The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is issuing a call for public transportation projects for the Access, Innovation, and Collaboration program (former Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities program). Eligible applicants include local governments, transit providers, tribal nations, and non-profit agencies.

**What project types are eligible?**

- Bus replacement, rehabilitation, or purchase
- Bus-related equipment
- Transit facilities
- Pilot programs and limited operations

**What are the program goals?**

**Access:** Enhancing infrastructure and allowing for improved access to transit

**Innovation:** Investing in innovative projects including microtransit and electric vehicles

**Collaboration:** Expanding efforts in working with private providers and eliminating the gap between urban and rural systems

**Why should my agency apply?**

- Expand influence on mobility
- Support urban and rural transportation needs
- Enhance the user experience
- Apply for a range of projects under one program

**How do I apply for the program?**

KDOT will host a webinar to explain program requirements and the two-step application process for the 2021 Call for Projects. Funding awards are anticipated to be announced in Summer 2021.

**Project examples from previous program years are highlighted on the following page.**

**March 5**
- Release Call for Projects

**March 16**
- Project Development Workshop Webinar

**April 2**
- Project Concepts Due

**April**
- Individual Concept Review Meetings with Applicants

**June 11**
- Project Applications Due
Johnson County desired to expand an on-demand shared ride microtransit program to serve high-need populations. Through the program, Johnson County will obtain additional vehicles and fuel to advance key initiatives: Access to Care for Mothers and Infants by providing vouchers to health services; Reduce Food Insecurity by providing access to food pantries; and Improve Long-Term Health by reducing inappropriate use of emergency department transportation services.

Innovative Transit Services

The Coffey County Transportation facility had inadequate vehicle storage and office space. Through the program, the existing facility will add 3,000 SF of vehicle storage bay and office space. The expansion will accommodate secure indoor storage for all vehicles, enable future fleet expansion, and improve the business environment.

Equipment and Support Systems

Lyon County Area Transportation (LCAT) was operating with outdated equipment and seeking to generate awareness regarding services. Through the program, LCAT will install new radio equipment to enhance communications and security cameras to improve the safety of passengers and drivers. LCAT will also install vehicle wraps to assist with public perception of services.

Mobility and Access Enhancements

Naismith Drive was identified as the most significant transit-pedestrian accessibility need in the Lawrence Transit system due to the presence of bus stops with limited access. Through the program, the city will install sidewalks, ADA ramps, a bus pad, and amenities to offer an accessible pedestrian pathway to transit. The improvements will serve a commercial area and student housing with an estimated 260 pedestrians per day.

To register for the workshop webinar, contact Jon.Moore@ks.gov or 785-296-4907. For questions regarding the program, contact Cory.Davis@ks.gov or 785-296-7984. Visit http://www.ksdot.org/burTransPlan/pubtrans/index.asp for more information.