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# APPLICATION

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## OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

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### APPLICATION FOR 2015 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FUNDS

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#### **Section 5307 – Urbanized Area Formula Program**

Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO) announces the open application process of the *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (MAP-21)*, Urbanized Area Formula Program (5307).

The 5307 program provides grant funds to urbanized areas for public transportation and allows investments for capital, planning, job access and reverse commute projects, as well as operating expenses in certain circumstances. Activities such as vehicle replacements, facilities renovation or construction, preventive maintenance, and mobility management are eligible through this program.

It is estimated that \$2,507,571 will be available for the FY2015. Of this amount, one percent of the apportionment must be used for security projects or certification must be made that it is not necessary to do so.

The application process opens March 13, 2014 and closes April 16, 2014. These funds constitute a core investment to enhance local public transportation systems in the OTO area. Priority will be given to projects that preserve and provide upgrades to existing transit systems.

It is the responsibility of the transit provider to submit the application and include all information needed for the subcommittee selection process, in order to assess how each project applies to the selection criteria.

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DEADLINES:

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Applications due:	April 16, 2014, 4:00 P.M. CDT
Applications reviewed:	Within 45 days after deadline
OTO Board of Directors approval:	Next available Board meeting

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SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

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Ozarks Transportation Organization  
205 Park Central East  
Suite 205  
Springfield, Missouri 65806

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APPLICATION PARTS

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Part I: Applicants Information

Part II: Project Description

Part III: Project Funding

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QUESTIONS:

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**GOAL:** To create and maintain a safe, accessible, and energy-efficient metropolitan area transit system that will enhance the region’s livability and assure its economic vitality.

**POLICY:** The Springfield metropolitan area public transit providers that are eligible for FTA Section 5307 funding shall apply for vehicles under FTA Section 5309 – unless all provider smaller capital needs have already been addressed with the available FTA 5307 funds, and there are sufficient resources still available to fund an entire vehicle.

**PROCEDURE:** FTA Section 5307 capital project requests shall be analyzed based on the project considerations and ranked by each reviewer. The numerical point system takes into account a weighted factor for each consideration. The MPO Transit Subcommittee will individually rank each FTA Section 5307 project. The results of the individual ranking process will be averaged from all subcommittee rankings. **Note: It is the responsibility of the transit provider to include all information needed to the subcommittee in order to assess how each project applies to these criteria.**

<b>Project Considerations</b> Each of the following considerations will be scored from 0 points up to a maximum of 10 points. A total of 100 points are possible
A project that addresses a critical security and safety issue for the transit provider
A project that addresses System Management Goals and Needs (i.e, equipment, structures), as outlined in the transit system's adopted plan
A system enhancement project that increases the efficiency and effectiveness of the transit system
A project that provides for transit amenities
A project that provides service to previously underserved populations
A project that facilitates transit agency partnerships in the metropolitan area
A project that preserves the existing system and provides upgrades of facilities and equipment
A project required to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
A project that supports compliance with a statutory mandate or requirement
A project that addresses the goals and objectives from the Transportation Plan

PART I:

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION CONTACT

Organization

Contact Person

2. ADDRESS

Address 1:

Address 2:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

3. PHONE AND FAX

Phone

Fax

4. E-MAIL

5. WEBSITE

## PART II

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### **Project Description**

6. PROJECT SPONSOR

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7. HOW THIS PROJECT ADDRESSES A CRITICAL SECURITY AND SAFETY ISSUE FOR THE TRANSIT PROVIDER

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8. HOW THIS PROJECT ADDRESSES SYSTEM MANAGEMENT GOALS AND NEEDS (I.E, EQUIPMENT, STRUCTURES), AS OUTLINED IN THE TRANSIT SYSTEM'S ADOPTED PLAN.

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9. HOW THIS PROJECT INCREASES THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TRANSIT SYSTEM

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10. HOW THIS PROJECT PROVIDES FOR TRANSIT AMENITIES.

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11. HOW THIS PROJECT PROVIDES SERVICE TO PREVIOUSLY UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

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12. HOW THIS PROJECT FACILITATES TRANSIT AGENCY PARTNERSHIPS IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA

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13. HOW THIS PROJECT PRESERVES THE EXISTING SYSTEM AND PROVIDES UPGRADES OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

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14. HOW THIS PROJECT COMPLIES WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

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15. HOW THIS PROJECT SUPPORTS COMPLIANCE WITH A STATUTORY MANDATE OR REQUIREMENT

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16. HOW THIS PROJECT ADDRESSES THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FROM THE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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**PART III:**

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**PROJECT FUNDING**

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17. PROJECT TITLE

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18. GENERAL COST ESTIMATE

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Total Project Cost (\$)

Local Match Amount (\$)

Amount of Funding Requested (\$)

**Ongoing Provisions**

- Recipients must expend 1 percent for transportation security projects or certify that it is not necessary to do so.

**Funding**

- Federal Share is 80 percent for capital assistance
- Federal share is 50 percent for operating assistance
- Federal share is 80 percent for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) non-fixed-route paratransit service, using up to 10 percent of recipient's apportionment.

**Please submit a Part III sheet for each project request.**