



## **PROGRAM OF PROJECTS**

**FFY 2022-2023**

The approved Program of Projects for FFY 2022-2023 is attached. The proposed Program of Projects was introduced at the SCTA Board at its meeting on April 19, 2023. The SCTA Board approved the Program of Projects at its meeting on May 17, 2023. Two public hearings were held regarding the proposed Program of Projects. One hearing was held at 5:00 PM on Monday, May 15, 2023 at the SCTA Lancaster Headquarters Office, 45 Erick Road, Lancaster, PA. A second hearing was held at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 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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**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.

SCTA will be utilizing its apportionment from the Lancaster Urbanized Area of federal Section 5307 funds in the amount of \$5,435,037. In FFY 2023, SCTA is projected to receive an apportionment of \$526,883 in federal Section 5339 funds from the Lancaster Urbanized Area.

In FFY 2023, SCTA is projected to receive an apportionment of \$4,875,784 in federal Section 5307 funds and an apportionment of \$418,660 in federal Section 5339 funds from the Reading Urbanized Area.

The approved FFY 2022-2023 Program of Projects follows.

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**Lancaster, PA Urbanized Area**

1. Purchase One (1) Electric Bus (\$714,082 Federal) (\$892,602 Total)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of buses used in its Lancaster operation that have met their useful service life of 12 years. This project provides for the purchase of one (1) 35 foot electric bus. This bus will replace one (1) 2013 Gillig hybrid electric-diesel bus in FY 2026. SCTA will continue the program to purchase alternative fueled buses.
2. Purchase Twelve (12) Shared-Ride Vans (\$1,108,646 Federal) (\$1,385,807 Total)(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 twelve (12) shared-ride vans. These vans will replace twelve (12) 2018 Ford Senator vans that have met their useful service life of 5 years.
3. Facilities/Equipment Upgrades & Improvements (\$849,272 Federal) (\$1,061,590 Total)(5307)  
Upgrades and improvements to facilities and equipment including but not limited to lighting system upgrade; parking garage security panels; rehabilitate existing mezzanine; retaining wall improvements; repair or replace deteriorated concrete in bus lanes, curbs and parking garage drive lanes; installation of sprinkler system failover air compressor; and associated miscellaneous facility updates and improvements.
4. Access to Jobs Program (\$150,000 Federal) (\$300,000 Total)(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.
5. Purchase Shop Equipment (\$40,000 Federal) (\$50,000 Total)(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 Bobcat that has met its useful service life of 10 years.
6. Purchase Computer Hardware and Software (\$136,000 Federal) (\$170,000 Total)(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.
7. Replace Bus Shelters (\$200,000 Federal) (\$250,000 Total)(5307)  
SCTA is planning to advance a project providing for a targeted investment in the replacement of bus shelters and for the installation of solar lights. 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 solar lights will contribute to retaining current riders and attracting new riders to the bus system.

8. Preventive Maintenance (\$2,237,037 Federal) (\$2,796,296 Total)(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.
9. Purchase One (1) Electric Bus (\$526,883 Federal) (\$658,604 Total)(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 of 12 years. This project provides for the purchase of one (1) 35 foot 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. Purchase Seven (7) Shared-Ride Vans (\$618,230 Federal) (\$772,788 Total)(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) 2018 Ford Senator vans that have met their useful service life of 5 years.
2. Facilities/Equipment Upgrades and Improvements (\$821,340 Federal) (\$1,026,675 Total)(5307)  
Upgrades and improvements to facilities and equipment including but not limited to Transportation Center passenger waiting area, sales office, driver's breakroom, administrative offices, hallways and restroom updates; repair or replace deteriorated concrete in bus lanes, sidewalks, curbs, step landings and parking garage drive lanes; rehab employee parking lot and replace rear section of property fence at the Reading Operations Center; Transportation Center emergency generator replacement; Transportation Center parking garage storm water drainage pipe replacement; and associated miscellaneous facility updates and improvements.
3. Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (\$36,568 Federal) (\$45,710 Total)(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; purchasing replacement rolling stock; modifications to rolling stock; and preventive maintenance activities that ensure SCTA's fleet is safe and in a state of good repair.
4. Purchase Computer Hardware and Software (\$328,000 Federal) (\$410,000 Total)(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 Fixed Route Bus FareBoxes (\$800,000 Federal) (\$1,000,000 Total)(5307)  
SCTA will implement a program providing for the regular replacement of equipment used in its Reading operation. This project includes the purchase of replacement fixed route bus fareboxes that have met their useful service life of 12 years.
6. Preventive Maintenance (\$2,271,646 Federal) (\$2,839,558 Total)(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.
7. Bus Facilities: Facilities/Equipment Upgrades and Improvements (\$418,660 Federal) (\$523,325 Total)(5339)  
Upgrades and improvements to facilities and equipment including but not limited to Transportation Center passenger waiting area, sales office, driver's breakroom, administrative offices, hallways and restroom updates; repair or replace deteriorated concrete in bus lanes, sidewalks, curbs, step landings and parking garage drive lanes; rehab employee parking lot and replace rear section of property fence at the Reading Operations Center; Transportation Center emergency generator replacement; Transportation Center parking garage storm water drainage pipe replacement; and associated miscellaneous facility updates and improvements.  
The Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities program is continued under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act federal transportation authorizing legislation.