

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fox Cities Transit Commission

City of Appleton Finance Committee City of Appleton Common Council

FROM: Ron McDonald, General Manager

DATE: February 15, 2023

Subject: Acceptance of Federal Transit Administration FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) grants of \$3,370,750 and \$32,147 and Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRSSAA) grant of \$32,146.

BACKGROUND

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) included \$30.5 billion federal funding to support the nation's public transportation systems as it continued to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding is an Urbanized Area Formula Funding program that makes federal resources available for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas with a population of 50,000 or more. The ARP funding is Section 5307 Urbanized Area funds with a Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities component. Funding is provided at 100-percent federal share, with no local match required.

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) of 2021 included \$14 billion in supplemental appropriations for COVID-19 relief to support the transit industry during the public health emergency. This funding supports expenses traditionally eligible under the Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program. The supplemental funding is provided at 100-percent federal share, with no local match required.

Valley Transit received apportionments in the following amounts:

- \$3,370,750 Section 5307 Urbanized Area, ARP funds
- \$32,147 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, ARP funds
- \$32,146 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, CRRSAA funds

Valley Transit is allowed to use the funds for capital and operating projects. We intend to use the funds for capital projects included in the 2023 budget with any remaining funds put towards approved projects in the 2024 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend acceptance of the Federal Transit Administration FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Section 5307 and Section 5310 funding.

Recommend acceptance of Federal Transit Administration FY 2021 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act Section 5310 funding.