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# What is Program Oversight?

FTA is responsible for conducting oversight activities to help ensure that recipients of Chapter 53 grants use the funds in a manner consistent with their intended purpose and in compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements.

We do this through Comprehensive Reviews (Triennial & State Management) which:

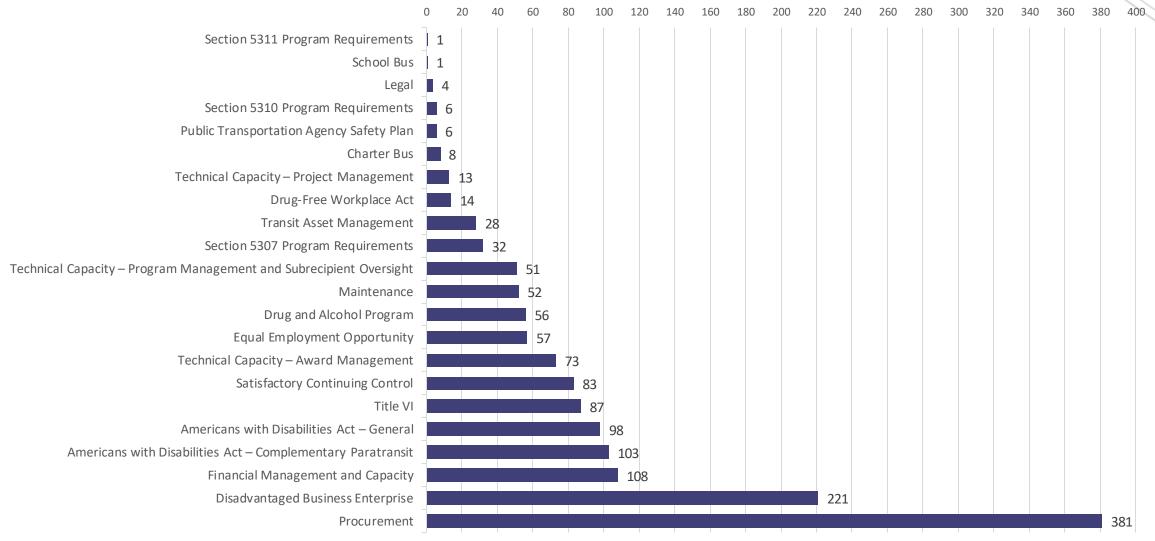
- Occur every three years
- Forward-looking instead of reactive
- Assess management practices and program implementation

Specialized Reviews (Financial, Procurement, & Civil Rights):

- Occur at FTA's discretion
- Focus on specific areas of Federal compliance



## **FY22 CORTAP: Findings by Review Area**







# Procurement Requirements



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# **Key Regulations, Requirements and Guidance Impacting Procurement**

- 2 CFR Part 200; Sections 317-327
  - Procurement Standards for Federally-Assisted
     Procurements
- 2 CFR Part 180
  - Suspension and Debarment
- 49 CFR Part 26
  - Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Regulations
- FTA's Master Agreement
- FTA Circular 4220.1F Third Party Contracting Guidance



# **Key Regulations and Requirements Impacting Procurement**

- 49 CFR Part 571
  - Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards
- 49 CFR Part 661
  - Buy America Requirements
- 49 CFR Part 663
  - Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Requirements
- 49 CFR Part 665
  - Bus Testing

# **Poll Question**

I am\_\_\_\_for my agency.

### Instructions: Please select all that apply

- a. ...in senior management
- b. ...in the procurement department
- c. ...in the DBE department
- d. ...the procurement expert
- e. ...all of the above
- f. ... none of the above





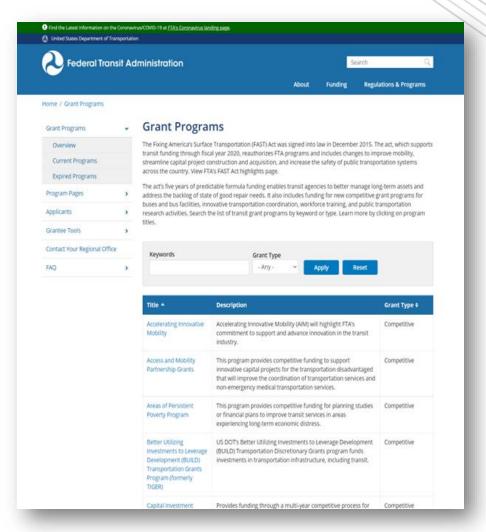
# Identifying FTA-funded Procurements



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# **Understanding FTA Funding**

- FTA funds various operational, capital, and planning activities
- Information on FTA's grant programs is available on FTA's website
- To identify procurements may be FTAfunded, understand the awards (grants) your agency receives
- FTA COVID-19 Supplemental Funds increased the amount <u>and types</u> of FTAfunded contracting opportunities for many recipients



Grant Programs | FTA (dot.gov)

| Highlighted Grant Program   | Eligible Activities  |
|---|--|
| Accelerating Innovative Mobility  | Activities leading to the development and testing of innovative mobility, such as planning and developing business models, obtaining equipment and service, acquiring or developing software and hardware  |
| All Stations Accessibility Program  | Capital projects to repair, improve, modify, retrofit, or relocate infrastructure of stations or facilities for passenger use. Planning projects to develop or modify a plan for pursuing public transportation accessibility projects; assessments of accessibility, or assessments of planned modifications to stations or facilities for passenger use            |
| Areas of Persistent Poverty Program   | <u>Planning studies or financial plans</u> to improve transit services in areas experiencing long-term economic distress   |
| Capital Investment Grants - 5309  | Transit <u>capital investments</u> , including heavy rail, commuter rail, light rail, streetcars and bus rapid transit   |
| Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities - Section 5310 | Buses, vans, wheelchair lifts, ramps, and securement devices; transit-related information technology systems; mobility management programs; acquisition of transportation services; travel training; volunteer driver programs; building an accessible path to a bus stop; improving signage; incremental cost of providing same day service or door-to-door service |

Note: Not all grant programs are included in this presentation, just highlights for illustrative purposes.

| Highlighted Grant Program             | Eligible Activities  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Enhancing Mobility Innovation         | Projects that develop novel operational concepts and/or      |
|                                       | demonstrate innovations that improve mobility and            |
|                                       | enhance the rider experience; projects that develop          |
|                                       | software to facilitate demand-response public                |
|                                       | transportation that dispatches transit vehicles through      |
|                                       | riders' mobile devices or other means                        |
| Formula Grants for Rural Areas - 5311 | Capital, planning, and operating assistance to states to     |
|                                       | support public transportation in rural areas with            |
|                                       | populations of less than 50,000; state and national training |
|                                       | and technical assistance through the Rural Transportation    |
|                                       | Assistance Program   |
| Human Resources & Training - 5314 (b) | Employment training; outreach programs to increase           |
|                                       | minority and female employment in public transportation      |
|                                       | activities; research on public transportation personnel and  |
|                                       | training needs; and training and assistance for minority     |
|                                       | business opportunities.                                      |

| Highlighted Grant Program   | Eligible Activities   |
|---|---|
| Metropolitan & Statewide Planning and NonMetropolitan <u>Transportation Planning - 5303, 5304, 5305</u> | Multimodal transportation <u>planning</u> in metropolitan areas and states  |
| Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program - 5324   | Projects for protecting, repairing, and/or replacing equipment and facilities that may suffer or have suffered serious damage as a result of an emergency; provides authorization for Section 5307 and 5311 funds to be used for disaster relief in response to a declared disaster |
| Public Transportation Innovation - 5312   | Research, development, demonstration and deployment projects, and evaluation of technology of national significance to public transportation.   |
| Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal<br>Transit Competitive Program             | Tribes may use the funding for <u>capital</u> , <u>operating</u> , <u>planning</u> , <u>and administrative expenses</u> for public transit projects that meet the growing needs of rural tribal communities   |

| Highlighted Grant Program  | Eligible Activities   |
|--|---|
| <u>Urbanized Area Formula Grants - 5307</u>  | Public transportation <u>capital</u> , <u>planning</u> , <u>job access and reverse commute projects</u> , as well as <u>operating expenses in certain circumstances</u>   |
| Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act  Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA)  American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 | <ul> <li>Funds prioritized for payroll and operations.</li> <li>All 5307 (even in large urbanized areas), 5310 (CRRSAA only), and 5311 recipients eligible for operating assistance</li> <li>Under certain circumstances, administrative leave for maintenance and operations contracts is eligible</li> <li>Could modify contracts to pay for eligible operating/maintenance expenses to retain readiness or eligible fixed operations/maintenance expenses</li> <li>Operations and maintenance expenses incurred after January 20, 2020, even if the original contract did not meet all Federal requirements. Any new contracts would need to follow all federal requirements.</li> <li>2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D (Procurement Standards) already permitted the use of a noncompetitive (sole source) procurement when the circumstances of an emergency (or public exigency) would not permit a delay resulting from competitive solicitation.</li> </ul> |

### **FTA Coronavirus Funding Information**

FTA Coronavirus Landing Page

<a href="https://www.transit.">https://www.transit.</a>
<a href="doi:10.0000/coronavirus">dot.gov/coronavirus</a>

#### American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which became law on March 11, 2021, includes \$30.5 billion in federal funding to support the nation's public transportation systems as they continue to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and support the President's call to vaccinate the U.S. population.



#### Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021

The <u>Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA)</u> includes \$900 billion in supplemental appropriations for COVID-19 relief, \$14 billion of which will be allocated to support the transit industry during the COVID-19 pandemic. CRRSAA became law on December 27, 2020.



#### Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

On Friday, March 27, 2020, the <u>CARES Act</u> was signed into law. FTA is allocating \$25 billion to recipients of the urbanized area and rural area formula funds.



#### **FTA Resources**

- Transit COVID-19 Response Program Information Collection
- FTA COVID-19 Resource Tool (Updated Weekly)
- FTA COVID-19 Recovery Practices in Transit
- COVID-19 Recovery Vendor List for Public Transportation at
- FTA COVID-19 FAQs



### FTA Coronavirus Frequently Asked Questions

Several FAQs relate to FTAfunded procurement actions

https://www.transit.dot.gov/fre quently-asked-questions-ftagrantees-regardingcoronavirus-disease-2019covid-19

#### Frequently Asked Questions from FTA Grantees Regarding Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

These FAQs provide clarity regarding how COVID-19 preparations impact certain FTA requirements. They also contain recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help grantees and subgrantees prepare for COVID-19. (Updated 05/18/2022)

These FAQs do not have the force and effect of law and are not meant to bind the public in any way. This document is intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or agency policies. Grantees and subgrantees should refer to FTA's statutes and regulations for applicable requirements.

#### Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) FAQs

- · CARES Act and CRRSAA Funds
- . FTA Formula Funding Under Emergency Relief Program
- CARES, CRRSAA & ER Funding Requirements
- Civil Rights
- . Transit Agency Responses
- · Administrative Relief
- . FTA Drug and Alcohol Testing Requirements
- CDC Recommendations for Workplace Preparedness & Protection
- Other Funding Sources

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARP)



CA1: Are all expenses normally eligible under the Urbanized Area

Formula Program (49 USC 5307), the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and People with Disabilities Program (49 U.S.C. § 5310) and the Formula Grants for Rural Area Program (49 USC 5311) eligible under the CARES Act and CRRSAA?

A: Yes, the <u>CARES Act</u> and <u>CRRSAA</u> provide funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; both the CARES Act and CRRSAA provide funds for expenses eligible under Sections 5307 and 5311, but only CRRSAA provides funds for expenses eligible under Section 5310. FTA generally will consider all expenses normally eligible under the Section 5307, 5310 and 5311 programs that are incurred on or after January 20, 2020 to be in response to economic or other conditions caused by COVID-19 and thus eligible under the CARES Act and CRRSAA, as applicable.

The CRRSAA requires that all CARES Act funds that remain unobligated as of December 27, 2020, as well as all CRRSAA funds shall, to the maximum extent possible, be directed to payroll and operations of public transit (including payroll and expenses of private providers of public transportation), unless the recipient certifies to FTA that the recipient has not furloughed any employees. Recipients are responsible for ensuring that payments of CARES Act and CRRSAA funds to subrecipients are consistent with this requirement. See also CA32 regarding private provider subrecipients. CARES Act and CRRSAA funds are available for operating expenses for all FTA Section 5307, 5310 and 5311 recipients, including those in large urban areas, and including administrative leave for transit workers.



# **Check Your Knowledge #1**

# What is/are the best source(s) to find out about the types of procurements that FTA funds?

#### Please select all that apply

- a. FTA funding programs
- b. Recipient awards in Transit Award Management System (TrAMS)
- c. FTA FAQ webpages
- d. Agency colleagues
- e. All of the above

# **Knowledge Check # 1 - Answer**

- a. FTA funding programs
- b. Recipient awards in Transit Award Management System (TrAMS)
- c. FTA FAQ webpages
- d. Agency colleagues
- e. All of the above



# Highlights of Top Procurement Deficiencies



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# **FTA Oversight Of Procurement**

- Procurement actions are covered in several of FTA's oversight review programs
  - Comprehensive Oversight and Technical Assistance Program (CORTAP) includes
     Triennial and State Management reviews
    - Can include an Enhanced Review Focus (ERF) in the procurement area
  - Procurement System Reviews (PSR)
  - Buy America Reviews
  - Financial Management Oversight Reviews
- Procurement is often a leading area of deficiencies
- The following slides provide information based on CORTAP and PSR reviews

# FTA's Comprehensive Review Manual FTA's Procurement System Review Manual

#### Each overarching question has six basic parts

- **1.Basic Requirement**: High-level, clear statement of what a recipient is required to do
- **2.Applicability**: Recipients to whom the requirement applies
- **3.Explanation**: Detailed description of the basic requirement
- **4.Indicators of Compliance**: How reviewers will assess compliance with the basic requirement
- **5.Determination**: Based on result of indicators
- **6.Governing Directives**: Citation from law, regulation, agreement, or other guidance forming the basis of a potential finding

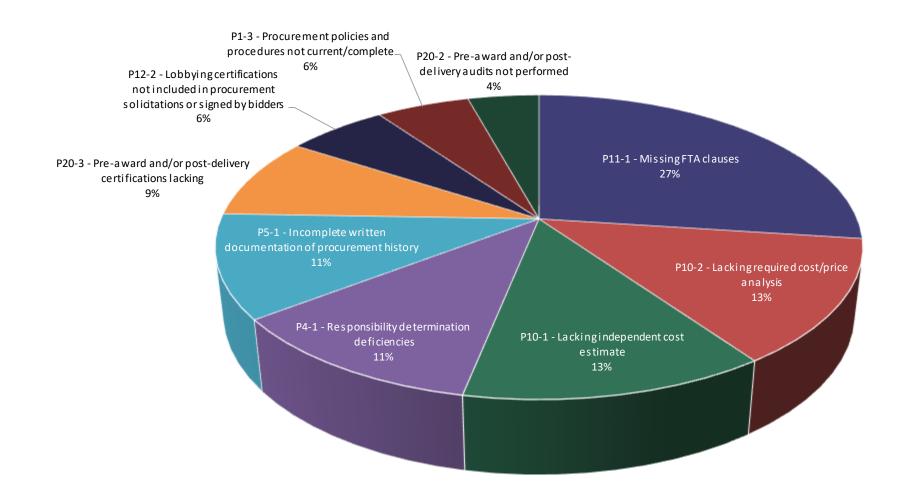








### Top CORTAP Findings in Procurement FY19–FY22



| P11-1: Missing FTA Clauses |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Review Guide Question:     | P11-1: Did the recipient include applicable federal clauses in FTA-funded procurements exceeding the micro-purchase limit and construction contracts over \$2,000?   |
| Indicators of Compliance:  | a. Did the recipient include applicable required clauses in FTA-funded procurements?   |
| Drivers of Deficiency:     | <ul> <li>Recipients are not remaining current with the Master Agreement or 2 CFR 200 (Appendix II)</li> <li>Procurements are not recognized as being 'FTA-funded'         <ul> <li>This has become more complicated with the increase in funding and eligible projects due to COVID-19 supplemental funds and BIL funds</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

# Use a Clause Checklist

- Reference FTA's <u>Contractors Manual</u>
- Review <u>FTA's Master Agreement</u> when issued each year

#### Identify FTAfunded Procurements

- Develop methods for identifying procurements across all departments
- Coordinate with those conducting procurements to develop methods for identifying procurements



| P10-1: Lacking Independent Cost Estimate |   |
|--|---|
| Review Guide<br>Question:                | P10-1: Does the recipient develop independent cost estimates (ICE) and conduct cost and/or price analysis as described in its policies and procedures and for each procurement action above the Federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold? |
| Indicators of Compliance:                | a. Did the recipient develop an ICE prior to the receipt of bids and proposals for procurements above the Federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold?   |
| Drivers of Deficiency:                   | <ul> <li>Procurements are not recognized as FTA-funded</li> <li>ICE is not documented</li> <li>ICE is not dated or dated after receipt of bids/proposals</li> </ul>   |

#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

Establish a
Process for
Identifying FTAfunded projects

- Include development of an ICE as part of the procedure for authorizing a procurement
- Develop a standardized form for the ICE that identifies completion date, completion by whom and basis of completion

| P10-2: Lacking Required Cost/Price Analysis |  |
|---|--|
| Review Guide<br>Question:                   | P10-2: Does the recipient develop independent cost estimates and conduct cost and/or price analysis as described in its policies and procedures and for each procurement action above the Federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold?  |
| Indicators of Compliance:                   | b. Did the recipient conduct a cost analysis or price analysis for every procurement action above the Federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold?  |
| Drivers of Deficiency:                      | <ul> <li>Recipients do not conduct a cost or price analysis when applicable</li> <li>Often occurs with one type of procurement or buyer, and/or where procurement is a decentralized function</li> <li>Recipients conduct a cost or price analysis but do not document it</li> </ul> |

#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

# Monitor Completion of Cost or Price Analysis

 Develop and include a checklist for completion of cost or price analysis

Develop a
Standardized
Form for Cost or
Price Analysis

- Utilize FTA's <u>Best Practices Procurement Manual</u> for guidance, sample forms and checklists
- Utilize FTA's <u>Pricing Guide for FTA Grantees</u> for additional guidance

| P5-1: Incomplete Written Documentation of Procurement History |   |
|---|---|
| Review Guide<br>Question:                                     | P5-1: Does the recipient maintain records sufficient to detail the history of each procurement as described in its policies and procedures and in compliance with 2 CFR Part 200? |
| Indicators of Compliance:                                     | a. Do procurement files reviewed include required historical information?   |
| Drivers of Deficiency:  | Recipient procurement staff do not understand the requirement for the four minimum items to have in FTA-funded procurement files  |

#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

Ensure all Required
Procurement Files
are Submitted

Develop a checklist for rationale for:

- the method of procurement,
- selection of contract type,
- reason for contractor selection/rejection, and
- basis for contract price

| P4-1: Responsibility determination deficiencies |   |
|---|---|
| Review Guide Question:                          | P4-1: Does the recipient make awards only to responsible contractors as described in its policies and procedures and in compliance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5325(j) and 2 CFR 200.318(k)?   |
| Indicators of Compliance:                       | a. Do procurement files contain documentation that the recipient made<br>written responsibility determinations prior to award, considering all<br>required information?   |
| Drivers of Deficiency:                          | <ul> <li>Lack of consistency and/or documentation when determining contractor's responsibility prior to award in areas of</li> <li>Integrity</li> <li>Compliance with public policy</li> <li>Past performance</li> <li>Financial and technical resources</li> </ul> |



#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

Ensure all Required

Procurement Files

are Submitted

- Use a standardized format to determine if the contractor has the:
  - Appropriate financial and technical resources
  - Record of satisfactory performance
  - Record of integrity (such as not being debarred or suspended)
  - Compliance with public policy issues (such as items certified to)

# **Check Your Knowledge #2**

# What can recipients do to minimize deficiencies in the procurement area?

#### Please select all that apply

- a. Use a clause checklist that is updated to align with FTA's Master Agreement
- b. Develop a standardized form (1) for ICE (identifying completion date, completion by whom, and basis of completion) and (2) one for cost or price analysis
- c. Develop a checklist to ensure files contain four minimum items for procurement rationale
- d. Use a standardized format for making contractor responsibility determination
- e. All of the above



# **Knowledge Check #2 - Answer**

- a. Use a clause checklist that is updated to align with FTA's Master Agreement
- b. Develop a standardized form (1) for ICE (identifying completion date, completion by whom, and basis of completion) and (2) one for cost or price analysis
- c. Develop a checklist to ensure files contain four minimum items for procurement rationale
- d. Use a standardized format for making contractor responsibility determination
- e. All of the above



# Procurement's Impact on Other FTA Compliance Areas



# **Compliance Areas With Procurement Intersections**

## DBE

- Timely and Accurate
   Semi-Annual Reports
- TVM Reporting

# Monitoring and Oversight

Subrecipient oversight

# **Spotlight on DBE Reporting**

### Reporting

- Timely and Accurate Semi-Annual Reports (49 CFR 26.11 and Appendix B)
- TVM Reporting (49 CFR 26.49)

## DBE5-1: DBE Uniform Reports Contain Inaccuracies and/or are Missing Required Information

| Review Guide<br>Question: | DBE5-1: Are the semi-annual Uniform Reports of DBE Awards or Commitments and Payments completed accurately?   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Indicators of Compliance: | a. Does a review of FTA information and selected FTA-funded procurements indicate that the recipient is completing the reports accurately?  |
| Drivers of Deficiency:    | <ul> <li>Lack of understanding on how the form should be completed</li> <li>DBE office completes reports without the input of procurement and/or finance</li> <li>Subrecipient activity is not accurately incorporated</li> </ul> |

## **DBE Reporting Form**

|    | Awards/Commitments this Reporting Period   |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
|----|--|--|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|
|    | , , ,  |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
|    |  | Α  | В            | С                          | D                         | E   | F                                     | G  | Н   | I                                      |
| A  | AWARDS/COMMITMENTS MADE DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD (total contracts and subcontracts committed during this reporting period) | Total Dollars                                      | Total Number | Total to DBEs<br>(dollars) | Total to DBEs<br>(number) | Total to DBEs<br>/Race Conscious<br>(dollars) | Total to DBEs/Race Conscious (number) | Total to<br>DBEs/Race<br>Neutral (dollars) | Total to<br>DBEs/Race<br>Neutral (number) | Percentage of total<br>dollars to DBEs |
| 8  | Prime contracts awarded this period  |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
| 9  | Subcontracts awarded/committed this period   |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
| 10 | TOTAL  |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
|    |  |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
|    | BREAKDOWN BY ETHNICITY & Contracts Awarded to DBEs this Period   |  |              |                            |                           |   |                                       |  |   |  |
| В  | GENDER   | A  | В            | С                          | D                         | E   | F                                     |  |   |  |
|    |  | Total to DBE (dollar amount) Total to DBE (number) |              |                            |                           | r)  |                                       |  |   |  |
|    |  | Women  | Men          | Total                      | Women                     | Men   | Total                                 |  |   |  |

| BREAKDOWN BY ETHNICITY & Contracts Awarded to DBEs this Period |                              |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|-------|-----|-------|
| В  | GENDER                       | A                            | В   | С                     | D     | Е   | F     |
|  |                              | Total to DBE (dollar amount) |     | Total to DBE (number) |       |     |       |
|  |                              | Women                        | Men | Total                 | Women | Men | Total |
| 11   | Black American               |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 12   | Hispanic American            |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 13   | Native American              |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 14   | Asian-Pacific American       |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 15   | Subcontinent Asian Americans |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 16   | Non-Minority                 |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |
| 17   | TOTAL                        |                              |     |                       |       |     |       |

#### Payments Made this Period

|   |  | Α               | В                  | С               | D                           | Е                              | F               |
|---|--|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Г | PAYMENTS ON ONGOING                              | Total Number of | Total Dollars Paid | Total Number of | Total Payments to DBE firms | Total Number of DBE firms Paid | Percent to DBEs |
| Т | C CONTRACTS                                      | Contracts       |                    | Contracts with  |                             |                                |                 |
| L | (report activity of ongoing contracts)           |                 |                    | DBEs            |                             |                                |                 |
|   | 18 Prime and sub contracts currently in progress |                 |                    |                 |                             |                                |                 |

|    |   | A                             | В  | С  | D                                 |                 |
|----|---|-------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| D  | TOTAL PAYMENTS ON CONTRACTS COMPLETED THIS REPORTING PERIOD | Number of Contracts Completed | Total Dollar Value of Contracts<br>Completed | DBE Participation Needed to Meet<br>Goal (Dollars) | Total DBE Participation (Dollars) | Percent to DBEs |
| 19 | Race Conscious  |                               |  |  |                                   |                 |
| 20 | Race Neutral  |                               |  |  |                                   |                 |
| 21 | Totals  |                               |  |  |                                   |                 |
| 22 | Submitted By:   |                               | 24. Signature:                               |  | 25. Phone<br>Number:              |                 |

What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

## Utilize Training and Additional Resources

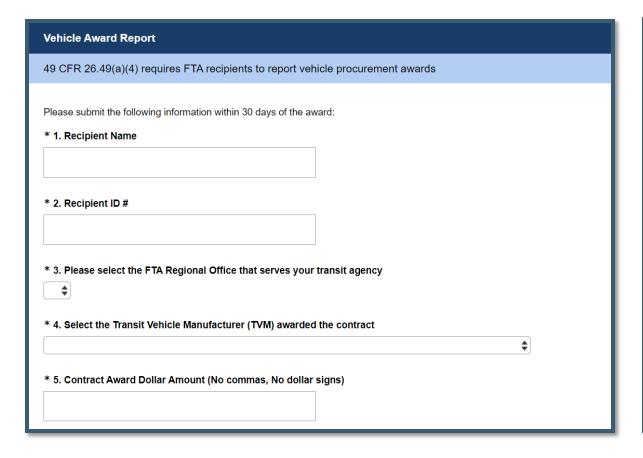
 Leverage <u>FTA</u> and <u>NTI</u> training materials on how to complete and interpret the results of the reports.

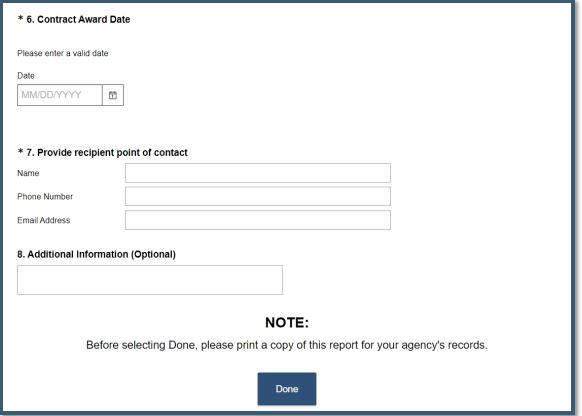
# Communicate with Procurement Office

 Engage with procurement office on completion of Section A of the report, both the form and the provided instructions.

|                           | DBE11-1: Unreported transit vehicle purchases  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Review Guide<br>Question: | DBE11-1: Did the recipient properly report all FTA-funded transit vehicle manufacturer (TVM) awards?   |
| Indicators of Compliance: | a. For FTA-funded transit vehicle purchases or award(s) of options, did the<br>recipient make appropriate, timely notification of the award to FTA's<br>Office of Civil Rights?  |
| Drivers of Deficiency:    | <ul> <li>Lack of understanding on how/when the report should be completed</li> <li>Subrecipient vehicle procurements are not being reported</li> <li>Options are not being reported</li> <li>Documentation of reporting lacking</li> </ul> |

### **TVM Reporting**





https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vehicleawardreportsurvey



#### What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

## Understand the reporting requirement

- 49 CFR 26.49 requires reporting of TVM awards within 30 days of award.
- Options must also be reported when exercised.

## Communicate with Procurement and Subrecipients

- Develop internal procedures/checklists with procurement for reporting base awards and options.
- Determine best method to ensure reporting of subrecipient TVM procurements.

## **Check Your Knowledge #3**

## What can recipients do to minimize deficiencies in the DBE area?

#### Please select all that apply:

- a. Leverage FTA and NTI training materials on how to complete and interpret the results of the semi-annual Uniform Reports of DBE Awards or Commitments and Payments
- b. Engage with procurement office on completion of Section A of the report
- c. Develop internal procedures/checklists with procurement for reporting base awards and options
- d. Determine best method to ensure reporting of subrecipient TVM procurements
- e. All of the above



## **Knowledge Check #3 - Answer**

- a. Leverage FTA and NTI training materials on how to complete and interpret the results of the semi-annual Uniform Reports of DBE Awards or Commitments and Payments
- b. Engage with procurement office on completion of Section A of the report
- c. Develop internal procedures/checklists with procurement for reporting base awards and options
- d. Determine best method to ensure reporting of subrecipient TVM procurements
- e. All of the above

# Technical Capacity – Program Management and Subrecipient Oversight

### TC-PgM7-1: Inadequate oversight of subrecipients

Review Guide Question:

TC-PgM7-1: Does the recipient's oversight program ensure subrecipient compliance with Federal requirements and performance goals, and provide for evaluation of subrecipient risk of noncompliance with those requirements?

**Indicators of Compliance:** 

- a. What is the recipient's process for monitoring subrecipients?
- e. What actions has the recipient taken to address identified compliance issues or risk with subrecipients?

# Technical Capacity – Program Management and Subrecipient Oversight

### TC-PgM7-1: Inadequate oversight of subrecipients

## **Drivers of Deficiency:**

- Recipients have subrecipients
- Recipients have oversight deficiencies in several areas of the review
  - Procurement could be one of them
- Procurement oversight procedures have been developed but not implemented
- Complications exist when subrecipients are also direct FTA recipients

# Technical Capacity – Program Management and Subrecipient Oversight

What can recipients do to prevent this deficiency?

Develop a
Comprehensive,
Standardized
Approach

- Include oversight procedures for items reviewed by FTA in Question P-21 of the Contractors Manual
- When regulations change, review and revise oversight guides

Monitor all Oversight Activities

- Document oversight activities and corrective measures
- Follow up with subrecipients on identified deficiencies



## Check Your Knowledge #4

Should recipients develop oversight procedures that address items reviewed by FTA in Question P-21 of the Contractors Manual?

#### Please select one response

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Maybe

## Knowledge Check #4 - Answer

a. Yes

b. No

c. Maybe

### Questions

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