive)**

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

### Extended Budget Description

The Chippewa Cree Tribe will use its FY23 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Program discretionary award for Rocky Boy Tribal Transit Program's operating expenses from 10/1/2023 to 9/30/2024 at 100% Federal share. Operating assistance will cover at a minimum fuel, driver salaries, wages, and fringe benefits, dispatcher salaries, wages, and fringe benefits, licenses, and all other allowable costs.

The Discretionary Grant ID for this award is D2023-TRTR-108 and the "FY23 Tribal Transit Program Applicant and Proposal" is attached to Award Documents.

**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 - Tribal Transit Competitive	5311-1C	20509	\$206,326
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
<b>Total Eligible Cost</b>			<b>\$206,326</b>

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2023	This is the start date for incurring operating expenses for the discretionary funds.
End Date	9/30/2024	This is the final date for incurring operating expenses for the discretionary funds.

## 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.

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Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	3/7/2025

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER	30.09.01	Operating Assistance -	1	\$206,326.00	\$206,326.00

PROGRAM  
COSTS (600-00)

100% Federal Share (5311  
Tribal Competitive)

## Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

## Part 5: FTA Review Comments

### DOL Certification

**Comment By** Yvette Shelton

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Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 9/10/2025

Comment FTA makes the January 3, 2011, Special Warranty applicable to the grantee in its grant contract.

### FTA Comments for DOL

**Comment By** Murtaza Naqvi

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Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 9/9/2025

Comment Jacintha Four Souls  
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**Comment By** Murtaza Naqvi

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Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 9/10/2025

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## Application Review Comments

### Comment By Robyn Kullas

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	3/7/2025
Project Title	FY23/24/25 5311 Tribal Formula - Operating Assistance
Project Number	MT-2025-024-01-00
Comment	C4 applicable for operating assistance.

### Comment By Robyn Kullas

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	3/7/2025
Project Title	FY22 5311 Rural Suballocation - Program Administration
Project Number	MT-2025-024-02-00
Comment	C4 applicable for operating services.

### Comment By Murtaza Naqvi

Comment Type	Environmental Findings
Date	9/5/2025
Project Title	FY23 5311 Tribal Competitive - Operating Assistance
Project Number	MT-2025-024-03-00
Comment	C4 applicable for operating services.

## Application Review Comments

### Comment By Murtaza Naqvi

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	3/21/2025
Comment	Returning to recipient in order to add activities for project admin.

### Comment By Murtaza Naqvi

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	9/10/2025
Comment	Returning to recipient to correct the Tribal Competitive milestones.

## Application Review Comments

**Comment By** Murtaza Naqvi

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Comment Type	Application Details
Date	9/9/2025
Comment	Updating discretionary grant id reference.