

MORONGO BASIN TRANSIT AUTHORITY

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE GRANT (TAG)

2020-21 Guidelines and Application

What is the TAG Program? MBTA staff has developed a procurement program from vehicles that results in non-publicly funded income from fees paid by other organizations in order to access MBTA's vehicle purchasing contracts. The MBTA Board has authorized staff in the current budget to fund eligible transportation assistance projects within the Morongo Basin subarea of San Bernardino County.

Applicants are advised that funding availability from this source may be non-recurring as it is subject to availability of current MBTA staff and market factors the agency may not be able to control.

Eligible Projects: Local government agencies and non-profits 501 (c) (3) whose primary program purpose being applied for is assisting meeting unmet transportation needs, accessing or augmenting MBTA's transit services.

Examples are:

- Trip reimbursement programs
- Providing matching local funds for federal transportation grants
- Capital assistance in acquiring equipment to be used solely for transportation needs of Basin elderly and disabled
- Operating assistance for services to be used solely for transportation needs of Basin elderly and disabled
- Match funding assistance for purchasing MBTA passes for eligible groups

Ineligible Projects will include but not be limited to those undertaken by private firms or individuals, application for funding wherein the intent is to defray transportation expenses for programs whose primary purpose is not transportation oriented, programs deemed non-complementary or detrimental to MBTA services.

Submissions for passes are to provide detail on the number and type of bus passes being requested.

Please submit one signed (in blue ink) paper copy of each completed and signed project proposal to: Morongo Basin Transit Authority, TAG Program, 62405 Verbena Road, Joshua Tree, CA 92252. For assistance or information regarding the completion of this proposal, call (760) 366-2986 or email joe@mptabus.com

Verification: Organizations that are making repeat applications from the previous TAG grant cycle must have provided a report verifying outcome of funding received by 7/31/2020.

Project Proposal must be received by Friday, September 18, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Contact Person:

Title:

Phone: () - ext.

Fax: () -

E-mail Address:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: USING 100 WORDS OR LESS, PROVIDE A CONCISE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT BEING APPLIED FOR.**BENEFITS:** USING 50 WORDS OR LESS, EXPLAIN THE BENEFITS THAT WILL BE PROVIDED BY YOUR PROJECT AND HOW THEY FIT IN WITH THE TAG GUIDELINES.**TIMELINE:** IN 50 WORDS OR LESS, PROVIDE TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLETION OF PROJECT.**OUTCOME AND VERIFICATION:** EXPLAIN IN 75 WORDS OR LESS HOW YOUR AGENCY WILL VERIFY TO MBTA USE OF FUNDS PROVIDED AND DOCUMENT OUTCOMES. PROVIDE DATE THIS REPORTING WILL TAKE PLACE.

PROJECT REQUEST FORM

AGENCY NAME: _____

PROJECT TITLE: _____

EXPENSE DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	Comment
PERSONNEL: <i>(Example: drivers, scheduler, trainer, etc)</i>		
A.	\$	
B.	\$	
C.	\$	
D.	\$	
NON-PERSONNEL: <i>(Example: fuel, rent, insurance, utilities, etc)</i>		
A.	\$	
B.	\$	
C.	\$	
D.	\$	
E.	\$	
F.	\$	
PASSES: (Provide detail on type and # of passes requested)		
A.	\$	
B.	\$	
C.	\$	
D.	\$	
TOTAL EXPENSES:		\$

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION COMMITMENT: The governing body of the below named public, quasi-public, or non-profit entity has the financial capacity and is will to assume the Maintenance and Operation (M&O) responsibility and costs associated with the indicated community development project. This body has reviewed the “Estimated Annual Maintenance and Operation Budget” part of this section. To the best of this body’s ability, it has determined this budget to be a true and accurate estimate of the annual M&O costs for the proposed project.

It is understood that without a commitment for maintenance and operation, the indicated project may not be considered for funding under the Transit Assistance Grant Program. Should this project be funded, a formal M&O contract between MBTA and the M&O entity shall be written and signed before any funds can be released.

INDEMNIFICATION: Recipient shall defend, indemnify and hold MBTA, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents and/or volunteers free and harmless from any and all liability from loss, damage, or injury to property or persons, including wrongful death, in any manner arising out of or incident to any acts, omissions or willful misconduct of Recipient or any of its agents, employees, volunteers, or service providers arising out of or in connection with Recipient's performance of this Agreement, including without limitation the payment of consequential damages and attorneys' fees. Further, Recipient shall defend at its own expense, including the payment of attorneys' fees, MBTA, its officials, officers, employees, and agents in any legal action based upon such acts, omissions or willful misconduct. Recipient shall reimburse MBTA and its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents and/or volunteers, for any and all legal expenses and costs incurred by each of them in connection therewith or in enforcing the indemnity herein provided.

REPORTING: If awarded, recipient agency agrees to satisfactorily report project outcomes by time and date specified in this proposal. Failure to satisfactorily submit this item may result in ineligibility for future projects or funding from the TAG program.

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: / / _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: To the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is true and I am authorized to submit this application on behalf of the applicant organization.

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: / / _____