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FY2023 Achievements & Successes

Project Sponsor	Funding	Discretionary Program	Description
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet on behalf of 10 rural transit agencies	\$11,570,906	Bus & Bus Facilities	The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will receive funding to improve and expand transit service in 10 rural transit agencies that serve 45 counties by buying buses and equipment and upgrading facilities. The project will improve safety, service and reliability and lower maintenance costs for providers across the state.
KYTC	\$3,892,200	2023 Emergency Relief Program	Nearly \$3.9 million to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to support facility repairs after damaging storms, flooding, and landslides in the summer of 2022;

FY2023 Achievements & Successes continued

- Region 4 awarded 254 grants = \$1,041,135,755.
- **Statewide in KY, 14 grants awarded = \$98,923,127**

<i>All Grants FY 2023 Awarded (Type of Award)</i>			<i>All Grants FY 2023 Awarded (Total & %)</i>				
Type of Award	# of Grants	Amount Awarded		# of Grants	% of Grants Awarded	Percent of Funds Awarded	Amount Awarded
Grand Total	254	\$1,041,135,755	AL	22	8.66%	6.36%	\$66,177,249
Obligation Award	241	\$1,054,918,959	FL	35	13.78%	27.49%	\$286,217,300
De-obligation Award	4	(\$13,783,204)	GA	31	12.20%	14.86%	\$154,764,080
Zero Dollar Amendment Award	9	\$0	KY	14	5.51%	9.50%	\$98,923,127
			MS	3	1.18%	0.64%	\$6,656,806
			NC	50	19.69%	18.09%	\$188,332,469
			PR	31	12.20%	10.89%	\$113,418,513
			SC	29	11.42%	3.09%	\$32,192,461
			TN	37	14.57%	8.38%	\$87,278,750
			VI	2	0.79%	0.69%	\$7,175,000

COVID-19 Stimulus Funding Status as of 8/8/2023 for KY

COVID Funding Update: Commonwealth of KY

CARES		CRRSAA		ARP	
Allocated	\$132,058,083	Allocated	\$39,000,982	Allocated	\$80,396,601
Obligated	\$131,243,139	Obligated	\$38,956,503	Obligated	\$79,333,247
% Obligated	99.4%	% Obligated	99.9%	% Obligated	99.7%
Disbursed	\$115,658,694	Disbursed	\$38,939,386	Disbursed	\$37,156,657
% Disbursed	88.1%	% Disbursed	99.9%	% Disbursed	46.8%



Reminders

- **Lapsing/carryover Grant Balance Sheet** - At the end of October 2023, FTA will share your lapsing and carryover balances to update your current balances going into FFY2024.
- **ECHO** - will close on Wednesday, **September 27, 2023 (2:00 pm EDT)**. It will reopen for users at **2:00 p.m. EDT, Friday, October 6, 2023**.
- **TrAMS** – closes **Monday, September 25th**.
 - *This will affect all financial transactions such as funds reservation, grant obligation, award de-obligations, and financial purpose code/scope code transfers will be restricted. Users will still be able to use TrAMS for non-financial functions.*
- **Anticipated Application Activity (AAA)** – The new AAA spreadsheets will be shared in the first quarter of FFY2024 and due March 31, 2024. Any grants listed will be considered for award in FFY24. If there are some other circumstances which may come into play, any of those grants included on your submitted AAA spreadsheet will be considered for award beyond the May 31st deadline.
- **TrAMS Clean-up** - Please delete any old applications still in TrAMS that will not be used going into FY2024. Please reach out to your Pre-Award Manager or Community Planner if you have any questions or need assistance.
- **NTD Reporting** – As a reminder, 2022 ridership data will be used for NTD reporting. NTD urban and rural reporting presentations will be shared with you all for reference.

Reminders continued...

- **SAM Status** - If you are in the 90-day prior to your SAM status expiration date, please update begin updating it accordingly as it will impact our ability to award your grants.
- When building applications in TrAMS, please make sure to separate BIL funding (FY22, 23) from FAST Act funds (FY21 and prior) via different projects in the application. Funding from the two transportation bills cannot be combined in an application for award. TrAMS does not have the functionality to obligate and award the funds from the two separate transportation bills when combined into one project.
- **MPO UPWPs** - Ensure your planning activities are being programmed into your MPO's UPWP with a reference to the FTA program and amount of funding (i.e. 5307, AoPP, etc).
- **TrAMS User Roles** - A lot of agencies have been experiencing staff turnover so make sure that TrAMS User Roles are updated. Remember, this will prevent application processing delays (i.e. make sure you have a submitted to submit, and official to execute, etc.)
- **New project coordination** – please remember to complete prerequisites as early as possible and to reduce project delays (i.e. NEPA for construction, TIP/STIP, flex transfers, etc.). If you need any technical assistance, please contact your assigned pre/post award managers.

Reminders continued....

- **Investing in America signage** – On July 24th, FTA released Investing in America signage guidelines and templates to promote **construction projects** funded by ARP and BIL. If you have a construction project, please place the sign(s) at construction sites. R4 also shared an email with our recipients on 8/22.
 - Please email a photo of the sign for the project to our Regional POC - Guanying Lei: Guanying.Lei@dot.gov; Please include in the email relevant project information, including project name, location, and federal funding program(s).
 - *Templates & Guidelines* - [Investing in America signage guidelines and templates](#)
- **FHWA FLEX Funds to FTA for Transit Access Improvements** - As part of the Biden Administration's emphasis on safety and Complete Streets, BIL also offers a FLEX Funds opportunity for improved bike and pedestrian access to transit stops and stations via FLEX funding to FTA.
 - Website link: <https://www.planning.dot.gov/flex.aspx>
- **Planning for EV Mobility Infrastructure**: USDOT released a toolkit to for planning efforts and funding electric vehicle infrastructure for rural areas.
 - Toolkit link: [Charging Forward: A Toolkit for Planning and Funding Rural Electric Mobility Infrastructure | US Department of Transportation](#)

2020 Census Updates

Kentucky Urbanized Areas	Census Change 2010 to 2020
Clarksville, TN – KY	New Large UZA
Evansville, IL	Henderson, KY no longer in UZA
Louisville/Jefferson County, KY—IN	Mount Washington & LaGrange no longer in UZA
Paducah, KY—IL	New Small UZA

- **Clarksville, TN-KY** Urban Area crossed 200k pop threshold = New Transportation Management Area (TMA) MPO
- **Henderson, KY** becomes a Section 5311 sub-recipient under KYTC
- **Paducah, KY-IL** Urban Area crossed 50,000+ population threshold = New MPO

2020 Census Updates continued...

- **Highlights of Census Change Scenarios:**
 - *Small to Large Urban*
 - Table 3A Operating Cap, 0.75% safety (5307)
 - FTA/FHWA planning documents preparation and oversight
 - New designated recipient(s) will be needed
 - *Rural areas to Small Urban*
 - Eligible to use 5307 funds
 - Not eligible to use 5311 funds in the small, urbanized area
 - Coordination with State DOT for Urban Area funding allocation
 - *Urban Areas to Rural Areas*
 - Coordination with the State DOT to use 5311 funds
- Website for FTA 2020 Census Updates: [2020 Census: Resources and Information | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)

FY2024 Comprehensive Reviews

- **FY24 Triennial Reviews** – scoping meetings are TBD. Details to follow in FY2024.

Recipient ID	Agency
1003	Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
1104	Transit Authority of Lexington, Fayette County
7323	Transit Authority of Central Kentucky

- All previously scheduled oversight Reviews shifted 1 year.
 - ~~FY22 reviews postponed until FY23~~
 - Back on 3-year cycle starting in FY24
- The **FY24 Comprehensive Review Contractor’s Manual** – The manual is estimated to be published on the FTA website by January 2024. For now, feel free to reference the [FY23 Manual](#) in preparation for your review.
- **TMA Planning Certification Review** – more to come from FHWA/FTA on the TMA Certification Review.
 - Huntington, WV-KY-OH (KYOVA MPO)

Federal Register Notice(s)

- FTA is seeking public input on a new draft guidance document, [Grant Programs for Urbanized Areas: Program Guidance and Application Instructions](#). This new circular combines existing program guidance on the Bus and Bus Facilities Formula Program (the urban component), the State of Good Repair Program, and the Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program. **FTA encourages stakeholders to comment on the circular in the [Federal Register](#).**
- Deadline: **September 11, 2023.**



Open NOFOs

Date Published	NOFO Title/Federal Register Notice	Funding Available	Deadline	Website
August 2, 2023	Re-Opened: Public Transportation Emergency Relief Funds for Transit Systems Affected by Major Declared Disasters Occurring in Calendar Years 2017 & 2020-2022	\$110 Million	October 31, 2023	Emergency Relief Program – 2023 NAERF (Re-Opened) FTA (dot.gov)
August 7, 2023	Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning - 08/17 Webinar slides and recording on website	\$13.4 million	October 10, 2023	Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning FY 2023 Notice of Funding FTA (dot.gov)

Future NOFOs

- **All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP)** - projected publication in October 2023
- **Innovative Coordinated Access on Mobility (ICAM)** - projected publication in November 2023
- **Railcar Replacement Program** - projected publication in November 2023
- **Bus & Bus Facilities/Low-No** - under development and projected publication in January 2024

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