



FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
FY 2026 GRANT APPLICATION
SECTION 5303 PROGRAM

METROPOLITAN PLANNING

APPLICATION DUE
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

This is a fillable form. Please use Adobe Acrobat Reader to complete this application. You may use the tab button to navigate between fillable form fields. Only the Transmittal Letter and Authorizing Resolution should be printed and returned as a scanned application attachment. All other application components should be completed and returned electronically.

APPLICANT

Augusta Regional Transportation Study - MPO

Submitted By
(Name & Title)

9/30/24

Date Submitted

GDOT

Project Manager Signature

Date Received

FY 2026 Section 5303 Grant Application Checklist

To be completed by APPLICANT:

Legal Name of Applicant: The Augusta Regional Transportation Study

Name/Description of Item	Completed (Yes/No)
Part A: Contract Authorization Tracking System (CATS) Profile Form	Yes
Part B: Transmittal Letter (on Letterhead)	Yes
Part C: Authorizing Resolution	Yes
Part D: Project Description, Budget, and Milestones	Yes
Part E: Title VI Data Collection and Reporting	Yes
Part F: SAM Registration	Yes
Part G: Expenditures Form	Yes
Part H: Indirect Cost Documentation	Yes
Appendix A: FTA Certifications and Assurances	Yes
Appendix B: Definition of FTA Technical Activities	Yes
Appendix C: Performance-Based Transit Planning Agreement	Yes
Appendix D: FY 2026 Additional 5303 Funding Request Scoring Criteria	Yes
Appendix E: Equal Employment Opportunity Questionnaire	Yes
Appendix F: TAMP Participant Accountable Executive Approval Form	Yes
Appendix G: Contact Information for GDOT Project Managers	Yes

Please Note:

Incomplete and incorrect applications will be returned to the transit agency for corrections. Late submissions will be documented as such; information provided herein will be used as part of the application evaluation upon which, final budgets are based on and awarded by GDOT.

REVIEWED BY

To be completed by GDOT Staff

_____ Date
GDOT Transit Planner

_____ Date
GDOT Transit Planning Manager

_____ Date
GDOT Transit Program Manager

Introduction & Funding Distribution

Please refer to the table below to identify Applicant Organization's total available allocation of FY 2026 Section 5303 planning funds.

Considerations

- The amount depicted under "Total Allocation" represents only the Federal funding available to each MPO.
- The proposed project must also include non-federal matching funds of 20% of the total project cost.
- For FY 2026, GDOT has identified state matching funds of up to 10% of the total project cost. Your organization must provide the remaining 10% local match.

For FY 2026, GDOT has identified additional funding availability. Organizations with identified planning project needs beyond their allocation are encouraged to apply for additional funding. All such additional funding requests will be considered according to criteria in Appendix D.

Table 1: Urban Area Population and Section 5303 Allocation Statistics

FY 2026 SECTION 5303 FUNDING DISTRIBUTION					
<i>Based on 2020 Census URBANIZED AREA (UZA) POPULATION</i>					
MPO	Base Amount	Population 2020 Census*	Population Factor	Population Allocation	Total Allocation
Albany	\$30,000	85,960	1.22%	\$45,020	\$75,020
Athens	\$30,000	143,213	2.03%	\$75,005	\$105,005
Atlanta	\$500,000	5,100,112	72.15%	\$2,671,095	\$3,171,095
Augusta	\$40,000	322,081	4.56%	\$168,684	\$208,684
Brunswick	\$25,000	68,750	0.97%	\$36,007	\$61,007
Cartersville	\$25,000	52,351	0.74%	\$27,418	\$52,418
Chattanooga**	\$4,798	78,160	1.11%	\$40,935	\$45,733
Columbus	\$40,000	205,027	2.90%	\$107,379	\$147,379
Dalton	\$30,000	67,830	0.96%	\$35,525	\$65,525
Gainesville	\$30,000	164,365	2.33%	\$86,083	\$116,083
Hinesville	\$30,000	53,107	0.75%	\$27,814	\$57,814
Macon	\$30,000	140,111	1.98%	\$73,381	\$103,381
Rome	\$30,000	60,403	0.85%	\$31,635	\$61,635
Savannah	\$40,000	309,466	4.38%	\$162,077	\$202,077
Valdosta	\$25,000	76,769	1.09%	\$40,206	\$65,206
Warner Robins	\$30,000	141,132	2.00%	\$73,915	\$103,915
GDOT Discretionary	\$70,000				\$70,000
Totals	\$1,009,798	7,068,837	100%	\$3,702,181	\$4,711,979

*Population figures match those used in GDOT's PL funding distribution.
 ** Chattanooga will not receive any STATE MATCH

4,711,979 Available for 5303 MPO Planning - FY 2024 (FTA Annual Apportionment)
(\$1,009,798) Base Amount
\$3,702,181 Available 5303 Funds - Distributed via Formula Allocation