

DOT

FTA

U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NE-2026-007
Application Number	NE-2026-007-00
Temporary Application Number	6955-2025-1
Award Name	Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant- FY25
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Budget Revisions	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A
Original Period of Performance End Date	12/30/2026
Current Period of Performance End Date	12/30/2026 Revision #: 0 Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A
Budget Period End Date	12/30/2026

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: OMAHA TRIBE OF NE

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
6955	Indian Tribe	OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA	MQS9HLF9TWQ4	118683309

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Mailing Address	P.O. BOX #368	MACY	NE	68039
Physical Address	497 MAIN ST	MACY	NE	68039

Union Information

There are no union contacts for this application

Part 2: Application Information

Title: Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant- FY25

Application Number	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NE-2026-007-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 7	6/25/2025	6/25/2025	No

Application Executive Summary

This application is to request Section Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska under UZA: 310000 in Federal FY 2025 (\$572,524).

Activities to be performed:

Buy (1) one Replacement vans: \$60,0000

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000

Operating Assistance: \$452,524

Pre-award Authority was selected because Omaha Tribe has incurred expenses in the approximate amount of \$202,609 from 10-1-24 to 09/30/26.

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 is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

Indirect Rate Details: Omaha Tribe IDC rate is 24.95%

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 application is to request Section Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska under UZA: 310000 in Federal FY 2025 (\$572,524).

The Tribe is using Federal funds at the 100:0 match ratio for the time period of 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2026.

There is no Local Match requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #8 Matching Requirements.

Activities to be performed:

Buy (1) two Replacement vans: \$60,000.

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000

Operating Assistance: \$452,524

Expected outcomes:

Buy (1) two Replacement vans: \$60,000.

Preventive Maintenance: \$60,000

Operating Assistance: \$452,524

Intended beneficiaries:

Specifically, the Omaha Tribe's transit service, Omaha Tribal members and surrounding rural riders.

Subrecipient Activities:

None

Application Point of Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
Dawn	Baxter	Transit Coordinator	dbaxter@theomahatribe.com	(402) 837-4361 129
Jeremiah	Shuler	Transportation Program Specialist	jeremiah.shuler@dot.gov	(816) 329-3940
Luciana	Nears	Transportation Program Specialist.	luciana.nears@dot.gov	(817) 978-0569

Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$572,524
Local			\$0

Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$572,524

Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2026-007-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$572,524.00	\$0.00	\$572,524.00	1
NE-2026-007-01-00	11.12.15 BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	1
NE-2026-007-01-00	11.7A.00 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	0
NE-2026-007-01-00	30.09.01 UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$452,524.00	\$0.00	\$452,524.00	0

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
NE-2026-007-01-00	6955-2025-1-P1	8/14/2025	10/1/2024	9/30/2026

Project Description

Project Description

Purpose: The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska will utilize this award to maintain existing transit services on the reservation.

This application is to request Section 5311 funds apportioned to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska for FFY 2025 in the amount of \$572,524.

Activities to be Performed: Funds will be used to cover eligible operating expenses such as driver salaries and fuel, purchasing Two (1) VANs, and preventive maintenance.

Expected Outcomes: Funding will permit the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska to continue to provide service to tribal area. Intended Beneficiaries: Omaha Tribe Public transit riders.

Sub-recipients: None

The Tribe is using Federal funds at the 100:0 match ratio for the time period of 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2026.

There is no Local Match requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #8 Matching Requirements.

There is no STIP requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #10. Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and/or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Requirement

Project Benefits

Our tribe is economically challenged with little commerce being conducted within the reservation. It is therefore necessary for our tribal members to travel significant distances to obtain or maintain employment. Many of our members do not have access to transportation at all or only to unreliable transportation, so there is a huge lack of transportation which represents a gaping need for transit services in this area.

Because of the isolated, rural nature of our communities, it is vital that our tribal members have access to the nearest cities for many services that are not available within our communities of Macy, Walthill, and Rosalie. Many of our tribal members lack the appropriate transportation or licensing to drive the distance to these services. The operation funding would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. The operation assistance would expand our obvious need to provide this transit service to our members and the public. By adding two vans we would expect to only maintain, but to improve our ability to provide expanded services to our members and the public.

Although we have a medical facility on our reservation, many individuals who live in outlying rural areas need transportation to access these services. In addition, the services provided at our clinic are limited, and travel is necessary when referred out to Sioux City, or Omaha to receive expanded medical care. As stated previously, job opportunities are severely limited on the reservation, so it is critical that our members have access to employment in other communities such as Sioux City and the surrounding area. There is no grocery store or other retail outlets within the reservation which can provide healthy alternatives for our members, so it is vital to provide access to food stores and other retail outlets for necessities.

The educational opportunities on our reservation are limited to a community college with narrow degree options and only an associated level degree. This transit enables our tribal members to continue past that level of education or to pursue expanded degree areas not offered locally.

Additional Information

none

Location Description

TTFP funding on the Omaha Indian Reservation. Address location: 544 Skunkhollow Drive, Macy, NE 68039.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
310000	Nebraska

Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Nebraska

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description:

There is no STIP requirement for 5311 TTP Formula Funds, FTA Circ. 9040.1G Page X-3 #10. Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and/or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Requirement

UPWP

Date: Not Provided

Description: n/a

Long Range Plan

Date: Not Provided

Description: n/a

Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$572,524
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$572,524

Project Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NE-2026-007-01-00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$572,524.00	\$0.00	\$572,524.00	1
NE-2026-007-01-00	11.12.15 BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	1

NE-2026-007-01-00	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	0
NE-2026-007-01-00	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$452,524.00	\$0.00	\$452,524.00	0

Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.7A.00 - PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS (BUS)	0

Extended Budget Description

Preventative Maintenance is being requested for the OTPT service fleet. It will cover maintenance of the vehicles, excluding fuel, and for mechanic salaries. The FY 2025 10-01-2024 - 09/30/2025

Indirect cost will be applied to this activity. Approved rate of 24.95% letter attached.

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	\$60,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$60,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2024	We are soliciting for job advertisement for the OTPT's garage mechanic. We open up on the weekends for our vehicles to be worked on with minor issues. Vehicles do need service for minor issues almost weekly.
End Date	9/30/2026	To keep a vehicle mechanic on hand for our vehicles to be maintained.

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.15 - BUY REPLACEMENT VAN

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.12.15	BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	BUY REPLACEMENTS - CAPITAL BUS	1

Extended Budget Description

Purchase a replacement van, The useful miles for the vehicle to be replaced was 4 years, or 100, 000 miles. We will use the vehicles for backup vehicles in certain cases, such as if the newer vehicles are getting maintenance. The useful life of the new vehicles are 4 years or 100,000.

Vehicle being replaced: 2018 Chevy Express Vin# 1GAZGPF GK1225882 Fair - Over 334,365 miles, 4 years of useful life

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	\$60,000
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$60,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	8/30/2025	RFP Process to begin
End Date	9/30/2026	RFP Process end

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE

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	0

Extended Budget Description

The TTF funds in the amount of \$452,524 are being requested for operating assistance to support OTPT services for the Tribe's service year 8/14/2025-09/30/2026.

Indirect cost will be applied to this activity. Approved rate of 24.95% letter attached.

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	\$452,524
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$452,524

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	8/14/2025	Estimated date for funds to be drawn
End Date	9/30/2026	

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
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	0	\$452,524.00	\$452,524.00

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 07: Acquisition, installation, rehabilitation, replacement, and maintenance of vehicles or equipment, within or accommodated by existing facilities, that does not result in a change in functional use of the facilities, such as: equipment to be located within existing facilities and with no substantial off-site impacts; and vehicles, including buses, rail cars, trolley cars, ferry boats and people movers that can be accommodated by existing facilities or by new facilities that qualify for a categorical exclusion.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.12.15	BUY REPLACEMENT VAN	1	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00

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 07: Acquisition, installation, rehabilitation, replacement, and maintenance of vehicles or equipment, within or accommodated by existing facilities, that does not result in a change in functional use of the facilities, such as: equipment to be located within existing facilities and with no substantial off-site impacts; and vehicles, including buses, rail cars, trolley cars, ferry boats and people movers that can be accommodated by existing facilities or by new facilities that qualify for a categorical exclusion.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	11.7A.00	PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	0	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00

Part 4: Fleet Details

No fleet data exists for this application.

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

FTA Comments for DOL

Comment By Luciana Nears

Comment Type DOL Review for Information

Date 6/2/2026

Comment Section 5311c transmitted to DOL for information ONLY

Application Review Comments

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type Environmental Findings

Date 3/13/2026

Project Title Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

Project Number NE-2026-007-01-00

Comment The proposed preventative maintenance activities on vehicles are found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(7).

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type Environmental Findings

Date 3/13/2026

Project Title Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

Project Number NE-2026-007-01-00

Comment The proposed acquisition activity to purchase a replacement vehicle is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(7).

Comment By Gerri Doyle

Comment Type Environmental Findings

Date 3/13/2026

Project Title Omaha Tribe of NE: Sec. 5311 Operating, PM, Van Purchase Grant

Project Number NE-2026-007-01-00

Comment The proposed program administration activity is found compliant as a Categorical Exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118 (c)(4).