

### **Reimbursement Rates:**

Federal ■ State ■ Local Match

**Operating Expenses** 

50%

25%

25%

Non-operating/Administrative Expenses

80%

10%10%

Vehicle Acquisition

80%

10%10%

Start-up rural transit systems should apply for operating assistance and vehicle(s) at the same time.

To qualify for reimbursement of operating and non-operating expenses, transit systems must possess and operate an accessible vehicle as per the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).





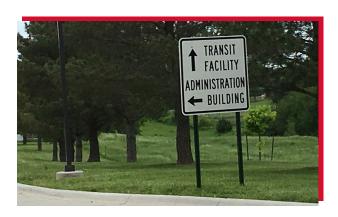
## **NEXT STEPS**

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## How To Establish a Rural Public Transit System in Nebraska



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Federal and State funding is available to support public transportation projects in rural Nebraska. This support includes reimbursement for operating expenses and subsidies to purchase transit vehicles. The Nebraska Department of Transportation is designated as the direct recipient for these funds which are awarded to subrecipients to carry out public transportation projects.

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDING SOURCES

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

DIRECT RECIPIENT: NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Section 5311 Rural Public Transportation Section 5310 Elderly and

Elderly and Disabled Transportation (Lincoln, Small Urban and Rural Areas) Section 5310

Elderly and Disabled Transportation (Rural, Small Urban, and Lincoln)



Eligible subrecipients of funds to administer a public transportation project include:

- · private nonprofit organizations
- state or local governmental authorities
- public transportation operators
- · intercity bus operators

**Private nonprofit organizations** must fulfill the requirement as a public purpose organization as defined in Section 19-3903 Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**Private for profit operators** may participate in the project through contracts with eligible applicants.





Public transportation services provided under this program shall be available to all persons within the service area in rural Nebraska. The service may be provided either directly by the subrecipient or a private nonprofit or private for profit provider under contract to the subrecipient.





Net, eligible operating and administrative costs to provide public transportation services is reimbursable through NDOT.

## **Operating Expenses:**

- salaries/employer costs for drivers and dispatchers
- · vehicle fuel and oil

## **Administrative Costs:**

- salaries/employer costs for administrative staff
- marketing
- · vehicle maintenance
- · rent utilities
- office supplies, etc.

