

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) desires to award a total of \$89,394,290 in state and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) program funds to support a variety of public transportation needs in urbanized and non-urbanized areas of the state.

Of the amounts appropriated to the Texas Department of Transportation (department) by the General Appropriations Act of the 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, \$69,982,134 was appropriated for urban and rural public transportation systems for the 2022-2023 biennium. Texas Constitution, Article 3, §49-k(c) authorizes money in the Texas Mobility Fund (TMF) to be used to provide participation by the state in the payment of a portion of the costs of constructing and providing public transportation projects in accordance with the procedures, standards, and limitations established by law. Texas Transportation Code §201.943 provides that money in the TMF may be used in the payment of a portion of the costs of providing public transportation projects that are determined by the commission to be in the best interests of the state in its major goal of improving the mobility of the residents of the state. Title 43, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), §31.11 establishes a formula by which state public transportation funds shall be distributed to the large urban, small urban, and rural areas of the state. An award of \$34,991,067 of FY 2022 state funds to large urban, small urban, and rural transit districts is shown in Exhibit A and has been determined in accordance with §31.11.

Title 43, TAC, §31.31 establishes a formula and process by which public transportation funds shall be distributed under the FTA Formula Grants for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program (49 U.S.C. §5310). An award of \$7,305,402 of federal §5310 funds is shown in Exhibit B and has been determined in accordance with §31.31.

Title 43, TAC, §31.36(g)(2) and §31.36(g)(4) establish formulas by which public transportation funds shall be distributed under the FTA Formula Grants for Rural Areas program (49 U.S.C. §5311). An award of \$36,217,378 of federal §5311 funds is shown in Exhibit C and has been determined in accordance with §31.36(g).

The United States Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) on March 10, 2021, which authorized funding under the FTA Formula Grants for Rural Areas program (49 U.S.C. §5311) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Title 43, TAC, §31.36(g)(2) establishes a formula by which public transportation funds shall be distributed under the FTA Formula Grants for Rural Areas program. An award of \$3,316,675 of federal §5311 funds is shown in Exhibit D and has been determined in accordance with §31.36(g)(2).

The United States Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act on March 27, 2020, and the ARP on March 10, 2021, both of which authorized funding under the FTA Formula Grants for Rural Areas program (49 U.S.C. §5311(f)) for intercity bus to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Title 43, TAC, §31.36(g)(1) establishes a formula by which public transportation funds shall be distributed under the FTA Formula Grants for Rural Areas program for intercity bus service. An

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award of \$6,980,850 authorized under ARP and \$582,918 of residual CARES funding for a total award of \$7,563,768 in §5311(f) funds is shown in Exhibit E and has been determined in accordance with §31.36(g)(1).

Transportation Code, Chapter 455 assigns a broad spectrum of public transportation roles and missions to the department.

Transportation Code, Chapter 456 authorizes the commission to administer funds appropriated for public transportation.

Pursuant to Transportation Code §§201.943 and 201.946, the commission finds that the public transportation projects in Exhibit A to be in the best interests of the state in its major goal of improving the mobility of the residents of the state and are eligible for TMF funds.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the executive director or the director's designee is directed to proceed with the awards in Exhibits A-E using appropriate funds, submit the necessary state application to the FTA, and enter into the necessary contracts.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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EXHIBIT A
AWARD STATE FY 2022 FUNDS

Large Urbanized Area	Award Amount
Brownsville	\$601,235
Conroe-The Woodlands	513,806
Killeen	415,133
Laredo	637,564
Lubbock	716,091
McAllen	616,171
Total	\$3,500,000

Small Urbanized Area	Award Amount
Abilene	\$411,652
Amarillo	518,225
Arlington	341,663
Beaumont	490,488
College Station-Bryan	1,195,544
Galveston	396,564
Grand Prairie	170,584
Harlingen	383,706
Lake Jackson-Angleton	261,219
Longview	370,939
McKinney	477,778
Mesquite	142,455
Midland	347,979
North Richland Hills	116,134
Odessa	364,079
Port Arthur	434,781
San Angelo	355,377
San Marcos	257,257
Sherman	219,081
Temple	321,109
Texarkana	333,086
Texas City	333,530
Tyler	409,126
Victoria	342,092
Waco	627,231
Wichita Falls	437,695
Total	\$10,059,374

EXHIBIT A
AWARD STATE FY 2022 FUNDS

Rural Transit District	Award Amount
Alamo Area Council of Governments	\$1,066,684
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	677,423
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	301,931
Brazos Transit District	1,825,324
Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS)	987,509
Central Texas Rural Transit District	697,493
Cleburne, City of	368,668
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	484,101
Community Services, Inc.	432,068
Concho Valley Transit District	465,551
Del Rio, City of	334,103
East Texas Council of Governments	1,350,027
El Paso, County of	466,139
Fort Bend County	333,994
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	613,998
Gulf Coast Transit District	310,646
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	423,381
Hill Country Transit District	601,585
Kleberg County Human Services	317,030
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	604,280
McLennan County Rural Transit District	320,102
Panhandle Community Services	1,000,863
Public Transit Services	505,158
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	509,955
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	673,976
Senior Center Resources and Public Transit, Inc.	367,949
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	381,776
South Padre Island, City of	593,108
South Plains Community Action Association, Inc.	783,376
Southwest Area Regional Transit District	572,946
SPAN, Inc.	318,247
STAR Transit	403,062
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	570,519
The Transit System, Inc.	297,136
Webb County Community Action Agency	316,487
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	1,155,098
Total	\$21,431,693
Grand Total FY 2022 State Funds	\$34,991,067

EXHIBIT B
AWARD FEDERAL §5310 FUNDS TO SMALL URBAN AND RURAL AREAS

Agency	Award Amount
Abilene, City of	\$45,600
Alamo Area Council of Governments	30,000
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	261,087
Brazos Transit District	434,402
Central Texas Rural Transit District	334,272
Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living	110,000
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	225,000
Community Services, Inc.	75,000
Concho Valley Economic Development District, Inc.	161,960
Concho Valley Transit District	103,997
Disability in Action, Inc.	42,000
East Texas Council of Governments	368,400
Galveston, City of	164,879
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	239,490
Jim Hogg County	8,000
Kleberg County Human Services	147,000
Longview, City of	50,000
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	248,739
McLennan County Rural Transit District	144,180
Meals on Wheels Montgomery County	235,000
Mounting Horizons	372,000
NDMJ Ltd. Transportation	525,000
Odessa, City of	40,000
Panhandle Community Services	104,233
Panhandle Independent Living Center	139,033
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	200,000
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	198,600
Smith County	254,000
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	268,082
South Padre Island, City of	168,000
South Plains Community Action Association, Inc.	606,759
Southwest Area Regional Transit District	320,000
SPAN, Inc.	30,000
Starr County	5,000
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	61,993
The Transit System, Inc.	8,000
Waco, City of	253,000
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	136,525
Wichita Falls, City of	186,171
Total	\$7,305,402

EXHIBIT C
AWARD FEDERAL §5311 FUNDS TO RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Rural Transit District	Award Amount
Alamo Area Council of Governments	\$1,735,741
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	1,296,107
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	545,610
Brazos Transit District	2,537,088
Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS)	1,570,362
Central Texas Rural Transit District	1,452,095
Cleburne, City of	518,666
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	743,599
Community Services, Inc.	539,657
Concho Valley Transit District	697,002
Del Rio, City of	463,910
East Texas Council of Governments	1,990,435
El Paso, County of	2,683,902
Fort Bend County	415,695
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	1,165,111
Gulf Coast Transit District	354,215
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	662,875
Hill Country Transit District	914,356
Kleberg County Human Services	403,034
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	909,530
McLennan County Rural Transit District	662,249
Panhandle Community Services	1,631,159
Public Transit Services	762,287
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	1,016,322
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	1,360,345
Senior Center Resources and Public Transit, Inc.	649,384
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	688,300
South Padre Island, City of	744,028
South Plains Community Action Association, Inc.	1,398,006
Southwest Area Regional Transit District	769,391
SPAN, Inc.	464,161
STAR Transit	700,001
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	727,589
The Transit System, Inc.	484,168
Webb County Community Action Agency	438,419
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	2,122,579
Total	\$36,217,378

EXHIBIT D
AWARD FEDERAL ARP ACT §5311 FUNDS TO RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Rural Transit District	Award Amount
Alamo Area Council of Governments	\$165,075
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	104,835
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	46,725
Brazos Transit District	282,478
Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS)	152,823
Central Texas Rural Transit District	107,941
Cleburne, City of	57,053
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	74,917
Community Services, Inc.	66,865
Concho Valley Transit District	72,047
Del Rio, City of	51,704
East Texas Council of Governments	208,923
El Paso, County of	72,080
Fort Bend County	51,806
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	95,020
Gulf Coast Transit District	46,005
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	65,521
Hill Country Transit District	93,099
Kleberg County Human Services	49,062
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	93,516
McLennan County Rural Transit District	49,538
Panhandle Community Services	154,889
Public Transit Services	78,176
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	78,918
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	104,302
Senior Center Resources and Public Transit, Inc.	56,942
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	59,082
South Padre Island, City of	91,787
South Plains Community Action Association, Inc.	121,232
Southwest Area Regional Transit District	88,667
SPAN, Inc.	49,251
STAR Transit	62,376
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	88,291
The Transit System, Inc.	45,984
Webb County Community Action Agency	50,987
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	178,758
Total	\$3,316,675

EXHIBIT E
AWARD FEDERAL ARP AND CARES ACT §5311(f) FUNDS TO INTERCITY BUS CARRIERS

Agency	Award Amount
Autobuses Ejecutivos, LLC dba Omnibus Express	\$214,356
Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS)	332,761
El Paso, County of	203,683
Greyhound Lines, Inc.	6,812,968
Total	\$7,563,768