

Public Transit



PUBLIC TRANSIT

Kansas receives Federal-aid for transit services and related programs through the Federal Transit Act. The principal programs of the act provide funding for capital and operation assistance for transport of persons with disabilities, elderly persons and the general public. Kansas annually provides 2.4 million dollars in state funding to these public transportation programs.

49 USC 5304

This program provides financial assistance to states for statewide planning and other technical assistance activities (including supplementing the technical assistance program provided through the Metropolitan Planning Formula Program), planning support for non-urbanized areas, research, development and demonstration projects, fellowships for training in the public transportation field, university research, and human resource development.

<i>Authorizations</i>	
FY 2010	\$261,797
FY 2011	\$122,000
FY 2012	\$127,000
FY 2013	\$127,000

Operating Costs

FY 2010	5	\$261,797
FY 2011	4	\$122,000
FY 2012	4	\$127,000
FY 2013	4	\$127,000

49 USC 5309

This program provides funds to public entities to assist in capital projects. Eligible public entities include: states; municipalities, and other political subdivisions of states; public agencies and instrumentalities of one or more states; and certain public corporations, boards, and commissions established under state law. The funds may be used for buses and related facilities, bus related ITS equipment, and construction or modernization of fixed guideway systems. The recipients of funds are usually designated by Congress.

Authorizations

FY 2010	\$ 4,000,000
FY 2011	\$ 2,000,000
FY 2012	\$ 2,000,000
FY 2013	\$ 2,000,000

49 USC 5310

This program provides funds to private nonprofit organizations to purchase vehicles and related equipment for providing transportation services to meet

the special needs of elderly persons with disabilities. Grant recipients may provide service to the general public once the immediate needs of all the elderly persons and persons with disabilities have been met. Coordination of transportation services within each service area is encouraged in order to make the best use of existing capital resources.

Authorizations

FY 2010	\$1,655,000
FY 2011	\$1,300,000
FY 2012	\$1,300,000
FY 2013	\$1,300,000

Vehicle Purchases

FY 2010	40	\$1,655,000
FY 2011	35	\$1,300,000
FY 2012	35	\$1,300,000
FY 2013	35	\$1,300,000

49 USC 5311

The program provides funding to support non-urbanized area (under 50,000 population) transportation programs that serve the general public. The purpose of the program is to augment existing transportation services and to enhance access to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation. Coordination of transportation services with existing providers in each service area important part of the program.

Authorizations

FY 2010	\$ 7,600,000
FY 2011	\$ 8,650,000
FY 2012	\$ 9,250,000
FY 2013	\$10,100,000

Vehicle Purchases

FY 2010	20	\$1,000,000
FY 2011	30	\$1,650,000
FY 2012	30	\$1,750,000
FY 2013	35	\$2,100,000

Operating Grants

FY 2010	14	\$6,600,000
FY 2011	14	\$7,000,000
FY 2012	14	\$7,500,000
FY 2013	14	\$8,000,000

**INTERCITY BUS
TRANSPORTATION**

A portion of the 49 USC 5311 program is set-aside for the development and support of intercity bus transportation. Set-aside is 15 percent for each year from the annual apportionment of the 49 USC 5311 program.

Authorizations

FY 2010	\$ 943,202
FY 2011	\$2,500,000
FY 2012	\$2,500,000
FY 2013	\$2,500,000

Vehicle Purchases

FY 2010	0	\$ 0
FY 2011	10	\$1,000,000
FY 2012	10	\$1,000,000
FY 2013	11	\$1,000,000

Operating Grants

FY 2010	10	\$ 943,202
FY 2011	10	\$1,500,000
FY 2012	10	\$1,500,000
FY 2013	11	\$1,500,000

RURAL TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RTAP)

RTAP provides funding to assist in the design and implementation of training and technical assistance projects and other support services tailored to meet the specific needs of transit operators in non-urbanized areas. Each state receives an annual allocation to develop and implement training and technical assistance programs.

<i>Authorizations</i>	
FY 2010	\$210,000
FY 2011	\$150,000
FY 2012	\$155,000
FY 2013	\$155,000

ARRA

Pursuant to the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA), the Kansas Department of Transportation received \$14,056,694 for rural capital projects intended for job retention and creation in Kansas and across the country. The funding, which will be obligated in Fiscal Years 2009-2010 will be used for two facility construction projects, vehicle replacement and expansion, construction of bus stops, maintenance facility equipment, enhancements of 15 towers to 800 MHz, intercity bus coaches, and dispatching systems. Funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 were transferred to Lawrence Transit and Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority to assist with capital replacement.

<i>Authorizations</i>	
FY 2010	\$11,056,694

<i>Vehicle Purchases</i>	
FY 2010	\$5,126,000

<i>MDTs/ ITS software and radios</i>	
FY 2010	\$513,000

<i>Bus stops, shelters and signage</i>	
FY 2010	\$620,500

<i>Misc. capital equipment and buildings</i>	
FY 2010	\$7,497,194

49 USC 5316

This program provides funds to local governmental authorities and agencies and nonprofit entities for capital and operating costs of equipment, facilities, and associated capital maintenance items related to providing access to jobs. Also included are the costs of promoting the use of transit by workers with nontraditional work schedules, promoting the use of transit vouchers, and promoting the use of employer-provided transportation including the transit benefits. For Reverse Commute grants, the following activities are eligible: operating costs, capital costs and other costs associated with reverse commute by bus, train, carpool, vans or other transit service. Job Access grants are intended to provide new transit service to assist welfare recipients and other low-income individuals in getting to jobs, training, and child care. Reverse Commute grants are designed to develop

transit services to transport workers to suburban job sites. Projects receiving funding through this program that are located in a Small Urbanized area are included in their Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

<i>Authorizations</i>	
FY 2010	\$ 412,799
FY 2011	\$ 447,199
FY 2012	\$ 550,000
FY 2013	\$ 550,000

<i>Vehicle Purchases</i>		
FY 2010	0	\$ 0
FY 2011	3	\$ 97,199
FY 2012	5	\$ 125,000
FY 2013	5	\$ 125,000

<i>Operating Grants</i>		
FY 2010	4	\$ 412,799
FY 2011	4	\$ 350,000
FY 2012	7	\$ 425,000
FY 2013	7	\$ 425,000

49 USC 5317

This program provides funding to encourage services and facility improvements to address the transportation needs of persons with disabilities that go beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Funding may be used for associated capital and operating costs. Projects receiving funding through this program that are located in a Small Urbanized area are included in their Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

<i>Authorizations</i>	
FY 2010	\$ 475,000
FY 2011	\$ 300,000
FY 2012	\$ 350,000
FY 2013	\$ 350,000

<i>Vehicle Purchases</i>	
FY 2010	\$ 75,000
FY 2011	\$ 0
FY 2012	\$ 0
FY 2013	\$ 0

<i>Operating Grants</i>		
FY 2010	5	\$ 400,000
FY 2011	6	\$ 300,000
FY 2012	6	\$ 350,000
FY 2013	7	\$ 350,000