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FTA and Region 5 News and Updates



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- Funding and Grant Activities
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DOT Leadership Updates

Secretary Elaine L. Chao



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FTA Funding

➤ *FTA FY2017 Apportionments*

FY2017 Apportionments	
FTA (Total)	\$12,055,841,748
Minnesota portion of FTA Total	\$119,528,253

For more information on FY2017 CR Apportionments, visit FTA's Website:

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/apportionments>

Region 5 Grant Activity (FY2017)

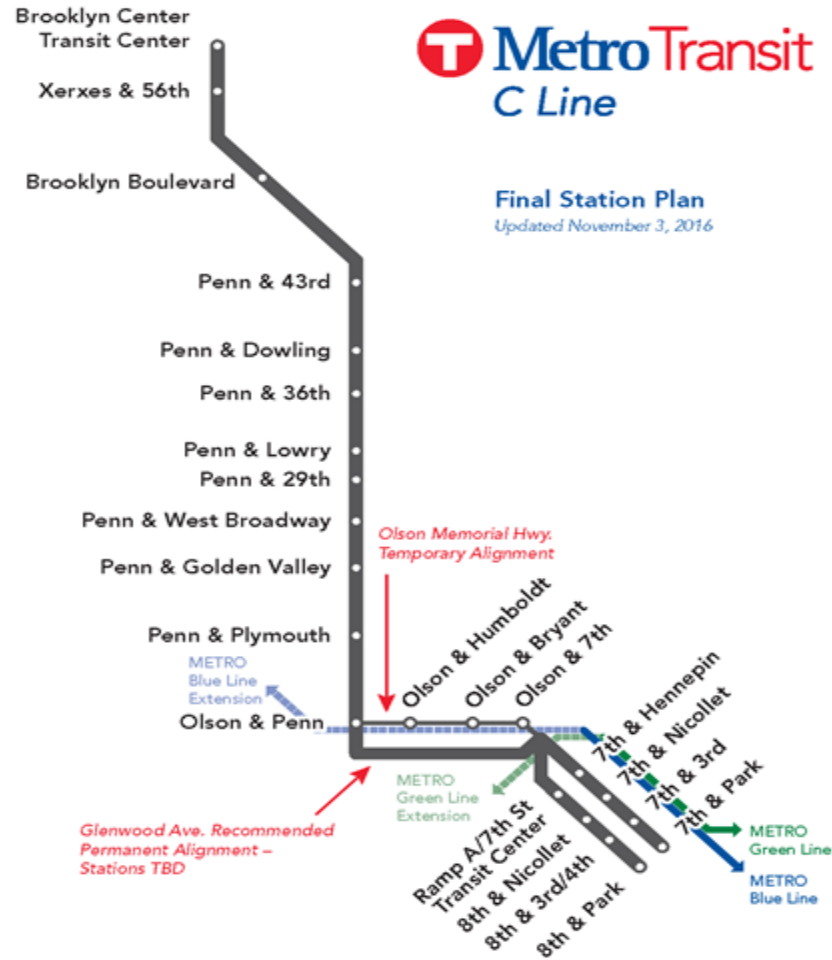
FY 2017 Grant Awards		
	# Grants	\$ Obligated
FTA Total	1514	\$9,034,274,227 (as of 8/31)
Region V Total	226	\$ 1,513,044,006
<i>Minnesota</i>	21	<i>\$187,940,769</i>

What's Happening on the Ground? Transit in Minnesota

Food Deserts

- DTA experiments with a Grocery Express
- St. Cloud's Jolly Trolley Food Drive
- MVTA Stuff the Bus

C-Line Rapid Bus Project



Bus & Bus Facilities Infrastructure Investment Program 5339 \$226.5 Million/Discretionary

- Eligible recipients
- Eligible Activities
- Match 80%
- Notice of Funding July 12, 2017
- Deadline August 25, 2017

Bus & Bus Facilities Infrastructure Investment Program 5339 \$433 Million in Formula

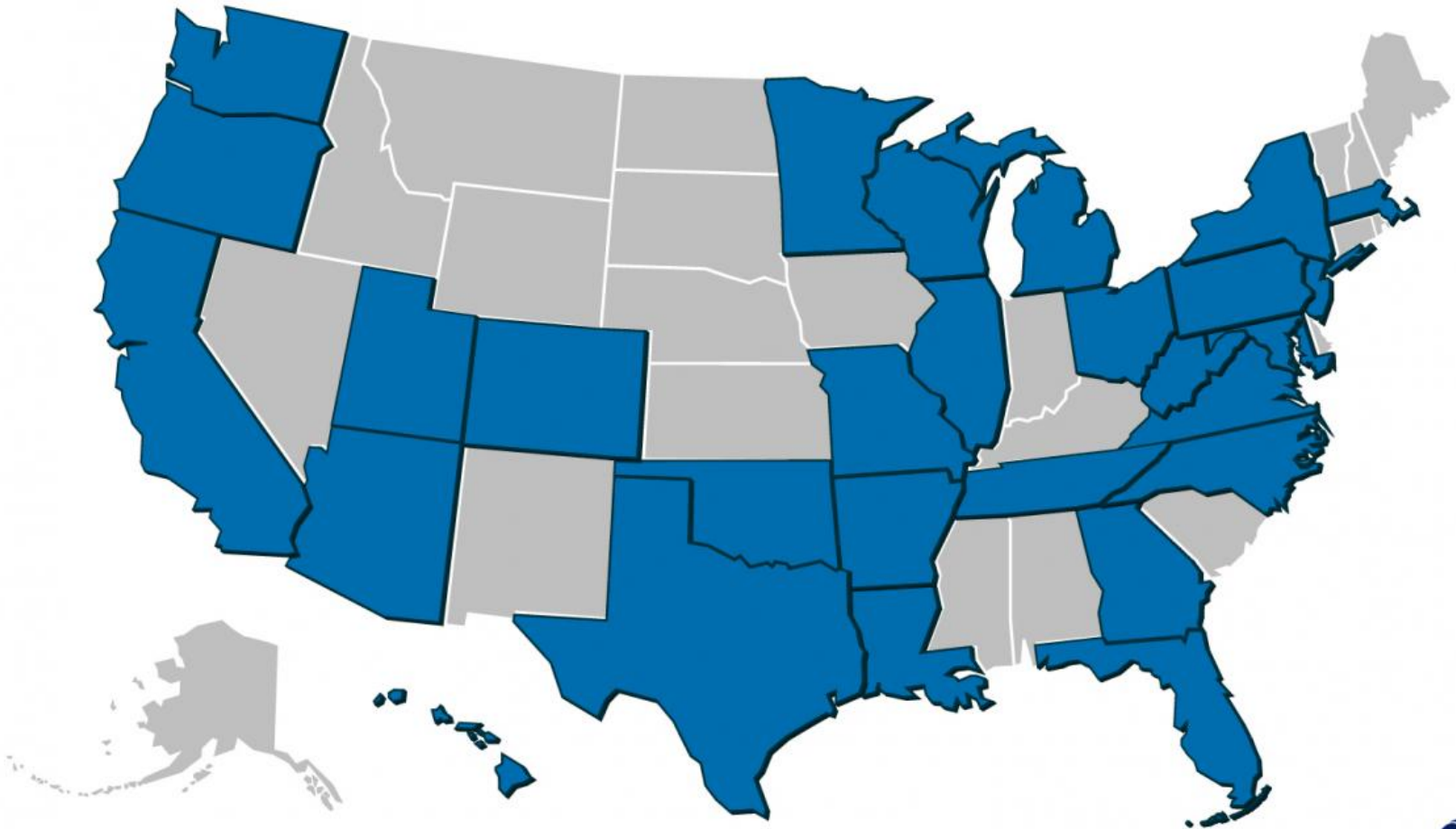
- Federal resources to States and Direct Recipients
- Replace, Rehabilitate and Purchase of Buses
- Related Equipment
- Facilities



TIGER IX

- \$500 million available in the NOFO
- <https://www.transportation.gov/tiger>
- Deadline for application was Monday, 10/16/2017

States with Rail Transit Required to Meet State Safety Oversight Program Certification Deadline



■ Required to have State Safety Oversight Program Certification for Rail Transit by April 15, 2019
■ Not Required to have State Safety Oversight Program Certification for Rail Transit by April 15, 2019

Status of State Safety Oversight Program Certification for Minnesota

- On October 11, 2017, U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao announced that Minnesota is the second of 30 states to receive FTA certification for its [State Safety Oversight \(SSO\) Program](#).

Transit Asset Management (TAM)

Transit Asset Management (TAM) is a business model that uses the condition of assets to guide the prioritization of funding at transit properties in order to keep our transit networks in a State of Good Repair.

Transit Asset Management (TAM) Initial Deadlines

- Initial Targets January 1, 2017
- Coordinate with Planning July 1, 2017
- Compliant TAM Plan October 1, 2018
- Annual data report Report year '18
 - Asset Inventory
 - Condition Assessments
 - SGR performance targets
- Annual narrative report Report year '19

Transit Asset Management (TAM): Certification

- **TAM Plans are Self-Certified** by the grantee's Accountable Executive
- FTA has updated Certifications and Assurances to reflect TAM Plan requirements
- FTA will review Plans and Progress during Triennial and State Management Reviews, as well as during MPO Certification Reviews once plans are completed

Available Technical Assistance

TERM-Lite

Transit Asset
Management
Guide
Updated 2016

Roundtable
Reports &
Presentations

TAM News
since 2015

TAM Plan
Template
For Small
Providers

FAQs

2016
Webinar
Series

Checklists &
Cheat sheets

www.transit.dot.gov/TAM

TrAMS

- *Region V Webinar held March 22, 2017*
- *Recording, other important documents located at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/about/regional-offices/region-5/grantee-resource-center>*
- *Recent Enhancements:*
 - *New Disbursement Report*
 - *Closeout Amendment Enhancement*
 - *Developer Transmit Function*
 - *Changes to Cooperative Agreements*

Regulations and Guidance

The screenshot shows the Federal Transit Administration website. The header includes the FTA logo and name, a search bar, and navigation links for 'About', 'Funding', and 'Regulations & Guidance'. The main content area is titled 'Regulations & Guidance' and contains several paragraphs of text. A left sidebar lists navigation options like 'Legislation', 'Federal Register Rulemaking', and 'FTA Circulars'. A right sidebar features 'Related Links' and 'Contact Us' information, including the Office of Chief Counsel address and phone numbers. Social media sharing icons are located at the bottom right of the page content.

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In its role of providing financial assistance to develop new transit systems and improve, maintain, and operate existing systems nationwide, FTA oversees thousands of grants provided to states, tribes, and local public agencies to support public transportation.

Grantees have a responsibility to comply with statutory and regulatory requirements associated with the management of federally assisted grants. To ensure that grantees follow federal statutory and administrative requirements when managing their programs, FTA provides guidance, often in the form of [circulars](#).

In 2014, the Department of Transportation published "The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards," commonly referred to as "the Super Circular" or "Uniform Guidance," which sets forth pre- and post-award requirements for grantees. Grantees should consult the [Super Circular](#) before applying for a grant or while administering a grant.

FTA also provides guidance for post-award grant administration and project management activities in its [Grant Management Requirements circular](#). Several FTA programs operate under unique grant administration and project management guidance; check our program-specific [circulars](#) for more information. Each year, FTA also publishes interim guidance as part of its annual apportionments notice. See information and interim guidance about new FTA programs and changes to existing programs as amended by reauthorizing legislation. See the [2016 Apportionments Notice](#) containing cross-cutting requirements to FTA's programs as amended by the FAST Act.

FTA monitors grants and federally funded projects to confirm that grantees establish and follow federally mandated procedures, such as:

Related Links

- [Circulars](#)
- [The Super Circular](#)
- [Grant Management Requirements](#)
- [2016 Apportionments Notice](#)
- [Civil Rights](#)
- [Safety](#)
- [Transit Asset Management](#)
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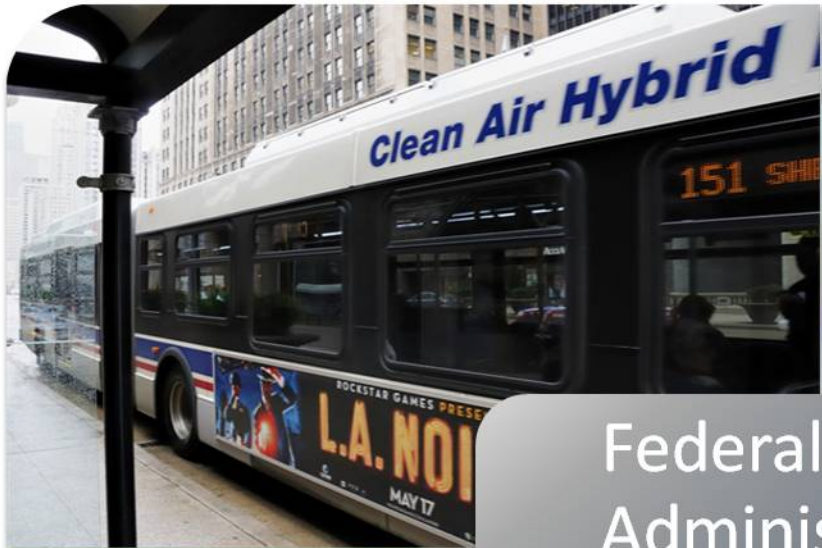
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