

Andy Beshear Governor Jim Gray Secretary

January 29, 2021

Dear Public Transit Provider:

SUBJECT: CRRSAA Act Funding for Public Transit

On December 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) was signed into law. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) allocated \$14 billion to recipients of urbanized area and rural area formula funds nationwide. Of that total amount, \$678.2 million was allocated to rural areas and tribes, and \$50 million was allocated for enhanced mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities. Of that amount, Kentucky was allocated over \$11.6 million for Section 5311 rural transit providers statewide.

We have announced CRRSAA both at the statewide Kentuckians for Better Transportation Conference and the statewide Kentucky Public Transit Association Meeting that were both held this month. We have been encouraged, by the Federal Transit Administration, to use these funds expeditiously and to get funds out to transit providers who need them quickly during Kentucky's State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. CRRSAA directs recipients to prioritize payroll and operational needs. CRRSAA funding will be provided at 100% Federal Share, with no local match required, and will be used for Operating Expenses only.

Some of you have already submitted your letter of interest. If your Agency is interested in CRRSAA Operating funds and have not submitted a letter, please send a letter expressing your interest and whether or not your Agency has furloughed any employees during the COVID-19 Pandemic. You may email this letter to Vickie Bourne (vickie.bourne@ky.gov) or send by mail at KYTC/Office of Transportation Delivery, Attention: Vickie Bourne, 200 Mero Street, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40622. Please send a letter of interest no later than Friday, February 12, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Tabitha Martin, Public Transit Branch Manager, at (502) 564-7433.

Sincerely,

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