



Public Transportation Funding Outline

Currently, the following Programs are utilized to fund public transportation in the State of Idaho:

- **Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Funding Program** – The Urbanized Area Formula Funding program makes Federal resources available to urbanized areas and to Governors for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and for transportation related planning.
 - **FTA 5309 Bus and Bus Related Equipment and Facilities Program** - The 5309 program provides capital assistance for new and replacement buses, related equipment, and facilities.
 - **FTA 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Program**– The 5310 program is designed to improve mobility for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. Toward this goal, the FTA provides finance assistance for transportation services planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities in all areas – urbanized, small urban, and rural.
 - **FTA 5311 Program Non-Urbanized (Rural) Area Formula Program** – The 5311 program is designed to enhance the access to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services and recreation for people in non-urbanized and rural areas. The program promotes the development, improvement, and use of public transportation systems in non-urbanized and rural areas.
 - **FTA 5311(f) Non-Urbanized (Rural) Intercity Bus Formula Program** – The 5311(f) program supports the connection between rural areas and the larger regional or national system of intercity bus services. The FTA has made available funds to support the vital link between otherwise isolated rural and small urban communities to the rest of the state and nation.
 - **FTA 5311(b)(3) Rural Transportation Assistance Program (RTAP)** – The RTAP program provides a source of funding to assist in the design and implementation of training and technical assistance projects and other support services tailored to meet the needs of transportation operators in non-urbanized areas.
 - **FTA 5316 Job Access/Reverse Commute Program**– As defined by the FTA, the 5316 program focuses on improving access to transportation services to employment and employment related activities for welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals and to transport residents of urbanized areas and non-urbanized areas to suburban employment opportunities.
 - **FTA 5317 New Freedom Program** – The 5317 program aims to increase employment among Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available to people with disabilities.
 - **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ)** – A federal funding program for projects and activities that reduce congestion and improve air quality in regions that do not meet federal air quality standards. Such regions are defined as “non-attainment”.
 - **State of Idaho Vehicle Investment Program (VIP)** – The VIP program assists communities that already own a vehicle in replacing or upgrading equipment to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and replaces vehicles that have exceeded their useful life, have become expensive to maintain, or are unreliable.
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