Transit Standard Development Competitive Funding Opportunity Webinar









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Federal Transit Administration



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- Additional Information
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OPENING REMARKS

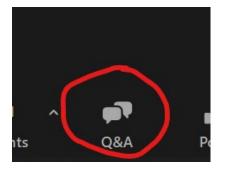
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Question Protocol

- Please use the Q&A Pod at the bottom of your screen to submit questions
- Additional questions can be submitted to the program manager, Raj Wagley at <u>raj.wagley@dot.gov</u> till NOFO is open
- Presentation materials will be posted to FTA's website at <u>Standards</u>
 <u>Development Program | FTA (dot.gov)</u>





Transit Standards Development (TSD) NOFO

- Notice of Funding Opportunity published November 22, 2022
- \$3 million total available under FTA's Technical Assistance and Workforce Development Program (49 U.S.C. 5314):
 - Project to develop transit standards, best practices, guidance and tools
- Award one project
- Maximum federal share of project costs is 100%

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION [Docket Number FRA-2018-0006]

Petition for Extension of Waiver of Compliance

document provides the public notice that on October 18, 2022, Northern Plains Railroad (NPR) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)

the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 40 CFR 229.47, Emergency brake vulve. The relevant FRA Docket Number is FRA-2018-0006. Specifically, NPR requests to extend its existing relief from the requirement that an emergency brake pipe valvo be installed adjacent to the rear door of a locomotive for five EMD SD60F locomotives (Numbers 5513, 5517, 5518, 5525, and 5535). The five locomotives are of the same car body type and are

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A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.
Interested parties are invited to
participate in these proceedings by
submitting written views, data, or
comments. FRA does not anticipate

connection with uses proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their supert

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Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Competitiv Funding Opportunity: Transit Standards Development

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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TSD Program Goal

This program is for development of transit standards, best practices, guidance, and tools that improve public transportation by directly engaging and working with transit stakeholders.

Potential areas of standards development:

- Safety
- Resiliency
- Mobility
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Training

- Cybersecurity
- Data Integration
- Electric Fleet and Charging
- Traveler Information
- Integrated Fare Payment
- Emerging Technologies



Project Structure

- Project management through FTA's TrAMS
- FTA will award Cooperative Agreement to lead applicant
- Project partners to be specified when applying
- 100% Federal funding available. Local cost-share optional
- Projects structured on cost reimbursable basis
- Specific objectives and tasks developed after award
- FTA Research Circular 6100.1E will help guide project implementation



Eligible and Key Activities

Eligible activities may include, but not limited to:

- Industry scans, listening sessions or surveys, case studies, and data collection on industry needs;
- New and emerging technology use cases, specifications and standards;
- Industry literature reviews on transit needs and gaps, domestic and international;
- Development, validation, and verification of the data and specification;
- Development of new standards and standards-related documents;
- Information share with the transit stakeholders, including industry working groups



Eligible Applicants

Expanded eligibility for lead applicant:

- Providers of public transportation
- State or local government entities
- Private for-profit organizations
- Not-for-profit organizations
- Standard Development Organizations
- Other organizations such as research consortia, universities and institutions of higher education

Partnering encouraged:

 Applicants may identify one or more project partners with a substantial interest and involvement in the project



Review and Selection Process

- Technical evaluation review teams made up of Federal staff will evaluate proposals based on the published technical evaluation criteria identified in the NOFO
- Evaluation team will provide technical recommendations to FTA leadership



Technical Evaluation Criteria

- I. Knowledge of Standards, Standards Development
- 2. Knowledge of Subject Areas, Emerging Needs, and Demands in Transit
- 3. Key Personnel Experience and Organizational Capacity
- 4. Project Approach
- 5. Technical, Legal, Financial Capacity



Key Dates and Application Submission

- FTA released NOFO on November 22, 2022
- Submit Applications by **January 23, 2023, by 11:59 PM EDT** through Grants.gov.
 - Applications must include:
 - SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance,
 - Supplemental Form, and
 - Supporting Documentations



Additional Information

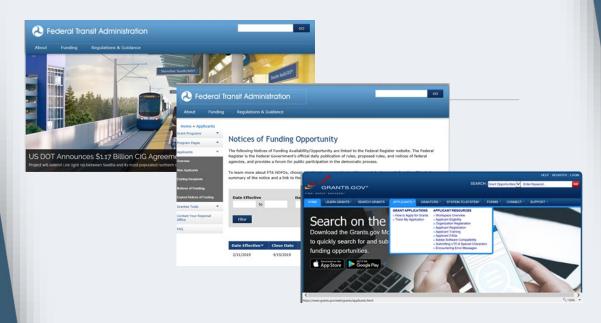
- GRANTS.GOV, opportunity FTA-2023-004-TRI: <u>View Opportunity</u> [GRANTS.GOV
- Transit Standard Development Program FRN: <u>Federal Register Notice</u>
- Applying for FTA Funding: <a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/applying/applying-fta-funding-
- FTA Website: <u>Standards Development Program | FTA (dot.gov)</u>
- Submit additional questions to raj.wagley@dot.gov

REMINDER: Applications Due by 11:59 PM EDT on January 23, 2023





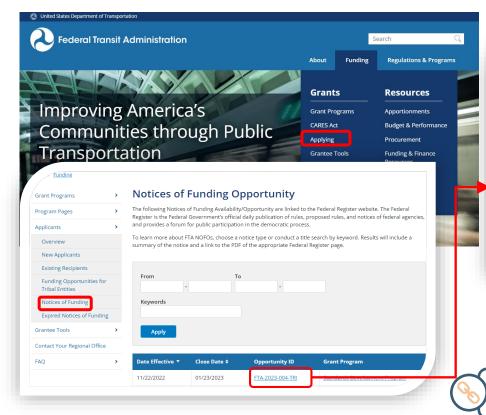
Applying for FTA Grant Opportunities in Grants.gov





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FTA Notice of Funding Opportunity





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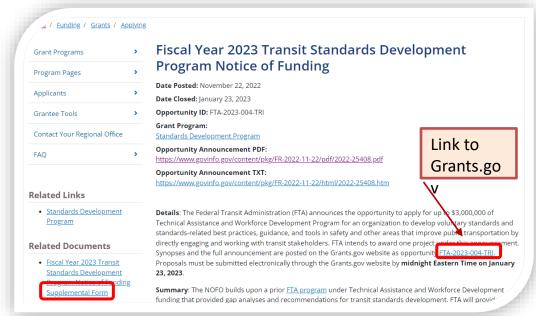


FTA Notice of Funding Opportunity

FTA NOFO Page contains:

- Summary Description
- Application requirements
- Eligibility
- Supplemental Form
- Applicants should complete and attach this to their submission
- Links to Grants.gov
- Links to Program Information

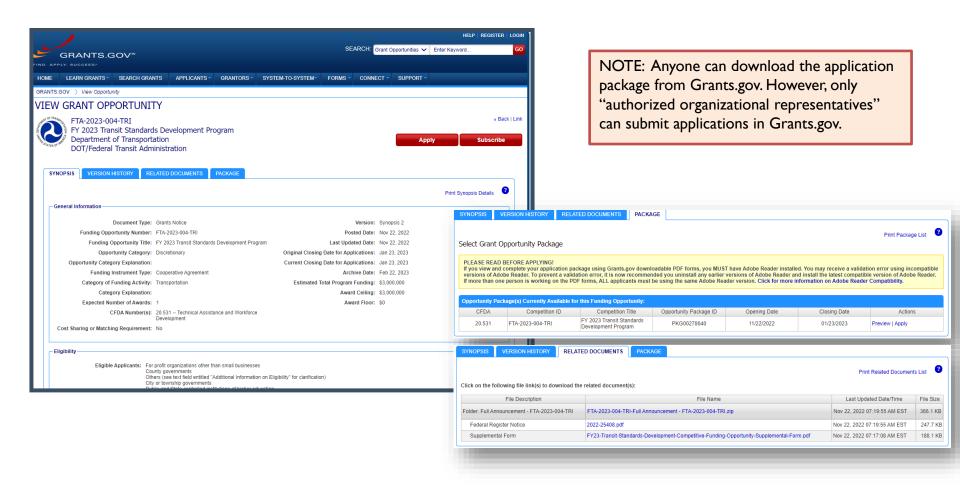
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FTA NOFO provides hyperlinks to Grants.gov opportunity notice, related documents, and application package.

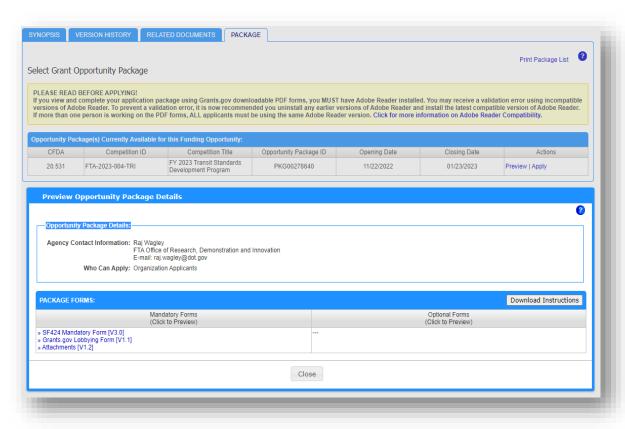


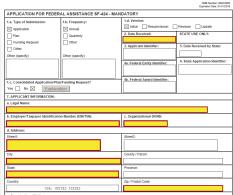
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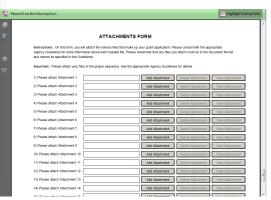




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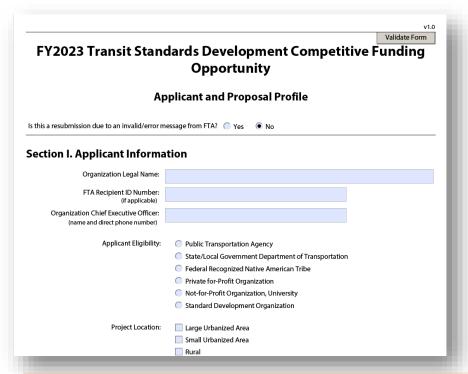




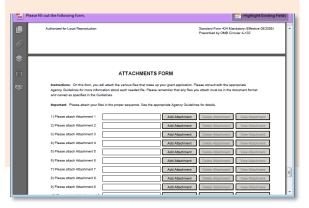




Application Package



The "Attachment Form" shown below is included in the SF-424 Grant Application Package in Grants.gov.



CAUTION: Do not use "**Supplemental Form**" from prior years or create your own form. Please use the file provided on the FTA website.



Applications on Grants.gov



https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants.html



Applicant – Organization Registration

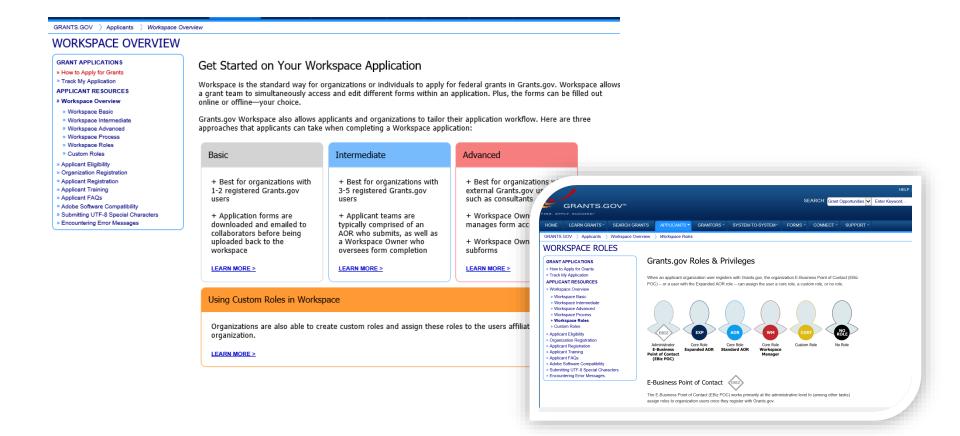




Organizations must register in Grants.gov in order to submit applications



Workspace in Grants.gov





Web Addresses

• FTA Funding Opportunities:



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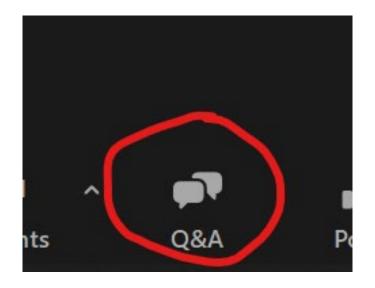
GRANTS.GOV Applicant Support 1-800-518-4726

support@grants.gov



Questions

Please submit your questions using the Q&A button below







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