# Rural Transit Operations MODOT/RTAP Update

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# Rural Transportation Assistance Program (RTAP)

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### MoDOT Transit Updates Federal Funding Updates-5311

- ▶ 5311 CARES
  - ightharpoonup Total = \$2.7M+
    - Rural = \$19.8K | ICB = \$1.7M | Capital = \$1M (available)
- ▶ 5311 ARPA
  - ► Total = \$1.36M
    - Rural = \$127.3K | ICB = \$1.179M (under grant) | ICB \$55.3K (available)
- ▶ 5311 Rural Formula Funding (Rural, ICB, RTAP and Admin)
  - ► FY16-21 Total = \$10.6M+
    - Rural/ICB = \$10.3M | Capital = \$42K | RTAP = \$86.7K | Admin = \$213K
  - FY22/23 Total = \$51.9M (just awarded by FTA, MoDOT working on agreements)
  - FY24 Total = \$25.8M (MoDOT needs to apply for funds)

### MoDOT Transit Updates Federal Funding Updates-5339

- ▶ 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities (Rural)
  - ▶ Under grant and awarded agreements
    - ► FY17-21 = \$7.5M
  - ► Available \$7M MoDOT Needs to Apply For
    - ► FY22 = \$2.316M
    - ► FY23 = \$2.328M
    - FY24 = \$2.357M

### MoDOT Transit Updates State Funding Updates

#### State Funding

- ► FY25 State Transit Assistance: \$1.7M STF | \$10M GR
  - Appropriated as Core Funding
  - Awards have been issued / Agreements approved and being put into DocuSign
- ► FY25 MEHTAP: \$1.3M STF | \$3.7M GR
  - Appropriated as Core Funding
  - ▶ Awards have been issued / Agreements approved and being put into DocuSign
- State Mobility Management Pilot Project \$3M
- State Capital Subsidy Program \$6M

#### MoDOT Transit Updates State/Federal Reimbursements

- MoDOT State Fiscal Year End/New
  - Payment delays
- ► Federal Fiscal Year Shutdown
  - Reimbursement Request submission due to MoDOT by September 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Federal systems shuts down September 23rd
  - Expect delays in processing of payments
- ► Holds on Reimbursement Payouts

#### MoDOT Transit Updates Unfunded Needs Listing / New Multimodal TAC

#### Unfunded Needs Listing

- MoDOT to finalize High Priority Unfunded Needs (HPUN) in October 2024
- Listing of Request / Approved provided to Transit Providers in December 2024
- January 2025 Process Starts Over

#### New RPC Multimodal Transportation Advisory Committee's (TAC)

- ▶ Alternative 1: Establish a separate "Multi-Modal Transportation Advisory Committee
- Alternative 2: Form a "Multi-Modal Advisory Subcommittee" to the TAC
- Alternative 3: Establish dedicated "Multi-Modal Positions" on the TAC

### MoDOT Transit Updates Vehicle Bids/Ordering/Delivery/Dispositions

#### Vehicle Bids

- Current Transit Vehicle Awards:
  - ▶ 15 Passenger Vans, LFM Side/Rear Entry and WBC-Floor Plan GG HH and II
- Upcoming Bids Solicitations:
  - ▶ NBC (MM, QQ and SS), WBC (CC and DD), Medium/High Conversion Vans
- MoDOT will be reaching out to rural providers mid-September

#### Vehicle Delivery / Dispositions

- New Vehicles
  - ▶ MoDOT listed as Lien Holder and original title is forwarded to MoDOT
- Dispositions
  - Submit dispostion request on replacement vehicle

#### MoDOT Transit Updates Upcoming Workshops/Trainings

Mobility
Management
Summit (virtual)

September 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 2:00pm 2025 Oversight & Compliance Workshops

Dates TBD -Early 2025 Substance Abuse Management / Reasonable Suspicion Training

July 22-25, 2025

## MoDOT Transit Updates Upcoming Reporting

- National Transit Database (NTD) for RY 2024
  - Notices will come out mid-September due to FTA by October 31st
  - Report Year 2024 no changes from RY 2023
- Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)
  - April-September 2024 due early November
- ▶ 2024 Title VI Survey coming out in Jan 2025
- **DAMIS (D&A)** coming out in Jan 2025

## MoDOT Transit Updates Special Projects

- Statewide Vanpool Project RFP
- Statewide Intercity Bus Study RFP
- RTAP Data Repository
- First and Last Mile Research Project
- Transit Operations Apprenticeship Program

#### MoDOT's Communication Method

#### ► InTransit Newsletter

- Subscription is required
- No longer utilizing email
- How to Subscribe
  - https://www.modot.org/intransit-newsletter
  - Scan QR Code



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InTransit Newsletter, New Vehicles & Reporting



#### Questions