SECTION 5307
The Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307) provides assistance to urbanized areas for transit capital projects, operating assistance, and transportation planning.

- Funds are allocated to direct recipients and projects based on locally-developed transportation plans. **FY 2020 Authorized Amount:** $5.5 Billion
Section 5307

Key Facts:

- The Urbanized Area Formula Program is FTA’s largest grant program
- The program has over 600 grantees in small and large urbanized areas across the United States and territories
- Annual funding is apportioned according to a statutory formula that uses data from the latest Census and the National Transit Database (NTD)
- Most commonly funded project is preventive maintenance on buses and bus facilities
Section 5307

- FTA apportions urbanized area funds to states for small urbanized areas (UZAs, population of 50,000 to 199,999) according to a formula established in law. Data sources are:
  - U.S. decennial census
  - National Transit Database
- Total apportioned to states for small UZAs in FY 2019: $608 million
  - Largest state apportionment for small UZAs: $93 million (California)
  - Smallest state apportionment for small UZAs: $1 million (Nebraska)
- Apportionment changes due to the 2020 Census will not be effective until fiscal year 2023. FTA will provide guidance in the future to assist agencies impacted by population changes.
SECTION 5310 AND 5311
The Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (Section 5310) improves mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout the country, including rural areas, by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding transportation mobility options.

• Provides capital and operating assistance to eligible recipients including states, tribes, and designated recipients. **FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $285.58M**
Section 5310

Key Facts

• In FY 2019, there were 179 recipients in large urbanized areas, 108 recipients in small urbanized areas, and 53 recipients in rural areas.

• Two states, California and Florida, received over $5 million in FY 2019 for use in small urbanized areas in FY 2019. The smallest apportionment in this category was to Alaska, $80,564.

• Texas received the largest apportionment for rural areas in FY 2019, $3.7 million. Alaska was the smallest state, with $168,429. American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and Puerto Rico all received less than $53,000.
FTA Competitive Grant Programs

Innovative Coordination Access and Mobility Competitive Program (ICAM) (Section 3006(b)): assists in financing innovative projects for the transportation disadvantaged that improve the coordination of transportation services and non-emergency medical transportation services.

- Total of 37 projects were funded in FY 2019 (FY18/19 funds), totaling $9.6M
- 41 percent of the total amount awarded went to rural projects
- FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $3.5M
Mobility for All Pilot Program (ICAM 2020) seeks to improve mobility options through employing innovative coordination of transportation strategies and building partnerships to enhance mobility and access to vital community services for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and people of low income.

- NOFO Published November 1, 2019
- Applications due January 6, 2020
- Eligible applicants are designated and direct recipients of Section 5307, 5311, and 5310 funds
The Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program (Section 5311) provides capital, planning, and operating assistance to states to support public transportation in rural areas with populations of less than 50,000. **FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $673.3M**

- Includes $35 million for the Tribal Transit Program
Section 5311 Key Facts

• The most commonly funded activity for Section 5311 is operating expenses.

• Section 5311 State apportionments range from Texas, with over $47 million, to Rhode Island, with $630,000.

• 88 percent of Section 5311 operators provide demand response service.
TRIBAL TRANSIT PROGRAM
Tribal Transit Program

- **Tribal Transit Program (TTP):** formula and competitive funds allocated directly to Federally Recognized Indian Tribes for the purposes of providing public transportation services in rural areas. **FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $35M**
  - $30 million is formula
  - $5 million competitive

- The Tribal Transit Program has grown from 83 formula recipients in FY 2013 to 126 in FY 2019.

- The most commonly funded activity is operating expenses.
FTA Competitive Grant Programs

The Tribal Transit Competitive Program (Section 5311(c)) provides funding to support planning, capital, and in limited circumstances, operating assistance for public transportation services in rural Indian Country.

- NOFO published on May 10, 2019
- Applications were due on July 9, 2019
- Total amount made available in FY 2019, $5M
- FTA received 53 applications
- FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $5M
- Award announcement coming soon
- FY 2020 NOFO in early 2020
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
Technical Assistance Centers (cont.)

• National Center for Mobility Management – grant partners Easterseals, Inc., APTA, CTAA

• National RTAP – grant partner Neponset Valley Transportation Management Association

• National Aging and Disability Transportation Center – grant partners Easterseals, Inc. and n4a
Technical Assistance Centers

Our newest TA Center, the National Center for Applied Transit Technology (N-CATT) develops and supports transit technologies and new institutional paradigms that make services in rural and small city America more cost-effective and efficient, which is critical to the sustainability of services.

- N-CATT is funded for one year at $1.5 M
OTHER COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS
FTA Competitive Grant Programs

The Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (Section 5339(b)) provides funding for buses and bus facilities projects including; replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing or leasing buses or related equipment; or rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing or leasing bus-related facilities.

• NOFO published on May 15, 2019
• Applications were due on June 21, 2019
• Total amount made available in FY 2019: $423M
• FTA received 318 applications
• Award announcement for FY 2019 coming very very soon
• FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $289M
• FY 2020 NOFO in early 2020
FTA Competitive Grant Programs

The Low or No Emission Competitive Program (Section 5339(c)) provides funding to state and local governmental authorities for the purchase or lease of zero-emission and low-emission transit buses as well as acquisition, construction, and leasing of required supporting facilities.

- NOFO published on March 18, 2018
- Applications were due on May 14, 2019
- Total amount made available in FY 2019: $85M
- FTA received 157 applications
- FY 2020 Authorized Amount: $55M
- Project selections announced July 26, 2019
- FY 2020 NOFO in early 2020