

Memorandum



Date: February 18, 2026

Agenda Item No. 3(B)(2)

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*
Mayor

Subject: Ratification of Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Up To \$130,382,011 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 FTA Sections 5307, 5337 and 5339 Formula Programs and 5307 Flexible Funding

Executive Summary

This item seeks ratification by the Board of County Commissioners (Board) of the Administration's actions in applying for, receiving, and executing a grant agreement with (USDOT) FTA under Sections 5307 Urbanized Area, 5337 State of Good Repair (SGR) and 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities formula grants in the amount of \$130,382,011 to support capital projects for the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW). Proposed projects include replacing articulated electric buses and enhancing safety and security measures. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will provide the local match of \$32,595,504.

In November 2025, USDOT issued proposals seeking to curtail states' ability to capitalize on the transit set-aside within the Highway Trust Fund. If successful, the proposals would adversely impact localities, such as the County, from annually benefiting from this funding source to support mass transit. This source is also used annually to supplement the County's 5307 formula grant allocation.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board ratify the Administration's execution of the grant agreement with USDOT FTA and the receipt and expenditure of grant funds in the amount of \$130,382,011. A public hearing is required in accordance with federal regulations and was held on January 20, 2026 (Attachment 1 to this memorandum).

Scope

These funds will provide support for multiple bus and rail projects, vanpool and paratransit services and security and safety projects. Therefore, the impact of these grants is countywide.

Delegation of Authority

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-959-18, the Administration is authorized to execute grant agreements with FTA on behalf of the County, including the authority to receive and expend funds. This item ratifies such execution.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

This item represents a positive fiscal impact to the County for up to \$130,382,011. The required local match of up to \$32,595,504 will be provided in full by FDOT using State Transportation Development Credits as a "soft match" for this grant.

Track Record/Monitor

The County has entered into numerous funding agreements with FTA since 1991. The Grant Manager for this award is Lisa Colmenares, DPA, AICP, Chief Planning Officer, Transportation Planning and Policy Division, Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW).

Background


On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), which provides long-term funding for the 21st Century transportation system. There were major funding increases to the current FTA formula grant programs, which include the Section 5307 Urbanized Area, Section 5337 State of Good Repair and Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities.

The FTA annually publishes the apportioning funds appropriated by law for formula grant programs. The Miami Urbanized Metropolitan Area anticipates receiving up to \$270,961,084 in FY 2025 federal formula funds to be divided among the Miami Urbanized Metropolitan Area (Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties and the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA)). The amount of funding allocated to each agency is determined by the apportionment of funds, information from the National Transit Database (NTD), and the appropriate formula established by FTA. The agency directors within the Urbanized Metropolitan Area mutually agree on the final apportionment to each agency.

The Section 5307 Formula program provides federal funding for public transportation in urbanized areas with populations over 200,000. It supports capital projects, planning, job access, vanpool operators and operating assistance for areas using a maximum of 554 buses in fixed-route service during peak hours (excluding rail). The funding formula considers bus and fixed guideway metrics, population, density and number of low-income individuals. The following Programs are included in the FTA Formula Grant Program:

PROGRAMMING

Program	Project	Awarded Grant Amount
Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula	Preventive Maintenance Bus, Vanpool Program, Safety & Security	\$78,682,122
FTA Section 5337 State of Good Repair	Preventive Maintenance Rail	\$44,718,364
FTA Section 5339 Urbanized Area Formula	Bus Purchase and Vanpool Program	\$5,981,525
Section 5307 FHWA Flex Funds	Guideway Bridge Inspections	\$1,000,000
Total		\$130,382,011



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the **Miami-Dade County Overtown Transit Village (OTV) North 701 NW 1st Court, Miami, FL 33136 – First Floor Training Room at 12 noon on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, to consider a grant application for which a total of up to \$130,382,011 million** in capital funding assistance is being sought from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant Programs. The following Program of Projects (POP) are being considered:

FTA FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2025 SECTION 5307 URBANIZED AREA FORMULA GRANT FUND PROGRAM (Proposed Projects/Budget \$78 million)

- Preventive Maintenance Bus
- Preventive Maintenance Rail
- Vanpool Program-Capital Cost of Contracting
- Bus Stops Solar LED Lights-This project represents both the required 1% Security and the 0.75% Safety project.

FTA FY 2025 SECTION 5337 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM (Proposed Projects/Budget \$44 million)

- Preventive Maintenance Rail

FTA FY 2025 SECTION 5339 BUS AND BUS FACILITIES FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM (Proposed Projects/Budget \$6 million)

- Articulated Electric Buses
- Vanpool Program – Capital Cost of Contracting

FTA FY 2025 SECTION 5307 FLEX FUNDS (Proposed Projects/Budget \$1 million)

- Guideway Bridge Inspection

Total proposed project/budget request for all projects up to.....\$130 million

State Transportation Development Credits from the Florida Department of Transportation up to \$32.5 million will be provided as the local match for the FTA formula and flexed funds in this grant application.

At the hearing, the Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of this project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said projects. This will be the final program of projects unless amended and a final notice is published.

Interested parties may:

- (1) Speak, where permissible, at the public hearing to be held on the first floor Training Room at the Miami-Dade County Overtown Transit Village (OTV) North 701 NW 1st Court, Miami, FL 33136. Members of the public will be required to sign in upon arrival at the Public Hearing;



Public Notice

- (2) The OTV is next to the [Historic Overtown/Lyric Theatre Metrorail Station](#);
- (3) If you are deaf or hard of hearing, please contact the ADA Coordinator at 786-469-5405 or via at dtpw-ada@miamidade.gov at least five days in advance to initiate your request for assistance. TTY users may also call 711 (Florida Relay Service) to submit your request.

Miami-Dade Transit is committed to providing equal access to its services regardless of race, color or national origin, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. If you feel you have been discriminated against because of any of these conditions, you may file a complaint. Contact the DTPW Title VI Program Coordinator at (305) 275-7900 or by email at titlevi@miamidade.gov; or visit the Office of Civil Rights and Labor Relations located at 701 NW 1st Court, 17th Floor, Miami, Florida 33128.

To request materials in accessible format, sign language interpreters, Communication Access Real-time Translation (CART) and/or any accommodation to participate in any County-sponsored program or meeting, please contact the ADA Coordinator at 786-469-5405 or via at dtpw-ada@miamidade.gov at least five days in advance to initiate your request. TTY users may also call 711 (Florida Relay Service).

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MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: February 18, 2026

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(B)(2)

Please note any items checked.

- “3-Day Rule” for committees applicable if raised**
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- Budget required**
- Statement of fiscal impact required**
- Statement of social equity required**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor’s report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5’s ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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2-18-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE, PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R-959-18, IN EXECUTING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (USDOT) FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) FOR UP TO \$130,382,011.00 IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2025 SECTION 5307 URBANIZED AREA FORMULA, SECTION 5337 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FORMULA, SECTION 5339 BUS AND BUS FACILITIES FORMULA AND FTA SECTION 5307 FLEXIBLE PROGRAM FUNDS; RATIFYING RECEIPT OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying County Mayor’s memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted on Miami-Dade County’s application for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula, Section 5337 State of Good Repair Formula, Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Formula and Federal Highway Administration flexible funds transferred to the FTA Section 5307 program, as described in the accompanying County Mayor’s memorandum,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board ratifies the execution by the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee of the grant agreement with the USDOT, FTA in the amount of \$130,382,011.00 in FY 2025 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula, section 5337 State of Good Repair Formula, Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Formula program and FTA Section 5307 Flex Funds.

Section 2. This Board ratifies the receipt of and authorizes expenditure of funds received.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

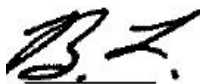
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of February, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber

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U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Transit Administration

Application

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	N/A
Application Number	1089-2025-5
Temporary Application Number	1089-2025-5
Award Name	DTPW-Capital Super Grant; FY 2025 FTA Sections 5307, 5337 SGR, and 5339 Bus/Bus Facility Formula Funds and one (1) FHWA Flex Fund Transfer to FTA Section 5307-DTPW Miami, FL
Application Status	In-Progress
Budget Revisions	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	3/30/2034		
Current Period of Performance End Date	3/30/2034	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
1089	County Agency	Miami Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works	UM2MSDMY13A8	135722747

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Mailing Address	111 NW 1ST	MIAMI	FL	33128
Physical Address	111 NW 1ST ST STE 2620	MIAMI	FL	33128

Union Information

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Union Name	TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION Local 291
Address 1	6355 NW 36th Street
Address 2	Suite # 502
City	Virginia Gardens
State	FL
Zipcode	33166
Contact Name	Jeffrey Mitchell
Telephone	(786) 586-7851
Fax	
E-mail	291unionman@gmail.com
Website	
Union Name	Government Supervisors Association of Florida(GSAF), Supervisory & Professional, Local 100
Address 1	3600 Red Road, Ste. 405
Address 2	
City	Miramar
State	Florida
Zipcode	33025
Contact Name	Greg Blackman
Telephone	305-477-9644
Fax	
E-mail	gsafgreg@bellsouth.net
Website	
Union Name	American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Local 199
Address 1	6405 NW 36th Street
Address 2	Ste. 113
City	Miami
State	Florida
Zipcode	33166
Contact Name	SeAdoreia Brown
Telephone	305-805-1075
Fax	
E-mail	seadoreia@gmail.com
Website	

Part 2: Application Information

Title: DTPW-Capital Super Grant; FY 2025 FTA Sections 5307, 5337 SGR, and 5339 Bus/Bus Facility Formula Funds and one (1) FHWA Flex Fund Transfer to FTA Section 5307-DTPW Miami, FL

Application Number	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
1089-2025-5	In-Progress	Grant	Region 4	5/19/2025	5/19/2025	No

Application Executive Summary
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Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)
No Selection Made

Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)
No Selection Made

Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?
This award does not include research and development activities.

Pre-Award Authority
This award is using Pre-Award Authority

Does this application include suballocation funds?
Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?
No Selection Made

Will indirect costs be applied to this application?
This award is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

Indirect Rate Details: This application includes the cognizant agency approval of the indirect cost rate set forth in FTA Circular 5010.1e and it is attached in the application document section.

Requires E.O. 12372 Review
No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

Delinquent Federal Debt
No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

Award Description

Purpose
The purpose of this grant application (00) award is to provide one (1) year of preventive maintenance service for bus and rail, and the purchase of replacement vehicles, include safety and security projects and other capital cost of contracting projects

Activities to be performed:

Funds will be used to cover all eligible preventive maintenance activities, Lighting projects and purchase of replacement buses and the cost of capital contracting activities.

Expected outcomes:

DTPW expected outcomes for this funding will be to continue providing safe and efficient transit services to the riding public and maintain or enhance our system to remain in a state of good repair.

Intended beneficiaries:

Miami-Dade Transit Patrons.

Subrecipient Activities:

None.

Application Point of Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
Mia	Marin	Administrative Officer	miam@miamidade.gov	786-469-5061

Application Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$1,000,000
5339 – Buses and Bus Facilities Formula	5339-1	20526	\$5,981,525
5337 - State of Good Repair Grants	5337	20525	\$44,718,364
5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Grants (2013 and forward)	5307-2A	20507	\$78,682,122
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$32,595,504
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$130,382,011

Application Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
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