



December 9, 2021

Town of Warrenton
Finance Department
21 Main Street
Warrenton, Virginia 20186

RE: Virginia Regional Transit Funding Request Fiscal Year 2023

Dear Town of Warrenton:

Virginia Regional Transit operates, manages, and plans fixed-route, demand-response, and commuter transportation services. The organization delivers efficient, cost-effective and quality services for riders so they can move about their communities and live their lives fully. The organization strives to be the provider of choice for our customers, looking to offer transportation as a vital community resource.

Funds were used to cover the local match of circuit rider #1 - #3 which provides public transportation to the residents of Warrenton; with an acute focus on service to the elderly, the disabled and those who have no other means of transportation to human services organizations and medical facilities. Additional improvements include a bus shelter installed at Fifth Street and looking to install others at high volume areas.

The following is the federal 5311 operating grant requirements for services from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Circuit Rider Bus #1 - 12 hours per day Monday - Friday

12 hrs. per day @ 5 days per week = 60 hrs. per week

60 hrs. per week @ 52 weeks per year = 3,120 hrs. per year

3,120 hrs. per year @ \$65.00 per hr. = \$202,800 annual cost

\$202,800 @ 32% = \$64,896 local match requirements for 5311 program

*Town of Warrenton to seek \$7,247 reimbursement from PATH for 2/3 of total two hour expansion which started in 2018

Circuit Rider Bus #2 - 8 hours per day on Saturday

8 hrs. per day @ 1 day per week = 8 hrs. per week

8 hrs. per week @ 52 weeks per year = 416 hrs. per year

416 hrs. per year @ \$65.00 per hour = \$27,040 annual cost

\$27,040 @ 32% = \$8,653 local match requirements for 5311 program

Circuit Rider Bus #3 - 12 hours per day Monday - Friday to complement Circuit Rider #1

12 hrs. per day @ 5 days per week = 60 hrs. per week

60 hrs. per week @ 52 weeks per year = 3,120 hrs. per year

3,120 hrs. per year @ \$65.00 per hr. = \$202,800 annual cost

\$202,800 @ 32% = \$64,896 local match requirements for 5311 program

*Town of Warrenton to seek \$43,480 reimbursement from PATH for 2/3 of total

Based upon the funding formula if the Federal Transportation Administration approves the budget, 50% will be funded by the FTA, 18% will be funded by DRPT and the cost to the localities will be 32% of the \$432,640. The Town of Warrenton's share will be **\$138,445** for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Budget request level increases are in part due to increased fuel and insurance costs as well as current and future legislated increases to the Commonwealth of Virginia's minimum wage. Additionally, federal contractors minimum wage will increase to \$15 in 2022. This will have an impact on future cost per hour of transit services as we recruit and retain our drivers.

Sincerely,



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