

Federal Infrastructure Grants for Propane Buses, Facilities, and Medium-Duty Vehicles

What is the grant? It is a federal grant totaling more than \$1.4 billion managed by the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) to replace, rehabilitate, purchase, or lease buses, related equipment, or facilities with alternatives like propane autogas funded by the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. FTA combined two grant opportunities: the *Buses and Bus Facility Program* and the *Low or No Emission Grant Program*. The *Buses and Bus Facility Program* awards grant money to projects that will improve resiliency, reliability, and service. The *Low or No Emission Grant Program* awards grant money to projects that will reduce energy use and emissions.

What is eligible for the grant? New or improvements to existing propane autogas transit and paratransit buses, equipment, and maintenance facilities are eligible for both grant programs. Eligible projects for the *Buses and Bus Facility Program* include: replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing, or leasing buses, vans, or related equipment, or rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing, or leasing bus-related facilities regardless of propulsion type or emissions. Eligible projects for the *Low or No Emission Grant Program* include: purchasing or leasing low or no emission buses, acquiring low or no emission buses with leased power source, constructing or leasing facilities and related equipment, constructing new public transportation facilities to accommodate low or no emission buses, or rehabilitating or improving existing public transportation facilities to accommodate low or no emission buses.

Who can apply for the grant? States, local governmental authorities, Indian Tribes, and fixed-route bus operators and services are eligible applicants.

How much grant funds are available? The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act allocated more than \$1.4 billion for the *Buses and Bus Facility Program* and *Low or No Emission Grant Program*, combined. Grant funds can cover 80-90% of project costs, and grants funds are available to awarded projects for four fiscal years.

How can you apply for the grant? Complete the FTA project description form and provide supporting materials about your project. The *Buses and Bus Facility Program* forms are available online [here](#). The *Low or No Emission Grant Program* forms are available online [here](#).

When are grant applications due? Grant applications must be submitted to FTA by May 31, 2022.

Additional Resources:

- FY2022 Notice of Funding: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/notices-funding/low-or-no-emission-and-grants-buses-and-bus-facilities-competitive-programs-fy2022>
- Buses and Bus Facilities Program Overview: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/bus-program>
- Low or No Emission Vehicle Program Overview: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/lowno>
- Frequently Asked Questions: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/low-no-and-buses-and-bus-facilities-faqs>
- FTA Notice of Funding Webinar Presentation: <https://www.transit.dot.gov/grants/applying/fy2022-low-or-no-emission-and-bus-program-nofo-webinar>
- Eligible Propane Fleet Vehicles: <https://propane.com/for-my-business/fleet-vehicles/>