

2025-2027 WSDOT Consolidated Grant Program Process

Public Transportation Division

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Timeline

- **June 18, 2024:** Grant applications available in the Grants Management System (GMS) for the 2025-2027 biennium.
- **3 p.m., Sept. 17, 2024:** Consolidated grant applications due in GMS
- **Sept. 18-Oct. 31, 2024:** WSDOT reviews applications and works with applicants
- **3 p.m., Nov. 19, 2024:** Revised applications due in the GMS
- **Jan. 28, 2025:** Regional rankings are due from RTPOs
- **February-April 2025:** External evaluation process, funding allocation
- **May 2025:** WSDOT sends 2025-2027 biennium grant award letters to grantees after the governor signs the transportation budget
- **July 1, 2025:** biennium begins

Funding Sources



Consolidated Grant Program		
State		
Rural Mobility	Supports transportation in small cities and rural areas	
Special Needs	Supports non-profit providers of special needs transportation	
Federal		
FTA Section 5310 Large Urban	Enhanced mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities	
FTA Section 5310 Small Urban	Enhanced mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities	
FTA Section 5310 Rural	Enhanced mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities	
FTA Section 5311	Assistance to rural areas	
FTA Section 5304	Planning	
FTA Section 5339	Bus and bus facilities	

*All funding amounts are preliminary. State funds contingent on legislative appropriation.

Who can apply?

- Non-profit organizations
- Tribes
- Public transit agencies
- Local agencies in Washington State
- Other governmental agencies are also eligible to apply as long as their project benefits the greater public

Eligible Projects

Public Transportation is “any form of transportation that is accessible and available to the public that does not involve a single person in a motorized vehicle.”

1. **Operations-** *Projects directly related to system operations, including employee compensation, marketing, administration, fuel, oil, taxes and operational maintenance expenses.*
2. **Capital-** *Projects to purchase assets, such as vehicles, equipment and bus shelters.*
3. **Mobility Management-** *Information services that help providers and passengers coordinate and understand available options. Also includes short range planning, management activities for improving coordination among public transportation and other transportation service providers.*
4. **Planning-** *Planning, coordination or other activities that address the needs of the applicant and the community they serve.*

Evaluation criteria

- Establishes, preserves, or improves public transportation services within a community.
- Addresses a recognized need within the community.
- Reflects a community process of coordination and input.
- Leverages funds from other sources and/or documents local commitment to support the implementation of the project.
- Appears to be feasible as described.
- Connects to other systems and/or modes.
- Defines specific performance measures to be used in determining the success of the project.
- Describes an active effort aimed at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of transportation services.

Evaluation criteria

- Contributes to the state's effort to maintain the number of public transportation vehicles within their minimum useful life.
- Complies with state rules ([WAC 194-29](#)) regarding alternative fuels (for vehicle purchases).
- Applicant demonstrates experience managing transportation projects and grant awards to ensure success.
- Applicant demonstrates financial capability and resources to implement and successfully carry out the project.
- Applicant demonstrates a good-faith effort to utilize and/or contract with disadvantaged businesses on the project.

Grants Management System



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 **Announcements**

Welcome to the WSDOT Public Transportation Grants Management System, otherwise known as GMS. Here you will find all things related to public transportation grants!

PLEASE REGISTER! You must register for use of this system. Once registered, you will find funding opportunities, applications, awarded grants, reporting and invoicing functions. The Grants Management System also allows you to upload information related to your organization and projects.

Registration instructions and additional GMS training materials are found [HERE](#). Training videos and materials can also be found on the Public Transportation webpage under "Apply for and manage your grant".

If you have questions, please contact GMS Support at PTDGMSSupport@wsdot.wa.gov or call 360-705-7711.

Help WSDOT keep the Grants Management System current. Please notify GMS support if a registered user leaves your organization.

UPDATE: All claim supporting documentation must be in PDF format.

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Application Materials

Consolidated

Consolidated grants provide funds for public transportation improvements within and between rural communities; tribal transportation; transportation services between cities; purchases of new buses and equipment; and public transportation services to seniors and people with disabilities.

This grant is partially supported by state funding from Washington's Climate Commitment Act (CCA) (22.3 percent). The CCA supports Washington's climate action efforts by putting cap-and-invest dollars to work reducing climate pollution, creating jobs, and improving public health. Information about the CCA is available at www.climate.wa.gov.

This grant is also supported by funding from the Multimodal Account (11.8 percent), Rural Mobility Account (12.7 percent), and federal sources (53.2 percent).



Awarded through a competitive process supported by state and federal funding. WSDOT works with an advisory committee when establishing ranking criteria for the competitive process.

Notice of funding opportunity

We're accepting applications for the 2025-2027 Consolidated Grant Program. The application is open in the Grants Management System. Applications are due 3 p.m., Sept. 17, 2024. For additional information review the [notice of funding opportunity \(PDF 368KB\)](#).

Applicants may submit more than one application. One application is required for each individual project.

Application materials

- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 mobility management project application instructions \(PDF 534KB\)](#)
- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 operating project application instructions \(PDF 536KB\)](#)
- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 planning project application instructions \(PDF 516KB\)](#)
- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 vehicle/equipment project application instructions \(PDF 525KB\)](#)
- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 small construction project application instructions \(PDF 490KB\)](#)
- Video walkthrough of [2025-2027 Grant application in GMS](#)
- [Consolidated Grant Program 2025-2027 resource sheet \(PDF 545KB\)](#)

Related links

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Thank you for your time, interest, and
work in the Consolidated Grant
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