
CARES Act Implementation in Virginia

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Virginia's Early Action

- Supplemental State Operating Assistance allocated on March 17 - \$11M
 - Roughly equivalent to one month of Operating Revenues for these agencies
 - Funds were distributed based on the state operating allocation formula
- Transit operating guidance issued out of the COVID-19 Unified Command – Joint Information Center on March 30 and April 6
 - Transit as an essential service
 - Guidance/best practices for operations
- Webinar and webpage



5311 CARES - Rural Transit

- DRPT is proposing the following allocation of 5311 CARES (pending Board approval next week)
- **50% of Virginia's apportionment to 5311 agencies for operating assistance - \$25,688,587**
 - Allocation is proportional based on FY20 5311 operating assistance
 - Allocation provides nearly enough funding to support a full year of operating expenses for most agencies
 - Funding is allocated to support operating expenses
 - Agencies will be asked to conserve state and local funding
 - Ensure use of paid administrative leave for any agency staff currently on furlough or unable to work

5311 CARES - Rural Transit

- DRPT is proposing the following allocation of 5311 CARES (pending Board approval next week)
- **Up to 15% for operating expenses for the Virginia Breeze – \$7,706,576**
 - Intercity bus operations contracted with Dillon's/MegaBus
 - Operations ceased on April 10
- **35% of Virginia's Apportionment held in reserve - \$17,982,011**
 - Held until transit system needs and administrative requirements are better understood
 - Any funds not required for intercity bus will be added to reserve

Other CARES Act Funding

- **5307 Governor's Apportionment - \$47,059,467**
 - Following the FTA apportionment table
 - \$145,892 held in reserve (Kingsport TN-VA has no transit)
- **Appalachian Development (ADTAP) - \$1,150,000**
 - Four agencies eligible
 - Held in reserve