

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 2.9 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.

Authorizations

FY 2015	\$278,000
FY 2016	\$140,509
FY 2017	\$145,000
FY 2018	\$145,000

Operating Costs

FY 2015	# 5	\$233,000
FY 2016	# 4	\$136,089
FY 2017	# 4	\$140,000
FY 2018	# 4	\$140,000

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. The remaining 5309 funds will be spent in FY15. KDOT has not received additional Section 5309 funds in the last several years, therefore the FY 16, FY17, and FY 18 years have been zeroed out.

Authorizations

FY 2015	\$ 846,331
FY 2016	\$ 0
FY 2017	\$ 0
FY 2018	\$ 0

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 and 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 resource.

Authorizations

FY 2015	\$1,269,778
FY 2016	\$1,469,778
FY 2017	\$1,500,000
FY 2018	\$1,500,000

Vehicle Purchases

FY 2015	# 35	\$1,269,778
FY 2016	# 32	\$1,469,778
FY 2017	# 32	\$1,500,000
FY 2018	# 31	\$1,500,000

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 is an important part of the program.

Authorizations

FY 2015	\$ 10,318,548
FY 2016	\$ 9,921,870
FY 2017	\$11,100,000
FY 2018	\$11,300,000

Capital Purchases

FY 2015	# 45	\$2,000,000
FY 2016	# 30	\$1,350,000
FY 2017	# 30	\$1,375,000
FY 2018	# 35	\$1,500,000

Operating Grants

FY 2015	# 14	\$8,318,548
FY 2016	# 14	\$8,571,870
FY 2017	# 14	\$9,725,000
FY 2018	# 14	\$9,800,000

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*

tions

FY 2015	\$1,500,000
FY 2016	\$2,000,000
FY 2017	\$2,000,000
FY 2018	\$2,500,000

Vehicle Purchases

FY 2015	# 1	\$ 500,000
FY 2016	# 2	\$1,000,000
FY 2017	# 2	\$1,000,000
FY 2018	# 2	\$1,000,000

<i>Operating Grants</i>		
FY 2015	# 4	\$1,000,000
FY 2016	# 4	\$1,000,000
FY 2017	# 4	\$1,000,000
FY 2018	# 5	\$1,250,000

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 2015	\$180,552
FY 2016	\$185,000
FY 2017	\$185,000
FY 2018	\$185,000

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, capi-

tal 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 2015	\$400,000
FY 2016	\$300,000
FY 2017	\$ 0
FY 2018	\$ 0

<i>Capital Purchases</i>		
FY 2015	# 3	\$180,000
FY 2016	# 2	\$100,000
FY 2017	# 0	\$ 0
FY 2018	# 0	\$ 0

<i>Operating Grants</i>		
FY 2015	# 7	\$320,000
FY 2016	# 8	\$200,000
FY 2017	# 0	\$ 0
FY 2018	# 0	\$ 0

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).

Authorizations

FY 2015		\$400,000
FY 2016		\$300,000
FY 2017		\$ 0
FY 2018		\$ 0

Capital Expenses

FY 2015	# 4	\$ 200,000
FY 2016	# 0	\$ 200,000
FY 2017	# 0	\$ 0
FY 2018	# 0	\$ 0

Operating Grants

FY 2015	# 7	\$200,000
FY 2016	# 6	\$100,000
FY 2017	# 0	\$ 0
FY 2018	# 0	\$ 0

* Under MAP-21, the 5316 and 5317 programs are rolled into the 5311 and 5310 programs, respectively. As such, for FY16, FY 17, and FY18 the 5311 and 5310 budgets reflect those additional 5316 and 5317 funds that have been re-programmed. Similarly, the FY17 and FY18 funding lines for 5316 and 5317 are zeroed out. Carryover 5316 and 5317 funds will be programmed in FY15 and FY16.