

**AMES TRANSIT AGENCY (CYRIDE)
FFY2024 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS**

Under 49 U.S. C 5307(b) and as a direct recipient of FTA Section 5307 funding, the Ames Transit Agency (CyRide) shall annually develop Program of Projects (POP) and make it available for public review detailing the project purpose and the funding requested. The proposed program of projects has been developed in consultation with interested parties, including private transportation providers and human service organizations.

This POP below details the sub-allocation of Iowa’s FFY2023 Statewide Apportionment of 5307 funds to Ames which may be used for operating support or for capital projects at CyRide’s discretion. In addition to Section 5307, CyRide will be requesting federal funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for FY2024 Surface Development Block Grant (STBG) flexible funding which will be used to cover the following projects listed in CyRide’s FFY 2024 POP:

FY2023 Section 5307 Urbanized Apportionment Formula Funding	Percent Federal	Federal	Local	Total
General Operating Assistance	50%	\$4,226,994	\$4,226,994	\$8,453,988
Section 5307 Formula Total		\$4,226,994	\$4,226,994	\$8,453,988

FFY2024 STBG Flex Funding	Percent Federal	Federal	Local	Total
Battery Electric Bus 40 Heavy duty Upgrade (additional funding for battery electric buses)	80%	\$225,000	\$56,250	\$281,250
STBG Flex Total		\$225,000	\$56,250	\$281,250

The descriptions to these above projects are listed on the following page in detail.

Project(s) Description

General Operating Assistance (Section 5307 Funding): General Operating Assistance funding supports the day-to-day transit operations to be applied to reimburse CyRide's employee payroll (driver, maintenance, training/safety & admin wages) and fuel expenses if needed. Operating expenses can be reimbursed at 50% with the local funding covering the other 50% of the expense. This \$4,226,994 in 5307 funding is approximately 28% of CyRide's annual operating budget. CyRide plans to utilize this funding beginning in October 1, 2023 for the federal fiscal year 2024 budget year.

Battery Electric 40' Heavy Duty Bus Replacement (STBG Funding): A FFY2024 STBG flex funding grant of \$281,250 total (\$225,000) will help to complete the purchase of two battery electric buses previously funded under CyRide grant IA-2022-022. STBG flex funding will be added to the battery electric bus budget due to a dramatic increase in costs for these vehicles. CyRide is estimating that buses will now cost \$1,061,228 each. Two large forty-foot diesel buses have well exceeded the FTA guidelines for useful life and will be replaced with new ADA accessible battery electric buses. The buses being replaced are 2006 Orion VIIIs that are currently 17 years old but will be closer to 20 years when the new buses are delivered. Bus identification numbers being replaced are 501 & 503.

These zero emission replacements will further CyRide's efforts throughout the Ames community making it even more sustainable.