



## **PROGRAM OF PROJECTS**

**FFY 2021-2022**

The approved Program of Projects for FFY 2021-2022 is attached. The proposed Program of Projects was introduced at the SCTA Board at its meeting on April 20, 2022. The SCTA Board approved the Program of Projects at its meeting on May 18, 2022. Two public hearings were held regarding the proposed Program of Projects. One hearing was held at 5:00 PM on Monday, May 16, 2022 at the SCTA Lancaster Headquarters Office, 45 Erick Road, Lancaster, PA. A second hearing was held at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at the SCTA Reading Office, 1700 North Eleventh Street, Reading, PA. No comments were received in writing in advance for either hearing and no individuals attended either public hearing.

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**SOUTH CENTRAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**  
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**(5/19/2022)**

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**Background Information**

On November 12, 2014 and on November 13, 2014, the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners and the Berks County Board of Commissioners, respectively, approved organizing the South Central Transit Authority (SCTA) under the Municipalities Authorities Act of 2001. SCTA was formed as a result of the consolidation of the management and administrative functions of the Red Rose Transit Authority (RRTA) in Lancaster County and the Berks Area Regional Transportation Authority (BARTA) in Berks County. Both RRTA and BARTA remain in existence as operating agencies providing the service in their respective counties. SCTA signed Management, Administrative and Support Services Agreements with both BARTA and RRTA to provide all executive, management, administrative and support services to BARTA and RRTA. SCTA assumed the management and administrative responsibilities for the operation of BARTA and RRTA as of January 1, 2015.

SCTA is the designated recipient of the federal Section 5307 and 5339 funds apportioned to the Lancaster, PA and Reading, PA Urbanized Areas. As the designated recipient and based on federal guidelines, SCTA is required to draft a Program of Projects identifying the proposed projects to be advanced with the apportioned funds. The proposed Program of Projects is publicly advertised and is the subject of a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public input in the development of the Program of Projects.

Since the funds are apportioned to the Lancaster and Reading Urbanized Areas, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is requiring SCTA to develop the Program of Projects identifying the proposed projects funded with the Lancaster apportionment and the proposed projects funded with the Reading apportionment. Funds from one urbanized area cannot be used on a project in the other urbanized area.

In FFY 2022, SCTA is projected to receive an apportionment of \$6,312,758 in federal Section 5307 funds and an apportionment of \$512,399 in federal Section 5339 funds from the Lancaster Urbanized Area.

In FFY 2022, SCTA is projected to receive an apportionment of \$4,789,782 in federal Section 5307 funds and an apportionment of \$406,994 in federal Section 5339 funds from the Reading Urbanized Area.

The approved FFY 2021-2022 Program of Projects follows.

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**Lancaster, PA Urbanized Area**

1. Facilities/Equipment Upgrades & Improvements (\$1,645,000)(5307)  
Upgrades and improvements to facilities and equipment including but not limited to parking garage security panels; communications equipment upgrades such as bus radio replacement and expanding the radio saturation; diesel fuel tank replacement; garage parking equipment replacement; adding garage parking electric charging stations; and associated miscellaneous facility updates and improvements.
2. Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (\$59,183)(5307)  
As provided for under federal guidelines of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, 0.75% of the annual federal funding allocation to the Lancaster Urbanized Area will be used to fund elements of the Agency Safety Plan including but not limited to establishing a risk reduction program; establishing performance targets; modifications to rolling stock; and de-escalation training.
3. ADA Services (\$789,095)(5307)  
This project funds the cost of providing ADA paratransit service for persons with disabilities that complements the existing fixed route service operated in Lancaster County. As provided for under federal guidelines, ten percent (10%) of the annual federal funding allocation to the Lancaster Urbanized Area will be used to fund ADA Services.
4. Purchase Computer Hardware and Software (\$295,600)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of miscellaneous computer hardware components and software to ensure the authority is operating at its most efficient.
5. Purchase Shop Equipment (\$554,176)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of equipment used in its Lancaster operation. This project includes but is not limited to the purchase of a replacement forklift that has met its useful service life of 10 years; purchase of a replacement wrecker that has met its useful service life of 10 years; purchase of a transmission jack; and provides for the replacement of four waste oil burners that have met their useful service life of 12 years.
6. Purchase Fixed Route Bus FareBoxes (\$1,000,000)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of equipment used in its Lancaster operation. This project includes the purchase of replacement fixed route bus fareboxes that have met their useful service life of 12 years
7. Transit Development Plan (TDP) Update (\$125,000)(5307)  
The TDP update will include an analysis of current and projected community characteristics, a review of existing and projected service needs and the development of service improvement proposals based on service and community needs and funding availability.

8. Access to Jobs Program (\$300,000)(5307)  
These funds will continue the Jobs Access Reverse Commute (JARC) program presently established and successfully operating in the County of Lancaster. The JARC program funds the cost of providing shared ride service to qualified employees who are unable to use fixed route service to complete one leg of their trip to or from their place of employment.
9. Purchase Five (5) Shared-Ride Vans (\$411,878)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of shared-ride vehicles used in its Lancaster operation. This project provides for the purchase of five (5) shared-ride vans. These vans will replace five (5) 2017 Ford Challenger vans that have met their useful service life of 5 years.
10. Preventive Maintenance (\$2,323,516)(5307)  
As provided for under federal guidelines, this project included in the federal Program of Projects funds eligible Vehicle Maintenance and Non-Vehicle Maintenance costs incurred for maintaining vehicles, support facilities, structures and equipment.
11. Queen Street Station Phase II Legal Services-3<sup>rd</sup> Party (\$500,000)(5307)  
This project funds the legal expenses that are incurred pending the resolution of the outstanding lawsuits from the construction of the Queen Street Parking Garage in 2013.
12. Purchase One (1) Hybrid Bus (\$640,499)(5339)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of buses used in its Lancaster operation that have met their useful service life. This project provides for the purchase of one (1) 35 foot hybrid electric bus. This bus will replace one 2013 Gillig hybrid electric-diesel bus in FY 2026. SCTA will continue the program to purchase alternative fueled buses. The Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities program is continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act federal transportation authorizing legislation.

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**Reading, PA Urbanized Area**

1. Facilities/Equipment Upgrades and Improvements (\$2,750,165)(5307)  
Upgrades and improvements to facilities and equipment including but not limited to security upgrades such as camera upgrades and solar lighting for bus stops; communications equipment upgrades such as bus radio replacement; installation of solar panels, rehab employee parking lot and replace property fence at the Reading Operations Center; Transportation Center emergency generator replacement; and Transportation Center and parking garage sidewalks, curbs, steps and garage entrance lanes replacements.
2. Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (\$44,904)(5307)  
As provided for under federal guidelines of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, 0.75% of the annual federal funding allocation to the Reading Urbanized Area will be used to fund elements of the Agency Safety Plan including but not limited to establishing a risk reduction program; establishing performance targets; modifications to rolling stock; and de-escalation training.

3. Purchase Two (2) Hybrid Electric Buses (\$1,296,755)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of buses used in its Reading operation that have met their useful service life. This project provides for the purchase of two (2) 40 foot hybrid electric buses. These buses will replace two (2) 2010 Gillig hybrid electric-diesel buses in FY 2023. SCTA will continue the program to purchase alternative fueled buses.
4. Purchase Office Equipment (\$22,000)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of miscellaneous office equipment components to ensure the authority is operating at its most efficient, such as, including but not limited to, a copier and a coin sorter.
5. Purchase Computer Hardware and Software (\$130,000)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of miscellaneous computer hardware components and software to ensure the authority is operating at its most efficient.
6. Purchase Seven (7) Shared-Ride Vans (\$623,404)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of shared-ride vehicles used in its Reading operation. This project provides for the purchase of seven (7) shared-ride vans. These vans will replace seven (7) 2017 Ford Challenger vans that have met their useful service life of 5 years.
7. Purchase Shop Equipment (\$645,000)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of equipment used in its Reading operation. This project includes but is not limited to the purchase of a replacement bus wash and bus vacuum system that have met their useful service life of 10 years.
8. Replace Bus Shelters (\$350,000)(5307)  
SCTA is planning to advance a project providing for a targeted investment in the replacement of bus shelters and for the installation of bus stop signs. This project funds the purchase and installation of bus shelters that have met their useful service life of 15 years. The replacement of bus shelters and the addition of bus stop signs will contribute to retaining current riders and attracting new riders to the bus system.
9. Transit Development Plan (TDP) Update (\$125,000)(5307)  
The TDP update will include an analysis of current and projected community characteristics, a review of existing and projected service needs and the development of service improvement proposals based on service and community needs and funding availability.
10. Purchase One (1) Hybrid Bus (\$508,743)(5339)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of buses used in its Reading operation that have met their useful service life. This project provides for the purchase of one (1) 40 foot hybrid electric bus. This bus will replace one 2010 Gillig hybrid electric-diesel bus in FY 2023. SCTA will continue the program to purchase alternative fueled buses. The Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities program is continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act federal transportation authorizing legislation.