



# **FY 2012 Discretionary Program Webinars**

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## **Guidance for the FY 2012 Discretionary Programs: Clean Fuels and Bus and Bus Facilities (State of Good Repair and Bus Livability Initiatives)**

February/March 2012

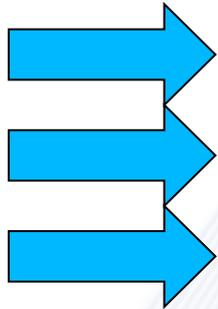


## Agenda

- Overview of the FY 2012 Funding Opportunities
- Highlights for FY 2012 Funding Opportunities
- Funding Opportunities:
  - Clean Fuels Program Overview
  - Bus Livability Initiative Overview
  - State of Good Repair Initiative Overview
- Application Instructions
- Questions and Answers



# Overview of the FY 2012 Funding Opportunities



Statutory Program	Funding Availability*	NOFA Published	Application Deadline
<b>SGR, Bus Livability and Clean Fuels</b>			
Bus & Bus Facilities (5309(m)(1)c-(SGR)	\$650,000,000	2/7/2012	3/22/2012
Bus - Livability	\$125,000,000	2/7/2012	3/29/2012
Clean Fuels (5308) (supplemented with Bus funds)	\$51,500,000	2/7/2012	4/5/2012
<b>Veteran's Initiative</b>			
Bus - Veteran's Initiative	\$25,000,000	2/7/2012	4/19/2012
<b>Alternatives Analysis (5339)</b>			
Alternatives Analysis (5339)	\$25,000,000	March-2012	April 2012
<b>Other</b>			
Tribal Transit (5311(c)	\$15,000,000	March-2012	April-2012
Over-the-Road-Bus (Section 3038)	\$8,800,000	March-2012	May-2012



# Highlights for FY 2012 Funding Opportunities

- FY 2012 Appropriations bill enacted in November, but contract authority limited to March 31, 2012.
- Funding amounts are slightly less than in prior year
- Longer & Staggered Application Period
- Program-Specific Supplemental Forms (“Applicant and Proposal Profile”) still required, but UPDATED for all programs. FY 2012 Forms must be used.
- Grants.Gov and FTA Website for all INFO!



# **Clean Fuels Grant Program Grant Opportunity**

**Section 5308 Clean Fuels Grant Program**

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- Program Purpose
- Eligible Applicants
- Eligible Projects and Costs
- Federal Funding and Required Local Match
- Evaluation Criteria
- Supplemental Form



## Program Purpose

- Assist nonattainment and maintenance areas in achieving or maintaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone and CO
- Support emerging clean fuel and advanced propulsion technologies for transit buses and markets for those technologies.

▪ **Approximately \$51.5 million\***

\*Subject to Funding availability



# Eligible Applicants

## Maintenance or Non-attainment Areas

- Designated Recipients in maintenance or non-attainment areas for ozone or CO under Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Funds
- Federally-Recognized Tribes
- State Departments of Transportation

## Attainment Areas

- Direct Recipients of Section 5307 funding
- Federally-Recognized Tribes
- State Departments of Transportation



## Eligible Projects and Costs

- Purchasing or leasing clean fuel buses, buses that employ lightweight composite primary structures and vans for use in revenue service.
- Construction or leasing of clean fuel bus facilities (*including electrical recharging facilities and related equipment*).
- Projects relating to clean fuel, biodiesel, hybrid electric, or zero emissions technology buses.
- *The purchase or lease of non-revenue vehicles is not an eligible project.*



## Federal Funding and Required Local Match

- **Vehicles** - 90% FTA/10% local contribution for the net incremental cost of the clean fuels component (*not the whole vehicle*). Grantees can use an FTA administrative blended share of 83% for the whole vehicle.
- **Facilities** - The 83 % Federal share does not apply to facilities, for which costs are more variable. The Federal share is 90% of the cost of Clean Air Act (CAA) elements of the facility.



# Evaluation Criteria

1. Demonstration of Benefits
  - Transportation Related Pollutants
2. Demonstration of Clean Fuels/Advanced Technologies
  - Emerging Clean Fuels Technologies
  - Advanced Technologies for Transit Buses
3. Demonstration of Need
  - One-time or periodic, Impact on Air Quality
4. Planning & Local/Regional Prioritization
  - Long Range Plan, Letters of Support, Regional Coordination
5. Project Readiness
  - Funding, Ability to Implement
6. Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity

*Please refer to the complete list of criteria in the Federal Register Notice of Funding Availability*



# Supplemental Form

The screenshot shows a Microsoft PowerPoint window titled "Webinar Slides for FY 2012 - Microsoft PowerPoint" with an Adobe Acrobat Pro window overlaid. The Acrobat window title is "SF424 Supplemental Form - Clean Fuels.pdf (SECURED) - Adobe Acrobat Pro". The form interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Window, Help), a toolbar with icons for Create, Save, Print, Email, and other actions, and a navigation pane on the left. A purple banner at the top of the form area contains the text: "Please fill out the following form. If you are a form author, choose Distribute from the Forms panel in the Tools Pane on the right to send it to your recipients." The form content includes a "Reset Form" button on the left and a "Validate Form" button on the right. The main title is "Applicant and Proposal Profile" with the subtitle "Clean Fuels Program" and version "v1.1". The section is titled "Section I. Applicant Information" and contains the following fields and options:

- Is this a resubmission due to an invalid/error message from FTA?  Yes  No
- Organization Legal Name:
- FTA Recipient ID Number:
- Applicant Eligibility:  State,  Indian Tribe,  Designated recipient of 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program
- Air Quality Status:  Non-Attainment area for Carbon Monoxide (CO) or Ozone (O3),  Maintenance area for Carbon Monoxide (CO) or Ozone (O3),  Attainment Area
- Population Served:  Urbanized over 200,000

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# **Clean Fuels Questions?**

**[www.fta.dot.gov/cleanfuels](http://www.fta.dot.gov/cleanfuels)**

**Vanessa Williams**

**(202) 366-4818**

**vanessa.williams@dot.gov**

**Applications Due: April 5, 2012**

**(11:59pm EDT)**



# **Bus Livability Initiative Grant Opportunity**

**Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Program**

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## Program Purpose

To invest in projects that advance the livability principles that are the foundation of the DOT-HUD-EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities

### **Six Livability Principles**

- Provide more transportation choices
- Expand location and energy-efficient housing choices
- Improve economic competitiveness of neighborhoods
- Target federal funding toward existing communities
- Align federal policies and funding
- Enhance the unique characteristics of all communities
  
- **Approx. \$125 M in funding\***

\*Subject to funding availability



## Eligible Applicants

- Direct Recipients of Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program Funding
- States may submit:
  - Consolidated proposal(s) for urbanized areas
  - Consolidated proposal for all non-urbanized area
- Federally Recognized Tribes
- Eligible Subrecipients – Public agencies, private entities and non-profits may submit projects as a part of a consolidated application by an eligible applicant.



## Eligible Projects and Costs

### Capital Projects Such as:

- Purchase and rehabilitation of buses and vans
- Bus related equipment (including ITS, fare equipment, & communication devices)
- Construction and rehabilitation of facilities, including bus maintenance, administrative, transfer, and intermodal facilities.
- *Operating expenses and preventive maintenance are not eligible expenses.*



# Federal Funding and Required Local Match

## Federal funding ratio:

- **80% Federal/20% Local**

## Exceptions:

- **90%/10%** for vehicle-related equipment or facilities attributable to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Acts (ADA) and the Clean Air Act (CAA)
- **Alternative: 83%/17%** for the net capital cost of new vehicles that are equipped to be compliant with ADA or CAA. This does not apply to facilities, for which all ADA and CAA-related costs must be itemized.
- ***Eligible forms of local match found in OMB Circular A-87***
- ***Form of local match cannot be substituted post-award***



# Evaluation Criteria

## 1. Linkage to Livability Principles

- Create convenient transportation options, intermodal connections, reducing congestion, improve access

## 2. Linkage to Environmental Sustainability

- Improve energy efficiency, and maintain, protect or enhance environment through policies and practices

## 3. Leveraging of Public and Private Investments

- Inclusion of non-Federal funding partners, and interdisciplinary partners

## 4. Demonstrated Need for Resources

- One time need that can't be funded from formula funds, significant impact on service delivery



## Evaluation Criteria continued

5. Planning and prioritization at local/regional level
  - In STIP/TIP or can be amended, endorsed by MPO or State, consistent with service needs of area
6. Project readiness
  - NEPA, Design, Programming, Funding, Ability to Implement
7. Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity

*Please refer to the complete list of criteria in the  
Federal Register Notice of Funding Availability*



# Supplemental Form

SF424\_Supplemental\_Form\_-\_Bus\_Livability.pdf (SECURED) - Adobe Acrobat Pro

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**Applicant and Proposal Profile**

**Bus and Bus Facilities Program: Livability Initiative**

**Section I. Applicant Information**

Is this a resubmission due to an invalid/error message from FTA?  Yes  No

Organization Legal Name:

FTA Recipient ID Number:

Applicant Eligibility:  State  
 Indian Tribe  
 Direct recipient of 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program

Population served:  Urbanized over 200,000  
 Urbanized 50,000 - 200,000  
 Rural

Description of services provided:

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## **For Further Information**

**[www.fta.dot.gov/bus](http://www.fta.dot.gov/bus)**

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**Bryce.McNitt@dot.gov**

**Applications Due: March 29, 2012**  
**(11:59pm EDT)**



# **State of Good Repair Initiative Grant Opportunity**

**Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Program**

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## Program Purpose

- To improve and maintain America's buses and bus facilities so that the nation's public transportation systems are in good physical condition and can successfully accomplish their performance objectives
- Will prioritize the replacement and rehabilitation of intermodal facilities that support the connection of bus service with multiple other modes of transportation
- Will prioritize the development and implementation of transit asset management systems (strategic approach to operating, maintaining, and improving physical assets that identifies a structured sequence of maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement to achieve and sustain a desired state of good repair over the lifecycle of the assets at minimum possible cost.
- **Approximately \$650 million\***

\*Subject to Funding Availability



## Eligible Applicants

- Direct Recipients of Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program Funding
- States may submit:
  - Consolidated proposal(s) for urbanized areas
  - Consolidated proposal for all non-urbanized areas
- Federally-Recognized Tribes
- Eligible Subrecipients – Public agencies, private entities and non-profits may submit projects as a part of a consolidated application by an eligible applicant.



## Eligible Projects and Costs

### Capital Projects, such as:

- Replacement or rehabilitation of buses and vans
- Reconstruction and rehabilitation of facilities (bus maintenance, passenger, intermodal)
- Bus related equipment (including ITS, fare equipment & communication devices)
- Transit Asset Management systems
- New maintenance facilities and equipment to address capacity constraints affecting asset management
- *Operating expenses and preventive maintenance are not eligible expenses.*



# Federal Funding and Required Local Match

## Federal funding ratio:

- **80% Federal/20% Local**

## Exceptions:

- **90%/10%** for vehicle-related equipment or facilities attributable to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Acts (ADA) and the Clean Air Act (CAA)
- **Alternative: 83%/17%** for the net capital cost of new vehicles that are equipped to be compliant with ADA or CAA. This does not apply to facilities, for which all ADA and CAA-related costs must be itemized.

***Eligible forms of local match listed in OMB Circular A-87  
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# Evaluation Criteria

## 1. Demonstration of Need

- Asset Age and Condition
- Demonstrated backlog of deferred maintenance
- Degree to which project will improve the maintenance and condition of the agency's assets

## 2. Planning and Local/Regional Prioritization

- Long Range Plan, Letters of Support, Regional Coordination

## 3. Project Readiness

- NEPA, Design, Programming, Funding, Ability to Implement

## 4. Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity

*Please refer to the complete list of criteria in the Federal Register Notice of Funding Availability*



## Supplemental Form

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**Applicant and Proposal Profile**

**Bus and Bus Facilities Program: State Of Good Repair**

**Section I. Applicant Information**

Is this a resubmission due to an invalid/error message from FTA?  Yes  No

Organization Legal Name:

FTA Recipient ID Number:

Applicant Eligibility:  State  Indian Tribe  Direct recipient of 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program

Population served:  Urbanized over 200,000  
 Urbanized 50,000 - 200,000  
 Rural

Description of services provided:

FTA Recipient ID Number:



## For Further Information

[www.fta.dot.gov/SGR](http://www.fta.dot.gov/SGR)

[www.fta.dot.gov/bus](http://www.fta.dot.gov/bus)

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Applications Due: March 22, 2012  
(11:59pm EDT)



# **FTA 2012 Discretionary Grant Program Opportunities**

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## **Grant Funding Opportunities and Application Instructions**

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Open Application Period  
February/April 2012



# Agenda

- Locating funding opportunities on FTA website and in Grants.gov
- Applying for FTA funds using Grants.gov
- Registration on Grants.gov
- Downloading Application Package and Supplemental Forms
- Completing and Submitting the Applications package
- Help in Application Process



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## Grant Programs

MORE INFORMATION	GRANT TITLE	SECTION OF STATUTE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION
	Alternatives Analysis (5339)	5339	Assist in financing the evaluation of reason alternatives and general options in a partic broadly-defined travel corridor.

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### Applications & Instructions

All applicants must attach the appropriate Supplemental Form to their application in Grants.gov. The mandatory forms are available in the links below as well as in the application package in Grants.gov.

Updated February 16, 2012

STATUTORY PROGRAM	FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE	GRANTS.GOV SYNOPSIS	LINK TO GRANTS.GOV APPLICATION DOWNLOAD PAGE	MANDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL FORM DOWNLOAD	APPLICATION DEADLINE	WEBINAR DATES
State of Good Repair (SGR)	<a href="#">Federal Register Vol 77, No 25 (Tuesday, February 7, 2012)</a>	<a href="#">SGR Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	<a href="#">Grants.gov SGR Application Download Page</a>	<a href="#">State of Good Repair</a>	3/22/2012	<a href="#">2/29 and 3/1</a>
Bus - Livability	<a href="#">Federal Register Vol 77, No 25 (Tuesday, February 7, 2012)</a>	<a href="#">Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	<a href="#">Grants.gov Livability Initiative Application Download</a>	<a href="#">Livability Initiative</a>	3/29/2012	<a href="#">2/29 and 3/1</a>
Clean Fuels	<a href="#">Federal Register Vol 77, No 25 (Tuesday, February 7, 2012)</a>	<a href="#">Clean Fuels Grant Program: Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	<a href="#">Grants.gov Clean Fuels Application Download</a>	<a href="#">Clean Fuels Program</a>	4/5/2012	<a href="#">2/29 and 3/1</a>

<http://fta.dot.gov/grants/13094.html>



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<u>CLOSING DATE</u>	<u>OPPORTUNITY ID</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
2/29/2012	FTA-2012-002-TPM-FECM	Sec 5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Program - Solicitation of Interest for the Fuel and Electric Propulsion Costs as Capital Maintenance Provision	Statements of Interest: Section 5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Program; Solicitation of Interest in the Fuel and Electric Propulsion as Capital Maintenance Provision <a href="#">[details]</a>
3/22/2012	FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR	State of Good Repair Initiative	State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals <a href="#">[details]</a>
3/29/2012	FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV	Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative	Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals <a href="#">[details]</a>
4/5/2012	FTA-2012-003-TPM-CLNF	Clean Fuels Grant Program	Clean Fuels Grant Program: Solicitation of Project Proposals <a href="#">[details]</a>

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## Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals

Date Posted: 2/7/2012

Closing Date: 3/29/2012

Program: Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative

Program: FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV

Opportunity Announcement Text: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-02-07/html/2012-2752.htm>

Opportunity Announcement PDF: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-02-07/pdf/2012-2752.pdf>

### Details:

2/7/2012. Solicitation of Project Proposals: **Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative**. (Text) (PDE) Synopses and full announcement are posted on Grants.gov site as opportunity [FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV](#). Proposals must be submitted electronically through Grants.gov website by midnight Eastern Time on **Thursday March, 29, 2012**.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) will make available approximately \$125 million from its FY 2012 Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities program in support of the Bus Livability Initiative. The Bus Livability Initiative makes funds available to public transportation providers to finance capital projects to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities, including programs of bus and bus-related projects for assistance to subrecipients that are public agencies, private companies engaged in public transportation, or private non-profit organizations.

**Eligible Applicants:** Direct Recipients under the Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula program, States, and Indian Tribes. Proposals for funding eligible projects in rural (nonurbanized) areas must be submitted as part of a consolidated State proposal with the exception of nonurbanized projects to Federally Recognized Tribes, States, Direct Recipients, and Tribes may also submit consolidated proposals for projects in urbanized areas. Proposals shall contain projects to be implemented by the Recipient or its subrecipients. Eligible subrecipients include public agencies, private non-profit organizations, and private providers engaged in public transportation.

**Link and Instructions for attaching the supplemental form to the SF-424.** All applicants must complete the [supplemental form](#) and attach it to their submission in GRANTS.GOV to successfully complete the application process. See attached [instructions for searching and attaching forms](#) in Grants.gov.

**Dates:** An applicant must submit a proposal electronically to <http://www.grants.gov> by 12pm Eastern Time on Thursday.

<a href="#">Text</a>	<a href="#">PDF</a>	2/7/2012
<a href="#">Text</a>	<a href="#">PDF</a>	2/7/2012

Each NOFA page contains links to Federal Register notices, application instructions, required supplemental forms, as well as shortcuts to Grants.gov synopsis and download sites.

<http://fta.dot.gov/grants/13077.html>



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3/29/2012	FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV	Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative	Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals <a href="#">[details]</a>
4/5/2012	FTA-2012-003-TPM-CLNF	Clean Fuels Grant Program	Clean Fuels Grant Program: Solicitation of Project Proposals <a href="#">[details]</a>

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Opportunity Announcement PDF: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-02-07/pdf/2012-2752.pdf>

### Details:

2/7/2012. Solicitation of Project Proposals: **Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative**. (Text) (PDF) Synopses and full announcement are posted on Grants.gov site as opportunity [FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV](#). Proposals must be submitted electronically through Grants.gov website by midnight Eastern Time on **Thursday March, 29, 2012**.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) will accept applications for the **Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative**. The 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative is available to put related equipment to subrecipient organizations. Eligible Applicants: Proposals for this program may also be submitted by other organizations. [Link and Instructions](#) form and attached instructions.

Eligible Applicants: Proposals for this program may also be submitted by other organizations.

[Link and Instructions](#) form and attached instructions.

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**Eligible Applicants**

**Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals**

The synopsis for this grant opportunity is detailed below, following this paragraph. This synopsis contains all of the updates to this document that have been posted as of **02/07/2012**. If updates have been made to the opportunity synopsis, update information is provided below the synopsis.

If you would like to receive notifications of changes to the grant opportunity click [send me change notification emails](#). The only thing you need to provide for this service is your email address. No other information is requested.

Any inconsistency between the original printed document and the disk or electronic document shall be resolved by giving precedence to the printed document.

Document Type: Grants Notice  
 Funding Opportunity Number: FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV  
 Opportunity Category: Discretionary  
 Posted Date: Feb 07, 2012  
 Creation Date: Feb 07, 2012  
 Original Closing Date for Applications: Mar 29, 2012  
 Current Closing Date for Applications: Mar 29, 2012  
 Archive Date: Apr 26, 2012  
 Funding Instrument Type: Grant  
 Category of Funding Activity: Transportation  
 Category Explanation:  
 Expected Number of Awards: 60  
 Estimated Total Program Funding: \$123,000,000  
 Award Ceiling:  
 Award Floor:  
 CFDA Number(s):  
 Cost Sharing or Matching:

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# Applying through Grants.Gov

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- Apply for Grants
  - [http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply\\_for\\_grants.jsp](http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp)
- Registration Checklist
  - <http://www.grants.gov/assets/OrganizationalRegCheck.pdf>



In order to apply for a grant, you and/or your organization must complete the Grants.gov registration process. Registration can take between three-five business days or as long as two weeks if all steps are not completed in a timely manner.



# Finding Opportunities

The image displays two screenshots of the Grants.gov website. The top screenshot shows the homepage with the 'Find Grant Opportunities' link highlighted in the left navigation menu. The bottom screenshot shows the 'Find Grant Opportunities' page with a red arrow pointing to the 'Basic Search' button.

**Top Screenshot (Home Page):**

- Header: GRANTS.GOV™, Search, Contact Us, Site Map, Help, RSS, Home
- Left Navigation Menu:
  - FOR APPLICANTS
    - Applicant Login
    - Find Grant Opportunities** (highlighted)
    - Get Registered
    - Apply for Grants
    - Track My Application
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    - Search, FAQs, Userguides and site information
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  - Find. Apply. Succeed.
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  - Other information regarding the Recovery Act. [Learn more >](#)
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- Section: FIND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
- Text: All discretionary grants offered by the [26 federal grant-making agencies](#) can be found on Grants.gov.
- Text: You do not have to register with Grants.gov to *find* grant opportunities. However, once you are ready to *apply* for a grant, you will need to [Get Registered](#). This process takes 3-5 business days up to 4 weeks if you experience any difficulties.
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02/07/2012	<a href="#">State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
02/07/2012	<a href="#">Clean Fuels Grant Program: Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
02/07/2012	<a href="#">Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
02/07/2012	<a href="#">Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative: Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative (VTCLI)</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
01/25/2012	<a href="#">Section 5307 -- Urbanized Area Formula Program -- Request for Interest in the Fuel and Electric Propulsion as Capital Maintenance Provision</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration
12/21/2011	<a href="#">National Technical Assistance Center for Senior Transportation</a>	DOT/Federal Transit Administration

## State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals

Synopsis

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Application

The synopsis for this grant opportunity is detailed below, following this paragraph. This synopsis contains all of the updates to this document have been posted as of **02/07/2012**. If updates have been made to the opportunity synopsis, update information is provided below the synopsis.

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Document Type:	Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
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Creation Date:	Feb 07, 2012
Original Closing Date for Applications:	Mar 22, 2012
Current Closing Date for Applications:	Mar 22, 2012
Archive Date:	Apr 21, 2012
Funding Instrument Type:	Grant
Category of Funding Activity:	Transportation
Category Explanation:	
Expected Number of Awards:	150
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CFDA Number(s):	20.500 -- Federal Transit_Capital Investment Grants
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes

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**Eligible Applicants:** "Direct Recipients" within the meaning of FTA's Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula program, States, or Indian Tribes are eligible to submit proposals for this initiative. Proposals for funding eligible projects in rural (nonurbanized) areas must be submitted as part of a consolidated State proposal with the exception of nonurbanized projects to Federally recognized Tribes. States and Direct Recipients may also submit consolidated proposals for projects in urbanized areas. Proposals shall contain projects to be implemented by the Recipient or its sub-recipients. Eligible sub-recipients include public agencies, private non-profit organizations, and private providers engaged in public transportation.

**Link and Instructions for attaching the supplemental form to the SF-424.** All applicants must complete the [supplemental form](#) and attach it to their submission in GRANTS.GOV. See attached [instructions for searching and attaching forms](#) in Grants.gov.

**Dates:** An applicant must submit a proposal electronically to <http://www.grants.gov/> by 12pm Eastern Time on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Any agency intending to apply should initiate the process of registering on the GRANTS.GOV site immediately to ensure completion of registration before the submission deadline. Instructions for applying can be found on FTA's website at <http://fta.dot.gov/cleanfuels> and in the "FIND" module of GRANTS.GOV.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Adam Schildge, Office of Program Management, (202) 366-0778, e-mail: [adam.schildge@dot.gov](mailto:adam.schildge@dot.gov).



# Instructions for Applying

Application instructions are available in the NOFA announcement and in the application download in Grants.gov.

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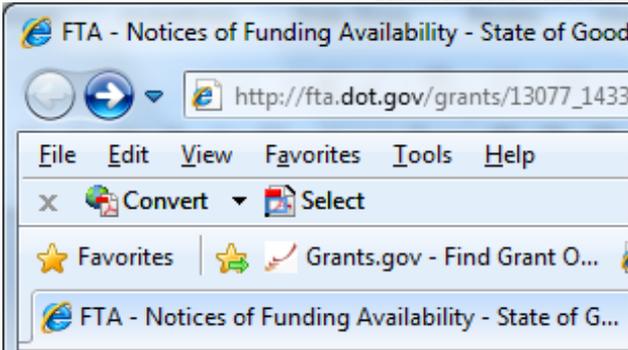
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## DOWNLOAD OPPORTUNITY INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

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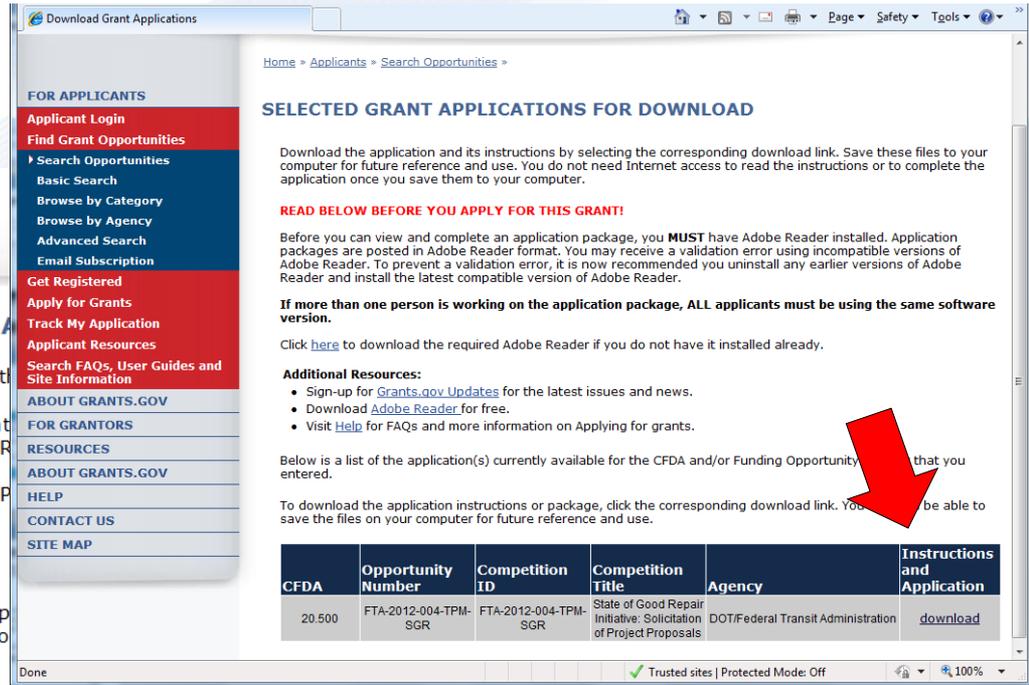
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**Opportunity Number:** FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR: State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals  
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**Competition Title:** State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals  
**Agency:** DOT/Federal Transit Administration  
**Opening Date:** 02/07/2012  
**Closing Date:** 03/22/2012

If you would like to be notified of any changes to this opportunity page, please enter your email address in the box below and click the "Submit" button.



Download the instructions and application by selecting the download links below. While the instructions or application files may open directly, you may save the files to your computer for future reference and use. You do not need Internet access to read the instructions or the application once you save them to your computer.

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**READ BELOW BEFORE YOU APPLY FOR THIS GRANT!**

Before you can view and complete an application package, you **MUST** have Adobe Reader installed. Application packages are posted in Adobe Reader format. You may receive a validation error using incompatible versions of Adobe Reader. To prevent a validation error, it is now recommended you uninstall any earlier versions of Adobe Reader and install the latest compatible version of Adobe Reader.

**If more than one person is working on the application package, ALL applicants must be using the same software version.**

Click [here](#) to download the required Adobe Reader if you do not have it installed already.

**Additional Resources:**

- Sign-up for [Grants.gov Updates](#) for the latest issues and news.
- Download [Adobe Reader](#) for free.
- Visit [Help](#) for FAQs and more information on Applying for grants.

Below is a list of the application(s) currently available for the CFDA and/or Funding Opportunity that you entered.

To download the application instructions or package, click the corresponding download link. You will be able to save the files on your computer for future reference and use.

CFDA	Opportunity Number	Competition ID	Competition Title	Agency	Instructions and Application
20.500	FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR	FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR	State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project Proposals	DOT/Federal Transit Administration	<a href="#">download</a>

Click the download link in the "Instructions and Application" column shown above to open the "Application Instructions" and "Application Package" download window.



# Application Package

http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/opportunities/p...

Please fill out the following form.

Highlight Existing Fields

Opportunity Title: State of Good Repair Initiative: Solicitation of Project

Offering Agency: DOT/Federal Transit Administration

CFDA Number: 20.500

CFDA Description: Federal Transit Capital Investment Grants

Opportunity Number: FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR

Competition ID: FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR

Opportunity Open Date: 02/07/2012

Opportunity Close Date: 03/22/2012

Agency Contact: Adam Schildge  
Office of Program Management  
(202) 366-0778  
e-mail: adam.schildge@dot.gov

This electronic grants application is intended to be used to apply for the specific Federal funding opportunity referenced here.

If the Federal funding opportunity listed is not the opportunity for which you want to apply, close this application package by clicking on the "Cancel" button at the top of this screen. You will then need to locate the correct Federal funding opportunity, download its application and then apply.

This opportunity is only open to organizations, applicants who are submitting grant applications on behalf of a company, tribal government, academia, or other type of organization.

\* Application Filing Name: [Redacted]

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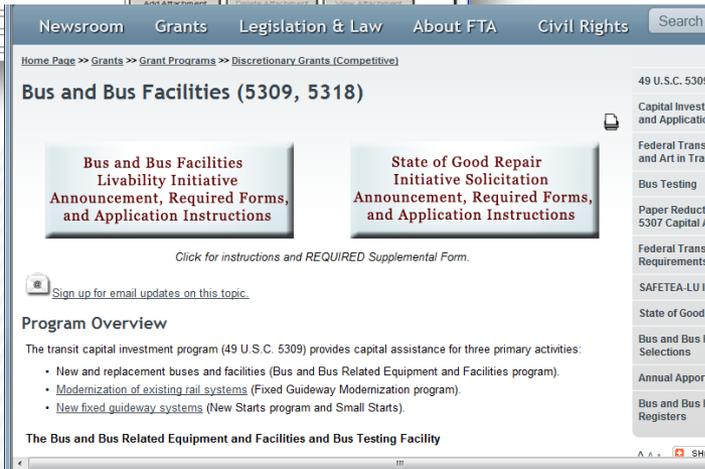
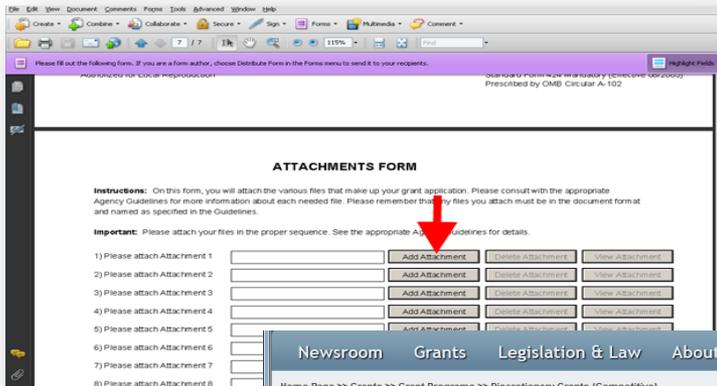
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Download and save the Application Package to your computer. The application downloads and opens as an SF424 in PDF format. You must move SF424 Mandatory Form and Attachments from the Mandatory Documents box to the Mandatory Documents for Submission Box.



# Attach Supplemental Form



Program	Opportunity ID	Mandatory Supplemental Form
State of Good Repair Initiative	FTA-2012-004-TPM-SGR	<a href="#">State of Good Repair</a>
Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative	FTA-2012-005-TPM-BLIV	<a href="#">Livability Initiative</a>
Clean Fuels Grant Program	FTA-2012-003-TPM CLNF	<a href="#">Clean Fuels Program</a>

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### Applications & Instructions

All applicants must attach the appropriate Supplemental Form to their application in Grants.gov. The mandatory forms are available in the links below as well as in the application package in Grants.gov.

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STATUTORY PROGRAM	FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE	GRANTS.GOV SYNOPSIS	LINK TO GRANTS.GOV APPLICATION DOWNLOAD PAGE	MANDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL FORM DOWNLOAD	APPLICATION DEADLINE	WEBINAR DATES
State of Good Repair (SGR)	<a href="#">Federal Register Vol 77, No 25 (Tuesday, February 7, 2012)</a>	<a href="#">SGR Solicitation of Project Proposals</a>	<a href="#">Grants.gov SGR Application Download Page</a>	<a href="#">State of Good Repair</a>	3/22/2012	<a href="#">2/29 and 3/1</a>
	<a href="#">Federal Register Vol</a>	<a href="#">Livability</a>	<a href="#">Grants.gov</a>			

You MUST attach the corresponding Supplemental Form (application profile) to the SF424 or the proposal will be invalid and not reviewed by FTA.



# Supplemental Form

- All fields on a Supplemental Form **MUST** be filled out, unless instructed otherwise. Leaving fields blank will mark your submission as invalid.
- Use the **Validate Form** button located at the top right hand corner of the supplemental form to make sure no required fields were left blank.
- The sum of the Budget Line items listed in the Supplemental Form must match the Estimated Funding amount in the SF424 form. If these amounts do not match, DGS will mark the submission as invalid.

Validate Form

Reset Form **Applicant and Proposal Profile** v1.1

Bus and Bus Facilities Program: State Of Good Repair

**Section I. Applicant Information**

Is this a resubmission due to an invalid/error message from FTA?  Yes  No

Organization Legal Name:

FTA Recipient ID Number:

Applicant Eligibility:  State  
 Indian Tribe  
 Direct recipient of 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program

Population served:  Urbanized over 200,000  
 Urbanized 50,000 - 200,000  
 Rural

Description of services provided:

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# Application Status

- After application submission
  - Grants.gov emails notices with within 24-48 hours after submission
    - Grants.gov sends Validation email verifying "*successful*" submission
    - OR "*rejection*" due to errors
  - Upon transmission to FTA
- FTA will email if issues with supplemental forms



# Grants.gov Info and Resources

- Applicant User Guide - detailed guide to registration, finding and applying for grant opportunities.
  - [http://grants.gov/assets/Applicant-User-Guide\\_110711.pdf](http://grants.gov/assets/Applicant-User-Guide_110711.pdf)
  - <http://grants.gov/assets/OrgRegUserGuide.pdf>
- Grants.gov home page – Find & Apply
  - <http://grants.gov/>
- Apply for Grants
  - [http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/apply\\_for\\_grants.jsp](http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp)
  - <http://grants.gov/assets/FindApplyUserGuide.pdf>
- Registration Checklist
  - [http://www07.grants.gov/assets/Organization\\_Steps\\_Complete\\_Registration.pdf](http://www07.grants.gov/assets/Organization_Steps_Complete_Registration.pdf)
- Grants.gov Customer Service
  - [http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/apply\\_for\\_grants.jsp](http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp)



# Help in Application Process

- For Grants.gov applications issues:
  - Grants.gov Contact Center is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to help with issues regarding Grants.gov. Email [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov) or call 1-800-518-4726 and visit the self-help portal at [www.grants.gov/iportal](http://www.grants.gov/iportal).
- For FTA Program Questions or Issues:
  - Contact FTA Program Manager (name, phone and contact information provided in NOFA).



# Questions and Answers