



# HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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Grants Coordination Section - Conveyance Form Application  Award

Department Name / Number	DUNs	Grant Title
Community Services - 289	JFMKAENLGN81	Houston Urbanized Area Formula FY 2021 (ARPA Allocation)
<b>Funding Source:</b> U.S. Department of Transportation: CFDA# 20.507		<b>Grant Agency:</b> U.S. Department of Transportation
<b>Program Year:</b> 1 st		<b>Program Ending:</b>
<b>Grant Begin Date:</b> 01/31/2023		<b>Grant End Date:</b> 12/31/2027
<b>Grant Org. Key:</b>		<b>If applicable, Prior Year Org. Key:</b> N/A

### Grant Description:

The Urbanized Area Formula, authorized under Section 5307 of the federal code, makes Federal Transit Administration (FTA) resources available to urbanized areas and to governors for transit capital, operating assistance, and transportation related planning. An urbanized area is an incorporated area with a population of 50,000 or more that is designated as such by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Funding amounts are based on a formula that incorporates variables such as bus passenger miles and bus revenue vehicle miles, as well as population and population density. Note: The America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provides \$26 billion to transit agencies to assist in the recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing recession.

	Total Budget	Grant Funded	County Funded
Salary & Benefits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Labor	\$4,603,485.00	\$4,603,485.00	\$0.00
Sub Tot. Incremental Cost	\$4,603,485.00	\$4,603,485.00	\$0.00
Indirect Cost	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00*
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$4,603,485.00</b>	<b>\$4,603,485.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

\* under development

Full Time Equivalent Positions

Date Guidelines are Available

% of Positions Paid by Grant

Grant Submittal Deadline Date

### Grant Discussion:

The application was not presented to Commissioners Court. This will be the 1st year of funding for the Community Services Department under this grant program. The grant will provide \$4,603,485 for public transportation projects to be administered by CSD in areas not served by METRO, including the cities of Baytown, La Porte, and Pasadena, and the unincorporated communities of Crosby, Highlands, McNair, and Barrett Station, as well as operating assistance for the countywide RIDES program. The grant will benefit low-income, elderly, or disabled Harris County residents that need access to jobs, work, education, or medical services. There is no local match requirement.

### County Funded Cost Projection

Year	Required	Discretionary
2023	-	-
2024	-	-
2025	-	-
2026	-	-
2027	-	-

Completed by: Michael Mattingly Mattingly, Mike

Date: 12/30/22

Reviewed by: [Signature]

Date: 1/3/23



APTA  
AWARD WINNER

**Mission Statement**

"Provide safe, clean, reliable, accessible and friendly public transportation services to our region."

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July 7, 2021

Mr. Donald Koski  
Acting Regional Administrator  
Federal Transit Administration  
819 Taylor Street, Suite 8A36

**RE: ARP Act Section 5307 and Section 5310 Split Letter**

Dear Mr. Koski:

On February 25, 2021, the METRO Board of Directors approved the ARP Act Section 5307 Urbanized Area and Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities formula funds. The sub-allocation of the ARP Act funding through this split letter will be as follows:

	<u>Section 5307</u>	<u>Section 5310</u>
Harris County	4,603,485	0
Fort Bend County	7,887,947	0
Gulf Coast Transit District	2,000,000	0
METRO	<u>298,675,777</u>	<u>615,523</u>
Total	<u>\$313,167,209</u>	<u>\$615,523</u>

Each Direct Recipient agrees to the amounts allocated/reassigned and is responsible for its application to the Federal Transit Administration to receive ARP Act Section 5307 and Section 5310 funds and assumes the responsibilities associated with any award for these funds. The Houston-Galveston Area Council's Transportation Policy Council will amend the Transportation Improvement Program as needed under the ARP Act.

Please contact Albert Lyne, Director Grant Programs, if you have any questions regarding this information at 713-739-4637 or [AL21@ridemetro.org](mailto:AL21@ridemetro.org).

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Lambert  
President & Chief Executive Officer

- cc: Laura Wallace, FTA Region VI
- Thomas Jasien, METRO
- Arthur C. Smiley III, METRO
- Ken Fickes, Harris County
- Perri D'Armond, Fort Bend County
- Sean Middleton, Gulf Coast Transit District
- Craig Raborn, Houston-Galveston Area Council



ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT

The Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, convened at a meeting of said Court at the Harris County Administration Building in the City of Houston, Texas, on the 10th day of January, 2023, with all members present except \_\_\_\_\_.

A quorum was present. Among other business, the following was transacted:

**ORDER AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD**

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ introduced an order and moved that Commissioners Court adopt the order. Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion for adoption of the order. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Judge Hidalgo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Ellis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Garcia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Ramsey, P.E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Briones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The County Judge thereupon announced that the motion had duly and lawfully carried and that the order had been duly and lawfully adopted. The order adopted follows:

**IT IS ORDERED** that County Judge Lina Hidalgo, or her designee be hereby authorized to approve, and on behalf of Harris County, Texas, to accept, the following grant from the Federal Transit Administration:

**5307 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

Award Amount: \$4,603,485  
Grant Period: 1/31/23 – 12/31/27

The Harris Community Services Department and its director or her designee are authorized to take such action and execute such other documents as they deem necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this order.

## **Executive Summary**

### **Request to Accept and Obligate the American Rescue Plan Act Apportionment (Agenda Date- January 10, 2022)**

As prescribed in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (METRO) was named the designated recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 ARPA funds for the Houston Urbanized Area. METRO has subsequently apportioned and notified the FTA that Harris County as a direct recipient of 5307 funds, will be responsible for accepting and obligating directly to the FTA the allocated funds for the Section 5307 ARPA program.

The FTA / ARPA 5307 allocation for Harris County is a total of \$4,603,485 federal dollars to be used at 100% and no match is required. The above funds are allocated to Harris County to provide continuation of Transit operations and programs.

Authorization to accept and obligate the FTA Section 5307 ARPA apportionment through FTA Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) is recommended.