



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## *Commonwealth Transportation Board*

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*Agenda item #9*

### **RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**October 20, 2020**

#### **MOTION**

**Made By: Ms. Hynes, Seconded By: Mr. Johnsen**

**Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

**Title: Addition of Public Transportation Projects to the Six-Year Improvement Program  
for Fiscal Years 2020-2025**

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2020, President Donald J. Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act into law; and,

**WHEREAS**, the CARES Act provides for \$25 billion in federal transit assistance to support capital, operating, and other expenses to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19; and,

**WHEREAS**, the CARES Act provides this assistance at a 100% federal share of qualifying expenditures, requiring no state or local matching funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration apportioned \$51,377,174, to Virginia in CARES Act funding through the Section 5311 Rural formula which is available to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for sub-allocation to eligible transit agencies; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration apportioned \$1,150,000 to Virginia in CARES Act funding through Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program (ADTAP) formula which is available to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for sub-allocation to eligible transit agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation is monitoring the responses of all Virginia transit agencies and the costs and financial impacts of the COVID-19 response are not yet known; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation has determined the need to allocate the balance of available CARES and ADTAP funding to advance critical capital projects and fulfill operating expenses that have been delayed due to the impacts of COVID-19; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board authorizes the allocation of Section 5311 CARES Act funding in the amount of \$17,334,126 in Section 5311 CARES Act funding to qualifying rural transit agencies for critical capital and operating needs in accordance with the allocation shown on Attachment A.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board authorizes the allocation of Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program ADTAP/CARES Act funding of \$1,150,000 to qualifying rural transit agencies for critical capital needs in accordance with the allocation shown on Attachment A.

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## CTB Decision Brief

### **Addition of Public Transportation Projects to the Six-Year Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2020-2025 for the Allocation of CARES Act Funding**

#### **Issue:**

On March 27, 2020, President Donald J. Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in law. The CARES Act provides for \$25 billion in federal transit assistance to support capital, operating, and other expenses to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19. The CARES Act provides this at a 100% federal share of qualifying expenditures, requiring no state or local matching funds.

#### **Facts:**

The Federal Transit Administration apportioned a total of \$456,399,069 for public transportation under the CARES Act. The CARES Act provides funding at a 100% federal share, requiring no state or local matching funds. Of this amount, \$47,205,359 was apportioned directly to small urban transit agencies under the Section 5307 formula. The Commonwealth is responsible for approving the distribution of these funds to the small urban transit agencies. Virginia's large urban transit agencies were apportioned \$356,666,536 directly from the Federal Transit Administration and no CTB action is required in order for these agencies to receive the CARES Act funding.

The Section 5311 CARES Act funding of \$51,377,174, as well as the Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance (ADTAP) of \$1,150,000, was apportioned to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for sub-allocation to rural transit agencies and to support intercity bus. DRPT generally makes these sub-allocations as part of the Six Year Improvement Program process.

The agencies eligible to receive Section 5311 and ADTAP funding assistance are typically smaller agencies, serving rural populations around the Commonwealth. Throughout the pandemic, these agencies have supported not only essential trips, but meal and grocery delivery to high-risk populations. The vehicles that these agencies operate have a useful life of 4 years, so continued delay in authorizing funding for replacement vehicles can impact service reliability and overall state of good repair. Funding these assets with CARES Act funding at 100%, reduces the burden on transit agencies and local governments to continue providing critical services.

DRPT recommends that the balance of the CARES Act funding - \$17,334,126 of Section 5311 CARES Act and \$1,150,000 of ADTAP CARES Act funding are programmed to address critical transit agency capital and operating needs in accordance with Attachment A.

**Recommendation:** DRPT recommends that the CTB approve the addition of the CARES Act Section 5311 and Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance program funding

to the FY20-25 Six Year Improvement Program and the allocation of a total of \$18,484,125 in CARES Act funding as follows:

- \$9,655,957, of the available Section 5311 CARES Act apportionment, to provide additional operating assistance to Virginia's rural transit agencies
- \$6,931,101, of the available Section 5311 CARES Act apportionment, to provide immediate capital assistance to Virginia's rural transit agencies
- \$1,150,000, of the available ADTAP CARES Act apportionment, to provide immediate capital assistance to Virginia's rural transit agencies in the Appalachian region
- \$747,068, of the available Section 5311 CARES Act apportionment, to provide demonstration project assistance to support new service to provide access to jobs and essential services.

**Action Required by CTB:** Approve the amendment of the FY20-25 Six Year Improvement Program and allocation of CARES Act funding.

**Options:** Approve, Deny, or Defer.

FY21 Capital Allocation			Total	\$ 5,522,796	\$ 1,408,305	\$ 1,150,000
Applicant	Item	Project Type	Tier	Total 5311 CARES SGR	Total 5311 CARES Min	Total ADTAP CARES
AASC / Four County Transit	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (9)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 38,000		\$ 736,000
District Three Governmental Cooperative	Support Vehicle	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 35,000		
District Three Governmental Cooperative	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (4)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 392,000		
District Three Governmental Cooperative	Vision/Reaction Testing Machine	Minor	2		\$ 9,500	
Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (6)	State of Good Repair	1			\$ 414,000
Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	Mobility Manager	Minor	1		\$ 53,120	
Town of Bluefield-Graham Transit	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 67,000		
JAUNT, Inc.	Bus 25'-30', Light-duty, 5 years/150,000 miles (9)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 861,750		
JAUNT, Inc.	Support Vehicle (3)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 115,000		
JAUNT, Inc.	Support Vehicle	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 30,000		
JAUNT, Inc.	Bus 25'-30', Light-duty, 5 years/150,000 miles (13)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 1,244,750		
JAUNT, Inc.	Rehab/Renovation of Maint Facility	Minor	2		\$ 75,000	
JAUNT, Inc.	Rehab/Renovation of Admin/Maint Facility	Minor	2		\$ 55,000	
JAUNT, Inc.	Surveillance / Security Equipment	Minor	2		\$ 117,362	
JAUNT, Inc.	ADP Hardware	Minor	2		\$ 8,026	
JAUNT, Inc.	Spare Parts (6)	Minor	2		\$ 48,000	
JAUNT, Inc.	ADP Hardware	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 51,000		
JAUNT, Inc.	Bus 25'-30', Light-duty, 5 years/150,000 miles (6)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 574,500		
JAUNT, Inc.	ADP Hardware (4)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 6,800		
JAUNT, Inc.	ADP Hardware (16)	Minor	2		\$ 60,320	
JAUNT, Inc.	Mobility Manager	Minor	2		\$ 84,431	
Bay Aging	ADP Hardware (6)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 9,000		
Bay Aging	Passenger Shelters (Bus Shelters) (3)	Minor	2		\$ 38,298	
Bay Aging	Raised Roof Van, 4 years/100,000 miles (2)	Minor	2		\$ 141,736	
Bay Aging	Rehab/Renovation of Admin/Maint Facility	Minor	2		\$ 100,000	
Bay Aging	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (3)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 237,636		
Bay Aging	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (2)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 201,726		
Bay Aging	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 70,292		
Bay Aging	Mobility Manager	Minor	2		\$ 109,703	
STAR Transit	Passenger Shelters (Bus Shelters)	Minor	2		\$ 10,000	
STAR Transit	Surveillance / Security Equipment	Minor	2		\$ 40,000	
STAR Transit	Bus 25'-30', Medium-duty, 7 years/200,000 miles (2)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 200,000		
STAR Transit	Rehab/Renovation of Admin/Maint Facility	Minor	2		\$ 10,000	
STAR Transit	Rehab/Renovation of Yards & Shops	Minor	2		\$ 100,000	
Town of Chincoteague	Bus Trolley	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 165,650		
Danville Transit System	Rehabilitate flooring for Transfer Center Facility	Minor	2		\$ 12,000	
Danville Transit System	Support Vehicle	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 40,000		

Danville Transit System	ADP Hardware (12)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 13,470		
Farmville Area Bus	Shop Equipment	Minor	2		\$ 4,500	
Farmville Area Bus	Rehab/Renovation of Admin Building	Minor	2		\$ 10,500	
Farmville Area Bus	Route Signage (Bus Stop Signs) (50)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 2,300		
Town of Altavista	Bus Trolley	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 77,600		
Town of Altavista	Radios (2)	Minor	2		\$ 3,500	
Lake Country Area Agency on Aging	Raised Roof Van, 4 years/100,000 miles	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 35,000		
Town Of Blackstone/ Blackstone Area Bus System	Passenger Shelters (Bus Shelters) (7)	Minor	2		\$ 52,500	
Town Of Blackstone/ Blackstone Area Bus System	Route Signage (Bus Stop Signs) (20)	Minor	2		\$ 2,000	
Town Of Blackstone/ Blackstone Area Bus System	Rehab/Renovation of Admin/Maint Facility	Minor	2		\$ 8,800	
Town Of Blackstone/ Blackstone Area Bus System	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 80,000		
Virginia Regional Transit	Spare Parts (2)	Minor	2		\$ 12,000	
Virginia Regional Transit	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles	Minor	2		\$ 85,000	
Virginia Regional Transit	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (3)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 252,000		
Virginia Regional Transit	Support Vehicle	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 45,000		
Virginia Regional Transit	Rehab/Renovation of Yards & Shops	Minor	2		\$ 45,000	
Virginia Regional Transit	Shop Equipment (2)	Minor	2		\$ 10,000	
Pulaski Area Transit	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (2)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 140,000		
Pulaski Area Transit	Install Fencing, gate and barb wire to secure bus lo	Minor	2		\$ 15,000	
Pulaski Area Transit	Mobility Manager	Minor	2		\$ 48,259	
RADAR UHSTS	Body On Chassis, 4 years/100,000 miles (7)	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 490,000		
RADAR UHSTS	ADP Hardware	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 17,322		
RADAR UHSTS	Surveillance / Security Equipment	State of Good Repair	1	\$ 30,000		
Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission	Fare Collection Equipment (Fareboxes)	Minor	2		\$ 38,750	
Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission	Shop Equipment	Minor	2			

**FY21 Demonstration Program Grants**

		<b>Project Cost</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Local Funds Required</b>	<b>CARES Funds (80%)</b>
		<b>\$ 1,031,241</b>	<b>\$ 97,407</b>	<b>\$ 186,766</b>	<b>\$ 747,068</b>
<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Cost</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Local Funds Required</b>	<b>CARES Funds (80%)</b>
Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission	Afton Express	\$ 558,974	\$ 74,407	\$ 96,913	\$ 387,654
N. Shenandoah Valley Reg. Commission	Shenandoah County Transportation Program	\$ 472,267	\$ 23,000	\$ 89,853	\$ 359,414

# CARES Operating

<b>\$ 9,655,957</b>
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District	Recipient	Allocation of Remaining CARES
Bristol	AASC / Four County Transit	\$627,129
Bristol	District Three Governmental Cooperative	\$692,272
Bristol	Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	\$621,344
Bristol	Town of Bluefield-Graham Transit	\$112,552
Hampton Roads	Greensville County	\$55,394
Hampton Roads	STAR Transit	\$358,065
Hampton Roads	Town of Chincoteague	\$29,582
Hampton Roads	Williamsburg Area Transit Authority	\$226,137
Lynchburg	Danville Transit System	\$864,490
Lynchburg	Farmville Area Bus	\$259,070
Lynchburg	Town of Altavista	\$35,826
Salem	Greater Roanoke Transit Company	\$431,246
Salem	Pulaski Area Transit	\$205,143
Staunton	Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission	\$181,600
Multi-District	Bay Aging	\$1,073,316
Multi-District	JAUNT, Inc.	\$1,837,164
Multi-District	Lake Country Area Agency on Aging	\$55,551
Multi-District	Town Of Blackstone/ Blackstone Area Bus System	\$156,387
Multi-District	Virginia Regional Transit	\$1,377,073
Multi-District	RADAR UHSTS	\$456,616